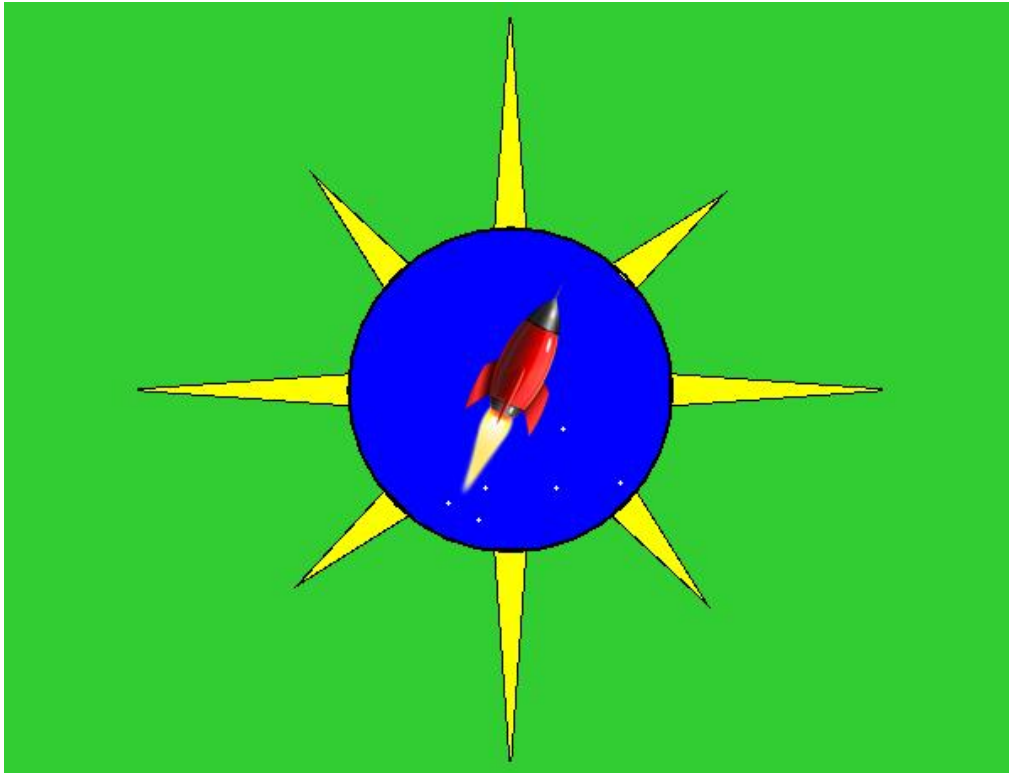


Welcome to Blackjack Blast Off

User Guide



Preferences

Preferences are shown each time the application is started.

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Number of decks

Number of players

Initial Player Bankroll

Betting Unit Amount

Default human player strategy

Rules

☐ Default Buttons

☐ Deal Players Cards Up

Some of the settings in the preferences make a difference in the nature of the game. How many decks are in use may change strategy for some situations. Fewer decks tend to favor the player. What rules are in use can change the edge either in the casino's or the player's advantage on a rule by rule basis.

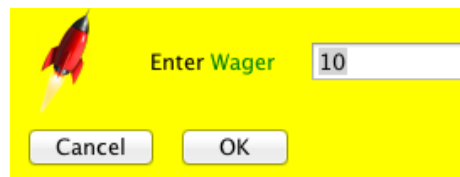
For this reason the preferences are always shown at startup. These are things you should probably be aware of any time you sit down at a blackjack table.

Other settings in preference make no actual difference in game play but may be varied according to the player's personal preference as fitting for the application. If you would like to play for bigger money you can change the bankroll or unit bet amount. You can play with no other players or up to 6 other players. It makes no difference in strategy or edge. The same for whether the default button highlights, or the players cards are always shown up, with no hole card, even in 1 or 2 deck games. The default button is the one the human player's strategy indicates should be played. For these, you may prefer the non-default setting, but it shouldn't effect game play.

Game Play



So now it's time to play Blackjack. First you need to place a wager. At the start of each round a dialog is shown allowing you to do that.



You can simply hit the 'enter' key to accept the amount shown. 'Default' buttons are supported throughout. You can if you choose continuously play Blackjack Blastoff by repeatedly hitting the 'enter' key. You don't have to move the mouse around and click on anything. Playing in this way you can focus on the play and not on interacting with the program. The amount of the wager is initially the 'bet unit' from preferences. It may change automatically depending on strategy and count.

You are the always the first or only player to the dealers left. This is sometimes referred to as the firstbase position. There is a little code in place concerning multiple human players but that option is not currently supported. You can add up to 6 more computer players.