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How to play Rats to Riches

Introduction

So what's the big idea?

Well... You're a pack of filthy, scheming rats. You're racing to collect \$100, working your way to a better class of sewer. You do this by investing in assets, sabotaging other rats and building your sewer empire!

It all looks messy, doesn't it? Don't worry, we'll walk you through it... you'll be a stinking rat in no time!

Objective

The objective of every player in this game is to be the first to collect \$100 swindle. Once this happens, that player wins, and the game ends.



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Building The Sewer

Cheese

There are 3 types of Cheese: Green, Blue and Red. Place the Cheese holders on the positioning board in the space marked The Cheese Bank. Each rat then takes 3 pieces of any Cheese.

Cash

The currency of The Sewer is the \$windle with the symbol \$. There are 1, 5 and 10 \$windle notes, which collectively are called The \$lush Fund. Each rat takes five \$1 notes.

Cards

Separate the different cards by looking at their backs. First, give one Flush Card face-up to each rat. Put any spares in a discard pile on the board, called The Cesspit. That leaves Scrappy Sewer and Supreme Sewer Cards. Shuffle each deck separately, then place

Core Rules

This is a rat race! The first rat to get \$100 wins the game. Since you're reading the rules, you get to start first! In a clockwise direction, each rat takes their turn following these steps:

Step 1: Collect Income.

Income is the sum of all values in this white ring. Take that value in \$windles (\$) from The \$lush Fund. The Flush Card gives you a base Income of \$2, with Green Cards increasing this value.



Step 2: Buy and/or Use Cards.

- **Buying Cards:** You may only buy Open Sewer Cards. To do so, pay the cost of that Card to The \$lush Fund, then keep the Card face-up in front of you. The cost of each Card is in the bottom-right corner. When a Card is bought from The Open Sewer, immediately replace it with the top Card of The Rat Pack. You may buy newly-replaced Open Sewer Cards on the same turn as well.

- **Use Cards:** Red Cards, Blue Cards, Grey Cards, Bonus Bonanza and your Flush Card can be used. To use a Card, carry out its effect, then place it in The Cesspit. You may use Cards on the same turn you bought them or save them for future use.



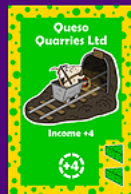
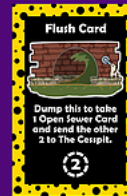
Step 3: Buy Cheese.

You end your turn by buying up to 3 pieces of Cheese, of any colour. Each piece of Cheese costs \$1, paid to The \$lush Fund.

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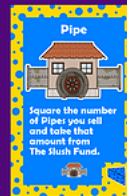
Types of Cards

Flush Cards are starter cards; each rat begins the game with one. It gives you a base Income of \$2 per turn. You may dump the card to Flush The Sewer. This lets you take one Open Sewer Card and sends the rest to The Cesspit. After doing so, however, you no longer enjoy the \$2 Income the card gives, so use it wisely.



Green Cards affect Income. Most Green Cards increase your Income, while the Bonus Bonanza Card is an active card that lets you collect your Income an additional time on the same turn. Green Cards are bought with Green Cheese.

Blue Cards are Pipes! When you sell them, square the number of pipes sold, then take that amount in \$ from The Slush Fund. For example, if you sold 5 Pipes, you collect \$25 from The Slush Fund. Sold Pipes go to The Cesspit. Blue Cards are bought with Blue Cheese.



Red Cards are Opportunities. They are one-off actions and are sent to The Cesspit after use. Red Cards are bought with Red Cheese.



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