

# The ins and outs of online Bingo

You've already ventured out to your local Bingo Hall, and gotten an idea of the lingo you need to know. But now, it's time to expand your Bingo brain and discover the world of online Bingo.

When you click on an online Bingo site, you step into a brand-new world of gaming, filled with a range of Bingo rooms, as well as different and trending versions of the game.

If this sounds a bit daunting, then fear not, as we'll guide through everything you need to know about online Bingo. So, join us on our journey through this thrilling way to play the classic game.

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## The rules of online Bingo

There are a range of Bingo variations available online, so the exact rules of each game can vary. Luckily, the online gaming site will provide you with all the rules, information and features you need to know, before you play.

But in general, the rules for playing online Bingo are very similar to those in your local hall. You'll purchase a Bingo card, with the aim to mark off the numbers as they're randomly called, in order to win a prize.

A number is selected at random, like it would with a Bingo machine. But instead, online Bingo uses software called random number generator (RNG) and the number will appear on the screen.

Once the number is selected, you can mark it off if it appears on your Bingo card. You can do this manually, or choose the option for the computer to automatically do this for you. Depending on your chosen game, you could win prizes for completing a line, two lines, a particular pattern, or marking off all the numbers on your card — which we all know is called a Full House.

The numbers continue to be drawn until a player has completed the required lines or patterns, therefore winning the game. The exciting part is that there usually can be more than one winner, with several different prizes to be won!

## What is a Bingo card and how does it work?

The Bingo card price and layout will differ depending on the online game you decide to play, but there are some games you'll commonly find on an online Bingo site.

These are determined by the number of balls in play, and often are:

1. 90-ball Bingo — this will involve a Bingo card of 15 squares, displayed in a 5x3 grid.
2. 80-ball Bingo — this has 16 squares, with a 4x4 grid.
3. 75-ball Bingo — this has 24 squares, with a 5x5 grid, but the centre square remains blank.

The numbers in each game therefore can go up to 75, 80 or 90, as the names imply.

With online Bingo, there are a huge number of card combinations available, so it's very, very rare to play with the same card twice.

## How long does a game last?

Again, this depends on the game and site you choose to play on, but you tend to find that games can last around 10 minutes. If you wish to play at your own pace, you could opt for a Bingo hybrid, such as Slingo — combining the best of both worlds, with different aspects of Slots and Bingo in one game.

There's plenty of fun to be had with a game of online Bingo, so why not get your digital dauber at the ready, and give it a try!

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