

## Components and Setup

It's close to midnight... one week before the Blue Moon Monster Mixer at Spook Manor. To throw a proper monster mash, you only need one thing—Spook Juice—and you're gonna need an awful lot of it for these party animals. Spook Juice is a powerful spirit distilled from human fear, and the main ingredient in every popular monster drink. The bad news is that you're completely out of it. The good news is that the nearby town, Startleton, is a great place to scare some up. The week-long Spider Jack festival attracts the most terrifying monster lords from across the world. They gather just outside of town to summon Spider Jack, the most terrifying and devious of all monsters. So dust off your Fearmobiles and get your scariest Monsters on Board!

# 4 Double-sided player boards 'Regular game' side 'Family game' side (used in the Family mode, page 8) 1 Main board

8 Spook Juice trackers, 2 in each color: green, red, yell<mark>ow, blue</mark>



72 Arch Monster cards



Components 12 Prophecy cards

Back Front

42 Ghost tokens



24 Minions + plastics stands



78 Lord Dice, 13 in each color



12 Spider Jack dice





4 Fearmobiles, graphically different but each functions the same

4 Malice trackers

30 Solo Cards



**Round Tracker** 



- 1) Place the Main Board in the center of the play area.
- 2) Shuffle all 42 Ghost tokens and make any number of face-down stacks in the middle of the main board.
- 3) Place 1 random face-up Ghost token above each marked spot above the main board (to place 5 in total).
- Each player takes 2 Spook-Juice trackers of their chosen color, and places 1 on each 0-space of each Spook Juice track.
- 5) Shuffle all 12 Prophecy cards together; each player takes one randomly (return the remaining cards to the box). You may look at your card, but keep it hidden to the other players.



6) Shuffle all 72 Arch Monster cards together to form the face-down Arch Monster deck; place it anywhere beside the main board.



- 7) Deal 1 card from the top of Arch Monster deck face up below each marked space below the main board (to place 5 in total).
- 8) Place all Lord dice into the bag.
- 9) Give the first player token to the last person to see a monster (or a monster movie).
- **10)** Place the Round tracker on 1.





## Phases 1, 2, 3 and 4

## 1) Arrival Phase

"All aboard! No sleep til....STARTLETON!"

Each player draws 4 random Lord dice (in any order, from the bag); they roll and place them in their Fearmobile (maintaining the rolled faces).



## 2) Draft Phase

"Is there a draft in here, or is it just me?" - Polter Gus, the Wind Spirit.

a) Each player simultaneously takes 1 Lord die - from the Fearmobile in front of themselves - and places it on an empty **Driveway space** on their player board. If you wish, you may choose to draft dice in turn order for more 'advanced' strategy, but longer playtime.



b) Once each player has taken 1 die, all Fearmobiles are passed to the left (simultaneously). Repeat steps a and b until each player has taken 4 Lord dice. (Each Driveway space functions the same.)

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## 3) Grunt Movement Phase

"The Order of Spider Jack is just across the river, I trust you can make it across the river and won't get los 'Someone always seems to get lost."

Players can perform the steps of this phase and the next phase (Swamp-Jack) simultaneously/ asynchronously. Players only need to wait for each other to catch up at the end of 4) Swamp-Jack Phase.

One at a time (in any order), activate dice in your Driveway by sliding them down onto the adjacent 'foot' icon. (Fully resolve the steps below for each die before you activate another die). Ignore the icons/numbers on

the dice for now.

After sliding a die, do **all** of the following:

- Move each of your Grunts (in any order you choose) - that match the die's color - to the next matching-colored Town space (it may show an Action icon or not). Move **on top** of Ghosts, they do not change how you move. Moving Grunts is mandatory, and if you have multiple of the same color, you must move each of them, but you can do so in any order you choose.
- Perform the Action(s) each Grunt just ended their movement on (those printed on the board or on Ghosts, if any, in any order). You may skip/forfeit any action.

A Grunt cannot share a space with a Minion or another Grunt; so skip each space that already contains a Minion or Grunt.

For example: Activating a pink die will move your pink Grunts(s) to the next pink space(s) that do not have a Minion or Grunt.



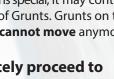
There are 12 Town areas marked from 1-12: Town areas that **show action icons** are called Public areas.

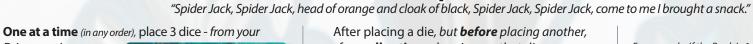
> Town areas with **no actions** 199 are called Neighborhood areas.

The **final area** is special; it may contain any number of Grunts. Grunts on the final space **cannot move** anymore.

## After you move all 4 of your dice, immediately proceed to 4) Swamp-Jack Phase.

You do not need to wait for other players to start performing the steps of the next phase.





After placing a die, but **before** placing another, perform all actions showing on that die (in any order, see Actions on the back of this book). You may skip and forfeit any/ all actions on the die: you cannot save them to perform after you move another die.

4) Swamp-Jack Phase



Place the last remaining (4th) die from your Driveway on the "Gain Malice" spot (see image left), and gain Malice based on the die's Rank (its number), according to the

chart (see example right). Ignore the icons on the die that was used to gain Malice. After gaining the Malice, immediately discard this die to the bag.

This sign reminds you that only 3 dice go into your Order of Spider Jack, and 1 is used to gain Malice



**Gaining Malice** Anytime you gain Malice, advance your Malice tracker ahead by that many spaces. Any Malice gained above 8 is lost!



After all 4 of your Driveway dice have been used, proceed to 5) Spook Phase. (Now you must wait until everyone is caught up to proceed.)



## 5) Spook Phase

"A great party needs Spook Juice, party animals, decorations, desecrations...and I think I'm forgetting...yes! right! Celebrity guests! No harm in inviting them, hopefully."

- In clockwise order, starting with the first player, each player takes turns, one at a time. During your turn, you must choose one of the following options:
- Buy one Arch Monster card
- Buy one Ghost token

If you pass, and it becomes your turn again, you **may buy** something (or pass again).

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## **Buy one Ghost token**

- 1) Choose a Ghost to buy: Lower your Malice tracker by the value shown directly below your chosen Ghost.
- 2) Place the Ghost face up: It must be placed on any matching-colored Grunt space - that does not already contain a Ghost, Minion, or Grunt. Multi-colored Ghosts can be placed on any color Grunt space. When placing a Ghost, you may cover a Grunt space with an Action icon or not.



3) **Refill:** Slide all remaining Ghosts to the right and place a new Ghost in the leftmost spot (*taken from those face down in the middle of the main board*).

### Ghosts do nothing when you place them, except for one:

When you buy a Ghost showing this icon, do **not** place the Ghost on a Grunt path space as normal; instead, place it on an empty matching-icon space (found at the **beginning** of your Grunt track).



After placing the Ghost here, place a new **matching-colored Grunt** on top of the Ghost, from the **supply**. When a Grunt moves from here, it moves directly to area '1' (it doesn't move to one of the starting Grunt spaces).

## **Buy one Arch Monster card**

- 1) Choose an Arch Monster card to buy: Lower your Malice tracker by the value shown directly above your chosen Arch Monster.
- Place the card: Place it face up in front of yourself, visible to all players.
- 3) **Refill:** Slide all remaining cards to the right and place a new Arch Monster in the leftmost spot (taken from the top of the Arch Monster deck).



## Continue to take turns until all players pass consecutively, then:

- If the Round tracker is on 6, proceed to **Final Scoring** (all spots of the Order of Spider Jack should be filled with dice).
- Otherwise, pass the 1st player token to the left, advance the round tracker by 1, and proceed to 1) Arrival Phase of the next round.



## **Final Scoring**

"Ladyghouls and Gentleghosts, let's get this party started!"

Keep the 4 leftmost dice in this

row, because the Spider Jack die is 4.

The final 2 dice in

this row are returned

to the box!

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## Perform the following steps in order:

## 1) First, all players must

remove Lord Dice:

Each player must remove the rightmost dice from **each row** that **exceeds** the Spider Jack die's value in that row.

For example: If you have a row with a Spider Jack die of value of 4, you will **keep** the first 4 dice in that row, then return the 5th and 6th to the box. Dice returned to the game box award you 0 Spook Juice from this point forward (regardless of the source), so just ignore that you ever had them.

## Gain Spook Juice for: 2) Grunts in your final area:



For **each** Grunt in your **final area**, gain 3 Spook Juice for **each** *matching-color* Lord die you have.



For example above: You have 2 blue Grunts, and 4 blue dice: 3x2x4=24 Spook Juice. You have 1 green Grunt and 3 green dice: 1x3x3=9

- 3) Prophecy card: Each Prophecy card can score a maximum of 50 Spook Juice, see page 6.
- 4) Arch Monster cards: See page 11 for their scoring details.

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## The player with the **most**

**Spook Juice** is declared the winner, and the fanciest Monster around! *If there is a tie, the tied player with the most Grunts in their final area wins. If still tied, the tied player with the most Malice wins; and if still tied, lucky you... You all get to party as the winners and play the game again to determine the true player with the most determination!* 



# Solo Rules

## Solo Mode 1 Beat Your Own Scare

In this mode, attempt to score as much Spook Juice as possible.



Shuffle the Spider Jack solo cards together and place the deck face down to the

left of your player board.

- 2) Set up your player board as normal (page 4).
- **3)** Place 1 Fearmobile in front of the Spider Jack deck.

### Gameplay

- Roll 4 random dice from the bag and load them into your Fearmobile (page 5), then do the same to load the Fearmobile in front of the Spider Jack Deck.
- 2) Reveal the top card of the Spider Jack Deck.
- 3) After you draft 1 die (page 5), the AI will draft a die based on the face-up solo card (see Gameplay and Drafting Dice in Solo Mode 2).
- Then, switch the Fearmobiles, and continue until you have drafted 4 dice.

## At the end of each Spook Phase (page 6):

- If you purchased 1 or more Ghosts and/or Arch Monsters in total: discard rightmost 1 Ghost and 1 Archmonster (then refill as normal).
- If you did not purchase any Ghosts or Arch Monsters, discard the rightmost 2 Ghosts **and** 2 Arch monsters (then refill as normal).

### **Final Scoring**

Note your highest score somewhere and initial it. If you beat that score, put a line through it, and add your newest high score.

## Can you throw a better party than Spider Jack himself? It's time to find out!

Solo Mode 2 Versus Spider Jack

In this mode, you will compete against Spider Jack and attempt to outscore him after six rounds of play.

## Difficulty

Included throughout the rules are Difficulty + modifiers. There are a total of 7 Difficulty "+"s that can be added to your experience. Each of these that you decide to incorporate will give Spider Jack more potential to score additional Spook Juice throughout the game. Easy: +0 ... +2; Normal: +3 ... +4 Difficult: +5 ... +6; Monstrous: +7

### Setup Spider Jack's Court area and deck:

- 1) Draw 1 random Lord Die from the bag.
- 2) Locate the 10 Spider Jack cards that show this color of die on their faces (Return the remaining 20 Spider Jack cards to the box).
- **3)** Shuffle these 10 cards together to form the Spider Jack deck.
  - Place it horizontally face-down.
- 4) Take 1 Grunt figure matching the die's color from the supply and place it near Spider Jack's deck.
- 5) Return the drawn Lord die to the bag.
- 5) Place a Fearmobile above the Spider Jack deck, so that the car is pointed away from you.
- Your own Fearmobile should face the same way, towards Spider Jack's Court area.
- Do not change the facing of the Fearmobiles during the game.
- When you pass your Fearmobile to Spider Jack, always park it in this same spot.

Difficulty +1: Add 1 additional Monster of a different color to Spider Jacks Court. Difficulty +2: Add 2 additional Monsters of different colors to Spider Jacks Court. Difficulty +2: Place 2 random Ghost tokens into Spider Jacks Court. Difficulty +3: Place 4 additional random Ghost Tokens to Spider Jacks Court.

### Gameplay

At the beginning of each round, roll 4 Lord dice and randomly place them into the Fearmobile in Spider Jacks Court.

Then, flip the top card of the Spider Jack Deck and place it face-up to the left of the deck, covering the card revealed last round (*if any*).

This card determines which Lord dice Spider Jack will prefer to draft. Use the first symbol (*the furthest left*) for the first selection, the middle symbol for the second selection, the third (*rightmost*) symbol for the third selection, and simply give Spider Jack the remaining 4th die.

### **Drafting Dice**

During the Drafting Phase, Spider Jack will draft 1 Lord die each round, according to these preferences (in order from top to bottom):

- 1) Color matching current selection symbol (*White means no color preference*)
- 2) Rank *highest or lowest* based on current selection symbol
- **3)** Closest to the front of car.
- 4) Closest to the rear of the car.

After making his selection, place the chosen Lord die onto the card, on top of the icon he used to select the die.

• After Spider Jack has selected 4 dice, he will score 3 of them (see Scoring Dice below).

### Optional Special Rule - Summoning Spider Jack

**Difficulty +1:** Spider Jack gains any Spook Juice that you could have scored when summoning Spider Jack, but didn't (*because your Spider Jack die was too low*). Decide before the game begins if you are going to incorporate this rule.

### **Scoring Dice**

- Select a Die: Select the highest-rank Lord die first. If there is a tie, select the Lord die that will score Spider Jack more points during Step 3. Score the Matching Court. If there is still a tie, you may select which Lord die to score.
- 2) Score the Die: Spider Jack gains Spook Juice equal to the Rank of the selected Lord die, then adds the scored Lord die to Spider Jacks Court.

## 3) Score the Matching Court: After scoring a Lord die, after it's added

scoring a Lord die, after it's added it to his Court, Spider Jack will then score his Court. When scoring his Court, he scores Spook Juice for **all** of his Lord dice, Ghost tokens, and Monster figures that match the **newly added** Lord die (*including the new Lord die itself*):

Lord Dice: 1 Spook Juice each Ghost tokens: 2 Spook Juice each Grunt: 3 Spook Juice

### **Spook Phase**

- 1) During the Spook Phase, you always have the opportunity to make the first purchase. Regardless of whether you buy something or not, Spider Jack will then make a single purchase. After Spider Jack makes his purchase, you may then make any number of additional purchases you wish to before moving on.
- 2) Assign the numbers 1-5, one to each spot in a given market row, starting at the right and going left.

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- **3)** Spider Jack will purchase the Ghost token in the position matching the Rank of his un-scored Lord die.
- If the die is Rank 6, Spider Jack will take the Ghost tokens in positions #1 and #5.
- 5) Add the Ghost Token(s) to Spider Jacks Court, then refill as normal.
- 6) Then, discard any Archmonster cards that were in the same position as the select Ghost token(s), and refill as normal.
- **7)** Return the un-scored Lord die to the bag.

**Difficulty +1:** Place the un-scored Lord die into Spider Jacks Court.

**Difficulty +2:** Score the un-scored Lord Die (equal to Rank), then place it into Spider Jacks Court.

## **Final Scoring**

**Difficulty +1:** Spider Jack gains any Spook Juice that you could have scored from your Prophecy Card, but didn't. Decide before the game begins if you are going to incorporate this rule.

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# Prophecy Cards

"Prophecy! Remember the Prophecy! THE PROPHECY! REMEMBER THE PROPHECY!" \*Unintelligible Screaming\*

- Each scoring condition on a card can only be scored **once.**
- Each row/column/die used to score a scoring condition can only be used **once** (For example, you cannot choose the same row to score multiple times for different scoring conditions).
- Cards that score by **row** do **not** have to score the matching-position row on your board. For example: For card 01, you may choose to score your middle row on your board for "Descending Lord dice Rank" (even though that is listed at the top of the card).
- Cards that score by *Column* score the **matching-position column** on your board (*they are not interchangeable like rows are, see card 04*).
- If a color isn't shown, the die can be any color. If a spot requires a specific die color or Rank, it must be in that exact spot of that row/column to gain a.
- Check the scoring requirement and gain a for **each** group/column/row **separately** (*ignore what dice are in adjacent groups/columns/rows*). If you fail to gain a group/column/ row, you can still attempt to score the other groups/columns/rows.





- Ascending/Descending Ranks: Choose **any** one row: If the shown values are in the exact shown spots, gain 20<sup>a</sup>.
- If **any 3 dice** in **any** one row has the **same Rank**, gain 4<sup>a</sup>, if any 4 dice in this same row has the same Rank, gain 6<sup>a</sup>, etc.
- If the **4 leftmost dice** in **any** one row are the same color, gain14<sup>®</sup>.



This card scores differently than the other cards. Check each group: The leftmost 2 columns, the rightmost 2 columns, and the center 2 columns are each a group. If **any one** group meets the requirements, gain **10**<sup>®</sup>. If any two groups each meet the requirements, gain 25<sup>®</sup>, etc. Score based on the **number** of groups that meet the requirements, their position's are irrelevant.



If a column has an exact total added Rank of 10, gain a s shown above that column. These score based on the **matching-position** row on your board (e.g., if the rightmost column on your board adds up to 10, gain 18.).



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Within a column, if the column has no adjacent even-Rank dice (2,4,6) **and** no adjacent odd-Rank dice (1,3,5), gain as shown. Even or odd dice can start at the top of any column. Score by matching-position like card 04.



If all dice in the column match a shown color and/or Rank, gain a shown. Score by matching-position like card 04.



Add up all dice Ranks in each row, then gain the shown a for each if the requirement is met in **any** one row.



Perform the mathematical equations; if the values are accurate, gain the shown
Numbers do not wrap. For example: Die of Rank 2 + Die of Rank 3 = Die of Rank 5.



If all dice in a column are the same color, gain the shown a. Score by matching-position like card 04.



2 colors only: If exactly two colors of dice are in any one row, gain 15<sup>®</sup>. See card 07.



See card 08 for mathematical equations, but score by matching-position like card 04.

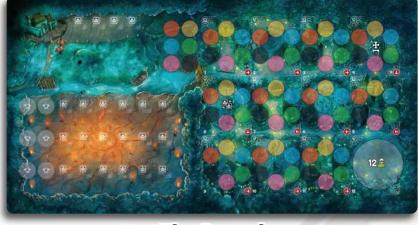


8<sup>®</sup> column: Add up all Ranks in this column: if it equals 10, gain 8<sup>®</sup>. Score by matching-position like card 04.

## Family Mode

## **Setup Changes**

- Minions are not placed onto player boards, they are kept in a nearby supply.
- Ghosts and Arch Monster Cards are not used; return them to the box.
- Use the Family Mode side of the player boards. (You still get a Prophecy card.)



## The Round

At the start of each round, fill each Fearmobiles with 4 dice: Each player draws 4 random Lord dice (*in any order, from the bag*); they roll and place them in their Fearmobile (*maintaining the rolled faces*).

**All players** do the following steps, *in order*: 1) Take and Place 1 Lord die, 2) Move a Grunt, and 3) Pass Fearmobiles.

Each step can be done by each player **at the same time**; but between each step, wait for everyone to catch up!

## 1) Take and Place 1 Lord dice:

 Take any 1 Lord dice from your Fearmobile and place it in any row of your Order of Spider Jack, in the leftmost empty spot (For example: those marked 'a' to the right).

#### 2) Move a Grunt:

• Move your matching-color Grunt forward 1 space for **each** icon (of any type) on this die (the one you just placed).







## you may do the following: Area 4: Promote or Demote a Lord

**Neighborhood Area Spaces** 

Each time a Minion moves on or through any space in area 4 or 8,

Choose **any** 1 Lord dice; **plus** or **minus** its Rank (*number*) by **1**.

Area 8: Swap 2 Lords Swap the position of any 2 Lord dice in your Order of Spider Jack (do not reroll them).





Area 12: Score 12 Spook Juice, then immediately move this Grunt to its

starting position. (If you have movement left over from the die, you can use it to continue moving this Grunt.)

#### 3) Pass Fearmobiles:

• Give the Fearmobile (with all the dice in it) to the player to your right.

#### Repeat steps 1 through 3:

• Repeat until there is **1 dice left** in *each Fearmobile, then each player* discards the remaining 1 die left in each Fearmobile to the bag.

## **End of Round Scoring**

Each player does all of the following steps, at the same time, in this order:

- 1) Choose one row in your Order of Spider Jack.
- 2) Take a Minion (from the supply) and move it to an empty Minion space in that row.
- 3) Gain Spook Juice equal to the Rank total of all dice in the row.



For example: Moving a Minion to this row scores you 12 Spook Juice! Each row has 2 Minion spaces, so each row will be scored twice during the game.

players have any **empty Minion spots**, start a new round. If players have **filled all** of their Minion spots, proceed to **Game End.** 

## Game End

Score Spook Juice for your Prophecy card (as normal, up to 50 Spook Juice each). The player with the **most Spook Juice** is declared the **winner**, and the fanciest Monster around! If there is a tie, the youngest tied player wins!

## Arch Monster Cards

If you have multiple cards that reference the same rows, dice, etc., you can use them to score multiple cards! "If you have" means you can only score it once, regardless if you have multiple instances of it. **"Each"** means you score it for each instance!



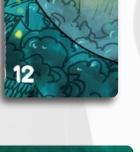
For each pair of adjacent blue and green Lord dice, gain 28. Adjacent pairs work both up and down, and left and right. Here is an example of 3 pairs for 6<sup>8</sup>.





Spooked: Each Town space the Grunt has moved through, including the one they are currently on, counts as being 'Spooked'. If you have multiple Grunts of the required type, add up their total Spooked spaced together! (Gain a equal to the area's number where each required Grunt is.)









Choose any 2 adjacent columns of dice on your board: If the die's Ranks add up to 30 or more, gain 12<sup>a</sup> once.



Gain 3<sup>a</sup> for each Ghost you have in all If you have 2 or more Ghosts in a single Neighborhood, gain 8ª once.



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If you have 3 or more Minions in a single Neighborhood, gain 10🛎 once.



For this single Grunt, gain 58 for each matching-colored die (instead of 3 per die). Other Grunts score 3<sup>a</sup> each as normal.



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If you have 3 or more of the required Lord dice in a single row, gain 10<sup>a</sup> once.

## Swap 2 Lords



Swap the position of **any 2** Lord dice in your Order of Spider Jack (*do not reroll them*).



## **Move Minion**



Move 1 of your Minions (from anywhere) to any Grunt path space that does **not** already contain a Ghost, Minion, or Grunt. If you cover a space showing an Action, do **not** activate it. When Grunts move, they skip over all Minioncontaining spaces.



## **Feed Spider Jack**



+1 to the value of one Spider Jack die. You cannot increase a die beyond 6.

## Promote or

Actions





Plus or minus one of your Lord Dice (anywhere) by 1. You cannot: change the die you just placed (the one allowing you to perform this action); increase a die above Rank '6' or below '1'; or change Spider Jack dice.

## **Move Grunt**



Choose 1 Grunt **color**, and Move **each** of your Grunts of that color once (follow all rules for movement as found on page 4).

## **Gain Spook Juice**



Gain Spook Juice equal to the shown number. (As shown, gain 5 Spook Juice.)

## **Gain Malice**



Advance your Malice tracker by 1 for each Malice icon. *Any Malice gained beyond 8 is lost.* 

**Call Spider Jack** 

Advance any one Summoning tracker (to the right) 1 space.



If moved onto an Action icon, immediately perform that Action.



If moved onto these icons (left), immediately gain Spook Juice on the row of dice **directly above** this Summoning Tracker, by performing Summon

Spider Jack Scoring:

## Summon Spider Jack Scoring

In this row, add up the numbers, on the leftmost number of dice equal to the Spider Jack die's value in the row; gain that much Spook Juice.

For example: The Spider Jack die's value is 3; add up the numbers on the 3 leftmost dice to gain 6 Spook Juice... Juicy!



This icon can only be found on **Ghosts** (page 5).



When you buy a Ghost showing this icon, do **not** place it on a path space as normal; instead, place it on an empty matching-icon space (found at the **beginning** of your Grunt track).



After placing the Ghost here, place a new **matching-colored Grunt** on top of the Ghost, from the **supply**.

## Monsters on Board

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