

About the Game

The objective of the game is to assemble two hands, each containing two or three cards, with an accumulated point value as close to 9 as possible.

The game is played using a standard 52-card deck and no jokers. Cards will be dealt using a multiple-deck shoe containing 8 full decks.

The deck is shuffled between each game.

How to Play

Each player has the following options when placing their bet(s):

Standard Bets

The Player Bet which pays 1 to 1.

The Banker Bet which pays 1 to 1*.

The Tie Bet which pays 8 to 1.

Bonus Bets

The Dragon Bonus Player Bet and the Dragon Bonus Banker Bet pay according to the same paytable.

If the player places a bet on either the Player, Banker or Tie Bet, the player may also place a bet on the Dragon Bonus Player Bet or Dragon Bonus Banker Bet.

Multiple wins on any bets will all be added to the total win.

*All wins on the Banker Bet are charged a 5% commission.

Card Values

The value of each card is as follows:

Picture cards (King, Queen, Jack) and 10's have a value of zero.

Ace has a value of one.

All other cards have their face value.

When the total numerical value of the cards equals ten or more, only the right-hand digit (numeric count) is considered. For example, a total of 15 will be counted as 5.

Hand Rankings

Once both hands have been completed, the bets are settled.

The tracking board shows the outcome of previous games.

The ranking of hands in order from highest to lowest, is as follows:

Natural 9

A two card hand that has a value of 9. A Natural 9 can only be achieved when the first two cards that are dealt to a hand are valued at 9.

Natural 8

A two card hand that has a value of 8. A Natural 8 can only be achieved when the first two cards that are dealt to a hand are valued at 8.

9 or 8

A three card hand that has a value of 9 or 8.

0 to 7

A two or three card hand that has a value of 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 or 0.

Player and Banker Bets

If the Player's hand ranks higher than the Banker's hand, the Player Bet will win.

If the Banker's hand ranks higher than the Player's hand, the Banker Bet will win.

The Tie Bet takes into account the total value of the Player's hand and the total value of the Banker's hand, regardless of the number of cards each hand has at the completion of each round. The Tie Bet will win if both the Player and Banker's hands are of the same value. If the hands are not of the same value, the Tie Bet loses.

If both the Player and Banker's hands are the same value, the Player and Banker Bets will be pushed, regardless of whether or not a bet has been placed on the Tie Bet. Dragon Bonus Bets will only be pushed on a tie with a natural 8 or 9.

When a bet is 'pushed', it is returned to the player who made the bet.

Dealing of Cards

Once all bets are placed, the cards are dealt face up until each hand has a total of two cards each. The Player's hand is resolved first and then the Banker's hand is resolved.

The following rules are then followed:

If there is at least one Natural 8 or Natural 9 hand in play, both Banker and Player hands will automatically stand.

The Player's hand must stand when the hand is valued at 6 through 9, and must hit when the hand is valued at 5 or less.

If the Player's hand stands, then the Banker hand hits on a total of 5 or less.

If the Player's hand hits for a complete hand then the Banker's hand hits using the following rules:

If the Banker's hand is valued at 0 through 3, then the Banker's hand is dealt a third card if the third card dealt to the Player's hand was 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, K, Q, or J.

If the Banker's hand total is 4, then the Banker's hand is dealt a third card if the third card dealt to the Player's hand was 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7

If the Banker's hand total is 5, then the Banker's hand is dealt a third card if the third card dealt to the Player's hand was 4, 5, 6, or 7.

If the Banker's hand total is 6, then the Banker's hand is dealt a third card if the third card dealt to the Player's hand was a 6 or 7.

Rules for Player hand:

If Player's first two cards total:	Action:
0,1,2,3,4,5	Player draws a card
6,7	Player stands
8,9	Player and Banker must stand

Rules for Banker hand:

If Banker's first two cards total:	Draw when Player's third card is:	Do not draw when Player's third card is:
0,1,2,3	1,2,3,4,5,6,7,9,10,K,Q,J	8
4	2,3,4,5,6,7	1,8,9,10,K,Q,J
5	4,5,6,7	1,2,3,8,9,10,K,Q,J
6	6,7	1,2,3,4,5,8,9,10,K,Q,J
7	Banker stands	Banker stands
8	Banker stands (Natural)	Banker stands (Natural)
9	Banker stands (Natural)	Banker stands (Natural)

Dragon Bonus Payouts

The Dragon Bonus side bet will payout if the hand bet on wins with a natural 8 or 9, or wins with a non-natural hand by a large margin.

Winning Hand:	Payout Amount:
Non-natural win by 9	30:1
Non-natural win by 8	10:1
Non-natural win by 7	6:1
Non-natural win by 6	4: 1
Non-natural win by 5	2:1
Non-natural win by 4	1:1
Natural Win	1:1
Natural Tie	PUSH

Disclaimer

The expected RTP for the Player Bet is 98.76%

The expected RTP for the Banker Bet is 98.94%

The expected RTP for the Tie Bet is 85.64%

The expected RTP for the Dragon Bonus Player Bet is 97.35%

The expected RTP for the Dragon Bonus Banker Bet is 90.63%

The maximum bet for the Player Bet is \$100.00.

The maximum bet for the Banker Bet is \$100.00.

The maximum bet for the Tie Bet is \$100.00.

The maximum bet for the Dragon Bonus Player Bet is \$100.00.

The maximum bet for the Dragon Bonus Banker Bet is \$100.00.

Any combination of wins in a single game will not exceed \$3,300.00.

Malfunction voids all plays and pays.

Any game in progress for more than 30 days will be cancelled, and the corresponding bet will be refunded.

The chances of getting a particular outcome are always the same at the start of every game.

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