

## FOUR

A game for 2 players by Stephen Tavener

FOUR is a game in which four shapes in four colours are placed in a virtual grid according to four constraints.

## MATERIAL

Each player gets a set of 16 pieces, shown below.


HOW TO PLAY
The game is played in a virtual grid according to the constraints, until one player cannot play. The last player to place a piece wins.

## CONSTRAINTS

- Connected: after the first piece, each piece you play must touch at least one other piece orthogonally.

- Different move: you may not play the same type or colour that your opponent just played.
- Not adjacent: you may not place a piece adjacent to a piece of the same type or colour.


Incorrect. Same shape


Incorrect. Same colour.

- Virtual grid: you may not play so that the playing area exceeds 9 squares in any direction.


## EXAMPLE

Player A (bottom) has just played a small blue square ( $X$ ). Player $B$ (top) loses, as she can't make a legal move.

Player B



## FOR YOUR FIRST GAMES

Play only with the pieces sized 1-3; the playing area may not exceed 7 squares.

