
How to play 90 ball bingo

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There are quite a few variations of bingo out there, each one having numerous features that set it apart from the others. 90 ball bingo is the one that started it all off.

What's the history of 90 ball bingo?

In casinos across the UK, Australia and New Zealand, you'll find that 90 ball bingo is the most popular bingo game. Back when the game was still young, it was known as 'Housey Housey', though the version you're playing today is indeed very similar to the original. Housey Housey started growing in popularity among servicemen during WWII, though it really took off in 1961 with the [legalisation of bingo](#); this made bingo accessible to the public and let them frequent bingo halls and play games there. People would go to bingo halls all the time to get their bingo fix; for many it was part of their routine, something they did every week. Over the years bingo became a popular pastime and hobby loved by many. Today it's still just as popular, constantly attracting new players. It's especially popular today with people aged 25-35.

How's is 90 ball bingo played?

On a 90 ball bingo card there are nine columns, each with three spaces. Though there are 27 spaces, only 15 have numbers in them. Each column only has a particular group of numbers. The first column has 1-9, the second has 10-19, the third has 20-29 and so on, with the ninth column having 81-90. Each column will have at least one of its spaces filled by a number. The cards for 90-ball bingo are usually sold in a book of strips – most bingo halls sell these instead of single bingo cards. These books usually come with six pages – each one for a different game of bingo – and each page comes with six strips, each on a different row.

What's the bingo jackpot in 90 ball bingo?

You'll notice that either the strips or the pages are of different colours. This is so the players are aware of what game's being played. As for bingo jackpots, generally speaking the more strips and pages you play, the greater chance you stand of winning something. It's also worth bearing in mind that the jackpot can vary depending on what colour the game is. You'll usually find that the games that are played later on tend to have higher jackpots than the games played earlier on.

How are the numbers chosen?

Bingo sites use a random number generator to have numbers selected completely at random. Each time a number is selected, it is then called out. With each game you have three chances of winning: the first win is for one line across, the second is for two lines across and the third is for a full house, for which you need all 15 numbers on your card marked off. If you have bingo, you have to make your claim before the next ball is called, otherwise you won't be eligible for the jackpot. With online bingo, everything is done automatically: the **bingo software** marks your numbers off, calls 'bingo!' for you and even lets you know if you've won.

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