Once the day is over, the children return home, exhausted after a long but exciting day. The families gather around impressive campfires to celebrate and share the tales of their day, while every inhabitant of Carcassonne savors the delicacies of the region.

The elders then take great pleasure in telling tales of knights, princesses, dragons and fairies, to the wide-eyed kids. Once the tales are over, the children dream of such lands and adventures before finally falling asleep.

And at long last, the animals return to their calm stables and pens.

Of course, the return of these animals is to the delight of all, especially the kids of Carcassonne, who take great care of their animals...

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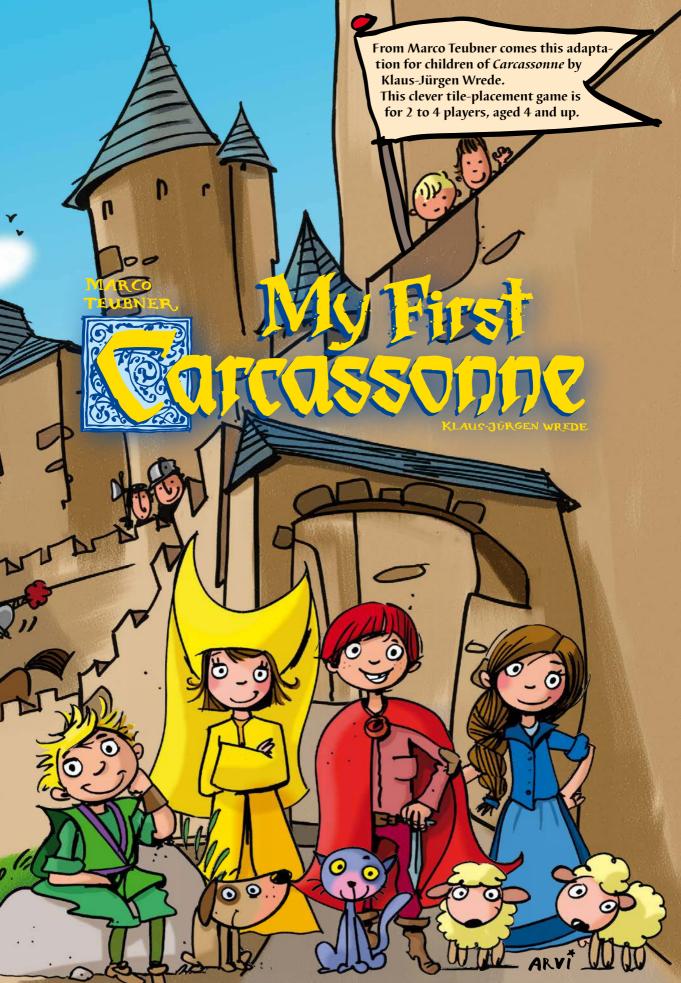
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Lach year, the inhabitants of Carcassonne celebrate their national holiday. As is the tradition in Carcassonne, the people celebrate by setting loose sheep, hens and cows in the street. From dawn till dusk, the kids of Carcassonne have the time of their life trying to bring these animals back.



These rules, 36 tiles, 32 pawns (8 per color)











To prepare the game...

Take all the tiles, shuffle them face down, and then create many piles with these tiles. Place the piles around the table, so that each player has at least one pile within reach. Make sure there is enough room in the middle of the table, because this is where you will build the city with the tiles. Each player takes the 8 pawns of the color of their choice. If you are not playing with 4 players, return the unused pawns to the box. Flip one tile face up and put it in the middle of the table. This is the starting tile for the game. You will start placing tiles around it.

How to win the game

3 During the game, you will build Carcassonne by placing tiles. The first among you to be able to place all of their pawns on the tiles wins the game.

How to play the game

Starting with the youngest player, you will play one after the other in clockwise order. Continue playing in this order until the end of the game.



Playing your turn

On your turn, reveal the first tile from the top of the pile of your choice. Then, place this tile next to any other tile that is already placed on the table. The new tile that you place must connect to at least one side of the tiles that are on the table. The tile cannot only touch the corner of a placed tile.



When can I place a pawn on a tile?

The kids of Carcassonne are illustrated on the tiles. There are kids in each of the four pawn colors. Whenever you close a road by placing a tile, players place theirs pawns on each kid matching their color that is illustrated on that road.



A closed road means that both of its ends are closed off by a house, a pond, etc. A road that loops onto itself is also considered closed.

When playing with fewer than 4 players, the kids of those colors that are not in play are not taken into consideration during the game.

When does the game end?

The game ends when a player is able to place their last pawn on the tiles. That player is the winner!

In some rare cases, the tiles will have all been placed before a player is able to place all of their pawns on the tiles. In such cases, the game ends when the last tile is placed, and whoever has placed the most pawns is the winner. In case of a tie, there are many winners.



