

Did you know that...

You get an extra double if you go Mah-Jong with a tile from the Kong Box.

The game was given its name of “Mah-Jongg” by an American called Joseph Babcock in the 1900s.

The Chinese called it by various names like “chung fa”, “que ma que”, “ma que”. “ma que” can be translated as “sparrow”. The Chinese thought that the shuffling of the tiles sounded like squabbling sparrows.

You do NOT need a pung of Winds or Dragons for the special hand of Buried Treasure.

(There's a mistake in “Mah-Jong (Know the Game)” - acknowledged by the authors)

If you ignore the 1,000 limit

the highest possible score you can get is 1,490,944 points.

The World Mah-Jong Championship held annually in Macau gives a prize of over £40,000 and a gold necklace to the winner. Unfortunately, they don't play by the BMJA rules.

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2 points because it is the Wind of the Round

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