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Played with one deck of cards, the object of the game is to draw a hand of cards which has a value of closer to 21 than that of the dealer without going bust (over 21).

How to Play

To play, a bet of at least the table minimum must be placed in the betting box in front of where the player is sitting.

The dealer will then deal each player a card face up, including themselves, followed by a second card face up to all players and as a second card to themselves dealt face down. This is the dealers "hole" card.

Insurance

If the dealer's face up card is an Ace, the dealer will offer "insurance" to all players who do not have Blackjack. The player may now place a bet to insure their bet against the dealer having Blackjack. Players insure their bet by placing a further bet of no more than half their original bet in front of the betting box, in the section marked insurance.

Once all bets have been placed, the dealer will view their face down card in the device, called a "peep hole" in front of their hand. If the hole card is a 10, the dealer will turn their card over and announce, "dealer has Blackjack", all bet boxes lose and insurance bets are paid at odds of 2 to 1. If the dealer's hole card is not a 10 (and picture or a face value of 10) all insurance bets lose and the normal dealing cycle will continue.

Dealer's Hand

If the dealer has a hand of sixteen or less they draw another card. If the dealer has a "soft 17" (a total made up of seventeen with an Ace), they must draw another card.

Stand

Announced by the player when they do not wish to take any more cards.

Draw

Take another card(s) to improve the total of the player's hand with a view to getting a total closer to 21.

Split

If the player is dealt two cards of the same value, the option to split these cards and playing them as two separate hands is offered by the dealer. If the player wishes to take this option they must place a bet equal in the value to their original bet on the table. The dealer will then split the cards creating a second hand and deal a card face up to the first split card. If the card dealt is the same value again as the original card, the player may split again. Players may split their cards up to a maximum of three times.

Double

A player may double their bet at any time during the course of their hand, even after splitting, on two or more cards. To double, the player must place an additional stake equivalent to the original bet. The dealer will then deal one card only to this hand.

Surrender

If at any time before taking cards, or after receiving cards before the hand "busts" (a total of more than 21), the player may opt to take surrender. This means that the player will lose half of their stake and the cards will be removed.

Remember

The dealer is there to help you, please do not hesitate to ask for assistance at any time. We sincerely hope you enjoy your experience when playing Single Deck Blackjack at Sun International Casinos.



Player's Guide

Other options

Five-card Total

If the player has a hand totalling 21 with five or more cards, (except after doubling down) the bet wins and is instantly paid at odds of 2 to 1.

Six Cards or More

If the player has a hand totalling 20 or less with six cards or more (except after doubling down), the bet wins and is instantly paid even money.

Who wins and who loses?

- If the value of the player's hand is closer to 21 than that of the dealer, the player will win even money on their bet. Any hand that exceeds 21, loses.
- If the value of the dealer's hand is closer to 21 than that of the player's hand then the player loses their bet.
- If the total of the player's hand and that of the dealer's is the same, the hand is called a "stand-off" and the player keeps his original bet, but does not win anything.
- If the dealer exceeds 21, then all players left in the game win even money.
- In Single Deck Blackjack all players with a Blackjack are paid even money regardless of what the dealer has. A player with a Blackjack made up of Diamonds pays 2 to 1.

Remember

- Players may double down once a third, fourth or even fifth card is dealt.
- Players may draw additional cards after splitting Aces and may split up to three times.
- Players may surrender even after "hitting" or having split to an under total less than 21.
- Any hand totalling 21 with five or more cards, is instantly paid at odds 2 to 1.
- Any hand totalling 20 with six cards or more pays even money instantly.
- All Blackjacks pay even money regardless of what the dealer has.
- A Blackjack with Diamonds pays 2 to 1.
- A side bet is offered which pays 300 to 1 if the player is dealt Blackjack with the first two cards only, where both cards are Diamonds and a side bet has been taken. Applicable only after the initial shuffle.
- A hole card (one card face down and one card face up) is used.
- A prism (peep hole) is used. This device is used to identify to the dealer only, the card dealt face down to determine if the dealer has been dealt a Blackjack.
- Players cannot surrender if the dealer has a Blackjack.



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