

Professional Blackjack

How to become a professional blackjack card counter. The good news is you don't have to be a mathematical genius to learn how to count cards, the bad news is many of the Hollywood movies depicting the life of a card counter as fast cash and penthouse suites make it all seem a little too easy. This book will give you a realistic look at what it takes to be a professional card counter. I will take you step by step through the entire process. As a former educator, I came up with a simple progressive learning model using a basic Hi-Lo level one count system that in combination will make it much easier for you to learn how to count cards. I broke the entire system down to make it as easy as possible so you can get into the casino quicker. Many times people do not even attempt to learn card counting because they think it is too hard. If they do attempt it, they get frustrated after a short time because the system is so complex they get lost in the mathematics. The only two things you need to be able to do to learn card counting are memorize and practice. This book isn't filled with hypothetical theories, it shows you the exact steps you need to take to learn to count cards. Now don't get me wrong, learning everything in this book will not be easy but most people can do it if they dedicate themselves to learning. However, card counting is much more than simply learning the process, the hard part is finding the right games and not being detected by the casinos. Those areas will be covered as well. Don't worry, the courts have ruled that counting is not cheating or illegal, but in Vegas they can throw you out because it is a private establishment, not because you are doing anything wrong. Counting cards is simply using your mind in a game of skill. If using your mind is cheating than I don't know how else to play. This book is for those of you familiar with blackjack that want to find out what card counting is all about. If you're tired of losing and are ready to take your game to the next level so you have the advantage over the casino, this book is for you. If you can already count cards, you may pick up a few tips here and there but you probably already know most of the content in the book.

Blackjack Attack is the book that every professional player packs in his suitcase to put a dollars-and-cents value on the fine points of play.

The best-kept secret in the international pro gaming scene is finally out: Spanish 21, and its Australian counterpart, Pontoon, is even more beatable than Blackjack. "The Pro's Guide to Spanish 21" will teach you how to play optimally, apply proven Blackjack card-counting techniques to Spanish 21, and do better than you ever did playing Blackjack. Topics covered include: basic strategy for 15+ rule variations, house edge, EOR, standard deviation, the Basic Hi-Lo counting system, optimal betting, indices, money management, camouflage, finding the best games, and much, much more. The author, gaming analyst/programmer Katarina Walker, is recognized as the world authority on Spanish 21 and Australian Pontoon. Foreword written by Don Schlesinger.

Contrary to popular opinion, anyone who enters a casino can win at blackjack. In blackjack, unlike many casino games, your winnings depend on skill rather than chance. Players have left behind billions of dollars at the blackjack table, but it doesn't have to be that way anymore World famous blackjack expert Ken Uston provides seven simple rules to improve your game and presents students with four levels of winning skills. Strategies start with the Simple Plus/Minus for beginners and work up to the Advanced Plus/Minus and the Uston Ace-Five Count. "Million Dollar Blackjack" also explains the Uston Advance Point Count method, used by some of the world's top blackjack professionals. Notoriously hailed the "blackjack bible," "Million Dollar Blackjack" remains one of the most pivotal and comprehensive guides on the game. Breaking down the various rules, strategies, and counting methods, Uston discloses the tactics that made him a multi-million dollar winner. In this book, he covers nearly every aspect of casino blackjack from selecting the right game, to avoiding being barred, to the "illegal" side of blackjack, to cheating dealers and players. "Million Dollar Blackjack" details a myriad of playing techniques fortified by insider information. Ken Uston has carefully evaluated all previous blackjack theories and schools to offer you the most comprehensive guide on the game. Ken Uston (1935-1987) was arguably the world's foremost blackjack player and game strategist. He graduated from Yale with a BA in Economics and received his MBA in Finance from Harvard. After a stint as the Senior Vice President of the Pacific Coast Stock Exchange, Uston traded his three-piece suit for the unpredictable life of the professional gambler. During his blackjack career, he mastered card counting, which led him to be barred from a number of casinos. Uston won a lawsuit against casinos in New Jersey, which protested the banishment of card-counting players, and its ruling still holds today. Uston has authored a number of bestselling books including "Ken Uston on Blackjack" and "Mastering Pac-Man."

This new edition of the rarest and most influential blackjack book in the history of the game brings together the most famous contributors in the game. Privately published in 1957 in an extremely limited quantity, this was the first book ever to print the correct winning strategies for the game of blackjack. This instant collector's item includes a foreword by blackjack legend Edward O. Thorp, whose best-selling classic, Beat the Dealer (which relied on the original Playing Blackjack to Win), changed the public's perception of 21 forever, plus an introduction and additional material from Arnold Snyder (Blackbelt in Blackjack, Big Book of Blackjack), along with new material from the authors.

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This is the most talked-about book on the Blackjack scene. This book has sold more copies since it's initial release than any other gaming book. Prior to this new edition there was no foolproof way to learn how to play Blackjack accurately. This is the only Blackjack book that is easy to understand and completely accurate, written for the beginner or for the expert player. "Playing Blackjack as a Business" was written by a successful professional Blackjack player. The author has probably spent more time playing Blackjack, more time in the casinos, and more time in research, than have all of the others combined who have written Blackjack books or devised Blackjack systems. The book features a new Basic Strategy for one deck, the first accurate Strategy to be published for four decks, and four easy-to-learn Count Strategies including the Reverse Point Count Strategy, which is the most accurate and most powerful strategy that has ever been published. The strategies were devised from computer runs by Julian H. Braun of IBM Corporation, long recognized as the world's most capable man in this field.

Includes basic strategy and value for all common rules, basic strategy and value for most exotic rules, and the best of Winning without counting.

This book offers a new and interesting insight on blackjack. Stanford Wong (Blackjack Authority). A look at blackjack from the eyes of a truly modern-day philosopher and political satirist. Paul T. (political analyst)

-The card-counters' bible, and complete winning guide--- Cover.

PCMag.com is a leading authority on technology, delivering Labs-based, independent reviews of the latest products and services. Our expert industry analysis and practical solutions help you make better buying decisions and get more from technology. This state-of-the-art treatment introduces the latest techniques and procedures for blackjack card counters on how to get away with the money today.

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A revised and updated edition of the blackjack player's bible with complete information on the odds, betting strategies, and much more "A significant contribution to the literature of blackjack . . . I recommend the book to beginners as well as experts."—Edward O. Thorpe, author of *Beat the Dealer* This is the most comprehensive guide ever published on blackjack, the only casino game in which a knowledgeable player can gain an advantage over the house. It features the Hi-Opt I, the most powerful simple betting system available today, and has been revised and updated to include the rules of play in Atlantic City as well as the latest information on international playing rules. No matter what your level of experience, it will teach you how to make the most money possible playing your cards. You'll learn:

- How to pick a casino, with every major casino in the world evaluated by name
- How to pick a dealer
- How to keep from being cheated
- How to play the cards, using the Basic Strategy to your best advantage
- How to win at home and at "Las Vegas nights"
- How to keep from being banned once you are a winner

Yours're no idiot, of course. Yours're always looking for a way to make some easy money-and you figure gambling canrs"t be that hard. But yours"ve discovered that some things are easier said than won ... Donrs"t cancel that trip to Vegas! Let *The Complete Idiots"s Guidereg; to Gambling Like a Pro, Third Edition*, give you a (winning) hand-with surefire strategies for winning at blackjack, the slots, roulette, and more. In this *Complete Idiots"s Guidereg;*, you get: --An idiot-proof introduction to the psychology of gambling. --Superlative strategies to increase your odds of winning-no matter what your game is. --Expert advice on how to play poker and other card games-and what it takes to win. --A fool-friendly explanation of the mathematics of gambling. In just thirty minutes you'll learn the basics of play and the strategies that will make you a winner. With proper play, you can actually have the advantage over the casino and the skill to win money-with the odds! From the rules and variations, to the basic play options including surrender and insurance, you'll learn how to play smart, get free comps from the casino and have a great time while beating the casino at blackjack. This updated and expanded edition includes simplified card counting for average players, updated strategy information for single and multiple deck games, and new information on getting comped meals, shows and rooms! 128 pages

Author Nathaniel Tilton was just a regular guy with a regular job when he read *Bringing Down the House* and decided he wanted to do what the players in that book did. A journey through the inner world of card counting, the lessons of teamwork, and the clandestine pursuit of beating the odds, in *The Blackjack Life* Tilton relates the story of his personal journey through the smoke-filled casinos in which he and his playing partner gambled, to the seedy backrooms that he hoped he would never see. More than just wins and losses, *The Blackjack Life* is about the growth of a man who discovered himself through the unlikeliest of places – the world of professional blackjack -- and who now shares his informed view of the opportunities that still exist for skilled players and what it's really like to travel that road today.

Recounts the story of how a notorious gang of MIT blackjack savants devised and received backing for a system for winning at the world's most sophisticated casinos, an endeavor that earned them more than three million dollars. Originally published as *Bringing Down the House*. Reissue. (A Columbia Pictures film, written by Peter Steinfeld & Allan Loeb, directed by Robert Luketic, releasing March 2008, starring Kevin Spacey, Kate Bosworth, Laurence Fishburne, Jim Sturgess, & others) (Current Affairs)

In one of Alpha's most popular titles, author Stanford Wong explores in detail the most current ways to gamble, from coinless slot machines, to scratch-off games, to online gambling. Additionally, with the advent of the computer, Internet sports betting has become hugely popular. Even more popular is the gambling phenomenon of scratch-off games-there are seemingly hundreds of them available in a state-by-state basis. Wong offers the lowdown on this latest gambling technology, most notably virtual reality-put on a pair of special glasses and play in any casino in the world (with credit card, of course).

This book is a blackjack nuclear bomb. There is information in it that has never appeared anywhere except in the secret world inhabited by a handful of elite professional blackjack players. Learn real strategies that not only the casinos don't want you to know, but that many of the greatest blackjack players would prefer to keep all to themselves.

Long considered the underground bible for beating the game, *Blackbelt in Blackjack* has already earned players millions and millions of dollars. Newly revised and updated, this step-by-step blueprint for beating the casinos reveals exclusive tips and tricks used by the pros-including shuffle tracking, team play, multiple deck camouflage techniques, betting strategies for beginning and advanced players, and much more. Twenty-one power-packed chapters, plus a complete course on beating blackjack: the devastating red seven count, the high-low count, the zen count, the true count, and so much more. 328 pages

Philip Reed is coasting toward retirement, looking for one last adventure, when he meets Bill Palis, a professional blackjack player and former member of the legendary MIT team that took the casinos for millions. At a blackjack table in a strip casino, Phil sees Bill win \$1,600 in 20 minutes of play—and he's intrigued. Initially, he plans to write the book as a spectator, but Bill encourages him to overcome his fears, learn to count cards, and get a piece of the action for himself. The two men form a friendship and begin traveling and playing blackjack together, often with Father Andy, who kicks in money so they can play out of a \$30,000 bankroll. Phil, who has adult ADD, and flunked math in high school, adopts the challenge of card counting as a way to banish the old ghosts of his poor self-image and build new synapses in his aging brain. With Bill as his tough mentor, Phil struggles to learn the game and secretly track the cards. As Phil's play improves, Bill teaches him to disguise his wins and avoid scrutiny from casino security and the Orwellian "eye-in-the-sky" security cameras. Philip Reed punctuates *My Piece of the Action* with short, funny, informational sections on various gambling-related subjects. These sections step outside the main story and add depth by investigating different card counting systems, the danger of gambling addiction, interviews with memory experts, and secrets of dealers, pit bosses, and casino surveillance specialists. Throughout, he takes a humorous look at casino characters, even as he begins to sink into the gambling world himself.

A Real Professional Gambler By: Edward Kraus *A Real Professional Gambler* shows how author Edward Kraus discovered mathematical ratios and computations circumscribing advantages of how one overcomes the Las Vegas odds. There are ways to finally hedge set losing percentages that have had the gaming industry taking an unfair advantage from the average gambler, seeking the quest to becoming more than a failure or perhaps defined as a loser in today's society. Nobody can beat the standard odds of the casinos and betting establishments seen today. This book goes beyond this proven mathematical data or calculated proclamation, reaching out in exploring into another dimension of hedging mathematical known entities as we know them.

A short guide about how to play blackjack, blackjack variants, strategies, tournaments, card counting, advantage gambling techniques,

terminology. The rules of casino blackjack are generally determined by law or regulation, which establishes certain rule variations allowed at the discretion of the casino. The rules of any particular game are generally posted on or near the table, failing which there is an expectation that casino staff will provide them on request. Over 100 variations of blackjack have been documented. Each blackjack game has a basic strategy, which is playing a hand of any total value against any dealer's up-card, which loses the least money to the house in the long term. Blackjack can be played in tournament form, where players start with equal numbers of chips and the aim is to finish among the top chip-holders.

Professional blackjack player Kevin Blackwood shares his million-dollar winning strategies for mastering the odds and consistently beating the house at their own game. *Play Blackjack Like the Pros* is the requisite introduction to the modern game of blackjack, including high and low stakes casino, shoe games (several decks shuffled together), online, and tournaments. Blackwood begins with the basic rules of play and then moves on to teach his proven card-counting method, broken-down into three levels: novice, recreational, and professional. He also covers camouflaging techniques (it's perfectly legal to count cards, but if the house catches you they will kick you out), money management, and team play. Blackwood includes many stories of his and other professionals' triumphs at the tables and keeps the highly technical language that bogs down most gaming books to an absolute minimum. *Play Blackjack Like the Pros* is written in the style of Phil Hellmuth's *Play Poker Like the Pros* using easy-to-understand lessons that all levels of players can quickly benefit from. Blackwood is one of the world's top card counters. He began with only a few hundred dollars and has won over a million playing blackjack. In *Play Blackjack Like the Pros* he demonstrates how to earn over \$10,000 a month from just a few days work. Blackjack is set to balloon in popularity. Ben Mezrich's book on the MIT card counting team *Bringing Down the House* was on the New York Times bestseller list for weeks and is being made into a movie starring Kevin Spacey. Blackjack Tournaments are growing in popularity with many of the top casinos offering large prize pools. Online Blackjack is currently a multi-million dollar industry. Blackwood keeps the highly technical language that bogs down most gaming books to an absolute minimum. Foreword by Stanford Wong, author of *Professional Blackjack* and the master of modern card counting.

This book is for you only if you gamble to make money. If your idea of "fun" and "entertainment" includes giving away your hard-earned money to casinos, I can't help you. If you enjoy sitting in a mindless, bright lights/dinging trance while you drop quarters down a slot, this book is not for you. If you think casinos are built and run by stupid people, you better stay out of them. If you think you can beat a blackjack dealer by wild-assed guessing, think again. If you play poker just because it's now so popular . . . you don't need my book. If you believe you can just happen to be "lucky" enough to beat the odds, you live in a fantasy world and you'd hate this book for destroying your illusions. But if you're hard-headed, serious, willing to work, and tired of the mainstream gambling books that simply teach you how to lose less rather than win . . . If you understand casinos don't stay in business by giving out more money than they take in . . . This is an extensive examination of the most popular forms of gambling. If you can find any positive expectation bets, and how. Some of the material is controversial. Some of it is unique. It's not for beginners. If you don't already know how to play blackjack or craps, buy and read the basic books first. This one assumes you know and understand the rules of play. If you have emotional or psychological issues around money -- my strong advice is, don't gamble. If you want to believe casinos are playgrounds built for your amusement, this is not the book for you. I use statistical concepts and common sense to strip away the bright lights and glamor to reveal the mathematical realities of gambling. For the most part, it's not pretty. Not if you want to make money instead of lose it. But there are opportunities there for people willing to work hard and understand the obstacles so they can surmount them. If you're still an emotional child needing the adrenaline rush and excitement of "winning" money, this is not for you. And not only the casinos want to take your money -- hordes of online scammers selling bogus systems online also are after the money belonging to would-be pro gamblers. Until you can enter a casino and remain blind to the red carpeting, the flashing lights, dinging slots and the entire aura of glamorous partying -- you'll remain a loser. If you have enough money to pay for a mirage, that's up to you. Most people don't.

"The runaway winner as the best overall gambling encyclopedia written in the past 20 years."—Detroit Free Press Walk away from every casino a winner! Take it from Mensa, the society for people with high IQs: you don't have to be a genius to triumph at the tables. Here's the inside line on the games and bets that give the best advantage. Do you know whether to split a pair of aces in blackjack, which slot machines carry the worst payback for the player, and why losses are more significant at video than "live" keno? Beat the bank by understanding all this and more, including odds and probability, the "house edge," money management, and gambling psychology. The chips will just pile up. The author lives in New York, NY.

Listing more than 700 casinos in 36 states, this bestselling guide is jam-packed with detailed information and includes 150 coupons providing more than \$1,000 in savings. Consumable.

Provides information on blackjack, covering everything from the basics of playing the game to card counting at a professional level, in order for people to improve their skills and increase the odds of winning the game in casinos.

From the first turn of the card to getting out of a foreign country with a suitcase full of cash, this is the most comprehensive book ever written on learning to play blackjack for profit. This book covers everything from basic strategy to counting cards, from maximising potential going solo to playing on a blackjack team. Casino competitions, tournaments, location play, shuffle tracking, playing in disguise, outwitting the eye in the sky, and other advantage-play techniques it is all here. Best of all, the techniques you learn can be used part-time as a money-making hobby, just as author Rick Blaine has used them for years while pursuing a career in finance.

The world's greatest blackjack player, the legendary Arnold Snyder, shows beginning and advanced players everything they need to know to beat the game of casino blackjack. From the rules of the game to advanced professional strategies, Snyder's guidance and advice runs the gamut of strategies needed to successfully beat the casino-with the odds! Snyder should know: he's been a professional player and the guru for serious players for more than 25 years. This book includes winning techniques never before published in a nationally distributed book. 27 easy-to-read chapters and tons of tips make the book both profitable and fun.

A deliciously wry, edge-of-the-seat memoir of making a fortune with card counters across a wide swath of blackjack in America. At twenty-four, Josh Axelrad held down a respectable and ominously dull job on Wall Street. Adventure was a tuna fish sandwich instead of the usual turkey for lunch. Then one night, a stranger at a cocktail party persuaded him to leave the nine-to-five behind and pursue an unlikely dream: the jackpot. The stranger was a blackjack card counter, and he sold Axelrad on the vision of Vegas with all its intrigue, adventure- and cash. Repeat Until Rich is Axelrad's taut, atmospheric, and darkly hilarious account of ditching the mundane and entering the alternative universe of professional blackjack. Axelrad has one thing in common with his team: Jon Roth, the leader and a former options trader; Neal Matcha, a recovering lawyer; Aldous Kaufman, a retired math Ph.D. candidate. They all thrived in the straight world, found success boring, and vowed to make life more exotic. Axelrad adopts Roth's philosophy-"repeat until rich"-and from his strategy and skill spring hasty retreats across casino floors, high-speed car chases, arrests on dubious grounds, and the massive cash paydays that make it all worthwhile. Along the way, he unveils the tactics and debunks the myths of professional card counters. In team play, he's either the "big player," who bets the big money, or the "controller," who subtly coordinates the team's betting while wagering only the minimum himself. Counting is not illegal, and it's less intellectually daunting than its MIT-level mystique suggests. With clarity and wit, Repeat Until Rich proves the old gambler's maxim that "if you can tip a waiter, you can count cards." But it also proves how zealous, even forceful, casino bosses can be in "backing off" counters-seeing past their undercover methods and banning them from the tables. Josh soon grows to love all this trouble, and discovers, more than the money, what he needs most of all is the rush. Filled with actual bad guys, chase scenes, and high stakes, Repeat Until Rich offers an

intoxicating, unprecedented view of the dangerous allure of living off the cards and one's wits.

With the help of numerous easy-to-master steps in this breakthrough book, readers will go from being a traditional blackjack player to being an advantage player with a real edge over the house. Insight into how the game of blackjack is really played pairs with traditional strategies for one, two, four, six, and eight deck games, in this ultimate resources for mastering the blackjack table. Additional topics include smart betting advice for the non-advantage player, little-known secrets to minimize the house edge, which blackjack games to avoid, how to get a verifiable mathematical edge with the new easy-to-master Speed Count, unique betting techniques to increase monetary returns, why Speed Count is nothing like traditional card-counting methods, and how to play tournament blackjack to win.

The rules and strategy of blackjack and the author's system for winning consistently are described and tips are given on how to remain inconspicuous in the casino

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