

Pachisi is a cross and circle board game that originated in ancient India. It is a two, three, or four player game in which the players are arranged into two teams. One team has yellow and black pieces and other team has red and green pieces. The objective of the game is to move all of the team's pieces to the finish line first.



The game board is cross shaped with square in the middle called the charkoni. Pieces start in the charkoni and travel around the columns of the cross until they reach the charkoni again, at which point the game is won. Dice are thrown to see which team will start first and pieces can only be moved if a certain number is thrown.

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A version of Pachisi is referenced in the *Mahabharata* and it was also played by the Mughal emperor Akbar on the grand scale, using servants as the pieces. It was also adapted by many different cultures, Ludo being an example of the British adaptation Pachisi.

