

Around 21 things to know about **BLACKJACK**



Your odds, the rules, and more.

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THE BASICS

The goal of blackjack is to create a hand with a higher total than the dealer's, without going over 21. You'll be dealt cards until you choose to stand—to end your turn.

LET'S PLAY

- 1** Place your bet.
- 2** The dealer deals you two cards face up, and takes one card, also face up. If your two cards total 21, it's known as blackjack. Wait to see what the dealer gets for his second card to find out if you won or whether it's a push (a tie).
- 3** If you didn't get blackjack, you either hit (take additional cards) or stand (stay with what you've got) to create a hand you think will beat the dealer's. If your cards total more than 21, that's a bust—you're done.
- 4** After all players have played, the dealer deals themselves more cards to get as close to 21 as possible without busting.
- 5** Compare your cards to the dealer's:
 - If the dealer's hand exceeds 21, all players with 21 or less win.
 - If your hand is higher than the dealer's, without exceeding 21, you win.
 - If you have the same total as the dealer, it's a push—even if you got blackjack.

CARD VALUES

Numbered cards are worth their face value.

Kings, Queens and Jacks = 10.

Aces = 1 or 11.

WORDS YOU'LL NEED TO KNOW.



Blackjack

When the first two cards you're dealt total 21.

Hit or Draw

To request another card.

Stand

To stick with the cards in your hand, and not receive any more.

Bust or Broke

When your cards total 22 or more.

Soft hand

A hand with an ace that can be valued at either 11 or one. With a soft hand, it's impossible to bust on your next turn.

Hard hand

A hand with no aces, or a hand in which the ace must have a value of one, otherwise you'd be over 21.

Double down

To double your original bet and commit to standing after taking one more card.

Split

If your first two cards are of equal value, you can split them into two separate hands. You must place an additional bet, equal to your original wager, for your second hand. If you split aces, you get only one more card for each ace.



Surrender

If you don't like your first two cards, you can surrender. The dealer takes half of your original bet and your hand is discarded. You can surrender on any original two-card hand, except when the dealer has blackjack.

Insurance

If the dealer's first card is an ace, you can insure your bet against the dealer getting blackjack. You can wager a sum equal to one-half of your original bet. If the dealer draws blackjack, the insurance bet pays 2 to 1. If the dealer does not get blackjack, you lose your insurance bet.

PAYOUTS

If you get blackjack, you're paid 1.5 to 1 on your bet. If you bet \$10, you're paid \$15. But if the dealer also has blackjack, it's a push. For all pushes, you keep your original bet. No gain, no loss. All other winning hands pay even money. If you bet \$10, you win \$10.

VARIATIONS AND SIDE BETS

6 to 5 Blackjack

Played with the same rules as regular blackjack. The only difference is that if you get blackjack, you're paid out at 6 to 5.

Double Deck Blackjack

Played with the same rules as regular blackjack, but the game is played with two decks of cards instead of six.

Hole Card Blackjack

Played with the same rules as regular blackjack, except the dealer takes two cards on the initial deal. The dealer's first card is face up and placed on top of the hole card, which is face down.

Free Bet Blackjack

"Free" double down on two-card hand totals of 9, 10 or 11, or "free" split on any two cards of equal value, with the exception of 10-value cards. If you free bet, the dealer places a special lammer button next to your original wager. If you win, you're paid as if you had made a traditional double down or split using your own value chips. If the dealer busts with a total of 22, all wagers still in action are a push, except winning blackjack hands and surrendered hands. You can also bet on a "Push 22" side bet, which pays if the dealer's hand has a value of 22.

King's Bounty Side Bet

A blackjack side bet that pays when your first two cards total 20. You can place a King's Bounty side bet at the same time you make your regular bet. Once the first two cards have been dealt to each player, the dealer determines if any players who made King's Bounty wagers win. After the winners are paid out, the blackjack game resumes.

King's Bounty Payouts

CARDS	PAYS
Two King of Spades with Dealer Blackjack	1,000 to 1
Two Kings of Spades	100 to 1
Two Suited Kings	30 to 1
Two Suited 10s, Jacks or Queens	20 to 1
Suited Total of 20	9 to 1
Two Kings	6 to 1
Unsuited 20	4 to 1

Note: Only highest payout paid per player. The minimum and maximum wagering limits of the King's Bounty wager are determined by the house

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