

# SETUP

Up to 4 players



## THE BOARD

To play a JACK RABBITS match you must first complete a board; build a wonderland from scratch, to be charted and explored.

The lands you connect and spread house the royals from each throne.

If you're ready, read ahead—

**CREATE A BOARD** of your own.

Or consider this instead, build the sample as is shown.



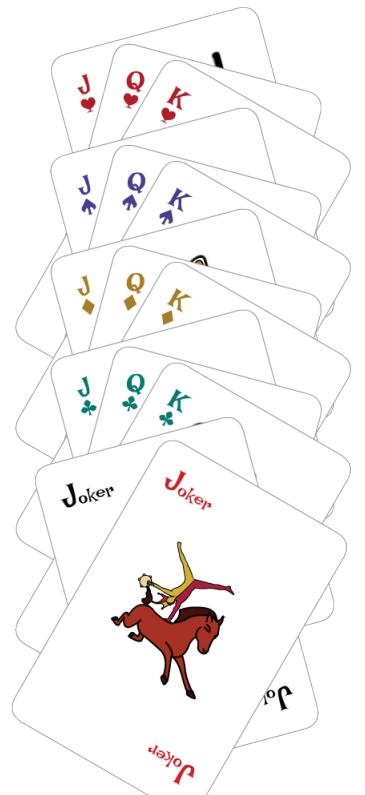
## THE CARDS

Remove each face card and joker after placing the last tile.

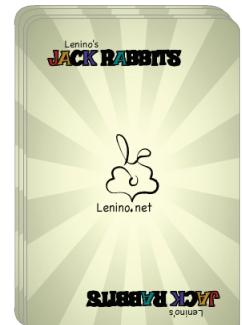
Display them in any order—line up this **court** in an aisle. Shuffle the rest as in poker—make a facedown drawing pile—which holds pip cards of a number and aces of fancier style.

Each player will draw three cards to hold as the starting hands.

They are needed afterwards for THE JOURNEY through the lands and to pay for the rewards THE ACQUISITION demands.



Court of royal cards and jokers, and pile of aces and numbers.



## CREATE A BOARD

Place the **citadel** hex first. Leave aside the **underground**. Pile and shuffle all the rest, every single tile face down.

Deal by tile shape (equal shares)—there are twelve of every kind—as you hand each player theirs, the division will be fine.

To place them, first choose a style between a strict or free pace.

**Strict:** take turns placing one tile—the one you flip, you must place.

**Free:** no turns, it's all freestyle—flip all the tiles on their face.

These four tips will be worthwhile as guidelines in either case:



The black tile with caves is odd; you will not have to connect it.



## GREETINGS

Hear ye, glorious messengers, An auspicious quest is in order. The Order of Messenger Rabbits of the Citadel orders a race to produce royals to be ordained as the council of thirds. This is the highest order a rabbit of this order can get:

Visit the royals, procure three of their cards, and bring them to the citadel, in that order:

When I say "that order," I'm not referring to another Order of Messenger Rabbits elsewhere, nor the order that motivates this letter, but the order in which these shall take place in order to restore order to the realm.

So, hoppy hop in orderly fashion! There's no time to waste.

The White Herald

## OVERVIEW

Go through the realm turn by turn making stops on royal land. Win the game when you return with three royal cards in hand.

In this race you must excel to be the champ of the land.

Before the royal quest starts, choose a challenge for the mission; look for the circular marks that set the winning condition.

**SIMPLE:** (none) get three royals of any sort

**DIVERSE:** get three royals of different suits

**MONARCHY<sup>+</sup>:** get a K, a Q and a J of any suit

**DIVERSE MONARCHY<sup>+</sup>:** get a K, a Q and a J of three different suits

**TRIBAL:** get three royals of the same suit

## OPTIONAL: PATRIARCHY VALUES

Have unequal value levels

→ if you don't think that is whack—from fourteen down to eleven, for THE ACE, King, Queen & Jack.

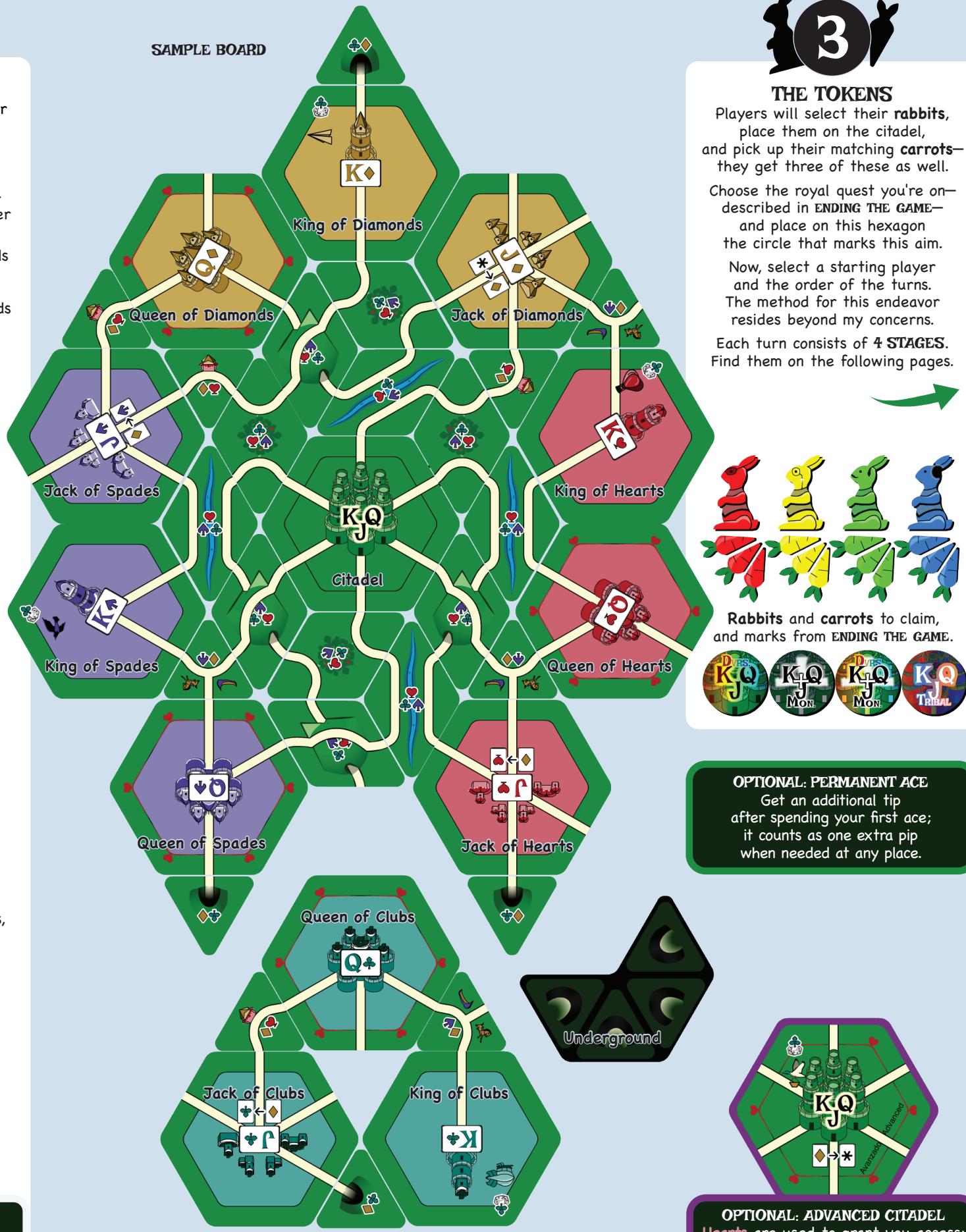
## ENDING THE GAME

Return to the citadel with three royal cards in hand.

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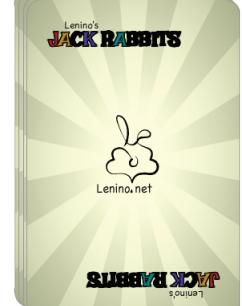
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## SAMPLE BOARD



## OPTIONAL: TIGHT SUITS

Have as many suits as players, and one of each road tiles too. For instance, with two contenders, the game will only use two.



## THE TOKENS

Players will select their **rabbits**, place them on the citadel, and pick up their matching **carrots**—they get three of these as well.

Choose the royal quest you're on—described in ENDING THE GAME—and place on this hexagon the circle that marks this aim.

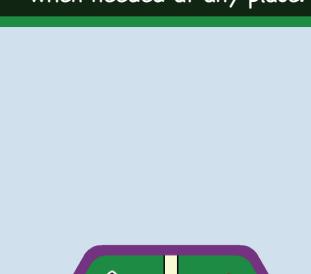
Now, select a starting player and the order of the turns. The method for this endeavor resides beyond my concerns.

Each turn consists of 4 STAGES. Find them on the following pages.



## OPTIONAL: PERMANENT ACE

Get an additional tip after spending your first ace; it counts as one extra pip when needed at any place.



## OPTIONAL: ADVANCED CITADEL

Hearts are used to grant you access; Diamonds buy you any loot; Clubs will get you flying passes, but here there's no saving suit.



See SETUP and then this frame to complete a **BASIC GAME**. Try this first 'till you can claim to be fit for the **FULL GAME**.

## 4 STAGES IN A TURN

### STAGE 1

#### THE ROLL

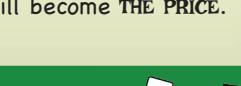
Begin by rolling two dice and watch the digits unfold. You'll draw **one** card as a prize right after the dice are rolled, if you prove one of them ties to a number card you hold.



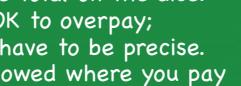
If you're ever holding ten, discard down to nine again.

**THE FIRST ACE** you show in hand is worth eleven, not one.

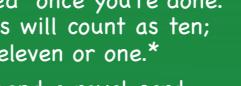
Hold the outcome of the dice; their sum will become **THE PRICE**.



**THE PRICE** Off-road posts along the way charge the total on the dice. It's OK to overpay; you don't have to be precise. The suits allowed where you pay may be combined for the price.



**THE PAYMENT** Show and leave out what you spend; it's "discarded" once you're done. Royal cards will count as ten; aces, eleven or one.\*



If you spend a royal card, take your carrot off their tile. And, in this case, don't discard; it goes back to the court's aisle.

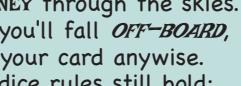


\***THE FIRST ACE** Your first ace is worth eleven—the others you get are ones. As a record that you spent it, keep it in front of your hands.



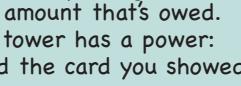
**OFF-ROAD MERCHANTS** The **mountains**, **rivers**, and **woods**, have roads not too far apart.

If you go off-road afoot, you may switch between two paths. To do this, pay with your suits, either **spades**, **clubs**, and/or **hearts**.



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### STAGE 2

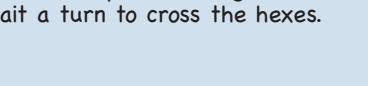
#### THE JOURNEY

Move to another hex spot if it's closer to your goal. Or choose to simply rest up; you don't have to move at all.



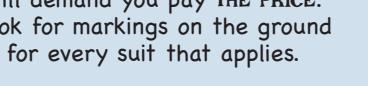
**TRAVEL FREELY BY ROAD** From the current hex you're on, you may choose a path to exit.

Move your rabbit as a pawn along the road you've selected, and stop at a hexagon:



**PAY TO TRAVEL OFF-ROAD** It is of no cost to you to use the continuous paths. Even on **mountains**, go through an "under" or "over" pass.

Other ways to get around will demand you pay **THE PRICE**. Look for markings on the ground for every suit that applies.



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**OFF-ROAD JOKERS** You may buy a joker's card at **taverns** where they reside; and you keep them in your hand until you decide to ride.



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**THE INCREMENT** is assured, but you'll leave after a round.

### STAGE 3

#### THE ACQUISITION

You may buy the royal card of the hex where you've set foot, if you're holding in your hand ten or more points of their suit.

If a carrot's on their land, then forget this whole pursuit.



**PUT YOUR CARROT ON THEIR LAND** Once **THE PAYMENT** has been waged; keep the royal card in hand and play **THE INCREMENT** stage.

You may visit residences without cost or consequences.

### STAGE 4

#### THE INCREMENT

Your turn ends on a hex tile, as long as you're not **OFF-BOARD**. Get a new card from the pile if your rabbit's on the board.

If you find no cards, refile: shuffle the spent lot once more.

If you're ever holding ten, discard down to nine again.



**OFF-ROAD RABBIT HOLES** Pay to travel **cave** to **cave**—use this trick to hop around.

But if you would rather save, take your rabbit **underground**. In this case, the payment's waived—hop on out in the next round.



**END THE JOURNEY OFF-BOARD** If you're stuck, hop overboard: from a tile by the seaside.

You must exit by a road that leads all the way outside. Since you'll end up off the board, **THE INCREMENT** is denied.



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In a **FULL GAME** you'll include these unique traits for each suit:

### CLUBS

Clubs