RouletteStar

A simple guide to playing roulette.

Bets, Odds, and Payouts

A list of all the bets on the roulette table

Bet	Other Names	Payout	p European	p American
Red / Black ↷	Color bet	1:1	48.65%	47.37%
Even / Odd ↷		1:1	48.65%	47.37%
Low / High ↷	1-18 / 19-36	1:1	48.65%	47.37%
Dozen ↷		2:1	32.43%	31.58%
Column ↷		2:1	32.43%	31.58%
6 Number ↷	Six line, Double street	5:1	16.22%	15.79%
5 Number ↷*	Top line, Basket, First five	6:1	-	13.16%
4 Number ↷	Corner, Square	8:1	10.81%	10.53%
3 Number ↷	Street, Line	11:1	8.11%	7.89%
2 Number ↷	Split	17:1	5.41%	5.26%
Single Number ↷	Straight	35:1	2.70%	2.63%

** This bet can only be placed on a double-zero roulette table (i.e. on an American table and not a European or French one). It covers the numbers 0, 00, 1, 2 and 3.*

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Blue bets = outside bets. These are the bets that cover large, fixed sections of the table. These probability of winning with these bets is greater, but they have lower payouts.

Green bets = inside bets. These bets cover specific numbers on the table depending on where you place your chips. The payout for inside bets is bigger, but the probability of hitting is lower.

Below is a quick overview of all the different types of **bets and odds** that can be made in roulette.

There is also a small image accompanying each bet to highlight how to place each of the bets at the table. Some of these bets you may well have previously overlooked, so pay attention!

The following list is *ordered by the payout* of each roulette bet, starting with the lowest payouts and moving to the bigger payouts as you scroll down.

- **Payout is in orange.**
- **Probability of each bet winning is in blue (assuming a single-zero European table is used).**

Outside bets

Outside bets refer to bets made on **types of numbers on the roulette wheel** or **large sections of the roulette table**.

These bets have the *lowest payouts*, but the *highest probabilities* of success.

Red / Black - 1:1 (48.65%)

Color bet

Payout	1:1
European Probability	48.65%
American Probability	47.37%
Total Numbers	18
Numbers Covered	Black = 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 15, 17, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 29, 31, 33, 35 Red = 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 12, 14, 16, 18, 19, 21, 23, 25, 27, 30, 32, 34, 36

A color bet is a very popular bet, and gives odds of 1:1. So lets say for example you bet $5 on red, and after spinning the wheel the ball lands on red. You will get your $5 back, as well as an additional $5 in winnings, returning $10 in total.

Even / Odd - 1:1 (48.65%)

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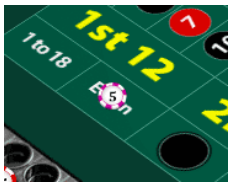
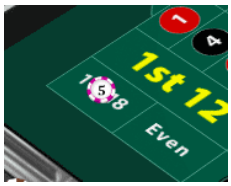


Payout	1:1
European Probability	48.65%
American Probability	47.37%
Total Numbers	18
Numbers Covered	Even = 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36 Odd = 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13, 15, 17, 19, 21, 23, 25, 27, 29, 31, 33, 35

Similar to the color bet, the even or odd boxes offer the same payouts with equal odds for hitting even or odd as there are for hitting red or black. Unfortunately, the green 0 does not count as either even or odd.

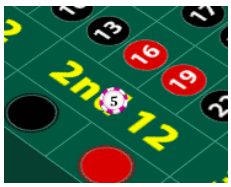
Low (1-18) / High (19-36) - 1:1 (48.65%)



Payout	1:1
European Probability	48.65%
American Probability	47.37%
Total Numbers	18
Numbers Covered	Low = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 High = 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36

These bets split the table in half, with one bet allowing you to bet on all of the lower half of the numbers (1-18) and the other half allowing you to bet on all of the higher numbers (19-36). Also known as the *low bet* and *high bet*.

Dozen - 2:1 (32.43%)



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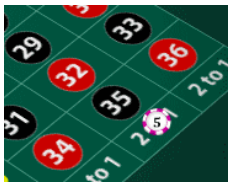
Payout	2:1
European Probability	32.43%
American Probability	31.58%
Total Numbers	12
Numbers Covered	1st Dozen = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 2nd Dozen = 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24 3rd Dozen = 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36

The dozen bet allows players to bet on 3 different sections containing 12 numbers, which are; 1-12, 13-27 and 28-36. This bet offers slightly higher odds (2:1) than an even money bet, but the chances of winning on one spin are a little lower.

Column - 2:1 (32.43%)



Payout	2:1
European Probability	32.43%
American Probability	31.58%
Total Numbers	12
Numbers Covered	1st Column = 1, 4, 7, 10, 13, 16, 19, 22, 25, 28, 31, 34 2nd Column = 2, 5, 8, 11, 14, 17, 20, 23, 26, 29, 32, 35 3rd Column = 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, 21, 24, 27, 30, 33, 36

The column bet is very similar to the dozen bet, but instead splits the table into 3 sections length-ways rather than side-ways. Each of these bets also offer odds of 2:1, just as with the dozen bets.

Inside bets

Inside bets refer to bets made on **specific numbers** or **small groups of numbers** on the roulette wheel.

These bets have the *highest payouts*, but the *lowest probabilities* of success.

6 Number - 5:1 (16.22%)

Six line bet, Double street bet

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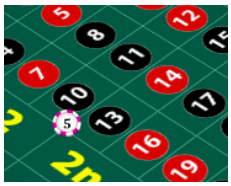

Payout	5:1
European Probability	16.22%
American Probability	15.79%
Total Numbers	6
Numbers Covered	e.g. 10 , 11 , 12 , 13 , 14 , 15

This particular bet is not always available at online casinos, but can still be played at the majority of them. Often overlooked by many novice players, this bet allows you to bet on 6 numbers at a time via a bet split between two adjacent rows.

5 Number - 6:1 (13.16%)

Note: This bet can only be placed on American roulette tables (ones with the green 00).

Five number bet, Top line bet, Basket bet, The worst possible bet you can make on any roulette table

Payout	6:1
European Probability	n/a
American Probability	13.16%
Total Numbers	5
Numbers Covered	0 , 00 , 1 , 2 , 3

The *five number bet* holds the title for the worst bet in roulette. The house edge for this bet is 7.89%, and it's the only bet to have a bigger (worse) house edge than any other. Every other bet on a double-zero roulette has a house edge of 5.26%.

If you're playing American roulette (which you shouldn't be anyway), **avoid this bet**.

4 Number - 8:1 (10.81%)

Corner bet, Square bet

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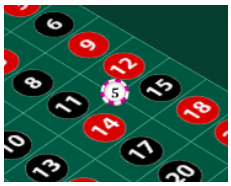


Payout	8:1
European Probability	10.81%
American Probability	10.53%
Total Numbers	4
Numbers Covered	e.g. 11 , 12 , 14 , 15

Also known as a *square bet* or *corner bet*. The 4 number bet allows you to bet on 4 adjoined numbers at a time. The chances of hitting any of these numbers is relatively low, but there is a decent payout for when you get lucky.

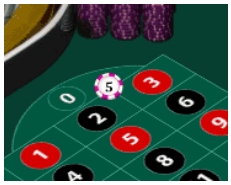
3 Number - 11:1 (8.11%)

Street bet, Line bet

Payout	11:1
European Probability	8.11%
American Probability	7.89%
Total Numbers	3
Numbers Covered	e.g. 16 , 17 , 18

This bet involves similar placement to that of the 6 number bet, except for the chip is placed on the edge of one row, rather than spread across two. This bet is also known as the *street bet* or *stream bet*.

Alternative 3 number bets.



You can also place 3-number bets at the top of the table using the green zero(s). These can be placed in both single-zero and double-zero roulette, although you have an extra 3-number bet in double-zero roulette courtesy of that extra 00 number.

The payouts and probability for this bet are the same for the respective roulette tables as the street bet above.

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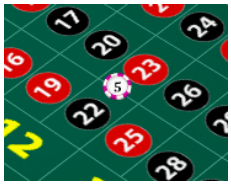
2 Number - 17:1 (5.41%)

Split bet



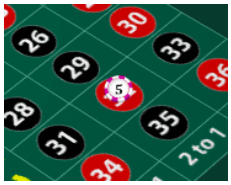
Payout	17:1
European Probability	5.41%
American Probability	5.26%
Total Numbers	2
Numbers Covered	e.g. 22 , 23

This is where the odds start to get pretty big. A *2 number* bet or *split bet* allows you to bet on two adjacent numbers, offering you some pretty attractive odds of 17:1 — the second biggest payout available at a roulette table.

You can place a split bet across two numbers vertically or horizontally (if that makes any sense). In the screenshot above for example, you could just as easily bet on 22 & 25 or 22 & 19 instead of 22 & 23 .

Single Number - 35:1 (2.70%)

Straight bet



Payout	35:1
European Probability	2.70%
American Probability	2.63%
Total Numbers	1 (no prizes, sorry)
Numbers Covered	e.g. 32

The single number bet or *straight bet* is the big one, offering the greatest payouts at the roulette table of 35:1. Simply place your bet on one number and hope to get lucky.

Final thoughts.

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So those are all of the different bets and odds of each of the bets when playing roulette online (or live for that matter). There is no restriction to how many different bets you can place at the roulette table, so go wild and see how it turns out. Just remember to enjoy yourself!

Read the article on called bets for information on the special bets available on the racetrack roulette wheel. The snake bet is also worth a look if you're feeling exotic.

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