

Vânt

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The game is played on a 9x9 board. Each player has 26 pieces and 1 Leader:



initial setup

The goal of the game is to get a piece or Leader to the opposite side of the board.

Rules

Black moves first. His pieces move one space in any direction, including diagonally.

- Black pieces can leap over other pieces of either color, capturing enemy pieces this way. (You may chain jumps)
- White pieces move and capture exactly like Chess Knights.

Both Leaders move like their respective pieces.

- When you capture an enemy Leader, if yours is not on the board, it can return to the board on its starting position. If there is any piece there blocking that square, the blocking piece gets removed.
- When you capture, you may remove one additional enemy piece anywhere on the board. You cannot remove the opponent Leader this way.

There are two main board sizes:

- 7x7 with 2 rows of pieces per player (the Leader is placed on the center square of each player's first rank).
- 9x9 with 3 rows of pieces per player (the Leader is placed on the center square of each player's second rank).

Vânt means "Wind" in Romanian. I named it this as the pieces jumping over one another remind me of wind blowing through leaves (or other things).