

15-30 MINS

CASSINO

2-4 PLAYERS

OBJECTIVE:

Be the first player to reach or exceed 25 pts

Setup:

Dealer deals cards 2 at a time from a 52 card deck until each player has 4 cards in hand and 4 face up to the table.

The Play:

Play starts with the player to the left of the dealer and moves clockwise. On your turn, you must play one card from your hand by placing it face-up on the table. This card can be used in one of 3 ways:

- 1. Capture** Match value of the card from your hand with one, a combo of, or an existing build of cards on the table. Place captured cards in a face-down pile in front of you. Face cards may only capture other face cards. You may capture more than one of the same card if they have the same value.
- 2. Build** placed face up on one or multiple cards adding up to one card in your hand. You can add to any build as long as you have the equivalent card in your hand, and the changing card comes from your hand. You may not change a build if it is a value building itself (stacking 6s to build 6s) You must announce your build. E.g. "building six"
- 1. Trail** placed face up on the table

After all 4 cards are played, the dealer deals 4 more cards to each player – no more cards are dealt to the table until the beginning of the next round. When dealing the last hand, the dealer must announce "cards." After the last hand has been played, the player who captured the last card takes the remaining cards from the table and adds them to their captured pile. Each player then scores their captured cards, the dealer position passes to the left.

Scoring:

Most cards = **3 pts**

Big Casino (10♦) = **2 pts**

Most spades = **1 pt**

Little Casino (2♠) = **1 pt**

Ace = **1 for each Ace**

In the event of a tie for either most cards or spades, neither player earns those points.

During the game, if a player does not capture cards they could have (e.g. trailed a 7 when there is a 5 and 2 on the table) ANY player may call "Cassino" and put those cards in their own captured pile.

The first player to reach 25+ points is the winner. If there is a tie you must play another round.

RANK OF CARDS:

K, Q, J, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, A

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