

The game of Baccarat is probably the simplest of all [casino](#) table games. It is also generally one of the friendliest games, since the players have no influence on the outcome. Unlike Blackjack, Craps, Poker, or other such games, it is not possible to reduce your odds with poor play. Like putting money in a slot machine, you have no control over the outcome of the hand, only over your [wager](#).

The cards are dealt according to a set of rules that cannot be affected by anything the players do. It is essentially the “heads or tails” of card games.

The game has a reputation for being complicated and not for the average person. This is due to the fact that Baccarat attracts most of the ‘high rollers’; the table limits can be higher than on other table games, which creates a certain ‘mystique’. In addition, it’s a difficult game to understand if you’re simply standing off to the side watching.

In fact, Baccarat is one of the simplest games to learn, requires virtually no skill to play and is very fast (up to 150 hands per hour).

It is a card game where the players do not have control of the cards, nor do they play against the ‘house’, as in Blackjack. The house deals two, 2-card hands out of a shoe; one is called the ‘Player’ hand and the other is called the ‘Banker’ hand. They are dealt not to the players at the table, but to the center of the table and the only thing the players do, is bet on the hand they think will win the game. The cards each hand receives, are added up and the one closest to 9 wins.

All players may bet on either the ‘Player’ or the ‘Banker’. You could call them hand ‘A’ and hand ‘B’. It is the closest thing to a 50/50 bet in the casino, like flipping a coin and betting heads or tails, or like betting on Black or Red in ‘Roulette’, without the zeros.

The biggest advantage that Baccarat has over [Roulette](#) is that there are no zeros in the game. Instead, the house takes a commission of 5% on all winning ‘Banker’ bets. The reason for this is that approximately half of the hands will be ‘Player’ and half will be ‘Banker’. If half the players bet on ‘Player’ and the other half on ‘Banker’, they would simply be winning and/or losing each other’s money. The only difference is that if you have a bet on ‘Banker’ and it wins, you must pay a 5% commission to the house.

Based on the rules relating to the drawing of cards, the ‘Banker’ will win approximately 1.47% more hands than the ‘Player’ will, so casinos also use the commission to protect themselves from people who would simply flat-bet the ‘Banker’ and win over the long run.

This game is played two ways, as “Big Bac” and as “Mini Bac”. In “Big Bac”, the cards are actually turned over by players at the table. The rules are exactly the same for both games, so we recommend you only play “Mini Bac”. In “Mini-Bac” exclusively the house dealer, making the game move much more quickly, handles the cards. This serves our purposes, as we want to see as many hands per hour as possible.

That’s where Strategic Gaming, Inc. comes in. They have developed over a dozen systems for table games, all of which work well most of the time. Unfortunately, most systems (even theirs), no matter how good, suffer intermittent negative cycles, which can result in potentially devastating losses on the downside...until now!

I am personally familiar with many people who have lost their homes, their businesses, their families, even their minds, all because they didn’t understand some of the simple rules that you are about to learn from Strategic Gaming, Inc. In fact, the team at SGI had collectively lost over \$350,000 before they began winning on a consistent basis. Since then, their lifestyles have improved, dramatically!

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Powerplay Baccarat

“The Most Advanced and Consistently Successful Baccarat System, Ever!”

Why do we gamble?

That is the age-old question! The action? The high? The ultimate greed? For each person it is completely different, but the truth is, it has been going on for centuries. In the end, the same basic results hold true. We all eventually lose. There are very few people who can honestly say that they are up on the **casino**, over a lifetime of play. Among those people, are the members of “Team Vegas”.

We all are aware that the odds are against us, but for some reason, much like in life itself, we don’t believe that it will happen to us. We believe that these odds don’t apply to us, and can be beaten, but in reality they apply to everyone, including you and I.

What are the odds and are they really stacked against us?

Well, from best to worst they are Baccarat 1.47%, Craps 1.49% (Don't Pass/Don't Come), Pai Gao Poker 1.49comp'd%, Blackjack 1.75%, European Roulette (Single-Zero wheel) 2.7%, Sic-Bo 2.78%, Let-it-Ride [Poker](#) 3.51%, Caribbean Stud Poker 5.22% and American [Roulette](#) (Double-Zero wheel) 5.26%. [Slot machines](#) vary between 5.5% and as high as 14%. Keno is a whopping 18% for the house!! (Incidentally, if you play the 'progressive' bets on either 'Let-it-Ride' or 'Caribbean Stud', you increase the odds against you to near those of playing a slot machine!)

Simply put, these numbers represent the amount the casino earns, on every dollar you place on the table as a [wager](#), using your starting bet to calculate.

In other words, if you gambled for an hour and made a total of say 80 bets, at the end of the hour you would be down the approximate percentage of that game. For example if a player knows the house edge in Baccarat is 1.15% he can assume that for every \$10 of original wager he makes, he will lose 11.5 cents on the average. So if you were betting \$20 per hand, over four hours, assuming there were 80 hands played per hour, you would be down \$73.60 or 3.7 bets.

Is this the only reason we lose?

No. In fact, of all the possible reasons we lose, this one is the simplest to understand and the easiest to overcome! There are three basic reasons that people lose. The first is that the odds are stacked against us, as previously described. The second is a lack of discipline. The third and most important is poor money management skills.

First, the odds are the odds

In the long run, the house will almost always win, which is why they like you to play as many hours as possible. However, in the case of short-term trends, the odds become very close to even and with a good betting strategy and a little knowledge, it's possible to move the odds to the side of the player. An example of this would be a heads or tails toss of a coin. In a million tosses, it would probably end up 500,000 heads - 500,000 tails, but in a short-term sequence you could see up to twenty heads or twenty tails in a row. Therefore during this short-term trend, you could capitalize on the 'streak' and end up winning, thereby overcoming the casino's long-term percentage advantage.

The second problem in [gambling](#); lack of discipline

What this means is that most people don't play with any kind of strategic plan. They play hunches, or if they do in fact begin with an actual plan, as soon as things start to go bad, they quickly switch to another plan, instead of sticking to the original strategy, out of fear.

Of the many students we have taught our unique method to, it is only a very few who don't succeed, **EVERY** single time they play. There are only a few things that can lead to failure after learning this system. The first is not following the plan **EXACTLY**, either because of a loss of faith or a mistaken belief that the strategy requires some **CHANGES** to make it better. And, occasionally, people just go on 'tilt'.

We cannot emphasize enough, the importance of following the strategy, to the letter!

The third and final problem is probably the most important...

Proper Money Management AND knowing when to quit

People are generally poor money managers in their daily lives. Between checkbooks that don't balance, overdrawn bank accounts and credit cards that are 'maxed-out', most people's financial affairs are a mess.

So how could these very same people possibly be expected to manage their cash properly, when they are in a place like [Las Vegas](#) for a weekend and have only a limited amount of time to play? When they encounter a losing cycle, most people try to recover by chasing their losing bets with 'desperation' bets. This departure from the practice of proper money management tends to eat up a bankroll very quickly, leaving the gambler shaking his head and kicking himself for his obvious mistakes.

The truth is, this methodology usually ends up in disaster, which is how the average [casino](#) manages to earn a net profit of over 20% instead of 2 - 3%, which is where it should be, based on the table odds. It's a combination of not fully understanding **HOW** to play, **WHEN** to play, how to **BET** properly, how to **MANAGE** money and when to **QUIT** that creates the **HUGE** advantage the casinos enjoy, year after year.

This advantage allows them to build larger, more extravagant facilities and to provide the complimentary services (comps), such as free rooms, flights, food, shows, etc. for their most valued clients (those holding Player cards which, in our opinion, were designed for losers!).

What can I expect to learn from this course?

This course will teach you the very things we just mentioned.

The 'PowerPlay'® Baccarat system was developed as result of the most comprehensive study of the game, since it's invention!

'PowerPlay' [Casino](#) Strategies will take you from A to Z in an easy to learn, simple to implement 'wager-management' system that will allow you to take advantage of short-term trends, essentially doubling your session bankroll every 12 to 14 hours of play. It will also help you learn when to bet, when not to bet, how much to bet, when to walk away and when to increase your minimum unit value, based on your bankroll.

In other words we are going to turn you into a calculated percentage player, who understands the limits of both negative and positive results. The kind of player the casinos don't like to see, too often. In fact, by the time you've acquired the skills taught in this program, you will be the type of player they don't even like to comp. However, with our 'Casino Awareness' strategies, you will have the casino hosts willing to give you whatever you want, whenever you want, just to get your action!

We can assure you that the main reason the authors of this manuscript continue to remain anonymous is because we play, using the VERY SAME strategies we are about to teach you and we earn a minimum of \$10,000, each and every day. We usually don't play for more than four or five hours at a time and we never get barred from any casinos.

If the casinos knew who we were and that we were sharing this information with anyone, we would not be allowed to play anywhere in the world

Only a fraction of our income is from system sales, so we would not want to jeopardize our livelihood (casino gambling), in any way. In addition, we value our lives and believe me; most casinos view anyone who can consistently remove money from the house to be a threat. They would assume we were cheating and cheats are not tolerated. We would be viewed as crooks and thieves and treated as such. That's the very reason we do not share any information while we are playing, nor do we romance in any way, our system of winning, while seated at the table... PERIOD! Neither should you.

In conclusion, we are confident that you will enjoy this information and at the very least, will make your future trips to the casino much more profitable than they have been in the past. You will be able to go to a place like [Las Vegas](#) and come home with 10 TIMES your starting bankroll in a matter of days...

WE GUARANTEE IT!

Good Luck....not that you'll need it!

What to Expect:

It is important to understand firstly that this system needs to be practiced thoroughly prior to visiting the [casino](#). It is imperative that it is followed exactly to the letter, as the bets and the sequences are exact, and any variance from these instructions could create a long-term negative result.

Also it is important to understand that during the course of certain shoes, it is possible that a negative cycle will occur. Understand that this is very normal, and usually the result of a poorly or improperly shuffled shoe. The key is not to "panic"

This course is designed to make you a calculated, percentage Player that understands the limits of both positive and negative results. At the end of the day, the object is to have more positive than negative results.

This Level 1 system over the course of some 100,000 hands in both live play and baccarat results books, and has demonstrated a 73.5% win versus 26.5% losses. The average win was 19 units, while the average loss was 28 units per shoe.

If the average shoe contains 70 hands, then if you do the division the results are based on $100,000/70 = 1500$ shoes. So using the results that were reported, the following would be the nets:

$1500 \text{ shoes} \times 73.5\% = 1102.5 \text{ winning shoes} @ 19 \text{ units} = +20,947 \text{ units}$. On the negative side $1500 \times 26.5\% = 397.5 \text{ losing shoes} \times 28 \text{ units} = -11,1360 \text{ units}$. $20,947 - 11,130 = 9,817/1500 \text{ shoes} = +6.54 \text{ units per shoe}$.

This number is basically derived from playing straight shoes one after the other, but with the entrance and exit rules specified in the course, the numbers could change dramatically. Often you will have exited the session (1-6 shoes) before a bad shoe occurs.

However it can work in the opposite...you could sit down to a bad shoe right off the bat, but eventually you will exit at a positive for the session. The number above merely reflects the averages on a large number of hands and shoes.

Poor Shuffles

It is vitally important to understand that the money management and betting methodology is designed around both properly (random) and improperly (non-random) shuffled shoes. What creates the “streaky” nature of shoes are basically two things;

- A. The laws of unequal distribution, which occurs less than 5% of the time, but still, must be taken into account.
- B. The dealer being a little lazy causes unequal shuffling that. Shuffle machines tend not to have a problem with bad shuffles.

Nine times out of ten you will find that poorly shuffled shoes create a negative result at the end of the shoe. So there are times when you might have a -30 at the end of a shoe. This system is designed to take this into account, without creating any unnecessary risks for the Player.

With a very aggressive progression, you could theoretically virtually eliminate any losing shoes, to only a couple instead of 247 in the previous example, but the resulting few losing shoes would create huge losses, that over the course of the same 1500 shoes would bring the averages down to less than 2 units per shoe.

So, the secret to a sound system is the overcome the house advantage (1.47%), plus creates the ability to manage your way in and out of “poor shuffles”. Powerplay Baccarat accomplishes this in a very efficient manner.

Now before we get started lets talk about some factors outside of the bet selection and money management issues, which carry equal importance.

Advantages and Disadvantages of Casino Play

It is equally important to understand the advantages that both the [casino](#) and the percentage Player posses, in order to fully understand Powerplay Baccarat.

The Casino

Firstly lets talk about the casino. The casino itself is a very intimidating place. The bells the whistles, the sound of money pouring from the slot machines are all there for a purpose; to take you attention away from what you are doing. These are some of the ways that the casino has the edge. Other advantages that the casino has are:

A. The casino has an unlimited amount of money. Whatever you bet, technically they have to match the bet ..Always. They don't have a choice. The only choice they have is when the cut off point is (house maximum). This number is carefully calculated; otherwise people with large Bankrolls would always win. They can't however tell you how much to bet, just what the most you can bet n any one single hand.

B. The game has a built in house advantage

This has and will be discussed at length, however it is only an advantage over the long term, and not in the short term. During any short-term trend, anything is possible, but with the built in advantage, the house will win more short-term trends than it loses.

C. The house makes you play in their currency.

I know this probably sounds strange to you, but this is a HUGE advantage. Let me ask you this "when do you spend more..when you use cash or credit card?" Obviously it's when you are using a credit card, because you have taken the "reality" away from the money.

This is what casinos do with the conversion of your money to chips is take the reality away. How many times have you seen some idiot spreading chips all over a [Roulette](#) table? He wins a huge stack, and then within minutes it's all gone.

Had that have been cash, I can guarantee you it would have been easier to manage it. Don't under estimate this disadvantage...it is a HUGE one.

D. Casinos are always open 24 hours a day.

Casinos are in no hurry to win your money. In fact they know that in order to beat you, it's going to take some time. That's why when you are "comp'd" it's usually based on you having to stay and play for at least four hours a day. You see that's one of the ways that it can beat you is they have to "control" your time a table. You can decide when you want to stay and when you want to go, but with "comps" that decision is taken from you, one of your weapons for success!!

E. Casinos provide you with free things

Make no mistake about it; everything a casino does is for the casinos benefit and not yours. For example, do you think getting "free" cocktails is really a benefit to the Player? Again, the [casino](#) has no control over our decision-making, but with liquor, the process becomes distorted and a loss of reality happens.

Think back to the days, and in some cases this still happens when women were hired to sit a baccarat table and play with the casinos money in order to “attract” new, well-healed Players.

It's also no mistake that some of the best- looking waitresses work in the pit area, and not the bar. Again the [casino](#) is trying to distract you away from making smart decisions, and managing your money.

F. The casinos can decide when they don't want your business anymore.

If we happen to win a little more often than we should the casino can decide that we are not welcome anymore and there is nothing we can do about it. You see it's not how much you win at the tables; it's how often you win. If you are winning more regularly than you should the first thing the casino will do is take your comps away. Then they will make you switch games, and if that doesn't work they will get rid of you.

So as you can see, there are more than a couple of things working against us here. It's important that before you even learn the betting strategy and money management of Powerplay Baccarat that you need to address those previous disadvantages, and either eliminate them or understand them, and learn to work around them.

The following are advantages that the Player has in the casino:

A. The Player controls the time he/she spends at one sitting before exiting the game.

What I mean by this is that one of the inherent problems and/or benefits of the game of baccarat is that there is a start and end to a shoe, and for the most part they always balance themselves off either at the beginning or the end of the shoe.

A lot of times a Player will either lose all of his/her money if the beginning of the shoe was particularly poor, and not have any money left for the end of the shoe, or vice versa.

Powerplay Baccarat only stays in a shoe for an average of 38 hands, thereby bypassing the potential of either scenario happening. You will learn right time to leave the shoe, and ultimately the session, thereby eliminating the casino time advantage.

B. The Player can decide how much to bet, on any one hand or not to bet at all.

By varying the size of the bet, combined with certain start and stop mechanisms, we again can overcome both the house advantage, and the time advantage that the casino has. Powerplay

controls this through pre-dermined strategies, based on each individual result. This is no different than having draw rules for the [casino](#) in both Baccarat and Blackjack.

C. The Player controls how much alcohol they consume.

Under the rules of Powerplay, ALL consumption of Alcohol is to take place only during a session break (a period of three shoes or 2 ½ hours) but ceases a minimum of one hour prior to the commencement of further play. In this way the Player always maintains a sharp focus.

Let me ask you something..Do they let the dealers and pit bosses drink while they are on the job? Of course not. They don't want any mistakes...and either do we. It is vitally important though that ONLY bottled water is drank while playing. In this way you are always properly hydrated.

D. The Player controls where they place their bets.

What I mean by this is that the Player can place his/her bet on whatever bet he/she wants at whatever time he she desires. We can bet on the Bank or the Player, or the tie in the case of Baccarat. Now how is this an advantage?

Certain short-term trend creates huge advantages for the Player. The Casino cannot and in most cases won't stop you from making any bet you want on whatever you want as long as it's within the house limits. In the strategy of Powerplay, you will see how this becomes a huge advantage for the Player.

So, in conclusion it is important to understand the [Casino](#) strengths as well as the strengths for the Player, and concentrate on the things that you CAN control, and not to allow the things that you CAN'T control. To intimidate or distract you in any way.

The Rules Of Baccarat

Not that you even need to know them.....

Because all of the rules of Baccarat are built into the game, and because you the player have no input on the draw cards for either the Bank or the Player, it is not really necessary to know the rules.

It is still good to know the draw rules as some dealers are known to make mistakes.

Basically there are three positions on the table, the BANKER, the PLAYER, and the TIE. However in Level 1 we only concern ourselves with the BANKER position because that is the only position we will ever place a bet on.

The basic rules of the game is that the position (Player or Banker) whose cards total closest to 9 Wins. If the total exceed 9 then the total is figured out by subtracting 10. IN this game all picture cards, and tens are counted as 0. The ace is counted as 1, and all remaining cards are counted at face value.

Example:

$6 + 8 = 14$ Drop the first digit (1) and the total is 4

$9 + 3 = 12$ Drop the first digit, and the total is 2

The highest total you can get is 9.

Anytime the Player or the Bankers first two cards drawn total 8 or 9 these are called “Naturals” and no other draws for either position are permitted.

Standing and Drawing Rules for BOTH positions

Here are the rules for the others, in short from:

- Player always Draws a third card if the initial two card total is 0-5
- Player always stands if two-card total is 6 or higher
- Banker always draws a third card if the first two-card total is 0-2. If the Player does not draw a third card, then the Banker always draws 0-5 unless Player has an 8 or 9, which automatically wins.
- If Banker's two-cards total is 3, Banker draws a third card if the Player's third card is anything but an 8.
- If Banker's two-card total is 4, Banker draws a third card if the Player's third card is a 2-7
- If Banker's two-card total is 5, Banker draws a third card if the Player's third card is a 4-7
- If Banker's two-card total is 6, Banker draws a third card if the Player's third card is a 6 or a 7.
- Banker always stands with 7 or higher.

Anyway like I said it is not imperative to remember them but it helps in case of a mistake.

Otherwise the game is simple, each side (Player or Banker) get two cards each. They are turned over at the same time. Then the appropriate draws take place and a winner is declared. In the case of a tie, anyone who has a bet on the tie gets paid 8 for 1.

Forget about the tie. It is a house bet over 18% for the house. Might as well play Keno.

The terms Player and banker have no significance. They are just names like heads or tails. So don't get caught up on the names. In Level 1 all we care about is the BANKER bets.

The Powerplay Baccarat Method:

The Theory:

Almost everyone who plays Baccarat uses some kind of a "system". Some people play the 'follow' (betting that the last decision will repeat), some play the 'previous' (betting that the decision, which preceded the last decision, will repeat) or even try to find a pattern (Incidentally, there's no such thing as a pattern that remains consistent for more than a few hands at a time).

A very popular betting strategy is to simply bet against any run of more than 2 or 3 and continue doubling the bet on losses until it finally wins. This is called the basic Martingale strategy, or 'double or nothing' (more often, nothing) and is unsuccessful for two reasons. The first is that when it finally does win, you will have only actually won your initial bet. All the money spent chasing the win will have been spent, simply trying to recover the VERY FIRST BET!

For example, if you started with a \$5 bet on 'Banker' and doubled it every time you lost, you would have spent \$163,835 by the time 'Player' had hit 15 times. If 'Banker' hit on the 15th hand, you would have recovered everything you'd spent, but would only actually be ahead by the amount of your original bet... \$5.00!!!

This is assuming, of course, that you had sufficient bankroll AND you were in a [casino](#) that allowed bets as high as \$81,920 (the amount of your 15th bet). There's one more point that is often overlooked in this type of strategy... the commission. The 5% commission, on your winning bet (which is paid on all winning 'Banker' bets), would be \$4,096.00 (so much for your \$5.00 win!).

By the way, it's not unusual to see long runs of either 'Banker' or 'Player'. In fact, members of "Team [Vegas](#)" have witnessed as many as 29 'Players' in a row, as well as 17 'Bankers' in a row and we have heard stories of even longer streaks (though not documented). You can imagine what kind of effect these would have on your bankroll if you were betting against them! Many people play the 'follow', so they catch those runs, as opposed to losing against them, but it can 'chop' (switch back and forth) as well, so you could end up with the same results.

Another variation of the Martingale system, which actually generates a positive gain on EVERY hand when it finally wins, is one that incorporates a 1, 3, 7, 15, 31, etc. wagering progression. That is to say that the previous bet is doubled and the original bet is added, on every loss. Although this system would have produced a net win of \$75, over the same 15 bets, your bankroll would have had to exceed \$327,590, your 15th bet would have been \$163,830 and the commission, if it the [wager](#) were on 'Banker' when it hit, would be \$8,191.50! Ouch!

There aren't many casinos that allow betting in this range (\$5 -\$165,000), which makes it difficult for anyone, using this type of strategy, to survive for very long (although I doubt there's a casino in the world that wouldn't absolutely love to see you play that way).

A person may experience a degree of success with either method for a period of time, but sooner or later, they will see the thing backfire, costing them their entire bankroll.

Most people, when starting out in Baccarat, get the idea that they have figured out how to beat the game by using one of these two methods, but eventually they discover the folly in this type of thinking, usually after suffering great loss. Thus was born the concept of "trading many small wins for the occasional huge loss". While I was conducting my research, I had the opportunity to win and lose a lot of money, well in excess of 1 million dollars. During this time one of the things that I noticed was that the baccarat table tended to attract two types of people, the very wealthy and the Orientals, which sometimes were both oriental wealthy. I have now come to understand why those two segments are found most often.

Firstly lets deal with the wealthy people. People who are wealthy, and STAY wealthy are usually astute businessmen or excellent money managers. They understand the rule of 72 in finance, and are very good at managing their way in and out of trouble. Their problem is they are usually very pragmatic in their approach, and believe that Baccarat is just a money management game, and they concentrate their efforts on the size of the bet, and not necessarily on what is or had occurred.

They are half right.

Baccarat IS a money management game, however over the course of a long period of time the TRUE ODDS appear, which basically means that by managing your money well you are just making it last longer. You see Baccarat is a 1.475% against the Player or in other words for every \$100.00 you bet the house, at the end of the day (4 hours or more, statistically) will receive \$1.47 from every dollar you bet and you will get back the \$98.53. What this amounts to is that each Baccarat shoe is about 80 hands, so if theoretically you were betting \$25.00 per hand, in 80 hands you would lose $80 \times \$25.00 \times 1.47\% = -\29.40 per hour. So in 4 hours this meant that you would theoretically lose $\$29.40 \times 4 = -\117.60 .

Now let's move this to a larger "wealthier scale". Mr. Big shot is betting \$1000.00 per hand x 80 hands per hour x 1.47% against. At the end of four hours, Mr. Big Shot has parted with - \$4704.00. (This is a best-case scenario). This [casino](#) will then "comp" Mr. Big Shot up to 40% of those losses. So they will allow him to charge $\$4704.00 \times 40\% = \1881.60 per day in food, beverage and rooms. In other words he will get a nice room, whatever he wants to eat and drink, whatever shows he wants to see, and pretty much anything else he desires. He should, he has bought and paid for it by "putting in time".

But what I have learned is that these types of people are more interested in being made to feel important than they really need to win. After all, they don't do this for a living, and realize the "pragmatic realities" of the game. That's why there are casino hosts. Their job is to do exactly that.... make the client feel important.

Even after giving back 40% of the projected or "theoretical losses, the casino still does very well. Just by having a couple of dozen of these types of

Players playing per day, looks after a lot of the daily payroll in the casino pit area.

The second type of Player is the Oriental. They believe in playing the best odds games. They are not often seen at a [roulette](#) wheel or a blackjack table. They like fast games, and the best odds. They believe in betting trends. They chart each and every hand meticulously looking for a trend to emerge. Then once they spot it, they go after it very hard. This is where they fall down. Usually they are "single trend Players", which is mistake one, plus they tend to chase the trends and throw large amounts of money at them, making them poor money managers. They are not happy with small wins.

Again the casino loves this type of Player. The trick for the casino is to keep them long enough at the table for the trend that they may be winning with to disappear, which usually does not take very long. On average this type of Player will lose an average of 3 to 10% of all money

wagered in a session. So using the same 80 hands and an average bet of \$1000.00 per hand, he will part with between 2400.00 and \$8000.00 per hour play. This is usually over a longer period of time as this type of Player generally plays for shorter sessions, but more of them in a day.

Here is the REAL truth. Without BOTH playing trends PLUS sound money management including specific entry and exit rules for the shoe and the day, you will NEVER succeed long term at Baccarat. I have talked to many pit bosses and not one of them has told me that they have EVER seen a long-term winner.

Powerplay Baccarat, when played precisely WILL be that winner, and has won hundreds of thousands of dollars, in a “stealth mode” all over the world. You are about to learn the secret that will make you consistent winner whether it's just extra spending money or a fulltime income.

System Creation:

In playing literally thousands of hands of Baccarat, a trio of playing strategies was born. Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3. All three are winning strategies but differ in:

- A. The size of the Bankroll needed
- B. The frequency of the bets
- C. The bet selection method
- D. The amount of units generated
- E. The swing of -/+

Level 1 System

You will be learning the level 1 method, which is all you will ever need to consistently win at the game of Baccarat.

Basically the theory behind this method is that the game is designed around the Banker decisions. Anyone who has played Baccarat knows that the Bank has an advantage of 1.47% over the Player based on the different set of draw rules for the Bank versus the Player.

To offset this a commission of 5% is paid on every win that the Banker wins. This commission is 5% of the win amount. So the only way to win money LONG TERM is to create a positive expectancy that is greater than 2% advantage of all hands played.

This positive expectancy is created with the same general theory, but with three different strategies. The first is the Level 1 Strategy, which relies on ONLY BANK bets. It's also the easiest to play and understand, but generates the least amount of average units per shoe, but has the least amount of fluctuations in +/- swings.

In any strategy there is the risk/reward factor. The beauty of the Level 1 Powerplay Strategy is that you can play it comfortably on a minimum session Bankroll of only 100 units.

Powerplay Baccarat is designed to generate an overall advantage of more than 10% by eliminating long streaks of Player losses, while capitalizing on both short and long streaks of Banker wins.

Why Only Banker Bets?

By design, because the Banker wins more frequently than the Player, it also experiences greater number of streaks, both in length and frequency. So the trick is to be able to identify and capitalize on these positive streaks, while reducing and virtually eliminating the negative ones.

The average number in a streak, which must be at least 2 in a row to be considered a "streak or trend", are different for both Player and Banker decisions, primarily because of the draw rule differences.

The average "short streak" for the Player is 3 and the long streak is 5, while the average short streak for Banker is 4 and the average long streak is 6.

Think back to any time in the past when you were winning at any game. What was happening at that point? What you would find if you kept track, is that there were "streaks" or "trends" which ran your way for a specific period of time. If you ended up winning at the end, you exited before or just as the streak had changed or ended. If you didn't you ended up playing beyond the streak hoping for it to return.

What is a Streak/Trend?

A streak or trend is a pattern that repeats a specific decision or decisions. Every streak starts with 2 of something, whether; in the case of Baccarat it is 2 Banks, 2 Players, or 2 Chops (Bank/Player/Player Bank).

In the case of Level 1 Powerplay we are going to concern ourselves only with the Bank streaks, as far as bet selection.

Every Bank streak must start with 2 Banks, so we will never begin betting without a 2 Bank streak to start with.

Example of Bank Player Streaks:

B

X

X

XX

XXX

XX

P

X

X

XX

XXX

If you imagine a teeter/totter effect in the game of Baccarat this teeter/totter is created by the swing of Bank to Player ratios. Individual decisions, Player and Bank play off on one another.

There is a direct correlation between the total number of Player decision and that of the Banker in a shoe. Shoes often balance, meaning if there are a lot of Banks in the beginning, then there are usually a balancing number of Players to follow. I say generally, which does not mean ALWAYS.

Also the number of streaks tends to balance also in a shoe i.e. the number of 3 in a row, 4 in row etc. streaks both on the Player and the Bank side. In addition even shoes balance between shoes meaning that if one shoe has 50 Banks/ 31 Players then the next shoe could have 33Banks/48 Players.

In completing some five years of exhausting research and, study I discovered an interesting pattern, which forms the Basis of Powerplay. That is, that streaks of three or more of a

decision (Player or bank) either side precedes or offset each other within a minimum amount of hands of each other.

What I mean by this is that if you see say 6 Banks in a row, it is more likely than not to be followed either directly or within 2-3 hands by a 3 or more streak of Player, or another streak of Banks. This doesn't happen ALWAYS, but it does it enough to create a serious edge on the house.

Example of Opposite Streak

B

XXXX

X

P

X

XXXXXXXXXX

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Another way to put this is let's say that every time you knew there was a streak of Player decisions (bad or losing decisions in Level 1 Powerplay) about to happen, if we didn't place a bet and sat out until that streak came and went, then the number of Player decisions we miss would from our advantage for the shoe.

Conversely, if we knew when a streak of Bank decisions were due, and we jumped on it, even increased our bet to capitalize on it, and when it ended, stopped betting until we could start on another new Bank streak, then that would from an additional advantage on the house.

The trick now is being able to identify these trends and capitalize on them, and also deal with the chop decisions, and 2/1's for either side. A chop again is when the decision goes Bank/Player alternately, and the 2/1 is when it goes 2 Bank 1 Player or vice versa.

Example of Chop's

B

X

X

XX

X

XX

XX

P

X

X

XX

XX

X

Powerplay Baccarat deals with all of these trends in a very specific mechanical way. It is important to understand that when we start betting or in “re-start” whilst in the midst of the shoe, that it is always on the basis of seeing 2 Banks first.

Now after commencing the betting sequence, what determines whether we stay in the sequence and continue to bet, or we stop betting and wait for another two Bank sequence to occur, is what has happened prior to the 2 Bank sequence.

The theory that streaks precede streaks does not always apply to opposites. It also applies to likes as well. What I mean by this is have you ever seen it go 6 Player, 1 or 2 Banks, then 5 Player. This is a like streak preceded by a like streak.

Example of a “like streak”:

B

X

X

P

XXX

XXXXXXXXX

Again what we want to do is to, as much as possible, eliminate the losses created by Player followed by Player streaks, and capitalize on the Banker, followed by Banker streaks.

So in the above example, if we were able to miss the second bad streak of Player after the first, then we have again reduced the number of overall losses in a shoe, and created the potential of a positive overall expectancy.

Here is an example:

B

X

XX

X

X

X

X

P

XXX

XXXXXXXXX

X

X

X

B

XXXXX

P

X

XXX

18 Player / 12 Bank = -5 plus commission if you were betting on Bank, but with Powerplay this same scenario created a +6 with a small progression and +2 with a flat bet!!!

In conclusion the theory of this system is very simple...Streaks create wins...short term, and long term providing you know how to identify them, and when to get off them when they are over.

If this is accomplished then a long-term positive expectancy is created, even with a flat bet.

Powerplay Baccarat Level 1

Instructions:

Again I cannot emphasize enough the importance of playing this strategy EXACTLY as instructed. Any variance could dramatically adversely affect the results.

The first thing you want to take out a scorecard, and if you don't have a scorecard, ask for one or pull out a piece of paper, and number it from 1 to 80 representing the number of hands in a shoe.

It is vitally important that you keep a running total of where you are at +/- . There are certain key positions on both the + and the - that will change both what you bet and also when you bet. These are called exit, and restart mode strategies.

You will learn more about these as we go through the system. This running total will insure that use maximize wins, while minimizing losses.

A. You must start at the beginning of the shoe. You will wait however for the first two successive Banker decisions to appear, before your first bet is placed. You will be placing ALL of your bets on the Banker.

B. Once two Banker decisions occurs you will make a 3 unit bet on Banker.

C. If this bet wins your next bet will be 2 units on Banker. (This is called a "drop down bet").

D. If the bet from B losses you will repeat your bet on Banker with a 3-unit bet. The exception to this would be if the preceding Player decision BEFORE the two Banker decisions was the end of a streak of 3 or greater successive Player decisions, then you will stop, and wait for 2

successive Bank decisions before placing another bet. This is called “re-start” mode. Then you would repeat the procedure

with a 3-unit bet on Banker. Also at the BEGINNING of the shoe when you make your FIRST bet after you see 2 Bankers if that bet loses you also immediately go into restart (you are assuming because there is no history at the beginning of the shoe that the preceding was the end of a Player streak.

E. If that bet in D wins then your next bet is 2 units on Bank, and if it wins again increases to 3 units and stays at 3 units, and remains on Bank until a loss occurs. When the loss finally occurs, then you will stop betting, and go into “restart mode by waiting for two successive Banker decisions before resuming with a 3-unit bet.

F. If your second 3 unit bet in D loses, meaning you lost two 3 units bet after you resumed betting after 2 Bankers, then your next bet is 4 units, then if another loss, then it is a 8 unit bet, and finally a 16 unit bet. If it losses again, you must STOP, and go into restart mode again. Anytime during this losing betting sequence when a win finally occurs, and you haven’t gone through the complete losing sequence (5 losses) then the next bet is 2 units.

G. If that 2-unit bet loses, then you must go into restart mode, which is to wait for two successive Banker decisions in a row to occur.

H. If the 2 units bet wins then you would increase your bet to 3 units until a loss occurs, and then depending on whether you have won three successive bets or more you would either (in the case of two wins and then a loss) you would go into the 4 loss progression which would be 3 as the next bet, then 4, then 8 units and finally 16 units.

I. Anytime you are in restart mode and you see two Banker decisions in a row, then your first bet is 3 units, and then if that wins your next bet is 2 units, then if another win occurs, your bet goes back up to 3 units, and remains there until a loss occurs. Once that loss occurs you would have had three wins in a row including the two Banker wins that you did not bet on. This means you go back into restart mode.

J. After two Bankers occurs and your next 3 unit bet wins, you go down to 2 units, and then if it wins again go back up to a 3 unit bet units until a loss occurs (a Player decision).

K. After a loss you will use the following chart on successive losses. After first loss the next bet is 3 units, then 4 units, then 8 units, then 16 units and if that 16 unit bet losses you stop and go back into “restart” mode and wait for 2 successive Banker decisions to occur again. In other

words anytime you experience 4 losses in a row (four successive Player decisions) you must stop betting and immediately go into restart mode.

L. Once the two Bank decisions returns you resume you bet restarting at 3 units. If the 3 bet loses you go back to the progression chart of 3,3,4,8,16 the first loss of 3 is included in that chart. If you at any point win during the progression chart, then you go back to a 2 unit bet, and if a win occurs go back up to 3 units and stay at 3 units until a loss finally occurs. However if when you make the 2 units bet it loses, then you go back into restart mode. When this happens, you go back into restart mode, if there were:

M. At least three Banker decisions in a row including your winning Banker bet or

N. Three successive Player decisions or more prior to the two successive Banker decisions, at which point you placed your bet.

O. The only time you make a bet AFTER you have made a two unit bet and it loses, would be that there was not a previous 3 loss or greater Player streak prior to the start of the Banker streak.

To see the strategy at work go to Tutorial Chart #1

As you can see in the Tutorial Chart #1 you are constantly in “restart mode” which takes a great deal of patience. But once you see how many losses you miss by doing this, you soon don’t mind following the rules to the letter...

Win Plateaus:

It is important to understand that in order to play and win with the least amount of stress you must create “win plateaus”. Winning plateaus are created when you reach a point in the shoe where a predetermined + number has been reached. In the case of Level 1 Powerplay, this number is +15. As soon as this number is reached at ANYTIME in the shoe, then your profit is locked in...

At this point, you will never make a bet that if lost would take you below +10. So if you are in a losing sequence and you are say having to place a 8 unit bet but by doing this it would put you in a position of being below

+10 if you lost.... you DO NOT MAKE THE BET. You must exit the shoe IMMEDIATELY....

If you don't hit this scenario before you get to +20 then the next plateau becomes +20, and the bottom is +15. Once you get to +30 that becomes the new the plateau AND the bottom becomes +20. So you are in control of your profits.

The idea behind every shoe I play is that it is a race to +15. Once you hit this number you have "locked in your profit", and now regardless of what happens in the shoe, the [casino](#) cannot get any more than 5 units of profit, and none of my session money.

However this plateau system still allows me to continue to build a larger shoe profit if a streak should occur on the bank side...

You daily (session) goal should be to play to +30 before taking a break of at least 2 shoes. Once your running total for the day hits +30 you use the same exit strategy for exiting the session. +25 is the bottom.

Loss Plateaus:

The exact same system is used when we hit a negative shoe. These shoes as I have said before are caused mostly by improper shuffles. However they are nothing to be alarmed by.

Whenever you get to a point in the shoe where you are in a – running total and the next bet that you make would take you beyond -40 YOU DO NOT MAKE THE BET.... you must exit the shoe...As I have said before shoes often balance, but there are times when they don't. SO rather than "chasing" it and running through your session bankroll, there will always be another shoe, and because this method creates far more winning shoes than losing ones, we want to minimize the losses as much as possible.

On average you will have 5-8 winning shoes averaging +12 or greater, as opposed to 2 losing shoes. So the math is $+14 \times 8 = +102 - 45 = +57 / 10 = +5.7$ units for EVERY SHOE PLAYED winner or loser...

Understand that there will be days where you might have to play 4-10 shoes to get out of a losing shoe, especially if you hit 2 or 3 losers in row (which can happen). You just have to deal with it and not lose your patience...

Cycling Out:

It is important that if you do not hit a win or loss Plateau by the 65th hand that you begin the cycle out process. What this simply means is that you will only allow 3 losses consecutively

before you exit the shoe at this point. This becomes a safeguard for your Bankroll and any units that you have accumulated at this point in the shoe.

Sure it's frustrating to get to say +8 and lose the three bets immediately, thereby eliminating your wins to this point, but it is far worse hitting a 5 Player run with 6 hands left in the shoe.

Once you hit the 65th hand you need to immediately change your betting structure. You need to restart with the understanding that it will take 3 losses in a row to exit, or you hit one of the other Plateaus.

No one likes to leave the shoe, and in some cases in Level 1 you may only play about 6 or 7 hands before exiting the shoe. Just be PATIENT, you have lots of time and the [casino](#) is not going anywhere.

You must play with discipline, and of all of the rules thus far this far and away is the toughest one for people to follow, especially if the shoe is losing....

Just remember this is a marathon not a sprint...you will get to where you are going eventually. Some days it just takes longer than others....

Bankroll Requirements:

This method is broken down into two bankrolls:

A. Your Stake or Lifetime Bankroll

B. Your Daily or Session Bankroll

Your Lifetime stake should start at 300 units. Every time your Lifetime stake triples in size you double your unit value. It should take approximately 40 to 50 shoes to triple your bankroll. DO NOT step up your unit value until your Lifetime Stake is tripled each time.

My advice to you is to start at the \$10.00 tables with \$5.00 units. The minimum bet you make is 2 units, so you can always play at the \$10.00 table.

As your bankroll increases you can move up to the \$25.00 tables. The key is to get to the \$100.00 tables as soon as you can.

Realistically starting at \$5.00 units it will take you about 160 to 200 shoes of play before you will be playing for \$100.00 chips. Assuming each shoe is 45 minutes, which converts into 140 to 200 hours of play.

Also you should maximize your unit value at \$100 units. Any larger unit will create a lot of problems for you at the [casino](#) you are playing at. You will have far too many eyes on you, and you will risk being barred (which happened to me many times before I figured it out).

Also never win more than \$9,900 at one session before cashing out. The IRS is notified of any wins of \$10,000 or more.

Playing with \$100 units to +40 per session will generate between \$3,000 and \$9,000 per day net.

On the loss side, only play to -100 each session. Once you hit this number you must cycle out the same way you do for -40. There will be plenty of sessions ahead that will create +40 fast, so don't worry when you hit losing sessions. The key is to have adequate bankroll left when exiting a losing session. It happens very rarely anyway that you will ever hit -100 before you recover and end up at +40 for the day.

Optional Money Management Methods:

While the bet selection in Level 1 will ALWAYS be the same, in other words there will be no fluctuations whatsoever, there are several optional ways of wagering, that can create better returns. However they can create larger unit losses, albeit temporarily.

Firstly with the current betting progression, when you hit a loss cycle of 5 losses or more, meaning that you have lost the 2,3,4,8, and 16 bets, you go into restart but when you resume betting you do so with DOUBLE your unit value, so if you were at \$5.00 units you come back at \$10.00 units until you recover your losses. Then you go back to your original unit value.

If you get to the end of the shoe and you are still at a - running total, you start the next shoe at double units until you recover your losses. If you get to the end of the next shoe and are still at a - you must stay at double units until you recover your losses. If your running total is greater than -40 you go to TRIPLE units until you recover your losses. If you get to greater than -60 you go to 5x your unit value until you recover your losses.

You never bet more than 5x your value so you will remain at that unit value until you recover your losses. Note in order to play this you need 500 units.

Flat Betting:

Any system that cannot win using a flat bet method is not worth the paper it is written on. However the reason progressions are used in Powerplay, is just to maximize wins, and recover from loss cycles FASTER.

However if you want to Flat Bet then you will play each shoe until you reach +7, and cycle out based on three successive losses. This way once you hit +7 you are guaranteed a minimum of 4 units less the commission, which usually is .5 to 2 units. The problem with a straight flat bet is that it can take sometimes 20 shoes to reach the session end of +20.

The method that I personally play is a Flat Bet of \$100.00 units to +7 in each shoe and then cycle out on three successive losses. However whenever I get to the end of the shoe and it is a – running total, I will play the next shoe to +7 but at DOUBLE the previous unit value. So let's say I ended up –4 at the end of shoe 1, I would play shoe 2 at \$200.00 units to +7. So once I hit $+7 \times \$200.00 = +14$ at \$100.00 units- $4 \times \$100.00$ from shoe 1= +10.

If I am still at a running total of – after the second shoe and the running total is greater than – 20, I would go to triple units until I hit +7.

If the third shoe still yielded a – value I would go to 5X unit value or \$500.00 chips until I hit +7. Then assuming I got back to a + value on the running total I would then go back to single value units.

If at the end of that shoe I am still at a – value then I would stay at 5x unit value until I had got back to a + running total.

The exit for the session on the Flat bet progression is +20 for the session. Once you hit +20 then you cycle out on three successive losses.

Using this method the WORST I ever got down was –200 but I played through it at 5x value for 18 straight shoes until I got back to +20. That was a long day.

The strategy that I have written for Powerplay Level 1 is a very good one, as it optimizes wins, and gets out of loss cycles fast. It also keeps your exposure down to a workable level.

Important Notes:

Keep a running total of your net win/loss situation, both for the shoe and for the day or session. This way you can tell where you are in relation to your goals, by simply glancing at your scorecard.

It is vitally important to know, at all times, how far you have gone into your bankroll, BEFORE making a large bet. NEVER make a bet of 16 units, if making that bet would put you more than 50% into your bankroll! Occasionally you will hit a losing cycle where your next bet in the cycle would be 16 units.

At this point, assuming you are more than halfway into your bankroll, you MUST step out of the shoe and wait for the next one to start again. This is to protect your bankroll.

Using this safety strategy, it will take a little longer to accomplish your daily goal, but you will absolutely protect your bankroll, which, as we mentioned earlier, is the most important part of any wagering strategy.

So now you have the most powerful combination to consistently earn \$2000.00 or more per day until they change the rules of Baccarat or they bar you from the [Casino](#). By using the strategies in our [Casino](#) Awareness chapter of this book you will reduce the chances of the second scenario happening.

While this may simple difficult to understand or in some cases too simple to believe it will work, this method has been tested on over 200,000 hands of live Baccarat. It has beaten EVERY tester book on the market, and it WILL work for you if you play it exactly to the letter. You will make mistakes, but understand that you can go into restart mode anytime this happens without affecting anything. So take your time to understand and play the games in practice, Take the 100 practice shoes and play them on paper and get the hang of the betting structure, as well as the wagering selection. Learn when to enter and exit both the shoe on restart and also on the shoe exit strategy.

Why Powerplay Level 1 Works:

1. Banker Hands win more than Player hands*
2. Banker streaks overall are longer than Player streaks
3. We don't lose when the Player is running
4. We don't lose when the Player is Chopping
5. We WIN on zig zag streaks
6. Whether a progression is used or not the bet selection allows us to capitalize on Banker Wins, while minimizing Player losses.

If you have played Baccarat using a variety of methods you will realize that this system uses the variation of a Mini- Martingale.

However because of the strict rules for entry and exit AND the proper bet selection methods this system has an overall FLAT bet win percentage of over 54% AFTER the commission is deducted.

There will be times when the Player is running strong, but most times we will miss these frustrating loss sequences.

- Obviously in the short term anything can happen but long term the Banker hands win 50.68% of all decisions and Player hands win 49.32%, not including ties.
- The overall advantage works out to be 2.75% thus the 5% vig on wins, which closely matches this advantage.

But with Powerplay we literally “turn the tables on the house advantage, so that in the long run it will be us that come out on top.

How to play Powerplay in Live Casinos

The first thing you want to do is to look for a table with 3 or more players at it, so you don't have to worry about sitting out hands if one or two leave during a shoe.

Secondly ALWAYS start in a NEW shoe. Never enter in the middle of a shoe. Patience is power.

Thirdly either use a scorecard provided by the [casino](#) and mark the left column B for banker, and the next column P for player.

The third column will be your running total. Circle all wins, which will be Banker of course. When the end of a 3 or more player streak occurs put a square around the last player. That way when you finally start betting you can check back when you lose to see if there is a Player bet with a square around it immediately preceding a Banker decision.

As soon as you hit +15 on your running total circle the +15 that lets you know you are now in cycle out mode. That is as soon as you have a bet that will take you below each plateau you leave the shoe.

If the shoe is a winner, exit leave your chips and scorecard there, and go for a walk until the next shoe starts. If the shoe was a loser, change table if you can. If not, take a walk until the next shoe begins.

If you are forced to place a bet at any time, always make the minimum bet, and place it on BOTH sides Player and Banker. That way it will cost you very little to watch, until you are ready to come back in.

I highly suggest that you use the following rules to start playing.

- A. You must have at least 300 units to play.
- B. Your Session Bankroll should be at least 100 units.
- C. Your buy in should ALWAYS be your Session Bankroll.
- D. Always play using the entrance and exit strategies.
- E. You will average 8-15 units per shoe, and should start at \$5.00 units if the table limit is low enough. Otherwise you should be able to find a \$10.00 table.
- F. Once you have accumulated a running total of 900 units including the 300 you started with you may double your starting bet from \$5.00 units to \$10.00 units.
- G. Every time you win another 600 units you may double your minimum bet. It should on average take between 20 and 40 hours of play to move up one level.
- H. So in 70 hours you are at \$10.00 140 hours at \$25.00 chips, 210 hours you are at \$50.00 chips and 280 hours you will be at \$100.00 chips. At this point you will be making \$500.00 to \$2000.00 per shoe.

Powerplay Online

Online play can be very exciting and very profitable, considering the fact that the cards seem to be shuffled better, because they are played out of a continuous deck and shuffled in a random manner. When playing alone on a table, the hands are dealt as fast as you can place your bets, so you can play well over 300 hands per hour!

There are a few things, however, that you need to learn in order to maintain a high success rate.

- ♥ First, never play on one site for much more than two hours at a time. Either switch to another site, or log off (erasing your cookies) and log back on again. We don't know exactly why or how, but it seems that the online [gambling](#) computers will begin to create losing cycles, if you play too long.

All companies hosting online gaming sites vehemently claim that their sites are unbiased, but we have discovered from experience that this is not completely accurate. For example, on one site we played for 16 continuous hours without a loss cycle, while we were in “Fun” mode and within 15 minutes in “Real” mode, we hit two losing sections.

Then we logged off, erased the cookies, logged back on and started over. This time we did not hit a losing section for over two hours, in live play.

♥ It very important that you do not play the ties! The reason for this is that on most online [casinos](#), you cannot play the tie at the same time you have a bet on the table and you don't want to take the chance of missing a win on your table bets, just to play the tie.

♥ You must play with smaller units so that when you need to make your maximum bet, you still have room to double your unit size. This is more than compensated for in the fact that you can play so many more hands per hour.

Because of the high-speed nature of online play and because you will not be playing the tie, it is superfluous to write down the actual score. Because of this, we have modified the scorecard a little by adding an extra column. This increases the number of hands per card to 170 from 120.

The best way to play is with two cards (one sheet tracks 340 hands) lying flat and taped to the top of your desk. This allows you to keep track with one hand while placing your bets with the other. Obviously left-handed people, who can control the mouse with their right hands, will be much better at this, than right-handed people (Southpaws are much more intelligent and therefore much more adept at ‘multi-tasking’).

[Casino](#) Awareness' Strategies

“Almost as important as knowing HOW to win, is knowing what to do WHEN you win”

When you are winning on a consistent basis every day, most if not all casinos will politely ask you to leave. You will not be doing anything illegal, but as a rule, they tend to treat losers better than winners.

So, what do you need to learn? Remember, “Player Cards are for Losers!” You need to learn how to LOOK like a loser, even while you’re winning!

This is not quite as difficult as it seems. Remember that the Pit Bosses are always on the alert for anyone who looks like they’re winning, to spot cheaters and to protect their jobs.

The vast majority of Pit Supervisors in [casinos](#) around the world, (other than those operated by charities), are paid bonuses on a percentage of the net winnings in their respective pits. Knowing this, it's not surprising that they really don't want to see you winning, even if they pretend to be happy for you!

Here are some basic tips that you must use at all times. Bear in mind that eventually they are going to figure out that you are winning, but by using these simple techniques, you will at least delay the inevitable long enough to make a killing.

How to look like a loser:

1. Always pocket your winnings as often as possible, in a discreet manner (once they see you doing it, the gig's up). Don't forget the cameras! And only pocket smaller denominations (\$25 chips are fine).
2. Never change up your chips for larger denominations. Any change UP in chips is recorded by the Pit and shows up as a win on your record.
3. When you buy in, get higher denomination chips and pocket the small ones as you win, so that you always appear to be breaking down big chips to make your bets with smaller ones. When you run out of big chips to break down, take some more cash out of your pocket and buy in again.
4. Play for shorter periods of time and play at different tables. Take breaks to go eat or see a show.
5. When you leave the table, go cash in some of your winnings in amounts of \$2,000 or less. Amounts under \$2,000 do not usually trigger a request for you to produce any identification or to show your 'Player Card'. It sometimes helps to enlist the assistance of a friend, who can cash in some of your chips for you, without setting off any alarm bells. Better yet, is if your friend brings the cash to you at the table, giving the appearance that he is loaning you money so you can buy in again!
6. Whenever you come back to the table, always buy in with cash, never with chips. This gives the impression that you left to get more money and have returned to try to recover your losses.
7. Take full advantage of your comps, as they will be the first things to disappear when the house discovers you are winning. (More on comps in the following section)

8. Every time you triple your bankroll and move on to the next betting level, remember to ‘protect your stack’. This means that if you hit a losing streak, you never give back more than 50% of what you have previously won. If you get to the 50% mark, simply cash out and take a break or go to a different [casino](#).

9. Never drink while playing...period!! One of the casinos’ favorite tricks is to provide free libations to their clientele. This serves only one purpose...the houses’ desire to make millions. Drunks make a lot of mistakes! Having access to the best system in the world won’t compensate you for or protect you from, accidentally making the wrong bet at the wrong time. Invariably, when this happens, the natural tendency is to play “catch-up” by trying to win it back in a hurry. This almost always leads to greater losses and financial ruin, which is why the casinos are so fond of heavy drinkers.

10. Make sure to get enough rest and whenever possible, a little sunshine. The Vitamin D produced by your body when exposed to sunlight helps you rejuvenate. (Try it the next time you find yourself suffering from ‘jet-lag’. Another favorite [casino](#) trick is to pump oxygen into the casino, during the early morning hours, to keep people awake. Also note, it’s usually impossible to see the outdoors from any of the gaming tables, so it’s easy to lose track of time.

Maximize Your Comps

One of the most enjoyable things about [gambling](#) in major casinos around the world is that most of them provide special services and privileges to their ‘good’ customers (those from whom they expect to reap large gains). That means if you’re a ‘high-roller’, they will lay out the red carpet for you. The complimentary services they provide are referred to as “comps”.

Very important: They will only continue to treat you like Royalty, while they believe you are losing overall. It’s okay to have an occasional streak of extremely good luck, because they believe you will be back to give them another opportunity to get it back from you. However, the moment they think you are going to take money from them consistently, you will find yourself “no longer welcome here”.

Almost everyone on ‘Team [Vegas](#)’ has experienced the moment when the waiter returns to the table with the dinner bill, to discreetly notify us that “the charge to your room has been declined, Sir”.

The key here is; “learn how to maximize your comps, while you can!”

The first step in getting comp'd is learning how to check in. Never just show up and walk over to the normal check-in area. Always call ahead, preferably before you leave your place of origin, but failing that, from the airport.

Ask to speak to a **Casino** Host or Hostess or someone in VIP Services. Once you are speaking with a Host, introduce yourself as a gambler interested in checking out their facilities. It always helps if you have a referral from someone else who has played there before, but it's not necessary.

When you arrive at the Hotel (often by way of arranged Limousine service), you will proceed to the VIP check-in area, where your Host or Hostess will greet you. Ordinarily they will set you up with a regular room at the established casino rate to begin with (which is in itself a substantial discount from the rack rate).

They will issue you a 'Player Card' that you must present to the Pit Boss, whenever you sit down to play. He will swipe your card and the computer will begin to monitor your play. That is to say, they measure how much you bet on average and how long you play.

The Pit Boss will enter your initial buy-in, (in fact, every buy-in) into the computer and then every fifteen minutes or so, he or she will come by the table and discreetly count the amount of money in front of every player, which is how they keep track of whether you are winning or losing. They are usually accurate, almost to the dollar!!

The beauty of the 'PowerPlay' wagering system, is that you appear to lose as many bets as you win, in fact you may even lose MORE bets than you win. The secret lies in how to maintain the impression that you are losing money.

For the most part, they believe that people, who only play the 'even-money' bets, lose in the long run, because of the vig (vigorish – this is the house advantage in every game). 'Team **Vegas**' players revel in this assumption, as we know that this makes it much easier to take money out of a **casino** for extended periods of time, without attracting too much attention.

Helpful Hints

"If you want to be treated like a high roller, act like one"

Never use a 'Player Card' if you are starting out with very small bets, or if your bankroll doesn't allow you to make a minimum bet of \$25 or more! If you do, you will simply be drawing unwanted attention to yourself, with no possible advantage.

Never, Never, Never, put your 'Player Card' into a [slot machine](#) or electronic betting game, such as Video [poker](#), unless you are playing \$10 or more per play! This has a devastatingly negative effect on your 'average bet' status.

Most casino-hotels will not provide any complimentary services to anyone not betting amounts in excess of \$25 per hand. In fact, to receive FULL comp service, your average bet must usually be somewhere between \$200 - \$300 or more and you must play for at least 4 hours, each day that you are registered in the hotel.

With a limited bankroll, consider yourself lucky when you can get the casino to provide you with a comfortable lifestyle and don't feel too bad about having to pay the [casino](#) rate for your room. Almost any player can get the odd free meal.

Once you ARE getting fully comp'd, maximize it. Eat 3 or 4 times a day in their best restaurants, ordering very good wine. Take advantage of the exercise facilities and get a massage every day.

Always tip extremely well. Remember that the total cost of the meal, to YOU, is the tip and waiters and dealers alike, are much more agreeable with clientele who tip.

How Comps are calculated

With every game there is a built in house advantage. This advantage is used to calculate a "theoretical loss" for each individual hour of play. The better the house advantage, the less the average bet must be to receive adequate comps.

Because Baccarat is theoretically the worst game for the house, here's how they calculate your comps:

- A. They assume that each hour will net about 90 hands.
- B. In those 90 hands you will overall lose about 2% of them.
- C. $90 \times 2\% = 1.8$ hands rounded up to 2 hands per hour
- D. 2 hands per hour x your average bet size = theoretical hourly losses
- E. Minimum of 4 hours per day x 2 hands x your bet size = daily losses
- F. Daily losses x 40% = comps

G. At the end of your stay they will also comp you an additional 10% of your ACTUAL losses if you need it.

Here is an example:

90 hands x 2% x \$100.00 average bet= \$200.00 per hour (theoretical loss) x 4 hours per day = \$800.00 per day (theoretical loss).

\$800.00 x 40% = \$320.00 per day in comps

This would qualify you for a standard hotel room, and food and beverage

Why You Should Tip The Dealers

You've probably read numerous articles about how little money the dealers make. Incidentally, most of them make the majority of their income from tips, so it's okay to treat them well, especially if you're doing well but APPEAR to be losing.

Why should it concern you how much the dealers make? Because if you tip properly, you will win more money!

If you play [craps](#) for example, you will have certain betting patterns that you are used to. Sometimes you might make unusual bets, or take your bets down after a win or after two rolls, etc. A dealer will be more likely to learn your betting pattern and keep an eye on your bets if he knows in advance that you are tipping. He will do his best to take care of you and help you win, so you'll tip him more.

Let's say you are betting \$32 inside and taking all of your bets down after any two hits. Let's say the second hit comes and a scantily clad cocktail waitress distracts you. Ever wonder why the drink girls are dressed like that? There is a reason for everything in a [casino](#).

Anyway, your faithful dealer will interrupt your daydream and say, "Sir! Want your bets down?" You come to your senses, remember your wife and family and quickly nod your head yes, just before a seven rolls. Your dealer just saved you \$32. Happens all the time.

When you tip, the dealers always announce it, so the floor people know about you. When they look at your rating in the computer, they are liable to bump it up a few notches. Let's say they have you rated as a \$25 player. A few tips and they might rate you at \$35 or \$40. They want you back and they're certainly willing to bump your comps up a little to keep your business and your tips in their casino.

You can tip the dealers in a number of ways. You can bet \$5 on the pass line for them. When you put down your pass line bet, place \$5 next to it and tell the dealer, "for the dealers". He will announce "dealer on the line" and after a decision, both the dealer and stickman will thank you, win or lose.

You can also make a hard-way bet for the dealers, or a proposition bet. This way if it wins, you can parlay the bet and the dealers can win a lot more. If you bet a \$5 hard six "for the dealers" and it wins, the payoff is \$45. Parlay that and the tip suddenly turns from \$5 into a possible \$405 tip - the dealers will take notice of you for sure!

So the next time you win a big bet, think about investing a little of it in a tip. It will really help you in the long run! The dealers will take better care of

you and you just might get some better comps - a good return on a small investment!

Always dress extremely well and always maintain good grooming habits. Always have your hands professionally manicured (especially the men). Wear simple, expensive jewelry or none at all. These are indicators of wealth and good breeding.

"Money talks...Wealth whispers"

Change tables on a regular basis so the dealers don't get to know you too well. It's okay to make conversation with other people, but don't explain what you are doing, to ANYONE, for several reasons.

First of all, YOU paid for this system so why would you want to give it to anyone else, for FREE?

Secondly, the [casino](#) may be trying to figure out what you're doing. If they suspect you're winning, they may have someone sit down and befriend you. These people are called 'shills' and are paid by the casino to search out professional gamblers, like you.

Third, it's unlikely that someone, who has just learned this system from you at the table, is going to be as discreet about their winnings as you are. Pit Bosses, Dealers and other players can look at your card, but if you don't explain what you are doing, they'll never figure it out.

Also, when someone else starts playing exactly what you're playing, especially if they're sitting right beside you, chances are you'll both be thrown out within a couple of hours and your days of taking a paycheck out of that particular casino, will be over, probably forever.

This will happen soon enough as it is, so there's no point in doing anything to speed up the process.

Good Luck...like you'll need it?

Tracking Instructions for...

Powerplay Baccarat

The tracking sheets enclosed with your package were designed specifically to cover all components of the 'PowerPlay' wagering system for Baccarat. They are easy to understand and each card can be used to record the results of 240 hands (approximately 2 ½ hours). At a glance, you can determine how many units you have (for the shoe and for the day) and what your next bet is.

Once you learn how to use these cards, you can use the cards the [casino](#) provides, as this is simply an accounting system.

Figure 1 is an illustration of the cards we've designed for use with this system. The cards have space for all the information you need to keep track of. This just saves you the inconvenience of trying to find available space on a casino card and it also reduces the probability of you forgetting something.

With this card, you'll be able to monitor the date and hours of play, starting & ending bankroll, session buy-ins, commission buys, actual wins, 'Player'/'Banker' track record, wagering progressions and running unit totals.

You can mark an X in the squares to track whether 'Banker' or 'Player' hit or you can write in the actual decision (examples of both are included). In the column to the right of the decision, there are spaces for your running unit totals. In the example, 'Player' is the first bet and since it won, the X under the 'P' column gets circled.

To determine the percentage of your wins on any card, you simply count the circles and divide the total by the total number of decisions on the card (120 minus the number of decisions that were ties).

When a cycle has been completed, you circle the actual decision on the card so, at a glance, you can tell how many completed cycles you have on your card. Multiply the number of cycles by 2.5 and then by the size of your unit value. This will be the amount you have earned in the time played. You will complete somewhere between 5 and 10 cycles per card, as a rule. Cards

with fewer than 5 cycles indicate a poorly shuffled shoe (or a lot of ties) and cards with more than 20 cycles indicate an extremely hot win cycle.

The first bet loses, so under the Total column, we write -3 (the new running total) and in the space provided to the right, we write the numbers 3, 4 just to help remember the next bet. This won't be necessary once you've been playing for a while and are accustomed to the system. The next bet is 3 and wins, so we can cross off the 3 and start over with a 2-unit bet.

That bet and the next two bets lose, so we write 2, 3, 4, 8, 16 so we know the next bet is an 8-unit bet. That one wins so we cross off the 8 and start again at 2(after the tie). That bet wins, (remember to keep track of the running total, which is now +) and now place the 3-bet. It loses, so we automatically go into restart mode and wait for another 2-bank decision to commence betting. Once the 2 banks appear our next bet is 3 units, and the process starts all over again.

Also, when the tie hits, we put a line through our running total because it does not count as a win or a loss, since the tie creates a 'push' on the table bets.

Powerplay Baccarat

Final Thoughts....

Now that you have read this manual cover to cover, and have gone through the practice shoes, you can see how powerful this method is.

But you are NOT ready to go to the [casino](#) yet.....

You must play.... the enclosed Practice shoes, at least 10 times, by taking a piece of paper and placing it over the results. Play them one at a time, keep your running total and compare this at the end of the shoe to the actual results.

If they differ go over them, a hand at a time, and get comfortable with the structure and making the bets.

In Level 1 Powerplay, the overall main focus is when ever you make a bet and it loses, you must look back and see whether:

A: the previous hand was a Banker winning hand that was the part of a two or more Banker streak or

C. the previous hand to the Banker win was a Player streak of 3 or more Players.

This determines whether or not you go into restart mode. Once you get comfortable with this methodology, you basically have Level 1 down pat.

I personally have made over \$250,000 playing this exact method, so it's all you will ever need. In level 2 we change the money management, and begin the process of playing both sides to a degree (Player and Banker).

Level 3, which is what I play, takes it to the final step. This system consistently earns 20+ units per shoe after commission, and including all – shoes, which are less 8%.

It has a 92% win factor overall, but in order to get to Level 3, you must get comfortable with Level's 1 and 2.

I spent literally 5 years of my life studying charts and decisions from over 200,00 hands of baccarat. There is nothing that exists that I have not seen. The methods described in an all three manuals, are the results of the most effective way to get to the end result....

Profitability....

With the least amount of heartache, and stress on both the session and Lifetime Bankroll.

If you follow the instructions EXACTLY as stated, and do not vary, you WILL be successful. You will be able to play this game for a living if you wish, or just have the arsenal you need for a truly profitable vacation or [Casino](#) Junket trip.

Please send me you thoughts and testimonials from your successful visits to the casino.

I wish you much luck...not that you will need it.