

BELOTE for complete beginners – two hours weekly meetings at the group leader's home -
Meetings will take place on Tuesday.

LIMITED TO 8 MEMBERS AT ANY ONE TIME, INCLUDING THE GROUP LEADER.

A choice of times is given for the meetings:

Mornings 10.00 to 12.00

Afternoons 2.00 to 4.00 pm

Evenings 7.00 to 9.00 pm

Applicants wishing to secure a place on the Belote group please contact the group leader on the [Groups Page](#) of the website indicating whether they wish to join one of the day groups or the 7.00 to 9.00 pm evening group.

In your email please include a few words explaining what prompted you to join the Belote group and what your expectations are of the group.

Belote

In France Belote is considered the national card game. There each village sports a belote club, belote competitions take place and on a winter night you often see old men gathered around a table in the village bar playing belote and enjoying a few glasses of the local wine.

Belote is also played a lot by the Greeks and the Spaniards and in fact across the whole of Eastern Europe, though with slightly different rules.

To the best of my knowledge Belote is a very old game and a precursor of Bridge.

All in all Belote can be described as a fast game where fortune and skill play an equal part. I learnt Belote in the UK where it is little known, unfortunately, because a game of Belote is just as exciting as a game of poker with the added benefit that it does not require one to gamble money away.

[An introduction to the game](#) (these rules are for reference and may seem complicated, but it's a lot easier to explain it at the table with a pack of cards! Please copy or make a note of the card values for reference.