# Learn the many faces of POKER



How to play, the payouts, and more.



### HOW POKER works



Everyone knows poker, but not everyone knows how to play poker. Even those who think they know how to play usually have a lot to learn. Poker is a skill-based game in which chance and strategy influence your outcome.

#### **HOW TO PLAY POKER**

The objective of poker is to finish the game with a poker hand of the highest value. When playing table poker in a casino, you only need to have a better hand than the dealer, not all the other players at your table. Some casinos have separate poker rooms where you play against other players.

### POKER HANDS, FROM HIGHEST TO LOWEST VALUE

- 1. Royal Flush A, K, Q, J, 10, all the same suit.
- Straight Flush Five cards in a sequence, all in the same suit.
- 3. Four of a Kind All four cards of the same rank.
- 4. Full House Three of a kind with a pair.
- Flush Any five cards of the same suit, but not in a sequence.
- Straight Five cards in a sequence, but not of the same suit.
- 7. Three of a Kind Three cards of the same rank.

- Two Pair Two different pairs.
- 9. Pair Two cards of the same rank.
- 10. High Card When you haven't made any of the hands above, the highest card plays. In the example below, the jack plays as the highest card.

#### **POKER PAYOUTS**

Each variation of poker is different, but, generally speaking, you're paid even money if you win. If you bet \$10, you win \$10. If you tie the dealer, sometimes it's a push, and you keep your bet, and sometimes you lose your money. Many variations of poker have optional side bets that pay odds depending on your hand.



# WHAT KIND OF POKER would you like to play?

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# FAST ACTION HOLD'EM POKER. Pick your cards right.

Fast action hold'em poker is played with six 52-card decks. To win, you need to create a better poker hand than the dealer, using two cards in your hand and five community cards in the flop.

#### LET'S PLAY

- 1. Place your bet.
- **2.** The dealer deals you four cards, face down, and takes four themself, also face down.
- **3.** Look at your cards. Pick two to keep and discard the other two. The dealer does the same, selecting his cards according to the "house way," a set of house rules that outlines how the casino ranks combinations of cards.
- **4.** The dealer deals five community cards for the flop, all face up.

#### **Bonus Wager**

You can make an optional bonus wager, which pays if you get any of the hands on the bonus pay table.

#### **Bonus Pay Table**

HAND	BONUS PAYOUT	
Five of a Kind, suited	1000 to 1	
Royal Flush	200 to 1	
Straight Flush	75 to 1	
Five of a Kind	40 to 1	
Four of a Kind	7 to 1	
Full House	3 to 1	
Flush	2 to 1	
Three of a Kind	1 to 1	

- **5.** Create the best poker hand possible using your two cards and the five in the flop.
- 6. Compare your hand to the dealer's.

#### **PAYOUTS**

If you have a higher poker hand than the dealer, you win even money. If you have the same hand as the dealer, or they have a higher hand, you lose.

#### The house way: How the dealer chooses which two cards to keep, in order:

- **1.** Highest Pair, 8s & Up
- 2. A-J or Better
- **3.** Any Pair, Suited. 2s to 7s
- 4. Any Pair, 2s to 7s
- **5.** Ace High, Suited
- **6.** 10-J or Better, Suited
- 7. 10-J or Better

- 8. Ace High
- **9.** Face Card High, Suited
- 10. Face Card High
- **11.** Connected Cards, Suited
- 12. Connected Cards
- **13.** Two highest cards, Suited
- 14. Two highest cards

#### **Envy Bonus**

If any player at the table gets a five of a kind or higher, the envy bonus is paid out to everyone who made a fortune bonus bet of \$5 or more.

#### **Envy Bonus Pay Table**

HAND	BONUS PAYOUT	
Five of a Kind, suited	\$1,000	
Royal Flush	\$250	
Straight Flush	\$50	
Five of a Kind	\$10	

#### TEXAS HOLD'EM BONUS POKER. It's a big deal.



Create the best five-card poker hand possible, using two cards you're dealt in combination with the five-card community flop. You only have to beat the dealer's hand to win, not the other players at the table.

#### LET'S PLAY

- Place an ante wager to join the game, plus an optional bet for the bonus jackpot.
- The dealer deals two cards to each player and to themself, all face down.
- Look at your cards. You can either fold now, or place a flop wager, which must be double your ante.
- 4. Three cards are dealt face up for the flop. You have the option of placing an additional wager, called a **turn wager**, which must be equal to your ante.
- 5. A fourth card is added to the flop, face up. This card is known as the turn. You have the option of placing another wager, called a river wager, which must be equal to your ante.
- **6.** A fifth card is added to the flop. This card is known as the river.
- Create your best five-card hand, using the two cards in your hand and the five community cards in the flop.
- Compare your cards to the dealer's to see who has a higher poker hand.

#### **PAYOUTS**

If your hand beats the dealer's, you're paid even money on flop, turn and river wagers.

If your hand beats the dealer's and contains a straight or better, you are paid even money on your ante wager. If you beat the dealer but your hand is worse than a straight, it's a push.

If the dealer's hand is higher than yours, you lose all your bets.

The optional bonus jackpot bet pays based on the two cards you're dealt, and is outlined in the bonus jackpot pay table.

#### **Bonus Jackpot Pay Table**

HAND VALUE	BONUS PAYOUT	
Two Aces in both the Player & Dealer Hands	1,000 to 1	
Two Aces	30 to 1	
Ace / King Suited	25 to 1	
Ace / Queen or Ace / Jack Suited	20 to 1	
Ace / King Unsuited	15 to 1	
King / King, Queen / Queen, or Jack / Jack	10 to 1	
Ace / Queen or Ace / Jack Unsuited	5 to 1	
Pair of 10's to 2's	3 to 1	



# ULTIMATE TEXAS HOLD'EM POKER. Ultimate fun awaits.

Create the best five-card poker hand possible, using two cards you're dealt in combination with the five community cards. You only have to beat the dealer's hand to win, not the other players at the table. The game is played with one standard 52-card deck.

#### HERE'S THE DEAL

- The earlier you bet, the more you can bet.
- You don't have to fold until you see all the community cards.

#### LET'S PLAY

- Place equal bets for the ante and blind.
   You can also add an optional trips bonus bet.
- 7. The dealer deals two cards to each player and to themself, all face down.
- 3. You can either check, or make a "play" wager, which must be three or four times your ante.
- The dealer reveals the three-card flop. If you have not yet made a play wager, you can do so now, by betting double your ante. Or you can simply check.
- 5. The dealer reveals the final two community cards. If you have not yet made a play wager, you must either fold or make a play wager equal to your ante. If you have already made a play wager, you can't make another.
- 6. Create your best hand using any of your two cards and the community cards, and compare it to the dealer's.

#### **PAYOUTS**

The dealer needs at least a pair to "qualify." Here are the payout options.

DEALER DOES NOT QUALIFY		
Your hand is better than the dealer's.	Play bet pays 1 to 1. Ante bet is a push.	
DEALER QUALIFY		
Your hand is better and you have less than a straight.	Play and ante bets pay 1 to 1. Blind bet is a push.	
Your hand is better and you have a straight or better.	Play and ante bets pay 1 to 1 Blind bet pays, according to pay table.	
Dealer's hand is better.	Play, ante, blind bets lose.	
Your hand is equal to the dealer's.	All bets push.	
Your final five-card hand is a three of a kind or better.	Trips bonus bet pays, according to pay table.	

#### **Blind Payout**

HAND VALUE	PAYOUT	
Royal Flush	500 to 1	
Straight Flush	50 to 1	
Four of a Kind	10 to 1	
Full House	3 to 1	
Flush	3 to 2	
Straight	1 to 1	

#### **Trips Payout Schedule**

HAND VALUE	PAYOUT
Royal Flush	50 to 1
Straight Flush	40 to 1
Four of a Kind	30 to 1
Full House	8 to 1
Flush	6 to 1
Straight	5 to 1
Three of a Kind	3 to 1

### THREE CARD POKER. As easy as 1-2-3.

Play three-card poker against the dealer, or bet that you'll get a pair or better in your three-card hand. Or do both at once.

#### LET'S PLAY

- Make an ante wager, and optional "pair plus" wager.
- 2. The dealer deals each player three cards, and takes three, face down.
- **3.** After looking at your three-card hand, you can fold. You'd forfeit your ante, but the pair plus wager can still win, if you made one.
- **4.** To keep playing against the dealer, place a "play" bet equal to your ante.
- 5. Compare your three-card hand to the dealer's.

#### **PAYOUTS**

The dealer needs at least a queen to qualify. If your hand beats the dealer's qualifying hand, you win even money on both the ante and play wagers. Your ante bet pays a bonus according to the payout table.

If your hand ties the dealer's qualifying hand, both the play and ante wagers are a push. If you made a pair plus bet and your hand contains a pair or better, you win, according to the pair plus pay table.

If the dealer doesn't qualify, you win even money on the ante wager, and the play wager is a push.



ANTE BONUS PAYOUTS	JTS BONUS PAYOUT	
Straight Flush	5 to 1	
Three of a Kind	4 to 1	
Straight	1 to 1	

#### To play based on your cards only, not against the dealer's hand.

- Make a "pair plus" wager.
- The dealer deals you three cards.
- If your hand contains a pair or better, you win, according to the pay table.

PAIR PLUS PAYOUT	BONUS PAYOUT	
Straight Flush	40 to 1	
Three of a Kind	30 to 1	
Straight	5 to 1	
Flush	4 to 1	
Pair	1 to 1	

#### Six Cards Bonus Side Bet

An optional wager that pays, according to a pay table, if the combination of your hand and the dealer's hand creates a five-card hand with a three of a kind or better. It pays out regardless of the dealer's hand

#### **Six Cards Bonus Pay Table**

HAND VALUE	BONUS PAYOUT	
Royal Flush	1,000 to 1	
Straight Flush	200 to 1	
Four of a Kind	50 to 1	
Full House	25 to 1	
Flush	15 to 1	
Straight	10 to 1	
Three of a Kind	5 to 1	

# FOUR CARD POKER. Four out of five ain't bad.

In four card poker, you get five cards to make your best four-card hand, but the dealer gets six cards to make a four-card hand. You can play against the dealer, "aces up," or both.

#### **3 WAYS TO PLAY**

- **1 Against the Dealer** Make an ante bet to play against the dealer's hand. The best four-card hand wins. On a tie, you win.
- **Aces Up** Place a bet on the aces up spot. You win when you're dealt a pair of aces or better, even if the dealer ends up with a better poker hand.
- 3 Automatic Bonus If you get one of the top three possible poker hands—four of a kind, straight flush or three of a kind—you get an automatic bonus payout on your ante bet.

  The automatic bonus is paid even if the dealer ends up with a better four-card hand.

#### HAND RANKINGS

- 1. Four of a Kind 5. Straight
- 2. Straight Flush 6. Two Pair
- 5. Three of a Kind 7. Pair
- 4. Flush 8. High Card

#### **Ante Bonus Pay Table**

HAND VALUE	BONUS PAYOUT	
Four of a Kind	25x Ante Wager	
Straight Flush	20x Ante Wager	
Three of a Kind	2x Ante Wager	

#### **Aces Up Payout Schedule**

HAND VALUE	BONUS PAYOUT	
Four of a Kind	50 to 1	
Straight Flush	30 to 1	
Three of a Kind	7 to 1	
Flush	6 to 1	
Straight	5 to 1	
Two Pairs	2 to 1	
Pair of Aces	1 to 1	

#### **Multi-Game Progressive**

An optional \$1 side bet that links a variety of poker games to a common progressive jackpot. Made at the same time as the basic game wager, the bet pays out if your five-card hand is a three of a kind or better, regardless of the basic game outcome.

#### **Multi-Game Progressive Payouts**

WINNING HANDS	PROGRESSIVE PAYOUT	ENVY PAYOUT
Royal Flush	100% of jackpot	\$1,000
Straight Flush	10% of jackpot	\$300
Four of a Kind	300 for 1	
Full House	50 for 1	
Flush	40 for 1	
Straight	30 for 1	
Three of a Kind	9 for 1	

Playing more doesn't mean you'll win more. If you add it all up, you might lose more than you win.



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