

LONDON CALLING – SQUATOPOLY  
- *an anti-monopoly and a game of life*

"Do you want to move to London, squat a house, go to art school, be a punk, go to parties, hang out with Brazilians, sleep eight to a room in a squat, meet punk icon Nina Hagen and experience the 80's like it was just yesterday? - Play Squatopoly!"

London Calling is about London of the mid 80's when I lived there, went to art school, occupied houses, met Nina Hagen and lived one day at a time.

This is an inverse monopoly, a "squatopoly" based on my own experiences of London in 1986.

The game starts on the Gothenburg – Harwich ferry. Throw the dice to start – lowest goes first. The goal is to squat all eight houses and to have as little money as possible.

You go to art school, end up at the hospital (instead of jail) when land on square with a squat or with Nina Hagen you take a card, which could say "You wake up after a party having slepy on a pool table – miss a turn" or "You need an abortion go to the Family Planning Clinic - £5" or "Squat which house you want an invite your team mates to come there".

When you have squatted all eight houses then you need to use up all your money as fast possible at the pub or in a cafe then you can take the boat back to Sweden for 3£ or more.

The first to lose all their money after having squatted every 8 buildings and who manage to buy a boat ticket home to Sweden is the winner!

On every squat and at various other squares such as The Hospital or The Job Centre are cards. Some cards contain tasks to be completed and others have stories to tell about the life in 80s London.

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## London Calling - Squatopoly.

### The Rules.

A squatters game for two to six players. The goal is to squat all eight addresses on the board, use up all your money and buy a boat ticket home.

Included with the game are:

The Board

Six different figures and one dice.

Money (different bills £1- £10)

Cards

### The different cards:

Squat Cards

Job center Cards

The Bank of England/Kings Road Cards

Hospital Cards

Art School Cards

Nina Hagen and Red Cliff Gardens Cards

### HOW TO PLAY

- All players get £25 to start.

- Throw the dice to decide who go first, lowest starts.

- You can just walk in one direction, clockwise.

- When you come to a square which is Squat address (**Fullham Road, Westbourne Terrace, 362 Old Kent Rd, Concorde House, 144 Piccadilly, Westbourne Terrace, Red Cliff Gardens, Notting Hill Gate**)

Take a card, read and do as asked. You keep the card for the remainder of the game.

- Put out the cards on the table on the squares they belong to.

The black and white cards (Nina and the brick house) do you put in two piles in the middle of the board.

- When you come to the squares for (**Jobcenter/ Hospital/ Art School/ Bank of England Kings Road**) take a card and do as asked.

After put the card at the bottom of the deck.

- If you come to a café or pub (**Old Brompton Road, The Moscow Pub or Café on Portobello**) you may drink or eat as much you want, provided you pay, if nothing else is told.

- When you come to an **Underground station** you may go immediately to an other station free of charge. You will then have three rolls to try to enter the squat you want to reach. After the third roll you have to continue the corresponding number of steps along the board.

- When you come to the square with Nina Hagen and the Black and white brick house take a card and do as asked. After put the card at the bottom of the deck.

- On the **Ambulance** square go directly to the hospital and take a card. You may also come to the Hospital by landing on it.

-On the **Goldhawk Rd** and **Beacon House Hostel** squares you may stay the night at the cost of £3 per night. If you decide to stay over you forfeit one turn.

- You are not allowed to finish the game if you have a debt. If you have to pay for something during the game and you are out of money, keep the card requesting payment until you can pay it back. If it is a squat card turn it upside down and upon payment turn it over again

-When you have squatted all eight addresses you may go home. You have to buy your boat ticket at an underground station or at the square with the boat. The ticket costs at least £3. You may pay as much you want. You must use up all your money before you finish the game/go home. You can do that at the café, pubs, hostels etc. You finish at the square with the boat. If you stand 4 squares before the end of the game you enter even if you get 4,5 or 6 on the dice.

Good luck!