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File menu commands

The File menu offers the following commands:

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--|
| <u>New Player</u> | Resets the Credits to 1000 and deals a new game. |
| <u>Open Player File</u> | Opens a previously saved game. |
| <u>Save Player File</u> | Saves the current game. |
| <u>Save Player File As</u> | Saves the current game under a new name. |
| <u>Recent File List</u> | Allows quick selection of the four most recently used files. |
| <u>Exit</u> | Exits Dragon Poker. |

Options menu commands

The Options menu offers the following commands:

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| Use Large Pips | Places larger card markings in the upper left corner for better visibility. |
| Sound Effects | Toggles Sound Effects on or off. |
| <u>MIDI Options</u> | Allows user to set preferences for MIDI music playback. |
| <u>CD Options</u> | Allows user to control their CD drive's audio playback features. |
| Rules | Allows user to chose the video poker style. See <u>Variations</u> in the Rules section. |
| Choose Card Deck | Allows user to choose a built-in card deck or load one from disk or CD. (NOTE: You may use decks downloaded from http://www.wyvern.com) |

Window menu commands

The Window menu offers the following commands:

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|------------------|------------------------------------|
| Minimize | Allows you to minimize the window. |
| Shortcuts | |
| Keys: | CTRL+M |

Register

This menu option will bring up a window that gives instructions on how to register your copy of Wyvern Dragon Poker, and show your UserID and Registration ID if you have already registered it.

Help menu commands

The Help menu offers the following commands, which provide you assistance with this application:

| | |
|---------------------------|--|
| <u>Help Topics</u> | Offers you an index to topics on which you can get help. |
| Payoffs | Displays the payoff table for the current video poker variation. |
| About | Displays the version number and credits for Dragon Poker. |
| License Agreement | Displays the License Agreement for Dragon Poker. |
| Catalog | Displays a list of some of Wyvern Studios' other products. |

New Player command (File menu)

Use this command to deal a new game.

You can open a previously saved game with the Open Player File command.

Shortcuts

Keys: CTRL+N
 F2

Open Player File command (File menu)

Use this command to open a previously saved game

You can deal a new game with the New Player command.

Shortcuts

Keys: CTRL+O

Recent File List command (File menu)

Choose one of up to four recently used player files. The most recently saved player file is automatically opened when you start the program.

Save Player File command (File menu)

Use this command to save the current game. If the game has not been saved previously, you will be prompted to designate a file name to save it to. Saved files are required to have a .drg extension on the filename.

To save the game under a different name use the Save Player File As command.

Shortcuts

Keys: CTRL+S

Save Player File As command (File menu)

Use this command to save the current game under a new file name. You will be prompted to designate a file name to save it to. Saved files are required to have a .drg extension on the filename.

To save the game under the current name use the Save Player File command.

Exit command (File menu)

Use this command to end your Dragon Poker session. You can also use the Close command on the application Control menu. If you have not done so, you will be prompted to save your game before quitting. Doing so is optional.

Shortcuts

Mouse: Double-click the application's Control menu button.



Keys: ALT+F4

MIDI options command (Options menu)

Use this dialog box to set your preferences for MIDI music playback.

| | |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Current MIDI Selection | Shows the current song selection. Use the drop down list to select a new song. The current selection will loop through the play list one by one as each song finishes. |
| Default Play List | Selecting this option will use the built-in play list included with the game. |
| User Play List | Selecting this option will use the user-defined play list created with the play list buttons. |
| New Play List | Discards the current user-defined play list and opens a browse dialog to allow a new list to be defined. Use CTRL and/or SHIFT with the mouse to select multiple song choices at once. |
| Add to Play List | Appends new selections to the user-defined play list. This feature is useful for selecting songs from different directories. |
| Play MIDI Music | Starts playback of MIDI music. |
| Stop MIDI Music | Stops playback of MIDI music. |
| Ok | Exits the MIDI Options dialog. |

CD Options command (Options menu)

You may use this dialog box to control your CD drive's audio playback functions.

| | |
|----------------------|---|
| Total Time | Shows the total length of the current CD. |
| Current Track | Shows the current track number that the CD is queued to play or is playing. |
| Current Time | Shows the time index of the track that is queued to play or is playing. |
| Stop | Stops the CD playback and resets to the start of the first track. |
| Play | Starts the CD playback from the currently queued position. |
| Pause | Stops the CD playback without changing the playback position. |
| Resume | Resumes playback from the last queued position. |
| Previous | Advances to the next track on the CD. |
| Next | Returns to the previous track on the CD. |
| Ok | Exits the CD Options dialog. |

Help Topics command (Help menu)

Use this command to display the opening screen of Help. From the opening screen, you can jump to step-by-step instructions for using Dragon Poker and various types of reference information.

Once you open Help, you can click the Contents button whenever you want to return to the opening screen.

Variations of Video Poker

There are three variations of video poker rules included with Dragon Poker: Jacks or Better, Deuces Wild, and Joker Poker. Each variation is summarized below.

Jacks or Better

A simple version of five-card draw poker where the object is to hold cards that total a pair of Jacks or any higher hand. There are no wilds, and Aces are high.

WINNING HANDS (Low to High)

| | |
|-----------------|--|
| One Pair | Must be Jacks, Queens, Kings, or Aces |
| Two Pair | Any two pairs |
| Three of a Kind | Any three cards of the same rank |
| Straight | Five cards with sequential ranks (i.e. 4,5,6,7,8,9) of any suit |
| Flush | Five cards of identical suit |
| Full House | Three cards of one rank and an additional pair of a different rank |
| Four of a Kind | Four cards of the same rank |
| Straight Flush | Five cards with sequential ranks (i.e. 4,5,6,7,8,9) and identical suit |
| Royal Flush | The Ten, Jack, Queen, King, and Ace of one suit |

Deuces Wild

A volatile version of five-card draw poker where the object is to hold cards that total three of a kind or any higher hand. Deuces (twos) are wilds and substitute for any other card. Aces are high.

WINNING HANDS (Low to High)

| | |
|--------------------------|--|
| Three of a Kind | Any three cards of the same rank |
| Straight | Five cards with sequential ranks (i.e. 4,5,6,7,8,9) of any suit |
| Flush | Five cards of identical suit |
| Full House | Three cards of one rank and an additional pair of a different rank |
| Four of a Kind | Four cards of the same rank |
| Straight Flush | Five cards with sequential ranks (i.e. 4,5,6,7,8,9) and identical suit |
| Five of a Kind | Five cards of identical rank |
| Royal Flush(with Deuces) | Any royal flush combination that uses a wild |
| Four Deuces | All four deuces (or twos) |
| Royal Flush(no Deuces) | The Ten, Jack, Queen, King, and Ace of one suit without wilds |

Joker Poker

A popular version of five-card draw poker where the object is to hold cards that total a two pair or any higher hand. The Joker is wild and may substitute for any other card. Aces are high.

WINNING HANDS (Low to High)

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Two Pair | Any two pairs |
| Three of a Kind | Any three cards of the same rank |
| Straight | Five cards with sequential ranks (i.e. 4,5,6,7,8,9) of any suit |
| Flush | Five cards of identical suit |
| Full House | Three cards of one rank and an additional pair of a different rank |
| Four of a Kind | Four cards of the same rank |
| Straight Flush | Five cards with sequential ranks (i.e. 4,5,6,7,8,9) and identical suit including any royal flush combination that uses a wild |
| Five of a Kind | Five cards of identical rank |
| Royal Flush | The Ten, Jack, Queen, King, and Ace of one suit without wilds |

Rules (HowTo)

Placing a Bet and Dealing the Cards

During the betting phase, three animated controls appear in the lower left portion of the window: a small bag of gold, a large bag of gold, and a gold Wyvern logo labeled Deal. Use the small bag of gold to bet one credit at a time. You may bet a maximum of five (5) credits. Use the large bag of gold to bet the maximum of five credits and deal the cards. Use the gold Wyvern logo to deal the cards after placing a bet with the small bag of gold.

Setting Your Holds and Drawing Cards

During the draw phase, a gold Wyvern logo labeled Draw will appear at the bottom of the screen. Click on any of the five cards you would like to discard. The selected card will turn face-down to indicate it will be discarded. You may turn it back over by clicking it again. Once you are satisfied with your selections, click the gold Wyvern logo to discard your selected cards and receive replacement cards from the deck.

When You Run Out of Money

If you have no credits left to bet with, you must start a new game, but you can save the file over your old game.

How to Cheat

There are two cheat modes available in Dragon Poker. Cheater poker allows you to select the cards from a list whenever one is drawn from the deck. Psychic poker allows you to see the next five cards in the deck during the draw phase, thus allowing you to set the optimum holds for each hand. After all this is only a game. If you try you can probably figure out how to start these modes, but if you need further help, complete instructions for starting these modes is available on Wyvern Studios web page at <http://www.wyvern.com>.

