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Introduction

Best Roulette Sites

Welcome to the Best of Worldwide Roulette – the best online resource for players looking for the best games, strategies and information on the game of roulette.



Whether you are looking for the best roulette games online, the best tutorials for beginners through to advanced players or the best guides and information for players in your geo – you have come to the right place!

You'll find the information here in several handy categories covering the major topic areas. Online roulette fans will find detailed reviews of the games available in their geo, including those all-important player rewards and bonuses.

Whether you play live or online, strategy and betting systems are an important part of the game. Beginners tips, right through to advanced betting systems are all covered here. If you are planning your first trip to a live casino, then tips on etiquette and what to look for when choosing your game can also be found.

Online Roulette for US Players

There is a thriving online casino industry based offshore, which legally offers roulette (and many other games) to US players. Payments to and from these casinos are possible with the right deposit methods. You'll find some big, long running brands ready to serve you, though the difference between the best US roulette sites and the rest is huge. The <u>Bovada casino</u>, which is part of the worldwide Bodog brand, offers roulette from the acclaimed Real Time Gaming software suite – as well as generous promos for US players. Check out our Bovada Review for more on the benefits of playing at the leading US offshore casino.

Online Roulette Worldwide

Outside of the US, the choices of casinos get wider – with many big name brands competing for your custom. Some casinos offer games for individual countries, for example the excellent <u>Bodog</u> for Canadian players. Others are worldwide, big names like Bet365, Ladbrokes and Betfair compete with a new wave of casinos which have forgone the old software downloads and instead offer instant-play games.

There is a range of roulette games available from big software houses like PlayTech, MicroGaming and NetEnt. Players outside of the US can enjoy multiwheel games, mini-roulette, games with huge progressive jackpots and novelty games like pinball roulette. In addition, many casinos now offer live dealer games. These involve a real dealer spinning a wheel at a remote studio. You will be able to see the action in real time and bet online.

Live Roulette Games

Roulette is a staple of casinos around the world. From Las Vegas to Macau, you'll find these games are always popular – from the lowest stakes through to the exclusive high roller games. Before you hit the games, our primer on roulette etiquette, and bankroll management are must-reads. Understanding the different games you'll find in Las Vegas, Atlantic City and Reno can also give you a head start at the tables.

Technology and Roulette

Mobile devices will soon overtake computers as the main way we connect to the internet. Roulette has already taken advantage of this technology, and can be played on tablets and smartphones.

Casinos have gone down the responsive browser route when it comes to technology. Games are created using Java, Flash or HTML5 which work in your browser, automatically adjusting to the screen size. Note that some casinos have done a better job of optimizing games for phone-sized screens than others. Native apps for Android and Apple phones and tablets can also be found. These usually contain a smaller selection of games, with only one or two roulette tables. There are many advantages to playing the instant-play games, even on static computers. Advances in technology means that these are just as good as the old download versions. You will also find stunning graphics and 3D effect games online.

Play Roulette for Free

There are more opportunities to play roulette online than ever before, with a greater number of casinos than ever in the crowded marketplace. As well as playing for money at these sites, many will also offer the opportunity to play for free, this being a great option for those who want to play for fun, or to practice the game. Alongside the casino sites, there are also other options for free online play.

In this article I take a look at all aspects of playing online without the need to deposit any funds. First I look at the various options you'll have for free play online. Then I explore the possibility of actually winning real money for free. I finish with an overview of free roulette.

Where can I play for free?

There are a number of different options when wanting to find a free game. Firstly, you'll be able to enjoy the game at standalone websites. In general these games are somewhat basic, especially compared to the free-play options at real casinos – however are ideal for a fun game. Perhaps you might want to test out a particular system – these games being ideal for this scenario. Compared to the free play games at online casinos, you'll find the graphics and betting options very basic.

You'll also be able to enjoy free roulette on Facebook. There are a number of Facebook Apps designed around roulette and you'll be able to play all of these for free. These games all have the similar approach of giving you free chips every day which you'll use to compete with other players. Although free at first, if you do run out of chips, you'll top up your chip amount using real money. Having said that, there is nothing to stop you from playing with the free chips forever, meaning you'll never deposit any real money. 'Roulette Tournaments' is a fun variation of the game, where you'll compete with a number of other players. If wanting a social aspect to your roulette play, these games will prove ideal.

The final way of playing for free is actually at an online casino. This is possibly the best option as you'll find the games of a much better standard. These games are designed to attract real money play, and as such, have clearly better

graphics and improved gameplay than you'll find elsewhere. Many online casinos have a free play option, where you'll be able to enjoy the full range of casino games as well as the roulette offerings. <u>Bovada casino</u> offers a free play option for US players only – as do Bet365 for international players. You can often click on instant play and then head to your game of choice – all this without the need to register at the site.

Online Casino Gambling

Governments around the world have to consider many factors when it comes to online gambling. Firstly they will take a look at the moral aspect of gaming – many within certain countries will be opposed to any forms of gambling, and governments will consider the views of this section of society, whether they agree with the viewpoint or as a way of harnessing votes. Taxation is another major factor.

There is a large revenue stream associated with online gambling, so it would be beneficial for countries to ensure that this money stays within the local economy. However, large gambling companies are pulling in another direction – they'll want to offer their games in as many countries as possible, and ensure that as much of the revenue stream as possible goes to them. This has led to many of the large gambling sites relocating to countries or territories which offer favorable deals in terms of taxation for gaming companies, offering their games worldwide.

Governments have differing ways of controlling online casino use. The US, as an example, blocks transactions from financial institutions to gambling sites. As well as making it difficult for US customers, it has had a knock-on effect for Canadians. There is a restriction on what Australian casino sites can offer within the country and there are no casino sites from within New Zealand, leading to players from both these countries migrating to international sites. Casino gambling online is banned in South Africa, both from within the country and outside. Many South Africans play at international sites however, these sites being happy to cater for the players and it seems that individual players are not targeted at all. The United Kingdom has a very liberal approach, with players able to play at sites both within the UK and worldwide without restriction.

Land Based Casino Gambling

The land based casino scene has expanded immensely in recent years, especially since the 1970's when casino gambling really began to capture the public's imagination. This has led to many governments worldwide introducing policy to commission casinos and this expansion is expected to continue in the coming years.

The US accounts for around a half of all casino gambling revenue worldwide with Vegas contributing around 20% of this figure, Las Vegas known as the Entertainment Capital of the World. Las Vegas is famous for its strip where the most notable casinos are located. These include the MGM Grand, Caesars Palace, the Venetian and Bellagio's.

Macau in China is the location which has the biggest casino revenue of all, bringing in more money than the whole of Las Vegas. The Venetian, in Macao is the largest casino in the world.

Monte Carlo in Monaco is famous for its casino, known for catering for very high rollers, although strangely citizens of Monaco are forbidden from entering. In fiction, this casino is often frequented by James Bond and is often featured in films, including Oceans Twelve.

Australia has casinos based in all of the states, with lavish sites in Sydney, Queensland, Melbourne and Western Australia.

You'll find just six casinos in New Zealand with sites in Dunedin, Christchurch, Auckland, Hamilton and two in Queenstown.

The United Kingdom generally features smaller casinos dotted around the country, although you'll find some larger venues in London.

Canadian casino visitors can enjoy playing in and around Niagara Falls, as well as elsewhere in Ontario as well as Quebec, British Columbia, and Alberta and various sites nationwide.

In South Africa many of the larger casinos are based around the tourist industry, with big locations in Cape Town, Durban, Johannesburg and Sun City, with many smaller casinos available nationwide.

Low Limit Online Roulette

Popular portrayals of roulette in movies and on TV are usually in lavish casinos for high stakes. As such, many might consider the game to be one just for the rich and famous. However, this is most definitely not the case, as roulette can be played by both millionaires and the roulette enthusiast who has just a few dollars to gamble with.

In this piece we look at all aspects of low limit roulette. Firstly we look at the various reasons why you might want to play low limit roulette and then we explore these more deeply. Finally you will find some suggestions of places where you could enjoy low limit roulette both at live casinos and online.

Why Play Low Limit Roulette?

The most obvious reason to play low limit roulette is because it's the only game your bankroll will permit. The majority of us fall into this category. The good news is that you can enjoy the thrills of the game and try out different without having to risk a large amount of cash. Even with a bankroll of a certain size, low limit roulette can be a good way of ensuring your bankroll doesn't get eaten up too quickly by a particularly unlucky run. Another reason to play low limit roulette is if you have an idea that a particular betting system might work and you want to test it out at lower limits before heading to the higher stakes tables.

Low Limit Roulette and your Bankroll

Consider you are visiting Vegas for a weekend, and aside from all the other aspects of Vegas, you decide you'd like to play roulette for \$50 a day. You could quite easily head to a table where the minimum limit is \$10 or \$25 and try your luck there. However, the chances are that your experience will be over quickly unless you get off to a very good start. If you head to a table where you'll be able to play for a dollar, your roulette experience will be a much longer one and those bad runs won't wipe you out. Of course, if you do want to increase your stakes you'll still be able to at these tables, as the upper limit will usually be many times the lower limit.

Testing Systems at Lower Limits

There are many betting systems you'll be able to try when playing roulette. If you want to try these systems, you might not want to go and play for high stakes before you have a full understanding of the system and whether or not you'll be able to actually win. Playing low limit roulette offers you the opportunity of trying these without risking anywhere near as much as you would otherwise. Of course, there are also free games available where you'll be able to test these systems, so this would be another option for you.

Playing for Fun at Lower Limits

Reading this book, our guess is that you, like us, take your roulette pretty seriously. However, for many, roulette will be a fun game that provides a distraction for a while, even for the wealthy player. These players will make up a great proportion of a casino's clientele and will supply the casinos themselves with much of their profit. The majority of these players will be playing low limit roulette and they add an enjoyable and social aspect to the great game of roulette.

Where you'll find Low Limit Roulette

You'll find a variety of limits when you visit individual casinos, but in some cases and in particular the US, you'll find that the lower limit games are played on an American wheel as opposed to a European wheel, meaning the house edge is higher at the low limit games. You might find a greater amount of low limit games in certain areas of the big casino resorts. In Las Vegas as an example, you'll be able to enjoy \$1 games at many of the downtown casinos.

When playing online, many sites will offer a variety of table limits – in some cases you will actually select the limits when you launch the table. Many online casinos will have a lower limit of \$1 or less, the lowest we've found being the £0.01 limit offered by British site Sky Vegas, which you'll even be able to place on an outside bet.

High Stakes Online Roulette

Online casinos have opened up Roulette games to millions of people at a wide variety of stakes. Most information you will find is aimed at lower stakes gamblers. This article takes a different approach, focusing on the best Roulette games and biggest rewards for high stakes players.

This guide is split into three sections. First of all you'll find information on where to find the combination of big bonus offers, high table maximums and easy deposit options. After that there is a look at the different games, including the main variations and live dealer Roulette games. Finally, the importance of exclusive VIP rewards schemes is outlined – together with some picks of the very best schemes to join.

High Stakes Roulette – Big Bets and Big Bonuses

Big bets mean different things to different players. \$10 per spin is a big amount to some gamblers, and just another chip to throw on a number to others. Table minimums can start at just 25c online, with a typical casino requiring at least \$1.

The maximums are more varied. You should have no problem finding casinos which allow \$200 for number bets and \$500 for the even-money or $1/3^{rd}$ chances. Live dealer games will usually have a \$500+ maximum where spread, though some casinos offer these at \$10k or more.

When you are wagering big amounts you'll want a casino which will give you a lot of rewards. The welcome bonus is only one component of this. It is actually the ongoing rewards (including the VIP schemes covered below) which will contribute more over time. I recommend you check the terms of bonuses to see how much of your wagering requirement Roulette games clear. This can vary from 25% down to > 5% depending on the casino.

US players also need to keep deposit options in mind. It is sometimes difficult to get your money on-board due to banking restrictions. I recommend <u>Bovada</u> <u>Casino</u> for easy deposits. They accept both Credit Cards and Western Union transfers.

Game Selection for High Stakes Roulette Players

The more you wager – the bigger difference your choice of wheel makes to your profits. High stakes players should avoid the 'double zero' US wheel, which has a large house edge. The European wheel can be found at most online casinos. Where it is offered, the French Roulette game has the lowest edge of all. You'll need to make sure the French game counts towards bonus wagering requirements, as this game is often excluded.

Players who like to employ advanced Roulette betting will need to ensure that the racetrack bets are available. Whether you bet on the Series, Orphans or Neighbors type bets – this will open up some interesting possibilities for you. Live dealer Roulette is another good option for high stakes Roulette players. You'll often find higher betting limits and the entertainment of interacting with a dealer while you gamble.

Exclusive VIP Schemes for High Stakes Roulette Players

The real benefits of playing high stakes Roulette online start when you get a personal invitation to an exclusive VIP rewards scheme. These do vary considerably across different casinos. Here are my picks of the very best. The first one is for US players only and the second for players worldwide.

#1 – Bovada's 'Red Room' (US Players Only)

You'll already be enjoying the \$3000 in welcome bonuses at Bovada before you get invited to their exclusive VIP section. What happens is that they spot that you are a genuine high stakes player from your bets, and you'll get an e-mail inviting you to the Red Room. There are many advantages including weekly 100% bonuses, exclusive promotions and invitations to events around the world. The biggest benefit of all is that you get a dedicated account manager to look after your needs. If you want an extra bonus – all you have to do is ask! Check out the Red Room for yourself at <u>www.bovada.lv</u>

#2 – Betfair's VIP Program (Worldwide Players)

Betfair have transformed from a sports betting exchange into an all-in-one gambling portal incorporating a leading online casino and poker site. For high-rollers they have an exclusive 3-tiered VIP scheme. The minimum requirement to join is 50,000 comp points. For the top level, you'll need to wait for a personal invitation. Gadget give-away deals, a huge number of extra bonuses, faster

comp points collection and a dedicated account manager are waiting for you. Betfair also has a 'zero lounge' where you gamble on a roulette wheel which has no zero. Check out the huge rewards at www.betfair.com for yourself now!

Mobile Roulette

The hottest trend in technology these days is the rise of the smartphone. Over the last few years, the capabilities (and screen sizes) of these devices have come on in leaps and bounds. The computers of a few years ago were less powerful than many of today's phones.



Roulette can be enjoyed on phones and mobile tablet devices including iPads. There are some factors to consider when choosing a game, including whether it has been adapted for the smallest screen size. If you are using an Android or Windows powered device, then you can access just about every Roulette game offered at the major casinos. iPhone and iPad users also have a great choice – though will need to ensure that the technology used is compatible with their devices.

When it comes to mobile Roulette games, you will need to test a few to find one which is both enjoyable to play and works flawlessly on your device. Many casinos will claim to have mobile compatible Roulette. What you will find is that there is a huge difference between existing games which have been miniaturized, and games which have been created especially with mobile devices in mind.

Native Roulette Apps

Most casinos have ignored native apps for iOS (Apple), Android and Windows mobile devices. Instead of building each casino game over and over for each of these platforms, they have opted for the browser versions of the games instead. MicroGaming is the only major casino which has a significant number of apps dedicated to these platforms – with more than 100 available. Not all casinos which license the MicroGaming software take these apps available. Many will only have between 20 and 30 games available in their Android and Apple phone apps. These usually include European Roulette as a minimum.

US and International Mobile Casinos

Due to the restrictive banking laws covering online casinos offering games to players based in the USA, only a limited number of software houses license games to US friendly casinos. While these include giants like Real Time Gaming, BetSoft and Rival Gaming – the mobile options are somewhat limited. BetSoft are a great bet for slots fans, with their dedicated 'ToGo' range of games. This company also provides a dedicated mobile Roulette game. Where US players will really feel the pinch is with casinos offering native apps for iPhones. Hopefully, a casino will step up and make this happen soon!

Recommended Mobile Roulette Casinos

Bovada is the best choice for US players – and in fact only allow players from the USA to play at their casino. There is a dedicated mobile casino area, which works in your browser window. This includes a very nicely adapted European Roulette wheel, as well as many of the latest slot games.

Outside of the US you have a huge choice of casino software and can play with many of the biggest and best trusted brands online. For mobile players I recommend Bet365. Not only has this casino developed a platform integrating 100's of games from different software providers which can be played in the browser of your mobile device – they have apps with many titles too. Once you have found a game you enjoy at a trusted online casino brand, you'll be able to enjoy online Roulette from anywhere.

iPhone Roulette

It was only a few years ago that casino fans needed to choose between a full (Windows) download or else use slow and unstable Flash browser games. Fortunately, these options have been replaced with fully responsive in-browser games – which work on a range of mobile devices including iPhones and iPads. Faster network speeds help make these games as smooth and fast as any download nowadays.



This section looks at the best Roulette games to play on your iPhone or iPad. First of all, you will find an overview of what to look out for in terms of the best games and properly compatible software. After this I have covered some great options for both US and Worldwide players. At the end of the page you will find some of the other important factors which go into choosing the best Roulette casino for your Apple devices.

iPhone / iPad Roulette Games – Compatibility

Flash driven games will not work properly on newer Apple devices. Support for this technology was dropped, and you'll now need a 3rd party plug-in to use Flash at all. Fortunately, casinos are able to recognize your device and will power the games using Java or HTML5 for iPhone or iPad users. Very few casinos create downloadable apps. The reason for this is that responsive browser games are becoming so good that there really is no extra benefit to an app download.

Compatibility of the individual games varies between different casinos – depending on what software they license. What you will find is that some have built new games especially with mobile devices in mind. These are properly miniaturized, and have proportionally bigger buttons (often in thumb-friendly parts of the screen). Some casinos have simply made their computer Roulette games smaller and added touch controls. These can be difficult to play, with some of the graphics too small and betting difficult to control. I recommend that you test out different iPhone and iPad Roulette games before you commit to any one casino. I have already tested the recommendations below, which work great on the smaller iPhone screen size.

The Best iPhone / iPad Roulette Games to Check Out #1 – Bovada.lv Mobile (US Players)

<u>Bovada</u> is the biggest US casino and a part of the global Bodog brand. The only accept US players and have a range of easy deposit methods. The mobile version of the Bovada casino includes a great-looking European Roulette game. Not only will you benefit from the lower house edge of the single zero wheel, the graphics and touch-controls are excellent too. In addition to Roulette and other table games, Bovada has a fantastic selection of video slots – and some of the most generous bonuses around. Check them out for yourself at <u>www.bovada.lv</u>

#2 – Betfair Casino (Worldwide Players)

Betfair are a UK gambling giant that accepts players from all around the world. They run the famous PlayTech software, which has been successfully adapted for iPhone and iPad use. You'll have a great choice of Roulette games here. There are no less than 14 different variations to choose from at this leading casino. These include US and European wheels, French Roulette, pro Roulette and live dealer games too. The live games will stream onto your iPad, though are not currently suitable for iPhone use. You can find a 15th Roulette game here which is truly unique. The Betfair 'zero-lounge' has a game with no zero on the wheel at all, meaning the house edge is also zero. Check out the excellent www.betfair.com for yourself!

Other Factors to Consider When Choosing an iPhone / iPad Casino

In addition to the quality of the Roulette games and how well they work on your Apple devices. These include making sure your casino is a reputable operator and that the bonuses and promotions keep your bankroll topped up. A few common sense checks should protect you from rogue operators. I like to ensure that any casino I play at is licensed in a recognized jurisdiction and that their game fairness is externally audited too. Reputation counts for a lot for online casinos, and an operator with 5 or more years of solid service will usually be a safe place to play.

For bonuses, you should look for 'play-through' requirements in addition to the headline rate. This shows how many times you need to wager your bonus money before it can be withdrawn. Remember that Roulette will often only account for a proportion of this requirement. I also recommend you check that there are plenty of ongoing offers and bonuses – the best iPhone and iPad Roulette casinos make a real effort to look after their loyal players.

Android Roulette

Many online casinos are making the transition over to mobile devices at the moment. Some are much further ahead than others when it comes to Android apps and responsive browser games which are adapted for touch-screen controls. This article shows you how to find the very best online Roulette games for all of your Android devices.



The information here is presented in 3 sections. First up, you'll find a look at what makes for a great Roulette casino in terms of software and compatibility with different sized screens. After that I have recommended 2 casinos that have excellent Android Roulette games – one for US and one for worldwide readers. Finally, you will find an overview of some key factors to consider when choosing an Android casino.

Android Roulette Games at Different Online Casinos

Here is the key difference between different online casinos: Some of them use software which was created with mobile devices specifically in mind. Others claim to have a mobile version, though have simply adapted their existing PC games. This is not a trivial difference.

Games which are properly adapted to Android touch-screen devices have proportionally bigger buttons – which are often placed within easy reach of your thumb. The chips and bet amounts are also bigger and clearer, allowing you to wager without the risk of making a costly mistake.

Some casinos have downloadable Android apps, which are more likely to be properly adapted to touch-screen devices. These are being superseded nowadays by advances in browser gaming technology. In-browser games can now detect what device you are using and adapt especially to those devices. The game-play and graphics is every bit as good as any download. I predict that more and more online casinos will exclusively offer in-browser games for both Android and iPhone users in the future.

You should test out any Roulette games before you commit to playing them for real money. Below you will find two strong recommendations for readers owning Android devices.

Two Excellent Android Roulette Games to Check Out #1 – Bovada Mobile Casino (US Players Only)

Bovada are the biggest and best US online casino. They have easy deposits, generous promotions and a great selection of games from software providers Real Time Gaming and BetSoft. Android users can take advantage of their responsive browser mobile games selection. This includes an excellent European (single zero) Roulette game, which has been specially adapted for phone and tablet use. Android tablet users can also access their standard selection of games which includes an American Roulette wheel. Check out <u>bovada.lv</u> for the full games list.

#2 – Betfair Casino Android App (Worldwide Players)

This casino is a household name that is better known for sports betting. Their casino is huge, offering more than 400 games from a range of software houses. You have a choice of Roulette games for Android devices here. First, you can download an Android app, which includes an excellent and specially adapted European Roulette game. Second, you can access up to 14 different Roulette titles through the instant-play casino games. Third, you can try out the live-dealer Roulette games, which have their own dedicated app. Add to this a huge 200% welcome bonus up to $f \in 1 \in 300 - and you'll see why this is an easy top choice for the best Android Roulette casino for worldwide players. Check out www.betfair.com for yourself now!$

What to Look For In an Android Casino?

Before you go ahead and sign up for whichever Android casino offers the biggest welcome bonus, make sure you follow these common sense guidelines. There are some big differences between average and great online casinos – so make sure you do not lose out.

The first thing to do is to ensure that several trust signals are in place. Look for a license, external audits of game fairness by companies like Technical Systems Testing and a wide range of payment options. Rogue casinos rarely last too long,

so checking for 5+ years of reputable service is a great way of making sure you are protected.

Second, you need to check out the wager-through requirement terms of your welcome bonus. Some casinos count your bonus plus deposit for this, while others only count the bonus cash. There are big differences in how many times you need to bet this money. There are also big differences in the percentage contribution of Roulette games towards this.

Finally, the best casinos make a real effort to look after their loyal players. Check for a comp point scheme, reload bonuses, free spins (for example on live Roulette games) and that there are plenty of one-off and unique promotions. If your casino does not offer these, there are plenty of other excellent operators who will.

Roulette On Mac



We love Macs but it's been tough for us in the past since most online casinos have historically catered to Windows users. Luckily, the increase in popularity of the Mac, combined with some exciting new technologies, has made it easier than ever for us to get our Roulette fixes in on our favorite computers.

There are two key ways you can access online Roulette games through your Mac:

Some casinos now offer native Mac clients you can download these directly, in the same way as any program. These casino downloads will have an integrated cashier. The main benefit of installing casino software is that the key graphics and game software is held locally. Your machine does a lot of the work, less information is transmitted over the network – and the games are smoother and faster as a result.

The more common method nowadays is to offer Mac compatible games through your browser. Technology behind these games has improved massively in recent years, making them stable and easy to use. Most will automatically adapt to your screen size and touch screen controls.

Casinos which use Flash can create accessibility issues for Mac users. Recent models are not Flash-compatible as a default. There are easy solutions for this, including emulator software and 3rd party plug-ins for your browser. Many casinos instead use a mix of Java and HTML5 to render their non-download casino games – avoiding these issues altogether.

Best Mac Software for US Roulette Players

Bovada.lv are part of the global Bodog brand, and have different options for different Mac devices. If you are running a Mac computer (of MacBook) then you can download the client and enjoy the RTG and BetSoft titles that way. If you are running an iPad then you can access Bovada's mobile casino instead – where

you will find a specially adapted European Roulette game as well as a selection of cutting edge 3D slots.

Best Mac Software for International Roulette Players

When it comes to compatibility, you cannot beat the casino from online gambling giant 888 casino. This has been adapted to all Mac devices, including a Download, instant-play games (using Java and HTML5) and app versions. What is more, 888 give you \$88 upfront, no deposit needed, to check out their real money games.

Best Mac Roulette Games to Choose

You'll be faced with a huge choice of different games at Mac casinos nowadays. Some casinos have more than 15 variations of Roulette to choose from. The first rule of thumb when narrowing down these choices is to discount the American Roulette games. These have the extra zero on the wheel which significantly increases the house edge. Of the standard tables, the French Roulette games are the best – these return 50% of your stake for outside bets when the ball lands on the (single) zero.

Live Dealer Roulette games stream a live casino live, and let you bet on the outcome. These games are enjoying a boom at the moment, and many software houses have a separate apps to allow you to enjoy roulette on your iPad. Mac computer users will be able to access them through the in-browser versions.

Finally, Roulette has spawned many quirky variations including Multi-Wheel games, Pinball Roulette, games with progressive jackpots and even one with a 13 slot wheel called 'mini Roulette'.

Linux Roulette



Traditionally, Linux users had only limited choices of online casinos compared to those with Windows or Mac devices. Fortunately things have changed. Nowadays, casinos are offering their games in browser windows using a variety of Linux-compatible technology.

Flash, HTML5 and sometimes Java are used to power instant-play games which are every bit as good as the old style downloads. This gives Linus users from the US and internationally a wide choice of roulette games.

This guide covers the non-download options, downloading with an emulator and then makes recommendations for both US and European Linux users.

Non-Download Casinos

Fortunately, there is one very straightforward way to play at an online casino using a Linux operating system and that is to play at a no-download roulette casino. The vast majority of online casinos allow play directly in your browser, meaning people without access to Windows can play the games. Most browser games make use of Flash software, so you'll need to install the necessary Adobe Flash software which can be found at the Adobe site.

Non download casinos usually have a good selection, but not all of the available games at a particular casino; although the sites will generally ensure that the best games are available in the non-download section of the site. Many players using the windows operating system will play the non-download games by choice anyway, as you'll not have to spend time downloading the software and start playing immediately. Non-download casinos also have an advantage in that you'll not be using up memory on your hard drive, and you're at less risk from viruses and malware.

Some other sites will make use of Java software which will run in the Java Runtime Environment (JRE), or HTML5 which is becoming the platform of choice as we move forward.

Download Options

There are a number of options where you'll actually be able to download the casino software and run it in Linux.

Firstly, you'll be able to use WINE, a compatibility layer that allows Windows products to run on Linux. You'll need to install WINE on your machine and then use it to launch an installer's .exe file. There is an Application Database website which will tell you how well an application runs in WINE. There can be glitches in this process, but for the casino user who wants the full choice of games, it's a great option.

Another option is to use a virtual machine, although there can be issues when it comes to graphics when using this method – with more than basic graphics possibly causing problems. You could also use a remote desktop if you have access to one, where you'll be playing roulette on another machine and access it through your Linux device.

The final option is to use a dual boot system where you'll run both Linux and Windows on the one computer – giving you the option of the two different systems. Strictly speaking you'll not be running the games on a Linux operating system.

Linux Roulette in the US

Unfortunately, the roulette options are somewhat limited for US Linux users as many casino sites don't operate in the US. This is because of the Unlawful Internet Gambling Enforcement Act (UIGEA) in 2006, which prohibited payments from financial institutions to gambling sites.

However, you will find a good selection of top quality offshore sites in the US friendly casino industry, the majority of which will have a selection of nodownload games to make life easier for the Linux user. The biggest and best casino currently offering no-download casino games is <u>Bovada.lv.</u>

Linux Roulette in Europe

European players do not suffer from the same payment restrictions as their American counterparts, meaning there is a wider choice of casinos. Once again, the majority of these sites will feature a no-download option, making the

experience an easier one for the Linux user. Many of the latest casinos do not have a download version at all, focusing on the latest generation of browser technology instead. A great example is the Mr. Green casino – which has roulette and slots games from several different software providers.

With such a large choice, it pays to be selective, as you'll want to have the best roulette experience possible. Consider the range of roulette games the site has, whether there are any promotions applicable to roulette and also whether the site has the appropriate licenses.

Unfortunately, roulette players can suffer when it comes to bonuses in the fact that some sites will not let roulette play count towards clearing a bonus; however this is not always the case, so shop around and try and gain the best deal.

Flash Roulette



Roulette is one of the most popular games at a casino, and when online casinos first appeared the game became available to a whole new audience. In the decade and a half since the introduction of online casinos, the games have improved immeasurably, with much improved, almost life-like graphics and smoother game play.

The casino experience has also improved due to the speed at which the games can be played, with many sites now offering no-download versions of their casino games – primarily via Adobe Flash technology.

No Download Flash Casinos

Flash is a multimedia and software platform used for creating graphics, animations and games and can be used to add interactive elements to multimedia web pages. Created by software giant Adobe, Flash is freely available and compatible with most computers and tablets (the exception being Apple devices). The prevalence of Flash makes it an ideal system for running inbrowser casino games.

Advantages of Using Flash

As long as your computer is compatible with Flash you'll be able to access games which match the quality of download games instantly in your browser. These games can run on Apple computers and iPads, though will require a 3rd party plug-in for your browser. There are several free choices, especially for the Chrome browser. Some casinos offer instant-play games in HTML5 instead of Flash, which avoids this kind of compatibility issue.

An immediate advantage you'll notice is the speed. When signing up at a download only casino, you'll spend time downloading software before you'll be able to enjoy roulette – a Flash casino will see you playing long before the icon appears on your desktop.

A Flash casino is also ideal for users who might have limited space on their hard drive – you'll not be taking up valuable memory space on your computer. If you are using shared computer or one owned by an employer, then downloading casinos may not be an option at all.

Using a Flash Casino to Play Roulette

To play at a Flash casino you'll need the latest Flash player installed on your computer which you'll find at the Adobe website. If you need to upgrade, then you will be reminded of this by either your own computer or when you try and run the casino games.

Then you'll head to your casino of choice, log in (or register if you haven't done so already) and click on the 'instant play' casino. You'll be taken to the casino itself where you'll click on either 'table games' or 'roulette' itself to find your roulette options.

Some casinos will give you the opportunity to practice before you play for real money. This can be very useful in the fact that you'll be able to gain a feel for the game and learn all of the rules fully before investing your hard earned cash at the tables. You can also check how well the controls work on your mobile device.

When playing roulette online you'll find a variety of games available, but the two most popular offerings are European and American roulette. These games slightly differ in the fact that the European game has just a single zero, whilst the American game features both a 0 and a 00. This means that the house edge in the American game is larger (5.26%) than in the European game (2.70%).

Because of this, we would always advise you to play the European version of the game if offered both.

Flash Roulette in Europe

There are many sites where you'll be able to enjoy no-download roulette in Europe. Many of these casino sites are linked to big name bookmakers and offer a great selection of games. As well as traditional roulette, you might find games with progressive bonuses or wheels numbered 1-12 instead of 1-36. You'll also

find a good selection of live casino roulette offerings, where you'll be playing at a real wheel streamed directly to your device.

I recommend the big selection of Flash roulette titles on the PlayTech software suite. You can find these at the award-winning Bet365 casino.

Flash Roulette in the US

Roulette players in the US do not quite have as much choice as their European counterparts, with many sites moving out of the US market after the Unlawful Internet Gambling Enforcement Act of 2006. This ruling barred payments from financial institutions to gambling sites. However many offshore sites have stepped in to fill the breach, and those wanting to play no-download Flash roulette have the opportunity at a variety of sites. <u>Bovada</u> are the biggest US casino (previously operated under the name <u>Bodog)</u>, and have games from both RTG and BetSoft available in instant-play format.

Choosing a Flash Casino

There are several factors to consider when choosing an online casino. You'll want to play at a site you can trust, so look for a fair gaming license on the site and that the site is registered and licensed in a known gambling jurisdiction, such as Antigua or the Netherlands Antilles for US casinos. If you want to play a wide variety of games, ensure the site actually offers what you want, and not just one variation of roulette.

You should also consider the promotions at the site, and if you'll be able to take advantage of offers such as cashback, comp points or free spins. One area where roulette players can suffer is when it comes to bonuses, in that many sites will not allow roulette bets to contribute towards clearing a bonus; however this is not the case at every casino, so check out the terms and conditions of any bonus before signing up.

Java Roulette

Java is a programming language that is specifically designed to be run across various platforms, the code does not need to be re-compiled each time. Java will run on any machine that has the Java Runtime Environment (JRE) installed and is known as one of the most stable and reliable programs for casino software.



Java has only become a feature of online casinos in recent years. The early days of the internet saw very slow connections, with many people using dial-up to connect to the internet. As the technology improved however, many people made the move to broadband. This move made it possible for faster software to run and therefore facilitated Java casinos.

Playing Java Roulette

To play at a Java online casino, you'll need the Java Runtime Environment installed on your computer. Fortunately the majority of computers will come with this already installed, so the Java casino will run automatically. Should you have any problems running the software, you should head to the Java site and download the JRE (you might be automatically directed to the site by the casino software itself).

Many casino sites will offer you the chance of playing for real money or for free with a practice play option. Practice play is a great way to gain a feel for the software and if you are a new player to the game, you'll gain a real understanding of all the rules and intricacies of roulette.

To play for real money, you'll have to be registered at a site first. This will simply be a case of filling out a form with details such as your name, your address, email address and phone number. You might be required to verify your e-mail address by clicking on a link in an e-mail sent to you by the site. You'll then need to deposit to the site by visiting the cashier section and choosing the relevant deposit option. You'll now be ready to play and you'll click on the instant play

section of the casino – you'll find the roulette varieties in the 'table games' or a dedicated 'roulette' section.

Advantages of Java Roulette

The biggest advantage is that Java games are instant and require no download. You'll not have to spend time downloading the casino software to your computer and then install the individual games you want to play. Java casinos offer instant play, so you'll be playing in no time.

Downloading software obviously requires you to have the appropriate space on your hard drive, so if memory is an issue, Java casinos offer a great alternative. Another advantage of Java casinos is internet security, as by not downloading software you are less likely to pick up a virus or download malware onto your system.

Java Roulette in Europe

You'll find a great number of casino options when playing from Europe. There are many standalone casinos alongside those affiliated to the major sports betting companies. These casinos will a great range of games and roulette enthusiasts will be able to play all forms of traditional roulette alongside some of the non-standard games (games that offer progressive bonuses and funs games like Mini roulette being examples of these).

A big brand which offers no-download games for all computing platforms which started out with Java games before moving to HTML5 and Flash is 888 Casino. You'll find native apps for mobile devices as well as instant-play browser games at this leading casino.

Java Roulette in the US

Players from the US don't enjoy quite the freedom of choice when it comes to online roulette. Many casino sites pulled out of the US market when the Unlawful Internet Gambling Enforcement Act was passed in 2006 – a ruling which made transactions from financial institutions to gambling sites difficult. However, a number of offshore sites are more than happy to accept US customers and you'll be able to enjoy roulette at one of these sites – although with generally less varieties than enjoyed by their European counterparts.

Many US friendly casinos now offer no-download games you can play in your browser. Some use elements of Java, alongside Flash technology. US based players should check out the biggest offshore casino – <u>Bovada.lv</u> – for a great selection of instant-play games.

Java Roulette Overview

These are exciting times for the roulette fan, with more ways of playing the game than ever before. As technology improves, so will the games and they'll become more lifelike than ever before. Java technology allows these games to be played as widely as possible, giving the player more opportunities to experience the thrill of that little white ball spinning towards its final destination.

Australia Casino Gambling

When it comes to gambling, the laws in Australia are somewhat liberal in comparison to many other countries. You'll find a host of great casino resorts throughout the country, the passion for many Australians being the slot machines, known as 'pokies' in the country. In several states you'll also find these pokies in bars, where you'll also find sports betting opportunities.

Many Australians also enjoy online casinos, playing at a wide range of international casinos who offer a great variety of traditional and innovative casino games.

Here you'll find a guide to casino gambling in Australia. I'll start with the online scene, considering the legal situation and where Australians can play with some advice as to choosing an ideal site. Then I'll move onto the land based scene, with a detailed look at the casino situation in each state and the most popular casino games on offer.

Online Casino Gambling in Australia

The online casino situation in Australia is not completely clear and this is due to the passing of the "Interactive Gambling Act" in 2001. This act restricts what Australian gambling sites can offer online to residents of the country.

Fortunately, this doesn't mean that Australians can't enjoy online casinos, the act aimed at the operators themselves. This had led to a slightly strange situation where many Australians play at international casinos and many international customers play at Australian casinos.

Fortunately the international sites are some of the best when it comes to online casinos, many offering a tremendous variety of slots, which obviously goes down well with their Australian users. These sites offer a great mix of both traditional casino games and new games, these new games either being completely original or variations on existing games.

For example, you'll be able to play both standard Roulette and games like mini Roulette, bonus Roulette and multi-wheel Roulette.

As well as the virtual games they offer, many sites now host a live casino, where you'll be playing with a dealer via a live stream. These games are very popular and probably the most life-like casino experience you'll see online, enhanced for many by the majority of dealers being attractive females.

With so wide a choice for Australian online casino users, it can pay to be a little wary before signing up to a specific site. The vast majority of sites are perfectly genuine and your experience will be a positive one, but like any other industry, you might find a rogue site or two. To protect yourself from this, steer clear of any sites offering you the world before signing up and check that the casino is licensed. The safest sites are the ones that have been in operation for a number of years.

Land Based Casino Gambling in Australia (State by State)

New South Wales – The Star Casino based in Sydney is the only one in NSW. This casino offers 1000's of slots as well as a solid offering of table games, including Roulette, Blackjack, Baccarat and variations of poker.

Northern Territory – This state features just two casinos. These are the 'Skycity' in Darwin and 'Lasseters' in Alice Springs.

Queensland – This state has several options when it comes to casinos. 'Jupiters' casinos are found on both the Gold Coast and in Townsville. In Brisbane you'll find the "Treasury", this casino featuring over a thousand pokies. The "Reef Casino" can be found in Cairns.

South Australia – There is just one casino in this state, the 'Skycity' based in Adelaide.

Victoria – Victoria has just one casino, the 'Crown Casino' in Melbourne. This is a famous and lavish venue, well known for hosting the Aussie Millions poker tournament on an annual basis, attracting the best players from across the planet.

Western Australia – Like Victoria, the only casino in this state is also the 'Crown Casino'. This resort style casino is situated in Perth and includes hotels

and an entertainment complex. Traditional pokies are not allowed here, skill based games taking their place.

Tasmania – The 'Wrest Point Hotel' in Hobart and the 'Country Club Resort' in Launceston are the only casinos on the island of Tasmania.

Games at Australian Land Based Casinos

Walking into an Australian casino will give you the same feel as when entering a US based casino, with a similar spread of games available. Pokies will take up the majority of the floor space (except in Western Australia where you'll find skill based games).

You'll be able to play a good range of table games, with Roulette, Blackjack, Baccarat, Craps and a number of poker variations. Many of the casinos also have their own dedicated poker rooms, where players can play both cash games and large entry tournaments.

As well as casino gambling, Australians love their sports betting, and you'll be able to enjoy both this and playing a pokie in many local bars.

Canada Casino Gambling

Many Canadians enjoy gambling at a wide variety of differing places, including slots halls, racinos (horse or greyhound racing tracks with casinos) as well as casino hotel resorts.

Many of the large international online casinos, including those listed on various stock markets globally will welcome Canadian players, as well as the smaller offshore casinos which US players can also make use of. Canadians can also enjoy the great variety of casino games offered by the online market, playing at both provincial sites and the international sites.

Here you'll find a guide to casino gambling in Canada. Firstly, I'll take a look at the online scene, mentioning the options available with a section dedicated to depositing and overcoming some of the difficulties associated with it. Then I'll move onto land based casinos, starting with a look at each province and then moving onto the games you'll expect to be able to enjoy.

Online Casino Gambling in Canada

Many provinces in Canada have their own gambling sites, these being both very professional and well run. This is the online option of choice for many Canadian casino gamblers, these sites featuring a good range of games. You'll only be able to play at these sites if a resident of the particular province and you'll have no problems funding these accounts.

The other option is to play at some of the big international gambling sites. These sites have moved on immensely in recent years, offering hundreds of games, with great graphics, themed games linked with the latest TV series or blockbuster films and innovative casino offerings.

Of course, you'll still be able to play the traditional games like Roulette and Blackjack – these being on offer both virtually and in one of the popular live dealer casinos.

However, there is one problem when playing at an international site and this is the depositing of funds. In 2006 the UIGEA act was passed in the US which outlawed transactions from financial institutions to gambling companies. This has had a knock on effect in Canada, as several Canadian Banks have subsidiaries in

the US, and they avoid these transactions, not wanting to fall foul of the law in the US. Fortunately there are ways around this, the most popular of which is to use a third party payment service, popularly known as e-wallets.

These can be funded through a credit or debit card, so you'll basically be adding one more step to the deposit process – a little annoying, though worth the effort to make use of these excellent sites.

Land Based Casinos in Canada

Quebec – There are ten casinos in Quebec including the highly impressive Casino de Montreal. Casino resorts are situated in Quebec City, Gatineau, Aylmer and Montreal and a number of smaller poker clubs based all over Quebec. The Kahnawake tribal lands are also situated in Quebec, this area hosting and licensing many online gambling companies.

Ontario – There are more than thirty venues in Ontario if you include poker rooms, slots halls and racetracks. Around Niagara Falls there are two big casinos offering both gambling and live entertainment year round, and a notable site is in Windsor, just across the border from Detroit, Michigan. This casino led to Michigan allowing licensed casinos on their side of the border, to stop the revenue flowing out of the US.

British Columbia – Residents of BC have it good when it comes to casinos, with plenty of choice. The most notable is the Edgewater casino in Vancouver, with many resort style sites having also been built in recent years. Residents of Alaska regularly visit casinos in BC, due to their own gambling restrictions.

Alberta – Alberta has a large number of smaller casinos, as opposed to the larger resorts found in many provinces. Some of these can be found on tribal lands, many of these being privately owned. There are a wide range of casinos in both Edmonton and Calgary.

Throughout the rest of the country you'll find eighteen casino venues in Manitoba and several venues in Saskatchewan. The Northern territory features just a handful of casinos, and you'll find just one in Yukon.

Casino Games Popular at Canadian Casinos

The most popular game you'll find are the slots, rows and rows taking up much of the space of the casino. Table games are also a big feature, particularly Roulette, Blackjack and Crap – with games like Pai-Gow and poker variations also featuring. Some of the bigger sites will have poker rooms although you'll be able to play at dedicated poker room casinos.

The racinos are popular, meaning you'll have the option of that win, place or show bet, alongside betting on red or black at the Roulette table or standing or hitting whilst attempting to beat the dealer at Blackjack.

New Zealand Casino Gambling

New Zealand is a country whose population loves to gamble, a recent estimate stating that around 40% of adults in the country gamble at least once a week. This nation of just over four and a half million people enjoy gambling in high street betting shops, at bingo halls and at any one of the dozens of horse racing tracks scattered throughout the country.

New Zealand also features six casinos, where players can enjoy favorites such as Roulette, Blackjack and the national favorite of 'pokies' (the continental name for slots). Many New Zealanders also enjoy online gambling, both in terms of sports betting and at online casinos.

Here you'll find a guide to casino gambling throughout New Zealand. I'll start with a look at the online casino scene, explaining the legal situation and adding some advice for potential players. Then I'll move onto a run-down of the six casinos based in the country, looking at the game selection you'll be able to enjoy as well as entertainment and great food and drink.

Online Casino Gambling in New Zealand

The legal situation regarding playing at online casinos is a little complex in New Zealand. Before 2003, the operation of casinos was not regulated and therefore players were to free to enjoy the games. However, that year saw the 'Gambling Act' passed, meaning that sites would not be allowed to operate in the country.

This law is aimed at gambling operators and not the individual, which means that individuals can play at sites outside of the country. Unfortunately not all sites will cater directly to NZ customers, some sites blocking play from the country and others not accepting New Zealand dollars. However there is a selection of international sites which do welcome players from the country.

Fortunately, these international sites will offer the very best in casino software. You'll find a great range of games, many of the sites specializing in slots (pokies make up 46.1% of all gambling in NZ, so this is ideal for gamblers from the country) offering games based upon blockbuster films, TV series and many other themes, some of the games featuring large progressive bonuses. As well as the slots you'll find all of the traditional casino games feature, as well as innovative variations on these classics. An example of this is roulette, where you'll the

standard European, French and American games, as well as bonus Roulette, pinball Roulette, mini Roulette and games featuring multiple wheels. Some of the sites have taken the online casino one step further by offering a live casino.

Here'll you'll be playing with a live stream of an actual dealer at a table and gambling on the live action you see on the screen. This is the closest you'll come to actually being in a casino and for many the games are enhanced by the dealers generally being attractive females.

The vast majority of online casinos are highly reputable and you'll have a great gaming experience, although it does pay to be a little careful when signing up to a site. Unfortunately, the online casino industry is like any others, and on occasions you'll find a rogue site. To protect yourself from this, check that the potential site has the relevant licenses. Sites that have been in the industry for a long time are generally the safest.

Land Based Casino Gambling in New Zealand

New Zealand has the following six land based casinos:

Dunedin Casino – This casino features 180 gaming machines and a great variety of traditional table games, including Baccarat, Blackjack and Roulette. The Grand bar and café features delicious contemporary cuisine.

Christchurch Casino – Here you'll find a the choice of over 500 gaming machines and 36 table games, featuring the classic games of Roulette, Blackjack and Baccarat. Seven restaurants, cafes and bars offer the best in cuisine and enjoy the live entertainment at the Mashina Lounge.

Skycity Auckland – A world class casino with over a 100 tables and a large variety of gaming machines. Eat in one of the award winning restaurants or stay in one of the 4 or 5 star hotels and enjoy the great array of entertainment.

Skycity Hamilton – Featuring live entertainment, over 330 gaming machines and 23 separate table games. Relax in one of the six bars, restaurants and cafes and enjoy the live entertainment. You'll even be able to play ten-pin bowling here.

Skycity Queenstown – Here you'll find 86 gaming machines as well as a great variety of table games including Blackjack, Roulette, Midi Baccarat and Texas Holdem Poker. Enjoy the live entertainment and the great food and bar offerings.

Skycity Wharf Casino – All of your favorite table games are available here as well as 86 gaming machines. Relax in the Wild Thyme restaurant and enjoy the live entertainment.

South Africa Casino Gambling

Gambling law in South Africa has changed many times over the years, especially when it comes to nationals enjoying casinos. After a long period from 1965 where they were banned, the government decided to allow the operation of casinos in 1996, only to ban them again.

Currently, casinos are legal again and going through something of a boom, with many large resort style casinos based in metropolitan areas, the most lavish sites being based around the tourism areas. Online casinos in South Africa are effectively banned, although many of the large international sites are happy to accept players from the country.

Here, you'll see a guide to all forms of casino gambling in South Africa. Firstly I'll take a look at the online scene, focusing on the legality of the games, moving onto a look at what you'll find at some of the international casino sites. Then I'll focus on the land based casinos, with a run-down of casinos city by city, finishing with some information about the popular games in the country.

Online Casino Gambling in South Africa

In 2004, the 'National Gambling Act' prohibited 'interactive gaming', the wording of the act specifically targeting exchanging information online. Then in 2010, this law was tightened to include servers based outside of the country – this in effect meaning that online casinos are banned in South Africa.

However, this doesn't mean that it's not possible to play at online casinos from within the country. Many international sites are happy for players to sign up from South Africa, and it seems individual players are not targeted at all. Financial transactions both to and from these sites go through without any major problems. Many of these sites are regulated within the country they are based, some even listed on the stock markets around the world.

These sites offer an amazing range of online games, the majority of them specializing in slots. These slots will include theme based games (sometimes around films or TV shows), various numbers of reels and progressive jackpots, some of these featuring life changing amounts. Traditional table games also feature, including Roulette, Blackjack and Baccarat. You'll find a good variety of these games, including 'fun' variations – for example, you'll be able to play

standard roulette, as well as multi-wheel Roulette, bonus Roulette, mini Roulette, pinball Roulette and many others.

Some online casino companies also offer a live dealer casino. These sites will stream directly to your device from a dedicated casino studio where you'll be playing at an actual table with a live dealer. This is as close as you'll get to playing in a casino from the comfort of your own home.

Land Based Casino Gambling in South Africa

You'll find a mix of resort style casinos and smaller sites focusing on the local population in South Africa. The resort style casinos are focused in the tourist areas and are lavish, spectacular sites. You'll be able to play at gaming machines in bars as well as partake in sports betting online.

South Africa features a great many casinos and as such, it's not possible to list them all here. Here is a guide to the major casinos, city by city.

Bloemfontein – The major casino here is the Windmill International Casino and Entertainment center. Here you'll find a great variety of both slots and table games.

Cape Town – Cape Town is the most popular tourist destination in the whole of Africa, many flocking to see the amazing Table Mountain. Therefore it's no surprise that you'll find one of the most lavish casinos based here. The Grand West Casino features 78 gaming tables, where you'll be able to play Roulette, Blackjack and poker variations amongst others. You'll also find a dedicated poker room. However the most impressive feature of the casino is the slots, which number in excess of 2,500. Other casino opportunities are found in hotels, restaurants and conference facilities.

Durban – The premier casino in Durban is the Sun Coast Casino, which features more than 1,500 slot machines, Durban is a popular tourist area, so casinos cater for players on vacation as well as the local population.

Johannesburg – You'll find several casinos in the Jo'burg area, with casinos that cater for both regular players and high rollers. These sites include the Monte Casino and the Emperors Palace. The Carnival City casino is based just outside of the city.

Sun City – Sun City is a huge resort which features four top class, extensive hotels and two international standard golf courses. Casinos are a major feature of the site, with play available at the Sun City Hotel, Cascades Hotel and the Cabanas.

Popular Games at South African Casinos

Slots are hugely popular in South Africa and you'll find that much of the floor space of casinos is taken up by these gaming machines. Blackjack is the most popular card game, and you'll find a great range of table games including Baccarat and poker variations. Roulette is a popular feature, many sites featuring multiple tables, including European and American versions of the game.

United Kingdom Casino Gambling



In comparison to many countries and jurisdictions around the world, the UK gambling laws are extremely relaxed, meaning you'll be play at both online and bricks and mortar casinos with little or no problems.

Online casino play has no restrictions at all, you'll be able to play for real money as long as you're able to use one of the many funding methods available.

Playing at an actual casino might require you to register there, although this is not always the case, as you'll be able to walk in and play at some particular sites.

The following article takes a detailed look at the UK casino scene. Firstly I'll take a look at the online scene, including the games available and the types of online sites you'll be able to play at. Then I'll move onto bricks and mortar casinos in the UK, starting with a look at the casino hotspots around the UK, and then taking a look at the actual games you'll be able to play.

Online Casino Gambling in the United Kingdom

When choosing to play at a casino online, you'll be able to join a large number of sites, both from within the UK and outside. You'll be able to play at dedicated online casinos and sites which include a casino as part of their larger gambling offering. You'll simply register at these sites, deposit funds and you'll be ready to play.

Online casinos have a greater variety of games available than land based casinos, as virtual software has no bounds, so you'll find all kinds of variations of games, as well as the traditional versions. For example, you'll be able to play European, French and American Roulette as standard, but you'll also find multi-wheel Roulette, bonus round Roulette, mini Roulette, pinball Roulette and many others not available in a real casino.

On occasions you'll find the same games across a number of casinos. This is due to the fact that there are a number of companies who develop the casino

software, and offer licenses to individual casinos, meaning many casinos use the same software.

Some of the biggest UK gambling sites that offer casinos are listed on the UK Stock Market and have headquarters in the UK, many licensed and regulated in Gibraltar. Gambling companies are free to advertise in the UK as long they meet their licensing requirements. This means you'll regularly see gambling advertisements on TV and companies are regularly seen as sponsors for sporting events, the company names appearing on the front of shirts in the English Premier League as an example.

In recent times, the online casinos have moved the game on by offering a live casino environment. These games feature a live stream from a dedicated casino studio, so you'll be playing at a live table with an actual dealer. These games are the closest you'll find to the real casino experience, the games being hosted by attractive females adding to the popularity of this form of casino gambling.

Land Based Casino Gambling in the United Kingdom

UK casinos are generally smaller in size than you'll find in other countries, although you'll find many places to play. The gambling act in 2005 did actually pave the way for resort style casinos to be built, however legal challenges have meant this is yet to come to fruition. You'll find electronic based casino games in thousands of locations across the country at high street bookmakers, as well as fruit machines (slots) in the majority of bars throughout the UK.

The most popular games in UK casinos are Roulette and Blackjack, taking up much of the floor space of the sites. Some casinos will also have dedicated poker rooms, hosting both tournaments and cash games. You'll also be able to play casino poker, Baccarat and Pai-Gow as well as a good selection of slots in the casinos. Craps is not as popular in the UK as it is in other parts of the world; however you will be able to find a game in some of the larger casinos.

London Casinos – There are thirty casinos in London, the Empire in Leicester Square being one of the larger, with smaller venues located around the suburbs. Many of these sites are part of chains and offer something for everyone. For high rollers, The Clermont Club, The Ritz and Crockfords offer some very high stakes

games. London leads the way in terms of size and quality of casinos when it comes to UK.

Midlands Casinos – Birmingham is the second largest city in the UK and the sites here are generally smaller and are parts of the Gala or Grosvenor chain that cover the UK. The rest of the Midlands has many more options, Nottingham in particular hosting many of the UK's bigger poker series.

Scotland/Wales/Northern Ireland – You'll find a large number of mid-sized or smaller casinos, once again normally as part of the chains around the UK.

United States Casino Gambling

While the game of Roulette has origins dating back to 17th century France, its global reach today is really due to its popularity in US casinos. You'll find this game in just about every casino across the country. You can now enjoy realistic Roulette games online too. This article shows you where to find the very best online roulette games for US players.

First of all below I have explained the legal situation concerning gambling online. Many US players incorrectly assume this activity is illegal, when in fact this is not the case. After that you will find information on how to deposit into and withdraw from online Roulette casinos. My guide to how to tell which casinos are reputable can be found next, before some recommendations of great places to play at the end of this page.

USA Roulette Online – Is It Legal?

Many people believe that the 'Unlawful Internet Gaming Enforcement Act' of 2006 makes online gambling activity illegal. This is not the case. What this bill did was to target transactions between banks and gambling site operators. It makes no mention of individual players, and nobody has ever been indicted for simply gambling online under Federal law.

The main effect is that casino operators were forced to move offshore, and banks try their best to block financial dealings with them.

There are many long-running and reputable casinos based offshore offering Roulette games to US players. You will find selected recommendations for these at the bottom of this page.

How to Deposit and Withdraw from USA Roulette Casinos

Casinos offering roulette games to US players have developed solutions to the banking restrictions. You will find depositing and withdrawing your winnings straight forward enough once you know how these work.

You can deposit with your credit card via international transactions, with both Visa and MasterCard having a good first time success rate nowadays. If your own card gets declined, then a great alternative is to buy a pre-paid Visa card.

You'll need a brand which works with international transactions.

The other major deposit option is to use money transfer services including Western Union or MoneyGram. You'll need to get the recipient information from your casino, and then hand over the cash at your local branch office.

Withdrawals are best made via a paper check – which banks will accept. You can sometimes withdraw using money transfer services too.

How to tell Which USA Online Roulette Casinos are Reputable?

There are some excellent brands out there that you can enjoy Roulette games at. For Roulette fans that are new to online casinos – telling the great brands from any rogues can appear difficult. Here are some of the simple checks you can do upfront to make sure you are dealing with a trustworthy brand.

First up, you should check for a license from a reputable jurisdiction. Popular choices are the Netherlands Antilles, Antigua, Panama or the Kahnawake Territory. Next I like to see independent testing of game fairness. Technical Systems Testing is a big company providing this service, alternatives include iGaming Labs.

Finally, check that your casino has no major disputes or complaints online – a solid track record of 5 or more years should give you all the peace of mind you need.

Recommended Casinos for US Online Roulette Players

Here is the US casino which has been providing online casino games for US players safely for many years.

#1 – Bovada.lv

This casino is part of the Bodog brand, with more than a decade of experience and very easy deposit options. You'll find both the US and European Roulette wheel here, including a mobile version. Welcome bonuses will have to be cleared with other games – though you'll benefit from comp points, daily promotions and an ever-changing series of new special offers which will keep your bankroll topped up. This is a classy casino that really looks after their players. <u>Check out</u> <u>the latest deals at www.bovada.lv</u>

Atlantic City Roulette

Atlantic City plays an important role in the recent history of US casino gambling, when New Jersey voters decided to approve casino gambling in a referendum in 1976. This was during a time when gambling on the east coast was hard to find and the aim was to make Atlantic City the Las Vegas of the east.

Atlantic City was the first place where you could find European style single zero roulette in the US, however this changed when many casinos, particularly in Las Vegas, started offering this game.

Atlantic City Roulette Rule Variation

Roulette in Atlantic City today offers a particular variant of the game where you'll find the odds are much in favor of the player. You should always choose to play the European version of the game due to the smaller house edge. However, in Atlantic City, you should discard this advice. This is because if you make a standard bet on an American wheel and the ball lands in either the 0 or the 00 slot, you'll receive half your stake back. This means that the house edge on this version of American roulette is only 2.63% (as opposed to 5.26% on the standard American game).

When you compare this to the 2.70% house edge you'll find in the European game, you are gaining a better deal by playing the American game. Atlantic City would be the only place where we would advise players to play the American game over the European game.



Roulette Locations in Atlantic City

For the biggest roulette offering in Atlantic City you should head to the Borgata Hotel Casino. This casino has an incredible seventeen roulette tables, which is more than you'll find at many Las Vegas casinos. Alongside the roulette you'll also find a great number of table games, including multiple varieties of baccarat, casino poker and blackjack. You'll find a great range of slots here as well, including poker, reel and video slots.

At Bally's casino you'll be able to enjoy rapid roulette at your own betting terminal alongside the more traditional games with a dealer and a wheel. You'll also find a great variety of other table games alongside the slots, which feature some of Asia's newest games.

You'll be able to enjoy roulette at the Golden Nugget casino. The 65,000 square feet casino floor offers blackjack, mini baccarat and craps alongside the roulette with many varieties of poker available here also.

Harrah's Resort in Atlantic City offers the chance to play Rapid Roulette at your own high-tech personal betting terminal. This casino specializes in slots, with over 3,800 of the latest slots and video reel games and video poker.

The Tropicana casino offers roulette alongside a great variety of Asian style table games. The casino has won awards for its offering of slots, with a great mix of classic games and the best new games you'll find.

The final place you'll be able to enjoy roulette in Atlantic City is at the Trump Taj Mahal. Roulette can be played as part of the 177 table game offerings, the casino featuring an exquisite Baccarat pit. You'll also find over 2,500 slots here and a poker room which plays host to the United States Poker Championship.

The Atlantic City Roulette Experience

The dealers are found to be generally friendly in Atlantic City, although they will be friendlier if you are a good tipper. Tipping the dealer after that big win is never a bad idea, and will make your casino experience more enjoyable. You'll receive complimentary drinks also which is a nice bonus.

Things to do in Atlantic City

You could take a stroll along the world famous Boardwalk featuring the many amusement arcades and eateries. The newly restored Absecon lighthouse is a popular trip for many sightseers. Atlantic City is famous for its several golf courses with many travelling from all over the world to enjoy a round. You'll also find some great local beaches for all of the family, alongside a great amount of water based activities including parasailing and tall ship cruises.

Las Vegas Roulette

When it comes to playing roulette, you'll not find anywhere in the US with more roulette tables than in Las Vegas. The vast majority of casinos both on the strip and off-strip will feature at least one table. In general you'll find two types of roulette in Las Vegas – the single and double zero games.

Double Zero Roulette – This is also known as American roulette and is by far the most popular variety of roulette you'll find in Las Vegas. The house edge in this game is 5.26%.

<u>Single Zero Roulette</u> – This is also known as European roulette. There are less of these tables in Vegas, and the tables that are available will generally be reserved for those wanting to play higher stakes games.

Available Single Zero Games

Due to the large difference in house edge, we would obviously advise play at the single zero games. Here is a list of single zero games you'll find in Las Vegas.

Aria – This casino features two tables with a \$25 minimum which are available at all hours. The casino also has two \$100 tables which will open depending upon demand.

Bellagio – You'll find three single zero games in the Bellagio. There is a \$50 table minimum for the one wheel on the main casino floor and a \$100 limit for the two in the Baccarat room.

Caesars Palace – You'll find a \$100 limit at the one zero game in the high limit section of the casino.

Cosmopolitan – Like Caesars Palace, you'll find a \$100 minimum limit table available 24 hours a day in the high limit area.

Encore – There is a \$100 minimum limit here, but occasionally you'll find a game for \$25.

The M Resort – You'll find games with a smaller limit of just \$10 or \$25 on the main casino floor here.

Mandalay Bay – This is another casino with a \$100 minimum limit in the high limit section of the casino.

MGM Grand – You'll be able to play single zero roulette with a minimum stake of \$25 here 24 hours a day. Play in the Mansion has a limit of \$100.

Mirage – You'll find two single zero wheels at this casino – one on the main casino floor and the other in the high limit section. Both of these games have a minimum limit of \$25.

Monte Carlo – You'll be able to play single zero roulette with a minimum stake of \$25 upon request.

Palazzo – Tables with a limit of \$25 are available on the main casino floor, and games in the high limit pit for \$100 upon demand.

Paris – Games with a limit of \$100 are available upon demand.

Planet Hollywood – Games with a minimum limit of \$100 are available on demand in the high limit area of the casino.

Riviera – Here you'll be able to play games with a minimum limit of just \$5 and \$10 twenty four hours a day.

Venetian – You'll find games with a minimum limit of \$25 available in the main pit. High rollers can play in the hi-limit pit on demand,

Wynn Las Vegas – Games with a minimum limit of \$100 are available twenty four hours a day, although occasionally you'll be able to play for as low as \$25.

Double Zero Games

You'll find a great number of double zero games available in Las Vegas. Unfortunately, your average gambler has no real idea of house edges or odds (and will not be reading the advice on these pages!) so the casinos happily lay on many tables with two zeros, and whilst these tables remain busy, this will always be the case. You'll find these double zero games at the majority of the casinos mentioned above alongside the European games. Downtown you'll find that you can easily find many low limit tables where you'll be able to play happily for stakes as low as \$1.

Other Roulette Rules in Las Vegas

One particular rule you'll be able to find at some locations is the La Partage rule. This rule gives players half their stakes back when the ball lands on one of the zeros. You'll find double zero games where this rule is available, and this actually lowers the house edge to 2.63%, which is actually lower than the European game. Once again, this game will only be available to high rollers, and you'll find games at the Bellagio, the MGM Grand, the Rio and the Wynn Las Vegas.

Reno Roulette

For the roulette enthusiast, Reno offers a large amount of gaming options. Currently, there are eleven casinos where you'll be able to enjoy the game, each offering a number of wheels. The majority of the games in Reno feature a double zero wheel, although you will find sites with a European wheel, featuring just one zero.

In this article you'll find a guide to all aspects of roulette in Reno. Firstly, we explain the different table types you'll find, and which you should endeavor to play. Then we move onto to look at the individual casinos featuring roulette and some of the other casino varieties you'll find at these casinos. We finish with a look at Reno itself and what the visitor to Reno might enjoy alongside the roulette.

Types of Roulette in Reno

Double Zero Roulette – This form of roulette, also known as American roulette, features 38 slots on the wheel, with 0 and 00 alongside the numbers 1-36. You'll find this version of the game at most of the games in Reno. Double zero roulette gives the house an edge of 5.26%.

Single Zero Roulette – This form of roulette, also known as European roulette, features 37 slots on the wheel, with a single 0 and the numbers 1-36. There are roulette establishments in Reno with this game, although the games are scarcer. The house edge in this game is a much more palatable 2.70%.

Casinos Offering Roulette in Reno

Atlantis Casino Resort & Spa – This casino offers roulette alongside a great range of other casino favorites. Here you'll also be able to bet a racetrack bet (your favorite number and the two numbers either side) and a 'back2back' bet where you'll gain odds of 1,200 to 1 if your number comes up twice in a row.

Bonanza Casino – You'll find roulette here as one of the six table games, alongside a sportsbook and hundreds of slots.

Boomtown Casino – This casino offers a great range of table games, including roulette, blackjack, craps and a poker room, alongside a sportsbook and over 550 slots.

Circus Circus Hotel – Here you'll find double zero roulette alongside a great many other table games. You'll find over 900 slots here as well as a race book.

Club Cal Neva Hotel – This casino/hotel features a sportsbook, a poker room, slots (some with a 99% payback) alongside the roulette offerings.

Eldorado Hotel – This casino offers double zero roulette alongside many other table games including Baccarat, Blackjack and Craps. You'll also be able to enjoy the sportsbook and poker.

Grand Sierra Resort – You'll find over 45 table games at this casino, featuring four casino wheels. Craps, Keno, Baccarat, Pai Gow, Video Poker and slots are all here, as well as a dedicated poker room.

Harrah's Reno Casino – You'll find a great number of table games here, including of course roulette (the double-zero version of the game). You'll also find over 900 slots here alongside video poker, a sportsbook and a race book.

Peppermill Resort and Spa – Here you'll find Roulette alongside many other table games including both single and multi-deck blackjack. The slots here are considered to be some of the loosest games you'll find, as considered by respected gaming publications.

Sands Regency – This casino features one roulette table alongside Blackjack, Pai Gow Poker and 3-card poker. You'll also be able to enjoy bingo here alongside 600 slots.

Silver Legacy Resort – This casino has 85 table games including several varieties of craps and poker alongside the roulette offerings. You'll also find a dedicated poker room alongside an amazing 1,400 slots.

Things to do in Reno

When visiting Reno, you'll find there is more to the "Biggest Little City in the World" than just casinos. Take in Lake Tahoe, just 40 miles south of the city, which is one of the most beautiful places in the whole of the US, with soaring mountains and amazingly clear waters. You'll find hiking trails, sprawling beaches for those summer trips and Lake Tahoe offers a great skiing destination in the winter months.

You'll also find some amazing museums in Reno, the National Automobile Museum being perhaps the most notable. The Truckee river walk offers art lovers and gourmands something special, with a great collection of galleries and restaurants en-route and is said to be the place to be in the Reno summer.