

## Online Card Games

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I am definitely what you'd call a card game junkie. While I've managed to skirt away from the more odious implications of a card game addiction, such as compulsive gambling, I can't help but crave some kind of card game nonetheless. Whether they are for money or just for fun, card games are a great diversion, and help you to keep mentally sharp. Today, being a card game addict has never been easier, as there are thousands of online card games to play at any hour you want, with people all over the world.

The great thing about online card games is the huge variety of games you can choose from. Even the most obscure card games, like poker or black jack, can be found on some sites here and there. The more popular games, like cribbage and Lithuanian 52 Card Stud, are of course much easier to find. Hmm, I think I got that backwards, but you get the idea. Indeed, whatever game you like, you can find an online card game equivalent somewhere more than likely. Getting a game together with friends is always the most fun, but it can be hard to accomplish when everyone has such different schedules. Meeting friends online for an online card game is much easier. Additionally, online card games are a good way to meet new people. Chatting with people all over the world about current events, software and hardware news or whatever is half of the fun to online card games. Online card games are almost always free as well. Usually you have to register with some site, and in the worst case scenario you may get an occasional email from them, but other than that there is no cost to play. You can play betting style online card games for free as well; the sites almost always have a form of play currency you can use to make it seem real. If fake money isn't really your thing, there are even online card games for real money as well. You can play just about any gambling card game you'd see in a casino online, so no longer do you need to save up for a trip to Vegas just to develop your own gambling addiction. Compulsive gambling has never been easier! There are no free drinks when you gamble with online card games, but hey, at least there are no video cameras and scary guys in suits either.