Everything you need to know about the Roulette wheel

Considering Roulette spun onto the casino floors in 1655 thanks to an experimental mistake, the game itself has become an iconic fixture of both physical and virtual casino establishments.



Photo by Free Walking Tour Salzburg on Un As the popularity of the game is ever-growing within online casino establishments and brick-and-mortar venues, it's no wonder that players all over the world, both new and existing, are seeking ways to learn more about the game itself.

Understanding Roulette and its rich history, will help you sound and feel more like a pro when stepping up to the game table.

With this in mind, join us as we take a look at Roulette's history, as well as some important things to know about the

game itself.

If you're ready, scroll to find out more about this beloved casino game.

Roulette – where it all began

As mentioned before, the Roulette was initially created by mistake, when an experiment conducted by French inventor and mathematician, Blaise Pascal, to create the world's first perpetual motion machine didn't exactly go to plan.

In his experiment, however, he did end up drawing up blueprints of the first-ever Roulette wheel, on which today's wheels are based upon.

From that day, players around the world have spun the wheel in the hopes the small ball lands where they have predicted.

However, it wasn't until 1843 that the second wheel variant spun onto the casino floor, which in today's world, is known as the European wheel.

This was invented by French brothers, Louis and Francois Blanc, when they wanted a find a way to bring players to their casino over their competitors.

In their quest to bring players in, they removed the double zero (00) pocket from the wheel, and the game, which in turn lowered the house edge. This became a big hit with players across Europe, but not with players in the States, who preferred the higher house edge and the original wheel.

American Wheel

The original design of the Roulette wheel, containing both a single zero (0) and double zero (00) pocket, is now known in today's Roulette world as the American Wheel.

The sequence of numbers appears on the wheel like so -0, 28,

9, 26, 30, 11, 7, 20, 32, 17, 5, 22, 34, 15, 3, 24, 36, 13, 1, 00, 27, 10, 25, 29, 12, 8, 19, 31, 18, 6, 21, 33, 16, 4, 23, 35, 14, 2.

European Wheel

The wheel created by the Blanc brothers, with a lower house edge due to the removal of the double zero (00) pocket, is known as the European wheel, and only contains a single zero (0) pocket.

The sequence of numbers appears on the wheel like so - 0, 32, 15, 19, 4, 21, 2, 25, 17, 34, 6, 27, 13, 36, 11, 30, 8, 23, 10, 5, 24, 16, 33, 1, 20, 14, 31, 9, 22, 18, 29, 7, 28, 12, 35, 3, 26.

Colour sequence of the American and European Wheel

Despite there being one extra number in play within the American variant, the colours of the numbered pockets are the same on both the American and European wheels, which are as follows –

Red - 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 12, 14, 16, 18, 19, 21, 23, 25, 27, 30, 32, 34 and 36.

Black – 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 15, 17, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 29, 31, 33 and 35.

Green - 0, and 00 (which only appears on the American variant).

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Now you know a little more about the wheel and how it came to be, will you be spinning one anytime soon?