



## **OVERVIEW OF BRISCOLA**

The goal in Briscola is to earn points to assure that you beat your opponent. The number of points needed is 61 points. You achieve this by winning hands while playing and adding up the values of the cards won.

### **SETUP**

The dealer shuffles the deck, deals each player three cards and flips another card faceup on the table. The remaining deck is placed facedown next to the revealed card. The revealed card is called the Briscola. It is the trump suit for the remainder of the game.

#### *Card Ranking and Values*

The cards in this game have values attached to them along with a ranking.

The ranking of cards is as follows: Ace, 3, King, Horse, Lady, 7, 6, 5, 4, 2.

The value of cards is below:

- Ace has a point value of 11.
- Three has a point value of 10.
- King has a point value of 4.
- Horse has a point value of 3.
- Lady has a point value of 2.
- All other cards hold no point value.

### **GAMEPLAY**

Cards are shuffled and then cut. Players will receive 3 cards to commence the game. Cards are dealt counterclockwise. Once cards are dealt the player right of the dealer goes first. They play one of their cards face-up. Then the next player will play their card face up and so on. This means whoever plays the highest-ranking card wins the hand.

Players are not obligated to follow suit. They may play any card they choose.

*\*In Teams (4 Player) format players may communicate with their partner (except in the first hand) as to the strength of their cards or how they should play the hand.*

After the hand is completed the winner of the hand draws a card from the undealt deck first, then the player counterclockwise after that. The winner from the previous hand leads the next hand.

*\*Players are not permitted to reveal cards from the previous hand to see how many points they have accrued or to work out what cards are remaining.*

After the undealt deck has no more cards to draw from the last remaining card (which is the face up card) goes to the last person remaining from the previous losing hand.

*\*At this point only, in Teams (4 Player) format players may swap ONLY to see what their partner holds however MUST return the same three cards back before the last 3 hands are played.*

The game then continues until each player has no cards in hand.

### **END OF GAME**

After the last hand has been played, cards are counted based on the above values, and scores are totaled. The player with the higher score wins, or if each player receives 60 points the game ends in a draw.



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**MAESTRO OF BRISCOLA**