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As **Magic** senior designer Mark Rosewater has often [discussed](#) on [Mmm, pie](#). MagicTheGathering.com, the color wheel, also known as the color pie, keeps the five colors in balance while adding spice to the game.

But R&D's thinking about the color wheel was not always so. For example, check out these rather blatant violations (by today's standards), all from 1994's *The Dark*:

Blue discard?



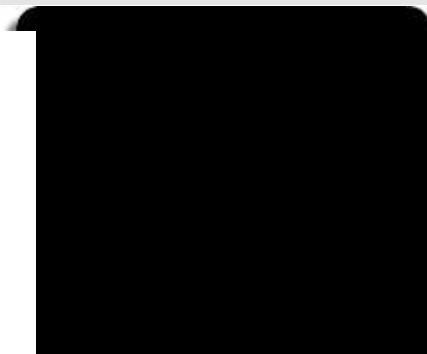
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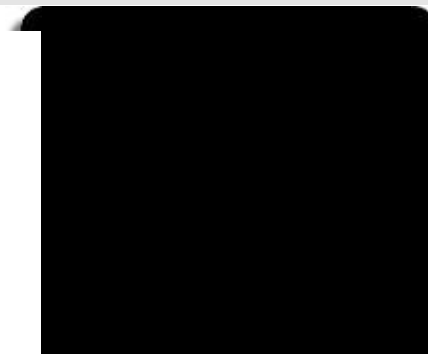


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Green direct damage?



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White direct damage *and* white bounce?!



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