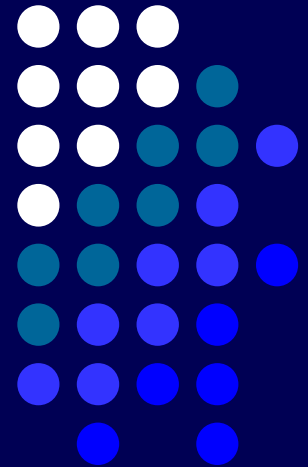
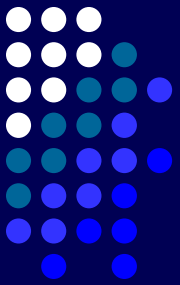


# Peacock

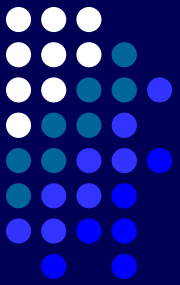
*Pavo cristatus*  
Indian Peafowl





# 'The glory of the God'

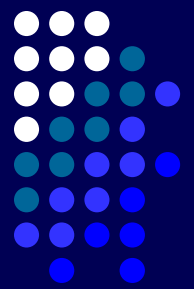
- Peacock, The national bird of India, is also the vehicle of Karthikeya-the God of War, Saraswati-The Goddess of learning and Subrahmanya-The God of Yogic powers.
- In the jungle it is the first bird to sound the alarm at the approach of a Tiger or a Leopard.
- Male green peafowl (*Pavo Muticus*) can be crossed with peahen to produce a hybrid called 'Spalding'.
- A male Peacock is one of the largest flying birds. Peafowl can live up to 20 years and are omnivores.
- They have been kept as pets for thousands of years.



- The magnificent train feathers of a Peacock can fan out and are used during courtship rituals. Where the size & color influence the female in choosing its mate. Peacocks can mate with more than one peahen in one breeding season.









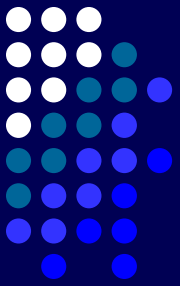








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