



# BEEKEEPER

A BUZZWORTHY CARD GAME FOR FAMILIES

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2-4 PLAYERS • AGES 6+ • AVG. GAME 10 MIN.

## WINNING THE GAME

The winner is the first person to have 2 successful beehives with one queen in each (see Example 1 below).



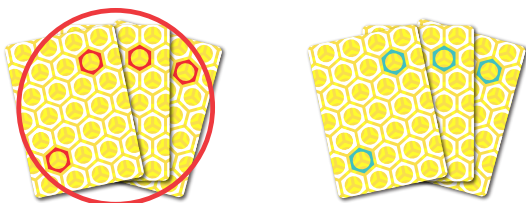
### Example 1

This is an example of a winning hand. The player has successfully completed two beehives with numbers 1 to 8 in each. The queens can be placed anywhere in these hives as wild cards. *You cannot win the game unless each beehive has one queen. You cannot have more than one queen in each hive.*

## IMPORTANT

Your Beekeeper game has 2 decks of cards included.

- 2 Player game – Only use the card deck with the red marks on the back.

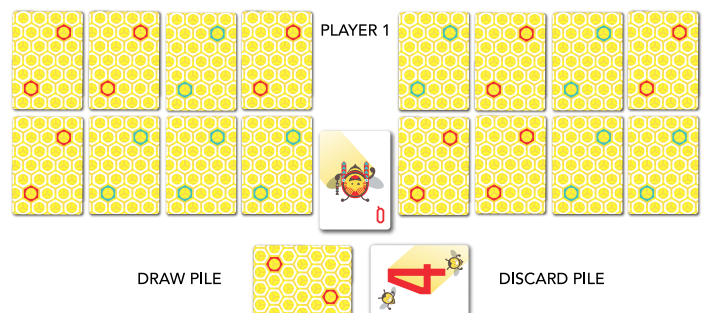


- 3 or 4 Player game – Shuffle both card decks together.



## SET UP (SEE EXAMPLE 2 BELOW)

1. Each player takes one queen out of the deck and places it face up on the table in front of them.
2. Shuffle the deck of cards. Each player draws 16 cards face down from the deck. Each player makes two piles of 8 cards face down (4 cards along the top and 4 cards along the bottom). These are your two hives.
3. Place the remaining deck of cards in the center of the table; this is the draw pile. Take the top card from the draw pile and place it face up to form the discard pile.



### Example 2

This is an example of the game set up before either player has had a turn. Each player has two beehives in front of them and a queen to start the game with.

Each beehive will be made up of 8 cards, starting with the number 1 position in the top left to the number 8 position in the bottom right (1 through 4 are in the top row and 5 through 8 are in the bottom row).

## ON YOUR TURN

1. On your first turn you always get started with your queen. Take your queen and choose any card location in one of the two hives. Replace the face down card with the queen face up. Look at the card that was replaced and put it in the corresponding numbered location in the hive (again, the locations are left to right, 1 through 4 and 5 through 8). See Example 3 on reverse side...



### Example 3

Look at the value of the card in your hand and replace it with a face down card in the corresponding position (a queen is wild and can be placed anywhere).

- Continue replacing face down cards with each new card in your hand until you can no longer play any more cards.
- If the overturned card is a queen, move it over to the other hive and start working on both hives at the same time! **You cannot place number cards into your other hive until a queen is present!** Once a queen is placed into a hive, she cannot be moved out. However, the queen is a wild card and can be moved around the hive.
- When a player draws a card they can't play (a number they've already played or a third queen) they discard it onto the discard pile. Their turn is over.
- On all subsequent turns, you begin by drawing a card from the draw pile OR the discard pile.

If you run out of cards to draw, simply shuffle the discard pile and create a new draw pile. Play continues.

The winner is the first person to complete two hives (see Example 5 below). Each hive must have a queen in one of the 8 locations and the rest of the numbers in order, all turned face up.



### Example 5

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Mean Queen

Curly Q



Queen of Hearts

Queen Viv



Queen Mum

Kid Queen



Warrior Queen

Queen Brighteye



Sun Goddess



- Seven species of bees were added to the endangered species list on October 31, 2016.
- The queen bee lives long enough to get 3 to 4 birthday cakes.
- Queens, workers, and drones are the three types of bees that live in a hive.
- Those little honeybees are fast for their size: they fly at fifteen miles per hour.
- Honeybees don't like to travel too far from home. They usually stay within 3 miles of their hive.
- Have you ever wondered what makes that buzzing sound from a bee? It's their wings flapping at 11,400 times per minute! WOW!
- No bedtimes for honeybees: they NEVER sleep.
- Honeybees are the kings of pollination in the insect world: they pollinate up to 80% of all fruits, vegetables and nuts in the U.S.
- Producing food for humans is a big job for a little insect. In fact, honeybees are the only insect to produce human food.

We know they sometimes sting, but we need bees!



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