

# **TERRATAIN**

#### INTRODUCTION

An abstract strategy game of unit placement and scoring for 2+ players.

#### THE BOARD

The board is a grid of 9 squares known as territories.

These territories are numbered 1-9.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

Each territory is further divided into a grid of 9 squares known as plots.

The plots in each territory are also numbered 1-9.

The map consists of  $(9 \times 9)$  81 plots.

### COUNTERS

Cardboard counters are also referred to as chits.

Each player needs a set of counters of a unique color.

There are 70 counters in each set.

There are 7 types of counters in each set.

Each set includes 10 of each type of counter.

Counter Types:

- 1. Temple
- 2. Castle
- 3. Town
- 4. Farm
- 5. Mine
- 6. Palace
- 7. Armies

The first six types of counters are called structures.

Army chits are not structures.

Temples represent religious influence.

Castles represent military resources.

Towns represent economic resources.

Farms represent agricultural resources.

Mines represent mineral resources.

Palaces represent political influence.

Armies represent use of military force.

### CETTID

Each player gets a set of counters.

Players keep their counter sets in separate opaque cups.

These are called draw cups.

Determine turn order by a flip of a coin.

## TURN SEOUENCE

Players take turns.

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Each turn has 4 phases:
1. Draw Phase
2. War Phase
3. Build Phase
4. End Phase
DRAW PHASE
Draw 2 random chits from your cup of chits.
These chits go into your reserve pile.
Reserve pile chits are played face up in front of you.
If your cup is empty place your discard pile into it.
WAR PHASE
You may discard one army chit from your reserve pile.
Discard an enemy structure from any one plot.
Each player has a discard pile to put his discarded chits.
BUILD PHASE
Place one of your structure chits in an empty plot.
You cannot place your castles next to enemy castles.
You cannot place your temples next to enemy temples.
You cannot place your palaces next to enemy palaces.
END PHASE
Discard chits from your reserve pile to keep it at a maximum of 4 chits.
THE END OF THE GAME
The game ends when all plots are occupied.
VICTORY
The player with the highest total score is the winner.
SCORING
At the end of the game players determine their scores.
Points are accumulated from a variety of scoring combinations.
Add up all points to get your total score.
You control a territory if you have the most structures in it.
"In a row" can mean orthogonal or diagonal.
Points Scoring Combo
       Having 5 structures in a territory
5
6
       Having 6 structures in a territory
7
       Having 7 structures in a territory
8
       Having 8 structures in a territory
9
      Having 9 structures in a territory
      Control of the center territory
9
      Control 3 territories in a row
      Control of a square of 4 territories
      Control of the 4 corner territories
3
      Have the most Temples on the board
3
      Have the most Farms on the board
3
      Have the most Castles on the board
3
      Have the most Towns on the board
      Have the most Mines on the board
3
3
       Have the most Palaces on the board
       Having 3 structures in a row (6 if of the same type)
3
       Having 4 structures in a row (8 if of the same type)
4
       Having 5 structures in a row (10 if of the same type)
5
       Having 6 structures in a row (12 if of the same type)
6
7
       Having 7 structures in a row (14 if of the same type)
8
       Having 8 structures in a row (16 if of the same type)
9
       Having 9 structures in a row (18 if of the same type)
6
       Having one of each of the 6 types of structures in a territory
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## VARIANTS

Mountains: Have some plots contain mountains.

Mines must be placed on or next to mountain plots.

Rivers: Have some plots contain rivers. Farms must be placed on or next to river plots.

GAME DESIGNERS NOTES Advanced color wars.

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