

BACKGAMMON

Backgammon is one of the oldest two-person games and has been enjoyed by players around the world for over 5,000 years.

To win at backgammon, you must move all your checkers to your own board and then drop them. Follow these easy steps to learn how to play backgammon.

This game is played on a board containing 24 narrow triangles (also known as dots) of alternating colors and grouped into four quadrants, each containing six triangles. The quadrants are of four types: each player's own board and each player's external board. The central part of the board, which is the intersection of the four quadrants, is divided by a ridge, which is known as a bar.

To play, players must sit across from each other on opposite sides of the board. Each player's board is located in the right quadrant closest to the player. The boards themselves are on opposite sides and the same goes for the outside boards. The latter are found in the left quadrant.

Players must move the pieces in a horseshoe shape and counterclockwise from the opposing player's own board.

On most backgammon boards, the numbering of the triangles ranges from 1 to 24. Point number 24 is the one furthest from the player and point number 1 is the one on the far right of the board. of the player. Players must move their pieces

from opposite sides of the board. So, a player's first point is the opposing player's 24th point, a player's second point is the opposing player's 23rd point, and so on.

To start the game, players must each have their 15 pieces. These consist of two different colors, which are traditionally red and white or black and white, although they can also be other colors. Each player arranges the board by placing two pieces on point number 24, three on point number 8, five on point number 13 and five more on point number 6.

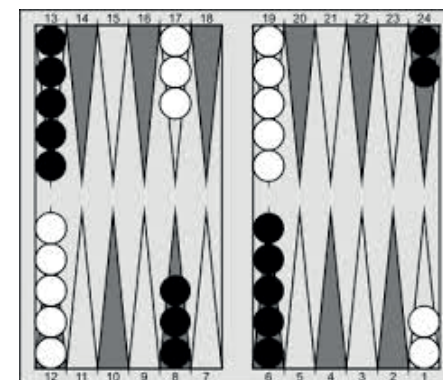
Don't forget that the numbering system is different for each player and, therefore, the pieces will not overlap.

Whoever gets the highest number on the dice will play first. If both players get the same number, they must roll it again. The numbers each player rolls will count as the first move of the player who rolls the highest number.

Although in backgammon the winner does not get points, the loser does lose them. Therefore, if you win, your opponent will lose based on the face value, double value, or triple value of the bets on the doubling die. The latter is not a dice but a marker. Although it starts with the number 1, it is possible to increase the bets at any time when your turn begins before you have rolled the dice.

If you want to raise the bets and the other player agrees, the new number is shown on the doubling die and placed on your opponent's board, who will have ownership of the die and may propose doubling the bet at any time. . . of their shifts in the future.

If the other player does not accept the offer, he must abandon the game and lose according to the original bets. It is possible to continue doubling each other's bets (doubling down), although it is not traditional to do so more than three or four times during a match.



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