

Ochos Locos

2-5 players

52 cards

Difficulty: Easy

Duration: Short

Be the first to play all your cards.

SETUP

- Deal 7 cards each.
- Flip one card for the discard.
- Place remaining as draw pile.

SCORING

- Winner scores opponents' remaining cards.
- Eights = 50 points.

Tip: Save eights for critical suit changes.

ON YOUR TURN

- Match suit or rank of top discard.
- Play an 8 on anything and declare new suit.
- Draw one if you cannot play.

Ochos Locos is the Latin American version of Crazy Eights, where players shed cards by matching suit or rank, and eights are wild cards that let you change the active suit.

Objective

Be the first player to get rid of all your cards by matching suit or rank to the discard pile, using wild eights to change the suit.

Setup

1. **Players:** 2 to 5 players.
2. **Deck:** Standard 52-card deck.
3. **Deal:** Deal 7 cards to each player. Place remaining cards as draw pile and flip one for the discard.

Gameplay

1. **Step 1:** Play a card matching the suit or rank of the top discard.
2. **Step 2:** Eights are wild and can be played on anything. Declare the new suit.
3. **Step 3:** If you cannot play, draw one card. If playable, you may play it immediately.

Scoring

- First player out wins and scores opponents' remaining card values.
- Eights are worth 50 penalty points each.

Variations

- **Action cards:** Add skip (Jacks), reverse (Queens), draw two (Twos).
- **Draw until playable:** Must draw until you find a playable card.

Tips and Strategies

- Save eights for when you need to switch to a strong suit.
- Switch to suits where you hold several cards.

Tips & Strategy

Hold eights as emergency suit-changers. Switch to suits where you have the most cards.

Suit control is the main strategic lever. Steer the game toward your strongest suit.