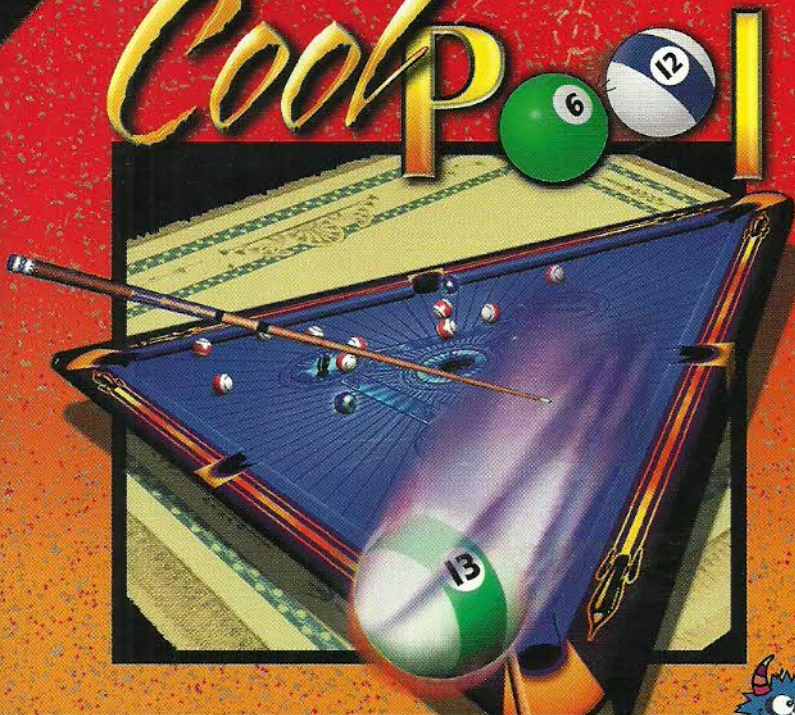


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# Guidebook



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## INSTALLING AND STARTING THE GAME

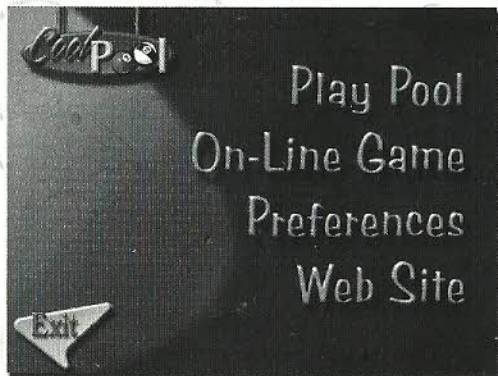
### INSTALLING THE GAME

1. Turn on your computer.
2. Insert the Cool Pool CD into the CD-ROM drive.
3. When the Cool Pool setup window appears, follow the on-screen instructions.

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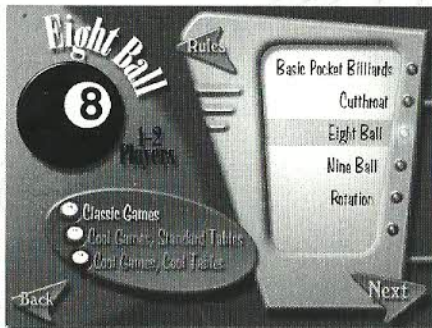
Cool Pool window appears, click on **PLAY COOL POOL** to play a game.



## CHOOSING A GAME

Starting a game is easy with Cool Pool. Simply select Play Pool from the Main Menu and then choose the game you want to play. Cool Pool offers five classic games—Basic Pocket Billiards, Cutthroat, Eight

Ball, Nine Ball, and Rotation. You can also choose among five completely new cool games that are possible only on a computer. And, each new game can be played on a standard rectangular table, or a uniquely shaped cool table.



To choose a game from the Game Selection

menu, click on the type of game you want to play (Classic Games; Cool Games, Standard Tables; or Cool Games, Cool Tables), select the game from the list that appears on the right, and click Next.

You can check out the rules to the selected game by clicking on the Rules button before you click Next. The number of players the game supports is shown in the game logo in the upper left corner of the window.

## CHOOSING PLAYERS AND DIFFICULTY LEVEL

After you select a game to play, you must set the difficulty level, choose the number of players, and enter each player's name.

The difficulty level determines how the game's unique "target" ball works. The target ball is slightly see-through and has a small red bull's



eye on it. As its name implies, this ball acts like a target, and you place it on the table at the spot you want the real cue ball to go. You move the target ball by pointing at it with the mouse, pressing the left mouse button, dragging the ball to the desired location, and releasing the mouse button to drop the ball. Even if you aim by moving the

cue stick, the target ball automatically moves around the table to show you where the cue ball will end up.

The Difficulty Level menu offers the following options:

**EASY.** Click this to set the difficulty level to Easy. In Easy, the target ball can move clear across the table to help you line up shots.

**MEDIUM.** This level keeps the target ball a little closer to the cue ball.

**HARD.** The Hard level keeps the target ball on a tight leash.

**BACK.** Click here to go back to the Game Selection menu.

**NEXT.** Click here to continue to the Number of Players menu.

The next menu asks you how many people will be playing.



**PRACTICE.** Click here to play a game by yourself against a sharp-shooting computer opponent. Playing against the computer is a good way to learn game rules and practice your shots.

**2 - 4.** Click on the number of players you want in the game. The number of possible players depends on the game you've

selected. Cutthroat, for example, can be played with three players only.

**BACK.** Click here to go back to the Difficulty Level menu.

**NEXT.** Click here to continue on and enter each player's name.

The next few menus let you enter each player's name. Once all the names have been entered, the game begins.



## HOW TO SHOOT

There are several ways to line up a shot in *Cool Pool*. First, you can use your mouse to move the cue stick around the cue ball. You point at the cue stick with the mouse, press and hold the left mouse button, and then move the stick to the desired location. Release the mouse button when you're done.

For finer cue stick movements, place your mouse pointer over the cue stick controls located in the lower-left corner of the window.

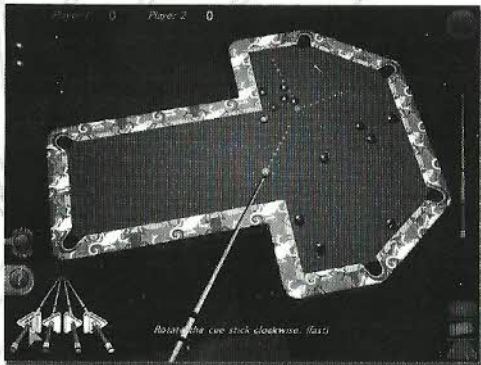
Clicking on the triangular buttons moves the cue stick smoothly around the cue ball. You may also use the left and right cursor keys to move the cue stick.

Perhaps the most powerful way to line up a shot is to use

*Cool Pool*'s

unique "target" ball. The

target ball is slightly see-through and has a small red bull's eye



on it. As its name implies, this ball acts like a target, and you place it on the table at the spot you want the real cue ball to go.

You move the target ball by pointing at it with the mouse, pressing the left mouse button, dragging the ball to the desired location, and releasing the mouse button to drop the ball. Even if you aim by moving the cue stick, the target ball automatically moves around the table to show you where the cue ball will end up.

Striking the ball is easy, too. To hit the cue ball, move the mouse pointer over the cue stick that appears on the right side of the window, press the left mouse button to grab the stick, move the mouse down to pull the stick back, and then release the mouse button to strike the ball. You can also use the cursor down key to pull the stick back and the space bar to strike the ball. The farther you pull back, the harder you hit the ball.

For players who prefer a little more control, you can pull the stick back, as usual, but then continue to hold the mouse button down while you push the stick forward to hit the cue ball. This gives you direct control over the strength of the shot based on how fast you push the mouse forward.

