

# MINI-BACCARAT & MIDI-BACCARAT

## MINI-BACCARAT

Baccarat origins can be traced back to the Middle Ages, first appearing in the 1400s in France, via Italy, making Baccarat one of the oldest known casino games around today. MINI-BACCARAT is a derivative of this ancient game, and the same rules apply.

The object of the game is to get a point count closest to 9. Picture cards and 10's, and any combination of cards totaling 10 have no value. All other cards are counted at face value. Ace is 1, Deuce is 2, etc. When two cards are dealt and the total equals more than 9, remove the first number of the total. For example, if the Player's hand is a 7 and a 6, the total is 13, or 3.

Betting options are Banker, Player and/or Tie. Winning Banker wagers will pay a 5% commission. The commission is collected at regular intervals and at the conclusion of each shoe. There is no commission on the Player bets. Banker bets and Player bets pay even money. A winning Tie bet pays 8 to 1.

### The Play

In Mini-Baccarat, eight (8) decks of cards are used. The Dealer is the only person permitted to handle or touch the cards. Bets may be placed until the Dealer announces, "no more bets."

The game starts with four (4) cards dealt from the shoe, forming two hands: one called the Player's Hand, the other, the Banker's Hand. The first and third cards (dealt face down) make up the Player's Hand. The second and fourth cards (also dealt face down) make up the Banker's Hand and are not revealed until the Player's cards are exposed.

The Dealer will announce the point counts, starting with the Player's hand and subsequently, the Banker's hand. If the point count of either hand is an 8 or 9, (called a "Natural), no more cards are drawn. If the Banker's Hand does not have a Natural, the Player will draw a third card on 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 0; Player stands on 6, 7, 8 and 9.

There are no decisions in whether to draw as there are set rules pertaining to each hand. (see Third Card Draw Rules below).

The hand closest to 9 wins and is paid 1 to 1. If the Player's and Banker's Hands result in identical totals, the Tie Bet wins 8 to 1, but the Player's and Banker's Hand neither wins nor loses.

# MIDI-BACCARAT

In Mini-Baccarat, the Dealer turns over all the cards. In MIDI-BACCARAT, also known as Macau-style variation, the Players may handle the cards. The Player with the highest wager on either side (Banker or Player) has the option to expose the cards.

## Player Hand Third Card Rules

When the Player's first two cards total	The Player
1, 2, 3, 4, 5 or 0	Draws
6 or 7	Stands
8 or 9	Stands (Natural)

## Banker Rules

Banker's first two card total	Banker draws when Player's third card is	Banker does not draw when Player's third card is
3	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, or 0	8
4	2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	1, 8, 9 or 0
5	4, 5, 6, 7	1, 2, 3, 8, 9 or 0
6	6 or 7	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, or 0
7		Stands
8 or 9		Stands (Natural)

## Bonus Wagers: Dragon Or Jade, Tiger

Dragon Bonus or Jade Bonus, and Tiger Bonus (Big Tiger, Small Tiger) are optional side wagers for Mini-Baccarat/Midi-Baccarat that do not change the drawing rules or commission structure. Specific rules are posted at the Mini-Baccarat and Midi-Baccarat tables.

### Dragon Bonus or Jade Bonus

#### Naturals:

Winners	1 to 1
Ties	Push

#### Non-Naturals:

Win by 9 points*	30 to 1
Win by 8 points*	10 to 1
Win by 7 points*	6 to 1
Win by 6 points*	4 to 1
Win by 5 points*	2 to 1
Win by 4 points*	1 to 1

\*Non-Naturals (Player & Banker Pays Same Odds)

### Tiger Bonus

Big Tiger	50 to 1
Small Tiger	22 to 1