REAL Video Poker



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Registration

If you have purchased the registered version of REAL Video Poker, then let us thank you for your support! You will notice that the registered version has many enhancements and additional features not available in the shareware version. The registered version also contains two additional poker games (JOKER's WILD and DEUCES WILD). We hope that REAL Video Poker brings you many hours of enjoyment.

If you are using the shareware version of REAL Video Poker, then we would like to thank you, too, for trying it out. We also need to remind you that this is copyrighted software released as shareware. Shareware allows you to try out a program before buying it. Millions have purchased software through this marketing method. Isn't nice to be sure you like a program before buying it?

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REAL Video Poker registration is only \$20, but for an additional \$5 (that's \$25 total) you can get the registered versions of both REAL Video Poker and REAL Video Blackjack. REAL Video Blackjack is a very realistic video blackjack simulation--just like the video blackjack machines found in casinos.

SPECIAL OFFER!!! For a total of \$30 you get the registered versions of both REAL Video Poker and REAL Video Blackjack and you also get the registered version of Noisy Video Poker & Blackjack. Noisy Video Poker & Blackjack is different from any other poker or blackjack program you have seen (or heard). The wacky sounds (glass breaking, donkey, explosions, and many others) make this game so fun that you will laugh even when you lose.

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Introduction

REAL Video Poker is a very realistic simulation of a video poker machine like those found in casinos. The object of the game is to build the best possible five-card poker hand. Five cards are dealt face up. You choose which cards to keep (hold) by clicking on the card (or on the button directly above the card). After you have indicated which cards are to be held, you then press the "Draw" button (or you can also right-click in the area where the payoffs are listed on the screen). Those cards not marked to be held will be discarded, and new cards will be dealt in their place. If your final five-card hand is a winner (see payoffs on screen), your credits will increase.

Betting

Prior to pressing the "Deal" button to deal a new poker hand, you must place your bet. You do this by clicking on the "Bet \$1" button. Each time you click on this button, your bet will increase by \$1. You can bet up to the maximum bet (\$4 in the shareware version or \$5 in the registered version). If you click on the "Bet \$1" button until it reaches the maximum bet, your hand will automatically be dealt. You can also click on the "Max Bet" button to automatically bet the maximum amount allowed plus deal your hand (this is what most people do).

After you have completed at least one hand, you can deal new hands by simply clicking on the "Deal" button. This will deal a new hand with your bet being the same as the prior hand. The number of coins bet will be shown in the botton left corner as "Coins In." Towards the top of the screen on the payoff screen, the column below the number of coins in will be highlighted.

Sound On/Off

If you want to turn the sound off (or back on), simply click on the "Sound" button. A message will appear on the screen acknowledging the change. Note: This feature is not available in the shareware version.

Adding Credits

You can add credits to your bankroll in \$100 increments by clicking on the "Credits" button. This increase in credits will be displayed in the botton right corner of the screen where your credits will increase by \$100 for each click on the "Credits" button. If your credits fall below \$1, you will not be able to place additional bets without adding to your bankroll by clicking on the "Credits" button. Note: This feature is not available in the shareware version.

Hands

Winning hands and payoff amounts vary from game to game. At the top of the screen, the payoffs and winning hands will be displayed for the video poker version you are playing.

ROYAL FLUSH

In all the games the best hand is a natural royal flsuh. This consists of a ten, jack, queen, king, and ace--all of the same suit. In JOKER's WILD there is also a winning hand called "Royal Flush (Joker)" which is a royal flush contining a Joker. This hand pays less than a natural royal flush. Likewise, in the DEUCES WILD game there is a winning hand called "Royal Flush (Deuces)" which is a royal flush which contains one of more 2s.

4 DEUCES

In the DEUCES WILD game, "4 Deuces" is the second best hand possible. It is any hand having all four 2s.

5 of a KIND

This winning hand is possible in the JOKER's WILD and DEUCES WILD games.

STRAIGHT FLUSH

Your hand consists of five cards which are in unbroker order (a straight) as well as being all of the same suit (Clubs, Hearts, Diamonds, or Spades).

4 of a KIND

Four of the five cards are of the same card value (for example four 10s). In the wild card games, the four-of-a-kind may include wild cards.

FULL HOUSE

Three matching cards with the remaining two cards being a pair.

FLUSH

All five cards are of the same suit (Clubs, Hearts, Diamonds, or Spades).

STRAIGHT

Five cards in an unbroken order (for example a two, three, four, five, and six card).

3 of a KIND

Three of the cards match (for example three kings).

2 PAIR

Two different pairs of cards (for example two 5s and two queens). This is not a winning hand in the DEUCES WILD game.

JACK or BETTER

This is a winning hand only in the JACKS or BETTER game. This winning hand consists of a pair of jacks, a pair of queens, a pair of kings, or a pair of aces. In the JOKER's WILD game, King's or Better is a winning hand.

Jacks or Better

To play the "Jacks or Better" version of REAL Video Poker, click on the JACKS or BETTER button on the opening screen.

In this poker version, you must get a pair of Jacks (or a better hand) to win. Actually, a pair of jacks pays back only your bet, so you will hopefully improve your hand to at least two pair to win back more than your bet. The best possible hand is a royal flush which pays back 250 coins for each bet (except when five coins are bet, the payoff is 4000 which is 800 coins per coin bet). For other payoffs, see the payoff information at the top of the JACKS or BETTER screen.

There are no wild cards in the JACKS or BETTER version of video poker. A standard 52-card deck is used. The deck is shuffled before each hand.

Joker's Wild

To play the "Joker's Wild" version of REAL Video Poker, click on the JOKER's WILD button on the opening screen. This video poker game is only available in the registered version of REAL Video Poker.

In this poker version, you must get at least a pair of kings (or aces) to win. Actually, a pair of kings (or even two pair) pays back only your bet, so you will hopefully improve your hand to at least threeof-a-kind to win back more than your bet. The best possible hand is a natural royal flush (no Joker) which pays back 250 coins for each bet (except when five coins are bet, the payoff is 4000 which is 800 coins per coin bet). For other payoffs, see the payoff information at the top of the JOKER's WILD screen.

In the JOKER's WILD version of video poker there is one Joker in addition to a 52-card standard deck. The Joker is a wild card. This means that the Joker can be any card value and any suit (Clubs, Hearts, Diamonds, or Spades). Because of this, it is possible to get a royal flush with the Joker replacing one of the cards normally needed to get a royal flush. Because of this, there is a different payoff for a natural royal flush than one including the Joker. It is also possible to get five-of-a-kind. The deck is shuffled before each hand.

Deuces Wild

To play the "Deuces Wild" version of REAL Video Poker, click on the DEUCES WILD button on the opening screen. This video poker game is only available in the registered version of REAL Video Poker.

In this poker version, you must get at least three-of-a-kind to win. Actually, three-of-a-kind pays back only your bet, so you will hopefully improve your hand to at least a straight to win back more than your bet. The best possible hand is a natural royal flush (no 2s) which pays back 250 coins for each bet (except when five coins are bet, the payoff is 4000 which is 800 coins per coin bet). For other payoffs, see the payoff information at the top of the DEUCES WILD screen.

In the DEUCES WILD version of video poker all four 2s are wild. This means that each of the 2s can be any card value and any suit (Clubs, Hearts, Diamonds, or Spades). Because of this, it is possible to get a royal flush with 2s replacing one or more of the cards normally needed to get a royal flush. Because of this, there is a different payoff for a natural royal flush and that made up of one or more 2s. It is also possible to get five-of-a-kind. A standard 52-card deck is used. The deck is shuffled before each hand.

Cheat Codes

It is very rare to get a "Royal Flush" in video poker. Just so you can see what it is like, we have built-in certain cheat codes which make it possible to get a royal flush, straight flush, or 4 of a kind any time you want. Note: This feature is not available in the shareware version of REAL Video Poker.

Royal Flush

To get a royal flush, look at the payoffs at the top of the screen. Drag the mouse cursor directly below the red "1." Now press and release the mouse button directly over each of the first four payoff values in the first row. These would be "250," "500," "750," and "1000." It is the release of the button (not the pressing it down) that is important. You must release the mouse button over each of the payoff amounts mentioned exactly one time each. You do this prior to dealing a new hand. Now deal a new hand and you will be dealt a royal flush!

Straight Flush

Follow all the instruction above for a royal flush, except press and release the mouse button over the first four payoff values in the second row.

4 of a Kind

Follow all the instruction above for a royal flush, except press and release the mouse button over the first four payoff values in the third row.

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