

Poker Squares Introduction

Poker squares is a highly addictive poker variation in which you must build the best poker hands in a 5X5 grid. Your hands will be evaluated on the 5 rows and the 5 columns, which will then give you your final score.

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How to play

Select "New Game" from the file menu or just press "F2". This will start a new game depending on how many players you have selected.

A card will appear in the next card box, which you must place on the 5X5 grid. This will keep on happening until all 25 cards have been played.

Once the 25th card has been played, you will then see your final score in the scoring box.

Should you wish to restart the dealing sequence, click "Restart game" from the file menu or press "F3". This will restart the hand with exactly the same cards and sequence. (This is a cheating feature because you can restart the hand before the last card is played, therefore seeing all the cards that have been played!)

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Settings Players

You can have 1-4 players playing Poker Squares. Each player will receive the same cards and sequence, and the player who accumulates the biggest score wins.

To set how many players, just click "Options", "Players" and then the number of players. You can then click "Options", "Names" to set each players name.

These settings will be stored between games, so the next time you start Poker Squares, the same options will be set.

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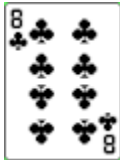
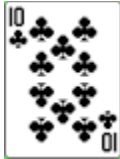
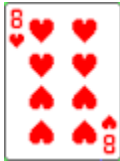
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Poker Hands

An example of poker hands are as follows :-

One pair



Two pairs





Flush



Three of a kind

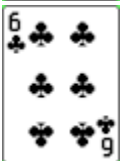




Full house

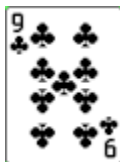


Straight

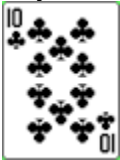




Four of a kind



Royal flush





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Scoring

Poker Squares is scored on the following basis :-

One Pair	1	Point
Two Pairs	3	Points
Flush	5	Points
Three of a kind	6	Points
Full house	10	Points
Straight	12	Points
Four of a kind	16	Points
Royal Flush	30	Points

Scoring between 60 and 70 is considered a very good score and anything above is an excellent score.

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Credits

The program was written by Stephen Wood using Delphi 2.0. The original game concept came from the same game written on an Apple computer long time ago. As I cannot remember the original author, I cannot give him/her the credit. All I have done is put the game on a Windows95 platform.

Any hints, suggestions or otherwise can be e-mailed to me at swood@iafrica.com
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