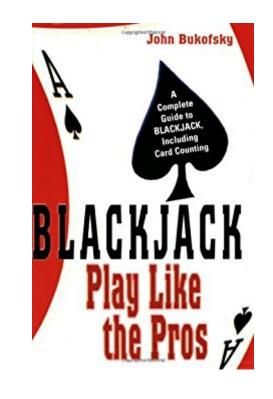
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Blackjack: Play Like The Pros





Synopsis

Blackjack gives you the best odds of any casino game, and armed with a little know-how, you can obtain an advantage. Let veteran blackjack player and expert card counter John Bukofsky show you how. So you want to be Rain Man but just can't seem to instantly divide eight zillion by your shoe size? No problem--neither can the world's best blackjack players. But what they can do is work some simple techniques to increase their chances at the one game that already offers better odds for winning than slots, craps, roulette or any other. John Bukofsky explains all you need to know--from the basics of game-play and strategy to card counting at the professional level--so you can actually gain an advantage over the house. Blackjack: Play Like the Pros also provides helpful information on other important aspects of the game, including: ⠢Â Betting and bankroll Â ⠢ Casino countermeasures Â ⠢ Camouflage techniques Â ⠢Â Plus a special section devoted to "negative swings"--the number-one reason why many players end up leaving the game Beating the casinos at their own game isn't easy. But it can be done, and Blackjack: Play Like the Pros can increase your chances of walking out a winner. "A savvy, comprehensive text that covers the essentials of winning blackjack from soup to nuts. Bukofsky is an excellent writer, whose 'hold-your-hand' style makes it easy for the reader to master, sequentially, the skills needed to become a successful player. Many blackjack books skimp on details, especially when it comes to the mathematics of the game or complete card-counting systems. Not so here. I highly recommend it."A Don Schlesinger, author of Blackjack Attack: Playing the Pros' WayJohn Bukofsky is an electrical engineer and expert blackjack player who has played throughout the United States and Europe. Because of his card counting skill, he has been barred from playing in Las Vegas, harassed in Atlantic City and Connecticut, and has played alongside some of the highest rollers in the world at the casinos in Monte Carlo. John is married with two children and lives in southern New Jersey.

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There are a few misconceptions about counting cards. First, it's very difficult to do. While its not easy it does not require you to be mathematically gifted in any way. You do however need to be dedicated to practicing and patient at the blackjack table. The second misconception is that you will get rich fast. Card counters or advantage players can expect to gain about 1.5% percent per hand. For example, playing at a \$5 dollar betting between \$5 and \$20 dollars (based on the true count) the expected return is \$15 for every 100 hands played (about an hour at the average table). I think this book should be the second blackjack book an aspering blackjack player should read. The first is Blackjack Bluebook II - the simplest winning strategies ever published (2006 edition) because it has more statistical analysis to prove why basic strategy works and has teaches ways of achieving a positive expectations without counting cards. In addition it offers a basic counting method called KISS (Keep it simple stupid.) Finally, the review of this book. It offers explanations on all areas of advantage play:Card countingBetting strategies according to bankroll (\$2,000 - 10,000)Team playCamouflageBasic strategy and deviations according to the countExpectationsSingle deck gamesRandom tips throughout the bookI guess maybe there is no mathematical way to really have a positive expectation when you go to the casino with \$100 dollars. Blackjack: Play Like the Pros says that you have to have a bankroll of \$2000 to go at the tables with positive expectation.

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