

MAH-JONGG RESOURCES

Books

Beginner's Guide to American Mah Jongg: How to Play the Game & Win, by Elaine Sandberg and Tom Sloper, 2007. This guide is specifically geared to American Mah Jongg, and includes exercises to help learn the game.

Mah Jongg: The Art of the Game: A Collector's Guide to Mah Jongg Tiles and Sets, by Ann Israel and Gregg Swain, 2014. After covering the history of the game, this gorgeous book focuses on a wide variety of tiles and sets from around the world. Filled with photographs, the book also includes memories of players and some discussion of the meaning of the tiles.



MAH JONGG: Crak, Bam, Dot, by Patsy Tarr, ed., 2010. Published by 2wice Arts Foundation, this is a beautifully illustrated collection of essays covering all aspects of the game. History, game sets, players, and culture are covered, including "How Chow Mein Became the Chosen Food of the Chosen People."

Mah-jongg: From Shanghai to Miami Beach, by Anita Luu, 2005. This little book, gorgeously illustrated, traces the history of the game from China to its popularity in the Jewish community in the United States and the Jewish community. The meanings of the tiles are covered, as well as rules, tournaments and recipes for Chinese and Jewish food!



Mah Jongg Made Easy: A Step by Step Guide to This Challenging Game, from the National Mah Jongg League, 1984. This is a basic "manual" for the game, describing tiles, rules and terms used as well as helpful hints.

Searching for Bubbe Fischer: The Path to Mah Jongg Wisdom, by Karen Gooen, 2014. Part Mah Jongg manual, part memoir, the first part of this book features the author's quest to become a better Mah Jongg player and a tournament champion, and what she learned along the way. Part Two includes lessons for all levels of players, as well as information about tournaments and etiquette.





DVD

Mah-Jongg: The Tiles That Bind, 2008. A documentary featuring Asian- and Jewish-American women who play the game. 32 minutes.

Circulation

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