Black Jack

Black Jack, also called «21» or «17+4», is pure fun and excitement. You are your own boss and decide yourself whether you would like another card to get closer to 21 than the Croupier.

The objective of Black Jack

The objective of Black Jack is to get closer to the value of 21 with your hand than the Croupier. Without, however, exceeding this value.

Participants

At the Black Jack table five to nine game boxes can be arranged in crescent shape. The game is played with up to 6 decks of 52 cards each. The players sitting at the table are the box owners. Guests standing up who also play on the boxes have to respect decisions of the box owners.

The winnings

You win double your wager (1:1) if your cards do not exceed 21 points and if their total is higher than the Croupier's points. If you win with a Black Jack your wager will be paid out 3:2.





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HOW TO PLAY

After all the players have placed their wagers on the game boxes, each box is dealt a total of two cards and the Croupier is dealt an open card.

In a prescribed order – beginning with the box which is closest to the card shuffler – each owner of a box can now demand one or more cards until they believe they are close enough to 21. However, if their hand exceeds the value of 21, the wagers and the cards on the box are collected by the Croupier.

After the last box owner has renounced their option of an additional card and has done so by saying «stay» or «no more card», the Croupier draws a further card. From the card value 17 upwards the Croupier is not allowed to draw another card.

Should the Croupier's hand exceed the value 21, all participants staying in the game have won. Should the Croupier's hand be below 21, only the players whose hand is closer to 21 than the Croupier's will win. If a player and the Croupier have an equal amount of points, this is called a «Stand-Off», meaning a draw, and the player keeps their wager.

ADDITIONAL GAMES

Perfect Pairs

Perfect Pairs is an additional bet which rests on the combination of the first two cards in the relevant box. The wager for the Perfect Pair has to be the same as or less than the first wager on the Black Jack box.

Pairs

There are three kinds of pairs and consequently also three different chances of winning:



MIXED PAIR

A pair consisting of a red and a black card.





A pair consisting of two cards of the same colour (both red or both black) but with different symbols.



PERFECT PAIR

An identical pair.

Pays

Mixed Pair Coloured Pair 12:1 Perfect Pair 25:1

CARDS

The values of individual cards

Black Jack is played with 6 decks of 52 cards each. There are 13 card values in the four suits - Diamonds, Hearts, Spades and Clubs. The type of suit is irrelevant for card values.



The ace has a value of (optional) 1 or 11 points.



From 2 to 10 the face value of the card applies.



Each court (picture) card has a value of 10 points.

GAME SITUATION AND JARGON

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Black Jack is the total of 21 reached with the first two cards (e.g. Ace and King). Black Jack beats all other card combinations.

Insurance against Black Jack

If the Croupier has an Ace as first card, players can insure themselves against a Croupier's Black Jack with a maximum of half their original bet. The insurance sum is placed on the «insurance bar».

Doubling down

The box owner has the chance to double their bet with all first two cards (even after a split), except in the event of a Black Jack combination. If you double your bet you will only receive one additional card. As a noncontrolling player you may only double your bet if the box owner does the same.

Triple seven

If in the course of a game a player is dealt three sevens on his box, their bet will be paid out immediately 1:1. The original wager continues.

Split

BLACK JACK PAYS 3 TO 10

ASURANCE - PAYS 2 TO 1 - INSURANCE

You may divide up your hand if the 3 first two cards have the same value, for instance, two Threes or two Jacks. You will then go on playing with a split hand, with two individual bets. You may split up to three times. For each split hand you have to wager a new bet in the amount of the first bet. You will then receive as many cards as you like for your further game. Exception: Aces. On two split Aces you will get only one more card, and in this case «21» in a hand does not count as Black Jack since the card combination has not been reached by the first two cards.

GOOD TO KNOW

Our experienced staff are responsible for the correct implementation of the rules in place. Should you have any questions, please contact the Manager on duty.

We aim to ensure you have an unforgettable evening and want to make your visit as pleasant as possible. It is a general custom internationally to share your joy of winning with the staff and leave a small part of your payout with the Croupiers - the amount is at your discretion. Tips are accepted and always gratefully received as part of the Casino Staff salary.

We are much obliged to you for turning up dressed properly for the occasion.

Your suggestions or ideas for improvement are much welcomed. Please contact the Manager on duty.

Have fun & play your game!

Valid within the framework of the visitor and game rules:

Changes are reserved, the decision of the management is final. The exact limits can be found in the rules issued by CASINO ST. MORITZ - as approved by the Swiss Federal Gaming Board.