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A GUIDE TO POKER



Poker is one of the most popular card games in the world, with many different varieties to pick from when you play. Here's our guide on the game and some interesting facts that you may not have known about it.

Wearing dirty clothes improves your game

Jack Strauss won the 1982 WSOP title after being down to just one chip.

Joe Cada was the youngest Gold Bracelet winner, aged 21

Some Fun Poker Facts

- The origins of poker are unclear, some think that it is an American variation on older games like As-Nas.
- The name likely came from the French word poque, meaning to bluff.
- The game as we know it was first played in New Orleans in 1829.
- Because of the proximity of the Mississippi River, the game was quickly spread by riverboats to other areas.
- During the American Civil War, soldiers invented new versions of this game to pass time.
- The World Series of Poker was launched in 1970.
- Poker was one of the first online gambling games pioneered in the 1990s.

Rules of the Game

- The rules and processes of the game change depending on the variety that is being played, generally the game works along the following steps:
- Players buy into the game with an ante bet.
- They are dealt cards, as is the dealer.
- Players are generally allowed to add a further bet based on their hand.
- Some players will fold and leave the game, others will raise their stakes.
- All of the cards are revealed around the table and assessed.
- The winner is paid out.

COMMON TERMS

Raise - To increase your bet and place the pressure on other players to match.

Hold - Keeping your bet the same and staying in the game until the next round.

Check - Similar to calling, you don't owe the pot anything and you don't want to add anything.

Blind - A type of forced bet that you have to make without seeing your cards.

POPULAR GAMES

- Texas Hold Em.
- Omaha.
- Five Card Draw.
- Five Card Stud.
- Seven Card Stud.
- Razz.
- HORSE.

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