

Pinochle

Pinochle will be played as partners . All nines will be removed and two decks will be used for a total of eighty cards. The rank of the cards will be A, 10, K, Q, J. The games will be played to 350.

Note: If a player renigs, 48 pts is subtracted from that team's overall score.

A play ends when a player releases his hand from the card when placed down.

If game is tied, the bidding team wins.

Minimum Bid – 50 Bids after 60 must go up in increments of 5.

If pass occurs, next bid must be higher than the previous bid.

If all players pass, the bid must be made by the dealer.

Counters – A, 10, K (one point each), Last trick won – two points

To get meld points, 20 pts must be made **as a team**.

You must have a marriage in the trump suit.

In order to receive your meld points (both teams), you must get 20 counters **as a team**.

If the bidding team does not make the bid, the bidding team loses the amount bid.

Two results in "loss of bid" (or getting set) loses the game.

For the following bids: Quadruple A, K, Q, J, run, or pinochle, the game is automatically won if the bidder gets 20 counters.

Basic Rules:

You must always play to beat the previous card played.

You must follow the suit that was lead, if possible.

If you cannot follow suit, you must play a trump, if possible.

Otherwise, you may play any card.

Scoring for melds will be as follows:

Suit

Basic Run (A, 10, K, Q, J) in trump	25pts
Double Run (A,A,10,10,K,K,Q,Q,J,J) in trump	150pts
Triple Run (3 A's, 3 10's, 3 K's, 3 Q's, 3 J's) in trump	250pts
KQ in trump (royal marriage)	4 pts
KQ not in trump (marriage)	2 pts per marriage
KQ in every suit (roundhouse)	48 pts

Rank

A, one of each suit (Aces Around)	10 pts
K, one of each suit (Kings Around)	8 pts
Q, one of each suit (Queens Around)	6 pts
J, one of each suit (Jacks Around)	4 pts
Double Aces Around, 2 A of each suit	100 pts
Double Kings Around, 2 K of each suit	80 pts
Double Queens Around, 2 Q of each suit	60 pts
Double Jacks Around, 2 J of each suit	40 pts
Triple Aces Around, 3 A of each suit	250 pts
Triple Kings Around, 3 K of each suit	200 pts
Triple Queens Around, 3 Q of each suit	150 pts
Triple Jacks Around, 3 J of each suit	100 pts

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J of Diamonds and Q of Spades	15 pts
2 J of Diamonds and 2 Q of Spades	30 pts
3 J of Diamonds and 3 Q of Spades	90 pts

