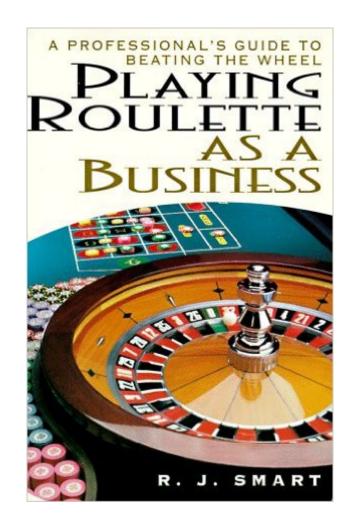
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Playing Roulette As A Business: A Professional's Guide To Beating The Wheel





Synopsis

This is a no-frills guide which may well turn losers into winners. The key to R. J. Smart's system is akin to the stand-up comedian's belief that "the good gags blot out the bad ones". R. J. Smart instructs players to place a variety of wagers, emphasizing the playing of "corners". Readers will lose some bets but should show profit on nearly 90 percent of the spins. His credo, similar to that of other professional gamblers, involves discipline and money management, and never betting individual numbers, 36-1 notwithstanding. Advertisement middle

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Customer Reviews

"Playing Roulette As A Business", basically outlines a negative betting progression, similar to martingale type systems. The Author Claims, that his specific wheel number's, when bet in his recommended manner, will outperform actual probability, due to thier positon's on the wheel. If indeed, these numbers did hit as often as the author suggest's, you would not need a betting progression to gain an edge. "If" this were the case, these magic numbers could be printed and sold on an index card, and there would be no need to waste an entire book on the subject. That is what this book is an "Entire Waste"!

This book makes itself appear to be an all encompassing winning strategy. It is not. I thought this book would have many strategies! All it has is 1 specific idea! And it only works on the double zero wheel! I was very disappointed. I tried out the system of play and it did not even put me ahead. I guess I could have stuck with it and waited to see the long term effect, but the idea in this book is stupid anyway. A person could write down this formula on a cocktail napkin(if he/she wrote very

small.)It's based on placing the same bets over and over again, which is dumb because roulette is so unpredictable that you could absolutely never win if unlucky. It also uses progession(adding more \$ for each loss), which is usually a bad idea. I really don't recommend spending your hard earned money on this. I think there are many, many better books with better ideas in them that I have read or own.

Nothing earth shattering as the previous review says but I wouldn't say this is horrible. It is rather innovative and although it is true you cannot overcome the edge via a progression no matter how clever this "system is not 100% garbage. I have used it many mnay times and far more often than not come out ahead in total. One CAUTION though as stated previously... this centers upon the distribution of the numbers and so this does NOT work with computer systems/simulation using pseudo-random number generators. If you want to play on-line I suggest you look at software that exploits the random number generators... there are several avail on-line.Should you quit your job and stake everything on this system? Hell no.. but if you occaisionally hit the roulette wheel it sure beats playing your "lucky" numbers... I do agree there needs to be more on money management and stop losses. Have fun with this but remeber they call it gambling for a reason... there is always a risk.

I love the system in this book, and use it whenever I'm in Vegas or Reno. You can remember the system easily, and the simplicity of it turns a dangerous losing game into a relaxing and fun game. Half the fun of the system is watching other people come and go, dropping hundreds of dollars, while you stay for hours and enjoy free drinks. The system delivers on at least one of its goals, which is to avoid losing money. You cover slightly less than half the wheel, your bet wins slightly more than even money, you win when zero or double-zero come up (an important part of enjoying the game), and the argument about the consecutive nature of the numbers has validity if you consider that the wheel and the ball are not perfect, so the numbers that come up over time are not perfectly random.

The author presents another "strategy" to attempt to beat the wheel. Although I have used it and done fairly well I do not play roulette often enough to have given it an adequate sample. You must have a bankroll large enough to sustain the losing streaks which can be considerable longer than the author leads you to believe. He states you will rarely go more than six spins without winner on a real wheel. - he does not advocate the use of a computer since he feels that although his bet

placement covers just under 50% of the wheel the contiguous nature of his numbers make the odds in his favor significantly greater than 50/50 but only on an actual wheel rather than a random number generator found in most computer simulations/games. Also most authorities on gambline have long ago discarded the idea that a martingale negative betting progression can ever make you a winner in the long run (nor can it compensate for a poor system). Using this progression system also increases your "risk of ruin" to an unacceptable level for most. He does present an interesting angle on the arrangements of the numbers and why the bets are placed where they are in his system. There is not enough on money management here though.Also I suppose this depends on who you side with on the question of the possibility of beating a game with a built in house edge. The novice gambler would certainly be better served by another title that is more comprehensive. This book is mostly pages and pages of roulette sessions. If the text alone were printed it would only be about 25 pages. Still it is one more approach and a new one at that. You won't be able to quit your day job but playing this "system" probably beats playing your lucky numbers over and over again.

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