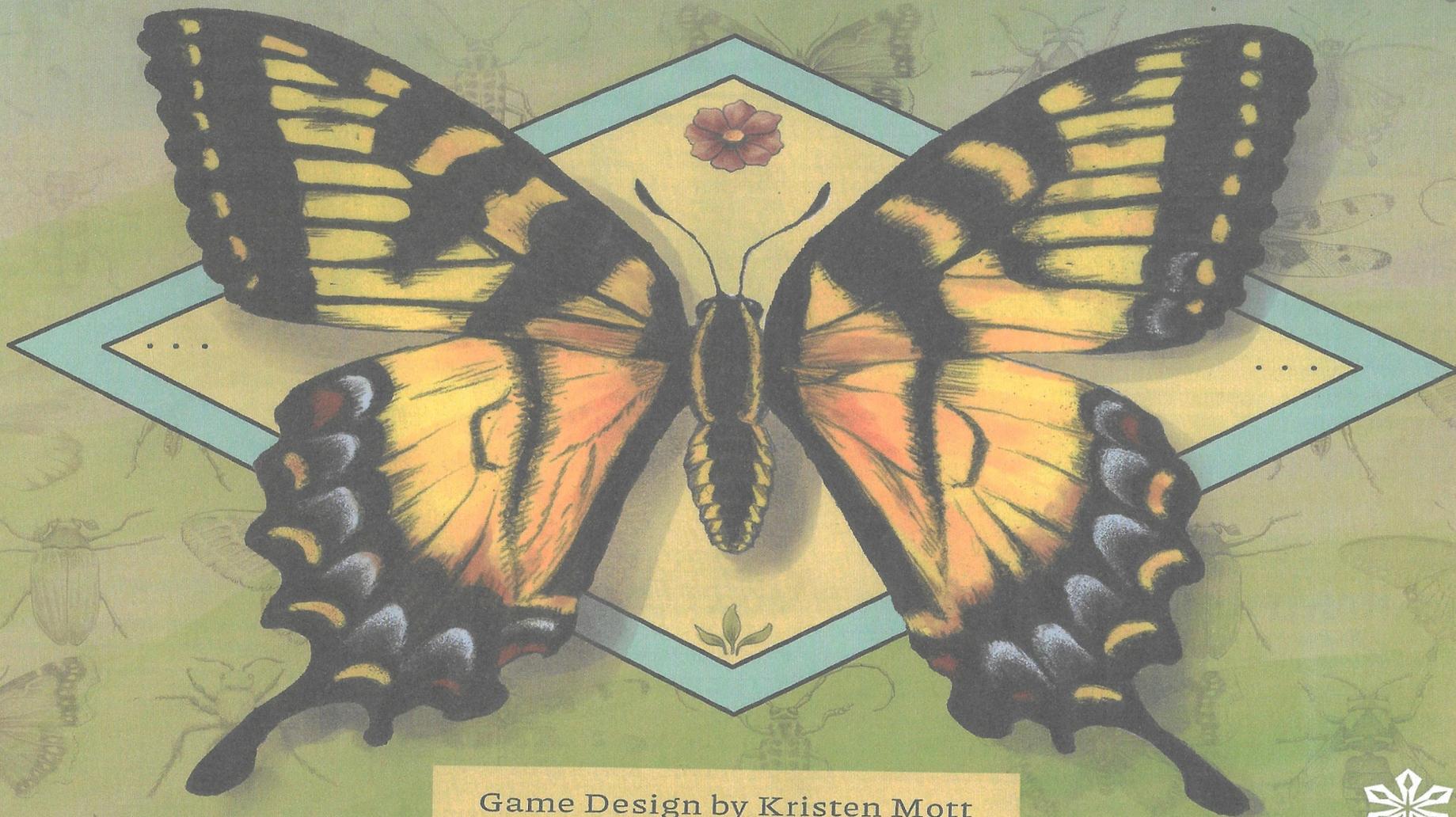


INSECTARIUM



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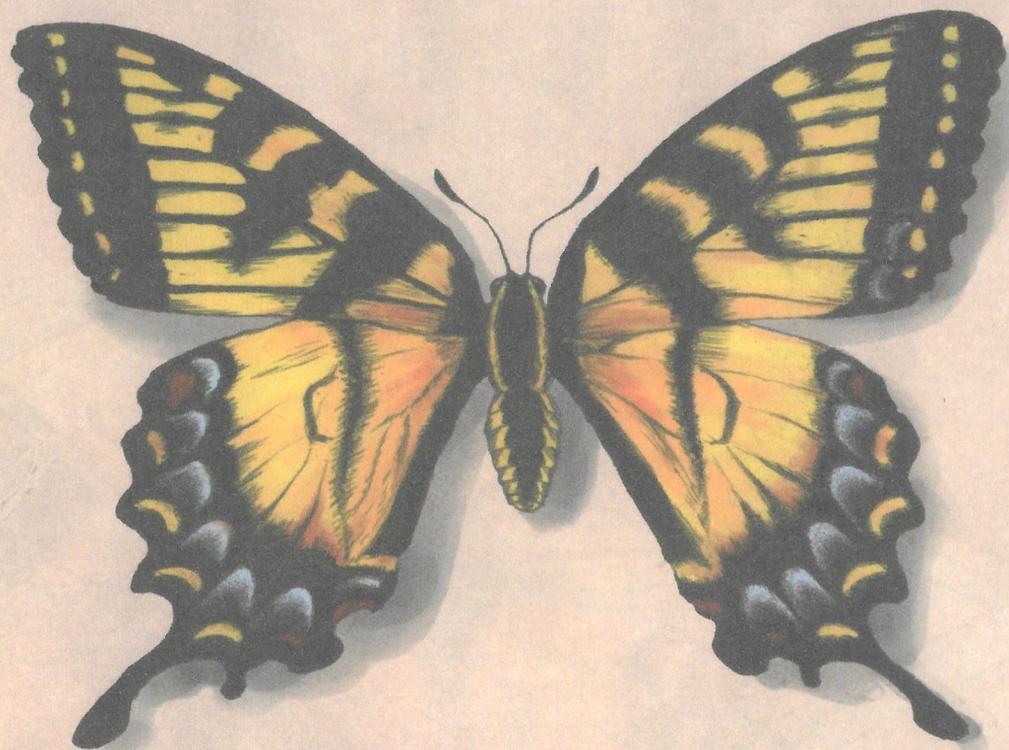
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Objective

Welcome to the Insectarium, a museum of insects! You are tasked with creating a board of insect specimens for display in the Insectarium's main hall. You must use your gear, gather insect specimens, and collect tools to precisely arrange and pin your specimens in your display.

During the game, each player will take exactly nine turns to choose specimens and gear, and pin insects to their display board. At the end of the game each row and column of specimens will be scored based on insect type and color categories.

Components

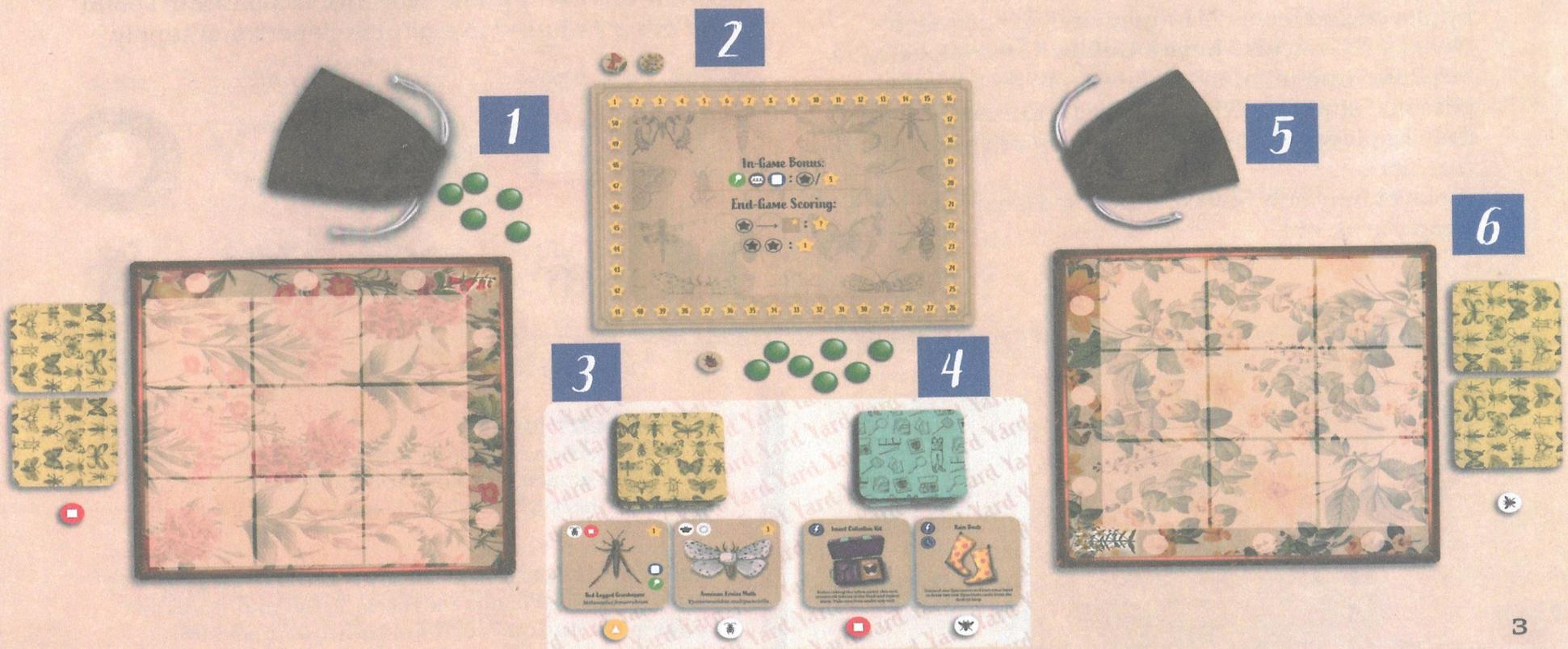
- 2 Bags
- 1 Score Track
- 1 First Player Marker (ladybug)
- 4 Score Markers (red, yellow, green, blue)
- 4 Display Boards (red, yellow, green, blue)
- 27 Gear Cards
- 30 Glass Bonus Markers
- 50 Type Tokens
- 55 Specimen Cards

Setup

- 1) Place the **Score Track**, **First Player Marker**, and **Glass Bonus Markers** within reach of all players.
- 2) Each player takes a **Display Board** and places their matching **Score Marker** next to the Score Track.

- 3) Steps 3 through 5 create the **Yard**. Shuffle the **Specimen deck** and place it face down below the Score Track. Reveal the top two cards and place them face up below the deck.
- 4) Shuffle the **Gear deck** and place it face down to the right of the Specimen deck. Reveal the top two cards and place them face up below the deck.
- 5) Place all **50 Type tokens** in the **bag**. Shake the bag and draw four tokens, placing one below each of the four face-up cards.
- 6) Each player takes two Specimen cards from the deck to form their starting hand. Each player blindly draws one token from the bag and adds it to their personal supply.

Now players are ready to collect insect specimens and create their displays for the Insectarium!



Game Play

The youngest player receives the ladybug **First Player Marker** and goes first. Then play proceeds clockwise. Each player will take exactly nine turns filling their Display Board with Specimen cards and tokens.

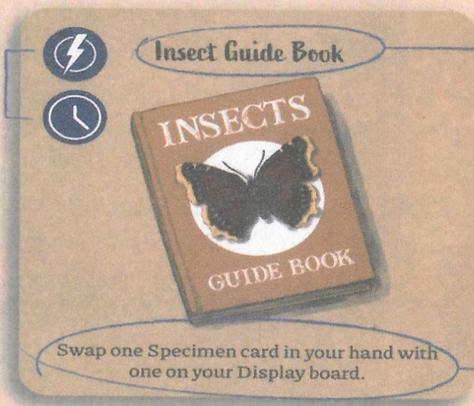
On each turn, a player will:

- 1) Take a Specimen or Gear card and its token from the Yard
- 2) Pin a Specimen card from their hand onto their Display Board

1) Take a Specimen or Gear Card

- On their turn, each player must take a card from the Yard and the Type token below it.
- **Specimen cards** go directly into the player's hand.
- **Gear cards** are either played immediately for their ability or saved for a future turn.
- Gear cards with **only an Immediate icon** (bolt) must be played and resolved immediately when taken.
- Gear cards that **also have a Delayed icon** (clock) may be played immediately *or* placed into the player's personal supply and played on a future turn. It may then be played on any future turn *before* the regular turn actions.
- A player may only have one Delayed Gear card in their supply at a time.

Immediate &
Delayed
Icons

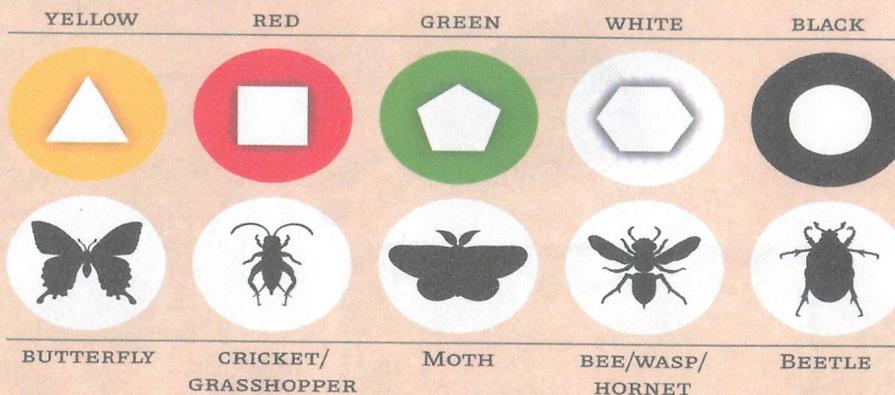


Gear Item

Action

Tokens

- There are 25 Color Type tokens and 25 Insect Type tokens (5 of each type). These match the types and colors found on each Specimen card.
- **Tokens** may be placed on one of the six circles of the player's Display Board at any point during the game *or* kept in the player's supply. They may be moved, spent, or removed as needed for Gear card abilities. They may also be spent to refresh the Yard (see *Important Note* below.) Placed Specimen cards cannot be moved (except with certain Gear abilities). Tokens may be moved at any time, but must be placed on a player's Display Board before final scoring for rows and columns of Specimen cards to score.
- Players will score the Point Value of each Specimen card that matches the token of that card's row and column at the end of the game.
- Any row or column that does not have a token will not score any points.
- At the end of the game, players will also score 1 point for every 2 unused tokens in their personal supply.



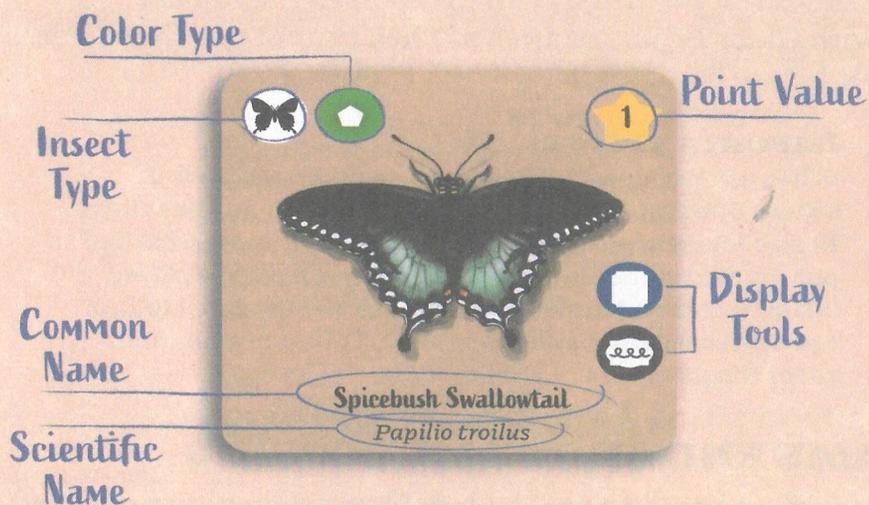
IMPORTANT NOTE

A player may choose to blindly draw a Specimen or Gear card from the top of their respective decks and blindly draw one token from the bag instead of taking a face-up card and its respective token.

A player may also choose to spend a token from their personal supply to refresh *all* cards and tokens in the Yard. Cards and tokens in the Yard may only be refreshed once per turn.

2) Pin a Specimen Card

- Each Specimen card is classified in two scoring categories—its **Color Type** and **Insect Type**. Each Specimen card has a **Point Value** for final scoring. Some Specimen cards also have **Display Tool Icons** (Pin, Label, and Mat Backing).
- After taking a Specimen or Gear card and token from the Yard, the player must place a Specimen card from their hand onto any open space on their Display Board. Once a Specimen card is placed on a Display Board, it cannot be moved except by a Gear card ability.



TURN END

All removed cards and tokens are replenished after a player completes their turn.

If tokens were removed from a player's supply or the tokens from the Yard were refreshed during the turn, those removed tokens remain out of the bag until after the Yard has been replenished for the next player's turn.

IMPORTANT NOTE

If a player has less than two Specimen cards in their hand at the end of their turn, they must draw from the Specimen deck back up to a hand of two cards. There is no maximum hand size.

Players will keep track of turns based on how many Specimen cards are on each player's Display Board. Each player will have exactly nine turns during the game.

DRAGONFLY WILD CARDS

The Insectarium is always excited to have dragonflies on display. These cards act as wild for both their Insect Type and Color Type.



Dragonflies will score one point for both their row and column at the end of the game, unless that row or column does not have a token.

DISPLAY TOOLS

Some Specimen cards with lower Point Values come with Display Tools that will help to complete the Display Board. These tools are: **Pin**, **Label**, and **Mat Backing**.



PIN



LABEL



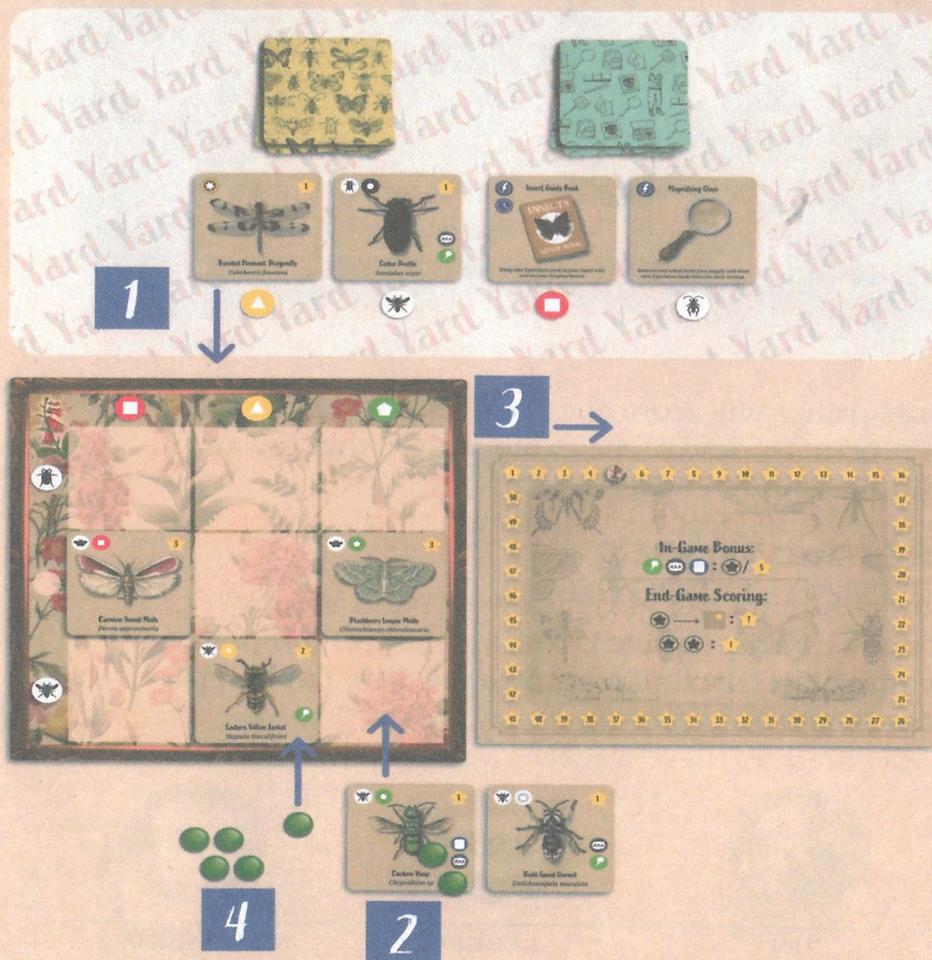
MAT BACKING

If a player gains a full set of Display Tools (one Pin, one Label, and one Mat Backing) anywhere on their board, they may place a Glass Bonus Marker on each of the Display Tool icons and immediately take an in-game bonus action.

For their bonus action, they may either:

- 1) Take a token of their choice from the bag OR
- 2) Gain five points on the Score Track.

Once a card's Display Tool has been used for a bonus, it cannot be used again for a future Display Tool bonus. A **Glass Piece** must be used to cover each Tool used for the bonus as a reminder.



EXAMPLE FULL TURN

- 1) The red player chooses to take the Banded Pennant Dragonfly wild card and the yellow token under it from the Yard. The Specimen card goes into their hand and they choose to keep the yellow token in their supply.
- 2) They place the Cuckoo Wasp on their Display Board. This gives the player a full set of Display Tools.
- 3) For the Display Tool bonus, they choose to take the immediate 5 points instead of choosing a specific token from the bag. They then move their marker on the Score Track.
- 4) They cover the three Display Tools in the full set with Glass Bonus Markers. They cannot use these Tools for future bonuses.

IMPORTANT NOTE

When a player uses the Gear card Insect Guide Book to swap a Specimen card on their board that already has Glass Bonus Markers on it, remove the Glass Bonus Markers and put the card in the player's hand. That card may be played again from their hand on a future turn and the Display Tool icons on that card may be used as part of creating another set of Display Tools.

GAME END AND FINAL SCORING

The game ends when each player has taken nine turns and their Display Board is full of Specimen cards.

In addition to any points scored for bonuses during the game, each player will score:

- 1) The Point Value for the Specimen cards in each row and column that match the token. Each Specimen card can potentially score twice if it matches both of the token types in its row and column. Each player will move their Score Marker along the track as each row and column are scored.
- 2) One point for every two unused Type tokens left in the player's supply.

The Display Board worth the most points is chosen for display by the Insectarium and that player wins. Their Display Board will be placed in the main hall of the Insectarium. If there is a tie, the player with the most Display Tools (covered or uncovered by Glass Bonus Markers) is the winner.

EXAMPLE END OF GAME SCORING

SPECIMEN CARDS IN COLUMNS

Green Column **4 points**

Black Column **4 points**

Yellow Column **5 points**

SPECIMEN CARDS IN ROWS

Moth Row **2 points**

Butterfly Row **8 points**

Beetle Row **5 points**

UNUSED TYPE TOKENS

2 tokens **1 point**

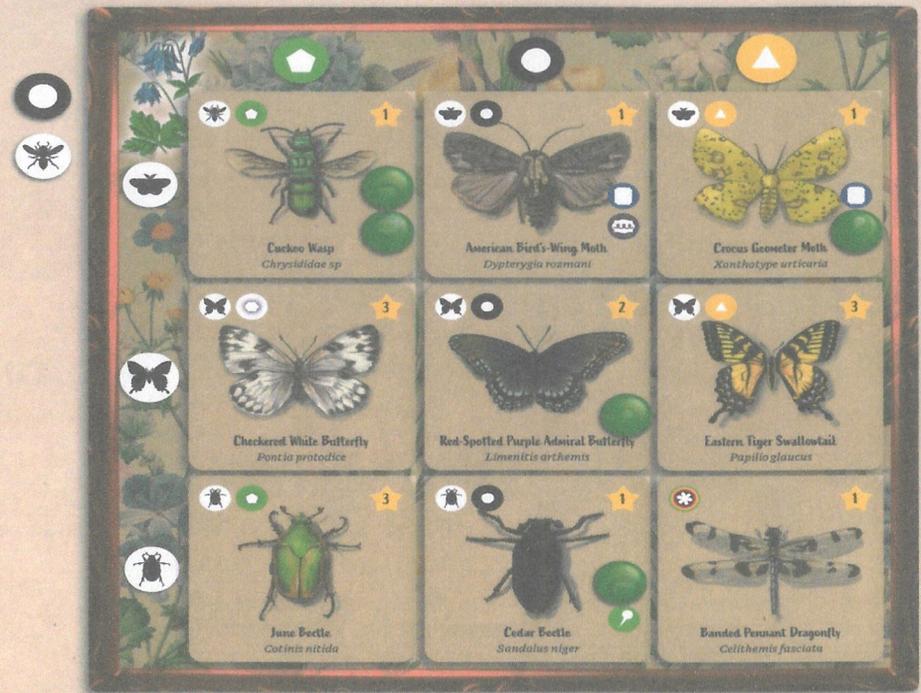
This player had three Display Tool bonuses during the game. They used two to take a token of their choice from the bag and **5 points** from the other.

The 5 points they earned during the game + 28 points for columns and rows + 1 point for unused tokens = **34 total points**.

SOLO RULES

During setup, remove two tokens of each type (20 tokens total) from the bag and leave them in the box.

The Yard and Score Track are set up the same as in a multiplayer game. The player takes a Display Board, two Specimen cards, and a token.



All nine turns are taken in the same way as a multiplayer game, with the ability to refresh the Yard by spending a token. Cards and tokens are only removed or refreshed when the player takes their turn normally, uses a Gear card ability, or pays a token to refresh the Yard.

Cards and tokens are replenished at the end of the player's turn, just as in the multiplayer game.

The solo game is scored in the same way as a multiplayer game. After nine turns, the player's score is compared to this chart:

<25	Try again
26-35	Decent display board, considered for the Insectarium
36-42	Excellent display board, accepted for the Insectarium
43+	Outstanding display board, accepted for the Insectarium and your name is placed on a plaque at the Insectarium!

QUICK RULES OVERVIEW

On Your Turn

- 1) Take a Specimen or Gear card and its token from the Yard

Gear Cards:



IMMEDIATE ACTION



DELAYED ACTION

Specimen Cards: Go to your hand

Tokens: May be placed on your Display Board or kept in personal supply

- 2) Place a Specimen Card on Display Board

In-Game Scoring

Display Tool Bonus

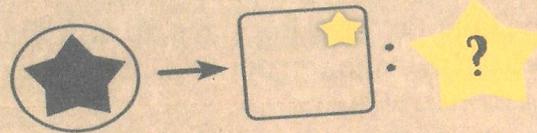
Choose: Gain 5 points *or* any token from the bag



Cover Display tools with Glass Pieces

End-Game Scoring

Score Specimen cards in each row and column matching its token



Score 1 point for every 2 unused tokens in personal supply

