



BOULES



What You Need:

- 8 metal balls (boules) - 4 of each pattern
- 1 small wooden ball (jack or cochonnet)
- Measuring device (optional)
- Outdoor playing area (gravel, sand, or dirt)

How to Play:

1. Choose a playing area and draw a starting circle.
2. Players take turns throwing the jack 6-10 meters away.
3. Players alternate throwing boules, trying to get closer to the jack.
4. Each player throws all their boules.
5. Points scored by having boules closer to the jack than opponent's closest boule.

How to Win:

1. Score points by having boules closer to the jack.
2. Game played to 13 points.
3. Must win by 2 points (e.g., 13-11, not 13-12).
4. Winning team scores difference between points (e.g., 13-11 = 2 points).

Scoring:

- Each boule closer to the jack than opponent's closest: 1 point
- If tied, no points awarded

Additional Rules:

- Foul: Boule or jack out of bounds or moved: opponent scores
- Dead boule: Removed from play if damaged or out of bounds
- Measuring: Used to determine closest boule

Variations:

- Singles or doubles
- Team play (3-4 players)
- Time limit

Key Terms:

- "Pointing": Throwing boules to get closer to the jack
- "Shooting": Knocking opponent's boule out of play