



How to make the game

Step 1: Mark a large-ish circle on either card or fabric. Bisect it four times to give eight spokes. Put a circle at each point where a spoke meets the circumference. Put a dot in the middle. Cut out the circle.

Step 2: Cut out eight card counters, four in one colour and four in a contrasting colour. Make them roughly the same size as the circles on the board.

Step 3: Now you're ready to play. When you've finished, if you've used a piece of fabric to make your board, you can use string or ribbon to make it into a bag for the counters.

The rules

There are two players, each has four counters of the same colour.

The players alternate at placing a counter on any of the nine spots of the board, attempting to form a row of three of one's own counters diagonally.

The only way to do so is to occupy the central dot, therefore the player who begins will place his first counter there, but he can be forced to abandon the middle spot when he has to move a counter already on the board. Counters can only move one space along an arc or spoke.

Each player attempts to prevent their opponent forming a row of their own. The winner is the first to form a row of three.