

Standards Project ...of a Sort

Gaming by the Standards for Return



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With over 19 years of gaming experience in all areas of hospitality operations and 16 years in Finance and Accounting, Toni has held positions with various levels of responsibility in finance from Analyst to Corporate Director of Finance for numerous properties.

Her experience includes working in areas of budgeting, strategic planning, analysis, property acquisitions, financial reporting, compliance, system implementation, training, and audit.

She received her Ph.D. in Hotel Administration, with a major in finance and a minor in gaming from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

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Thank-you, Toni!

Game House Edge

- Craps (double odds – huh?) 0.6%
- Blackjack 0.8%
- Baccarat (bet on banker) 1.2%
- Baccarat (bet on player) 1.6%
- Pai Gow Poker 2.5%
- Three-Card Poker 3.4%
- Roulette (double zero) 5.3%
- Keno 25.0%

Other than “double odds” bets when shooting craps, blackjack gives the best odds of winning for less experienced players.

		<< Dealers Up Card >>									
		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	A
Y o u r H a n d	8 or less	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H
	9	H	D	D	D	D	H	H	H	H	H
	10	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	H	H
	11	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	H
	12	H	H	S	S	S	H	H	H	H	H
	13	S	S	S	S	S	H	H	H	H	H
	14	S	S	S	S	S	H	H	H	H	H
	15	S	S	S	S	S	H	H	H	H/SU	H
	16	S	S	S	S	S	H	H	H/SU	H/SU	H/SU
	17+	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
	A8-10	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S
	A7	S	D	D	D	D	S	S	H	H	H
	A6	H	D	D	D	D	H	H	H	H	H
	A5	H	H	D	D	D	H	H	H	H	H
	A4	H	H	D	D	D	H	H	H	H	H
	A3	H	H	H	D	D	H	H	H	H	H
A2	H	H	H	D	D	H	H	H	H	H	
A.A,8-8	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP	
10-10	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	
9-9	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP	S	SP	SP	S	S	
7-7	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP	SP	H	H	H	H	
6-6	H	SP	SP	SP	SP	H	H	H	H	H	
5-5	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	D	H	H	
4-4	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	H	
3-3,2-2	H	H	SP	SP	SP	SP	H	H	H	H	
		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	A

H = Hit
 S = Stand
 D = Double Down
 SP = Split
H/SU = Surrender if able to, otherwise Hit

To maximize your odds of winning at blackjack, here is a “player card” that suggests the best way to play for the highest odds of return, depending on your two cards & the “up” card of the dealer.

Good luck!

Set a consistent “base bet” on each hand, leave part of any gain on the table for the next deal if you win, and go back to your “base bet” if you lose...
 Then walk away from the table when you reach your planned “win level” (or reach your planned loss)

Source: Meg Blair

Thank-you!

**and next...how to get to dinner...
and then the Advisory Council meeting**