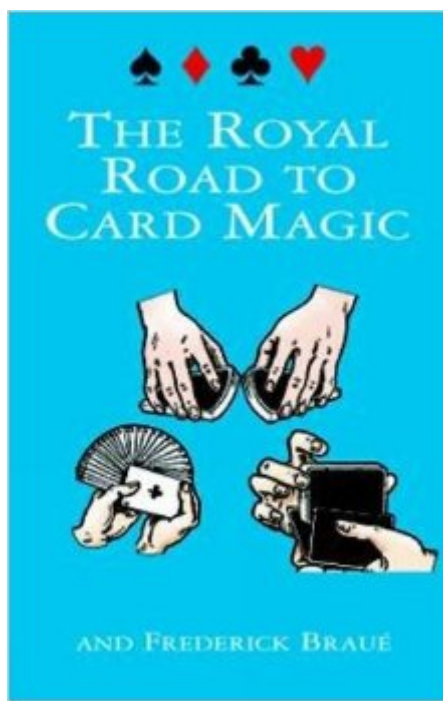


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# The Royal Road To Card Magic



## Synopsis

Would you like to confound your friends, amaze your acquaintances, amuse and dazzle crowds at parties and gatherings? Mastering a few card tricks will allow you to do all that and more. With the help of this book, anyone can develop a versatile repertoire of first-rate card tricks. In fact, mastery of just the first chapter will enable you to perform a half-dozen astounding and entertaining sleights of hand. The authors, both noted authorities on magic, present complete, easy-to-understand explanations of shuffles, flourishes, the glide, the glimpse, false shuffles and cuts, the pass, the classic force, and many other techniques. These will enable card handlers to perform over 100 mind-boggling feats of card magic, including Thought Stealer, Gray's Spelling Trick, Do as I Do, Now You See It, Obliging Aces, Rapid Transit, Kangaroo Card, A Topsy Trick, and dozens of others. Illustrated with more than 120 clear line cuts that make the explanations easy to follow, this exciting introduction to card conjuring will enable even beginners to develop professional-level skill and the ability to perform tricks guaranteed to astound family and friends.

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## Customer Reviews

This is without a doubt the best introduction on card magic on planet earth. Period. The only one that might rank close is the Card College by swiss card conjurer Roberto Giobbi, which is however somewhat a dry read. And much too expensive since he takes the material of "A royal road to Card

magic" and "Expert Card Techniques" and turns it into five volumes which are selling at 35 bucks each (I am not accusing him of a rehash but he also didnt re-invent card magic) . These ones have been written in the fourties...and have an incredible charm to them. I wouldnt even call the writing dated, I am from Germany and my English is pretty good, but not perfect, but I find it extremely easy to follow the instructions.What I love about the book. I have been interested in card magic since I was a boy and have only recently picked up this hobby again, and even though I am probably already familiar with every slight dealt with in this book, it kind of fills in the gaps. For example, even though I know of course how to control a card using a simple overhand shuffle, I was never really able - or even aware of - a false overhand shuffle. I mean a shuffle that looks genuine (not just "running" the cards one by one) and 100 percent deceptive. I am kind of an indermediate, you see. And then this book made me think: well, maybe not even just yet.Didactically the book is brilliant. For starters, it does not torture you with slights only, but every chapter will already introduce three or four tricks that go with the slight in question, and Hugard and Braue have made sure that they are worth -while. I have found some real gems here. Which really surprised me.

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