



# Play Billiards

## Brief History of Billiards:

Billiards has been around for centuries. The game is from an evolved version of croquet. Billiards has been played by many, from kings to commoners, ladies, gentlemen, and patients. This is a game of patience, strategy and just plain good old fun.

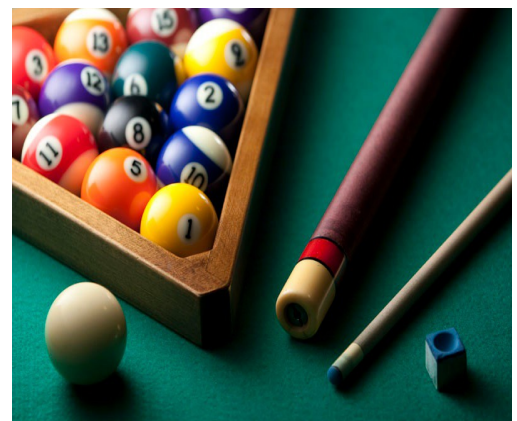
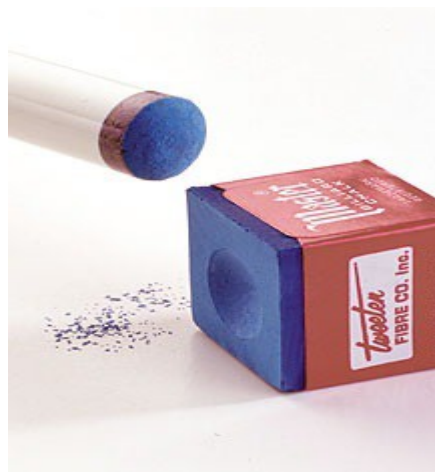
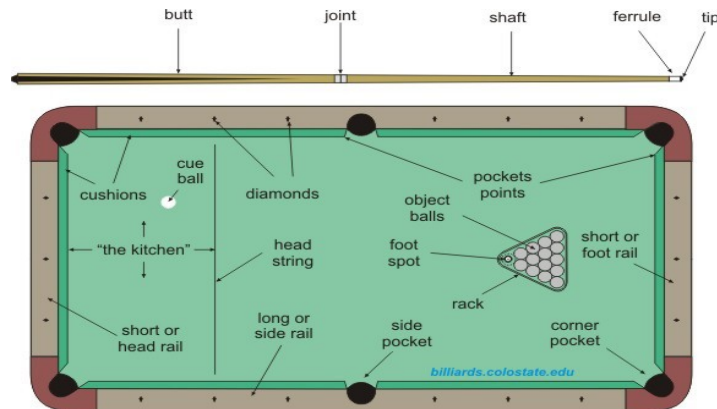
The term Billiard comes from a French word for “billart”, “one of the wooden sticks, or bille, a ball.” The English revolutionized the cue stick by using chalk on the leather cue tip, increased friction between the ball and cue stick. This game is still played till this day and can be a great game among friends and family in New York. Pool is also another term for billiards.



## What you need:

To play a fair game of billiards these are the items you would need to play the game.

- Billiard balls
- Billiard table
- Rack
- Cue ball
- Cues
- Mechanical bridge
- Chalk



## **Types of games:**

There are different ways to play billiards. You still need a table, cue ball, cue stick, billiards balls and a rack. These ways have different rules and some games even use less billiard balls to play.

-8 Ball: This is the most traditional billiard game, where 15 billiard balls are used. 1 through 7 are solid and 9 through 15 are striped. The first person to pocket either a solid or a strip must stay solid or stripe. The objective of the game is the person which ever has the stripe or solid get all seven billiard balls in the pockets, followed by the eight ball and you win the game.

-9 Ball: This is considered a luck game because the 9 ball is your lucky shot. What I mean by that is you only use 9 billiard balls for this game. The cue ball must come in contact with the lowest number ball. For example the number 1 billiard ball must come in contact with the cue before shooting the 9 in to the pocket. The person who pockets the 9 ball wins the game.

There are more styles of billiard games but this is mainly played by professional tournaments.

## **Locations:**

There are many locations in the city were you can play billiards. These places are fun and very friendly. They are also willing to help you if you do not know the game.

### Manhattan:

Eastside Billiards

163 East 86<sup>th</sup> Street, second floor.

New York, NY 10028

Offer Lessons

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### Brooklyn:

Gotham City Billiards Club

93 Avenue U, Brooklyn, NY

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