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Anyone can play it. Anyone can win it. It's just a matter of skill.

Anybody above the age of 3 can try his hand at Carrom. And boy! Some of the girls are really terrific. It doesn't matter whether you're young or old, or what you're doing in life. In fact in India we even have Carrom boards in offices. Where ererybody from the Managers to errand boys spend their lunch-hour playing this game.

And of cource, at home, it's even more fun. Especially on day's when it's raining out doors or you're badly snowbound. And slowly but surely Carrom will get to be your favourite game. And remain that way right until you reach the age of 80. Perhaps, even after.







And here's how you go about it



it's a square board. 8 mm thick and each side of 29 inches, with pockets in all 4 corners. And an extremly smooth surface. On which you will play with a striker and 19 coins. Now all you need is a table to put the board on, chairs, and 2 or 4 players. Plus a lot of Carrom powder to keep the coin sliding smoothly.





Pick your partners.



Singles or doubles are the two ways in which you can play this game.

If you're playing singles, you need just two players. They'll sit at opposite ends opposing each other.

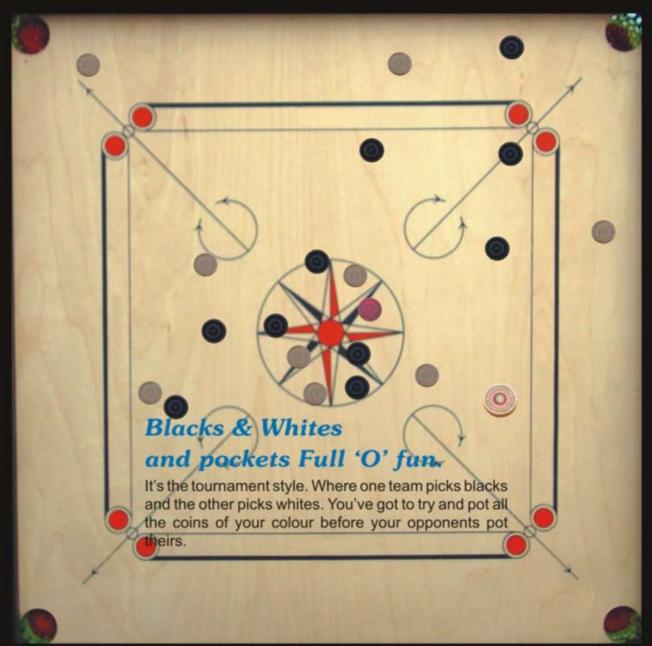
Whereas in doubles, there are 4 players. It's the partners who sit opposite each other.





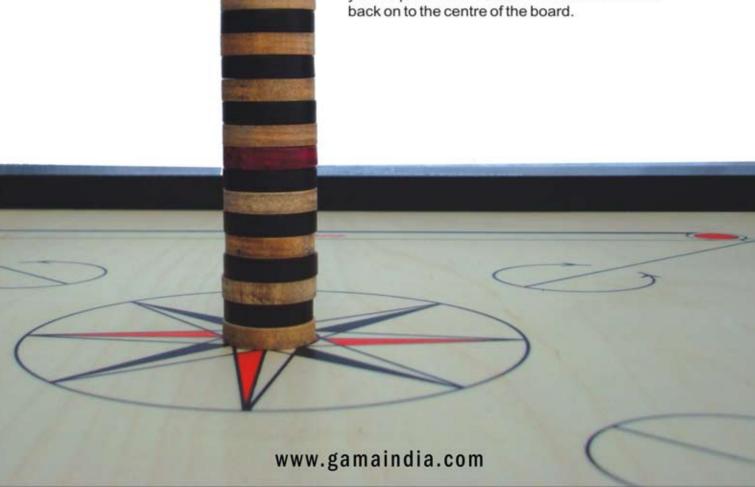








In this game, you're free to pot coins of any colour you wish. With blacks at 10 and whites at 20, players normally aim for the bigger fish. The Queen is worth 50 points. But it needs a cover i.e.you have to pot another coin after you've potted the Queen — or else it comes back on to the centre of the board.





And more...

There's a lot more to this fascinating game of Carrom, than you can ever imagine. It helps you sharpen your instincts, and improve your aim. It's great entertainment. And in India it has also become a full fledged sport. But best of all, it keeps the family happily together for hours.





Happy playing....

