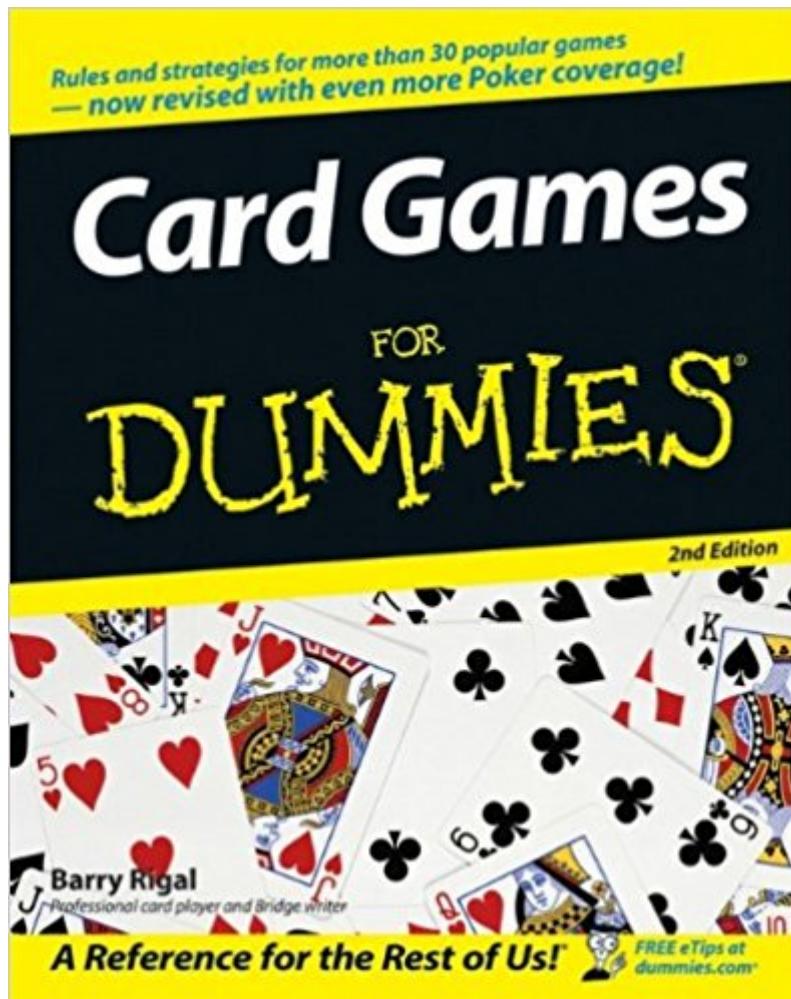


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# Card Games For Dummies



## Synopsis

Card games offer loads of fun and one of the best socializing experiences out there. But picking up winning card strategies is a bit of a challenge, and though your buddies may think that picking up the rules of the game is easy, winning is a totally different story. With *Card Games For Dummies*, Second Edition, you'll not only be able to play the hottest card games around, you can also apply game-winning strategies and tips to have fun and beat your opponents. Now updated, this hands-on guide shows you everything you need to know: "the basics, the tricks, and the techniques" to become a master card player, with expanded coverage on poker as well as online gaming and tournaments. Soon you will have the card-playing power to: Pin down your opponents in Texas Hold'em Show off your power in Stud Poker Hit wisely in Blackjack Break hearts ruthlessly in Hearts Mix up the night with Gin and Rummy Build yourself a victory in Bridge Send them fishing in Go Fish This straightforward, no-nonsense guide features great ways to improve your game and have more fun, as well as a list of places to find out more about your favorite game. It also profiles different variations of each game, making you a player for all seasons!

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## Customer Reviews

*Card Games for Dummies* bills itself as "the fun and easy way to play and win your favorite card games." The book is broken down into different sections that broadly encompass the types of card games available: card-swapping games (gin and rummy), trick-taking games (whist and euchre), games where you try to score as many points as possible (pinochle), and games where you don't want to score any points at all (hearts). Each chapter starts with the fundamentals--the definition of a "trick," for example--and builds from there, progressing from the simplest games in each category

to the more complex. Written by journalist Barry Rigal, *Card Games for Dummies* is a nice companion piece to the more staid *Complete Hoyle's Games*. Unlike Hoyle's, *Card Games for Dummies* not only explains game mechanics, but gives you useful tips for play, provides the lowdown on strategy, and warns of the boneheaded blunders that you'd undoubtedly make if you'd been taught the rules and nothing more. So if you've always wanted to learn cribbage, but never wanted to ask a friend for a tutorial, this is the book for you. One word of warning: if you want to learn how to play bridge, you won't find much here other than a synopsis of the rules and a recommendation for *Bridge for Dummies*. --Matthew Baldwin --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Covers live, tournament, and Internet Poker The fun and easy way® to play and win the most popular card games! Card sharks of the world beware! With this plain-English guide, you'll not only understand how to play top card games like Blackjack, Bridge, and Gin Rummy, you'll also get expert strategies you need to win! Plus, there's expanded coverage of Poker favorites such as Texas Hold 'Em, Omaha, Draw, and Stud. You'll score, deal, and play like the pros in no time! Discover how to Improve your card-playing skills Develop a winning strategy Play regional game variations Find and play cards online Teach kids to play responsibly Get the inside deal on these games and more! Blackjack Bridge Canasta Cribbage Draw Poker Eights Euchre Fan Tan 500 Rummy Gin Rummy Go Fish Hearts Oh Hell! Omaha Palace Pinochle President Setback Snap Solitaire Spades Spit Stud Poker Texas Hold 'Em Whist

Nice guidebook for many card games that I have long forgotten (details) but now have some time to relax and play cards a little more.

Maybe I bought the wrong book but this one does not have a big diversity of games.

We purchased this to be a last place prize for a card club evening, more to be funny than anything. We were browsing through the book before wrapping it, and were pleasantly impressed with the number of games included and the clear instructions. This book would be a good addition to a card-lover's library.

I am a beginning pinocle player (four players) and I didn't find the book to be very helpful. I thought that if I "read" the rules etc that I would "get it", but the book didn't really get into enough detail. It

covered two player and three player, but there may have been one short paragraph on four player. I put the book on the shelf and it may help with another card game down the road.

If you want to use this book don't get the kindle edition. It's much too hard to read. Plus the book is not as detailed as I would like.

This is the most frustrating & least helpful book I've ever read on any subject, ever. I've read & understood texts on everything from software engineering, to military strategy, to electromechanics and audio circuitry design and repair, to wood furniture refinishing, to home repair - but this book is a total failure. The reason: It is TOTALLY written for PEOPLE WHO ALREADY KNOW all the "slick cardshark jargon". THIS BOOK IS NOT FOR PEOPLE NEW TO CARD GAMES. If you don't ALREADY KNOW HOW TO PLAY, this book won't even TRY to teach you! Basically, user Gagester's review is dead-on: I'll repeat his opening and closing statements, cause I can't say it any better: "Simply put, this is absolutely one of the worst instructional books I've read. If you know nothing (or next to nothing) about card games -- like I still don't after reading this book twice -- avoid this very confusing book. ... I haven't read a book as frustrating as this one in a long time. I highly recommend you stay away from it."

The material presented was ok. I was looking for more illustrations along with the explanations. I will utilize the text merely as a quick reference if needed.

Who knew there were so many card games out there? Great reference book!

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