

Rubik's Race – Game Instruction

Title: Rubik's Race

Category: Indoor, Kids / Family

Players: 2 Players

Time Required: 10–20 Minutes

Description

Rubik's Race is a fast-paced, head-to-head puzzle game where two players compete to match a random 3×3 color pattern in the center of their 5×5 grid by sliding tiles into place. It's a race against your opponent—and your own speed and strategy!

Materials Needed

- Rubik's Race board (foldable with two sliding grids)
 - 24 colored tiles per player
 - 1 shaker containing 9 colored cubes
 - Timer (optional)
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How to Play

1. Setup:

- Each player sits opposite the board with a 5×5 sliding tile grid.
- Place 24 tiles randomly around each grid (leaving the center 3×3 space open).
- Shake the 3×3 cube shaker to reveal the target pattern.

2. Objective:

- Players must rearrange their tiles by sliding (not lifting) them to replicate the exact 3×3 pattern shown in the shaker in the center of their grid.

3. Winning:

- The first player to complete the 3×3 pattern and close their frame wins the round.
 - You can play best of 3, 5, or 10 rounds.
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Tips & Variations

- **Think ahead: look for paths to slide multiple tiles efficiently.**
- **Don't panic—sometimes going slower and thinking helps more than rushing.**
- **For beginners: allow lifting and placing tiles.**
- **For a solo version: time yourself and try to beat your best record.**
- **Create custom challenges by pre-setting patterns.**