Antonio Esfandiari Professional Poker Player

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Antonio Esfandiari has earned himself the nickname of The Magician in the world of poker playing professionals. Esfandiari was born in Iran in 1978 and later moved to California at the age of nine with his family. When Antonio was a teenager, he had a job as a waiter. To play poker like the professionals checkout UltimateBet.com now.

Esfandiari was turned on to card tricks by a fellow bartender working at the same restaurant where he was employed. Antonio fell in love with stage magic and began teaching himself tricks. Once he became proficiently skilled, Esfandiari began to host private parties where he provided magic tricks as entertainment. The former magician attended a poker game after an extended invitation. Once he played Texas Holdem, Esfandiari’s path was set.

Antonio studied poker with as much enthusiasm as he studied stage magic. In very little time, Antonio developed enough skills to start bringing home some winnings at the tables. Of course, not every game has proved entirely fruitful for this enthusiastic card player – Antonio has lost a significant amount of cash in more than one game. Antonio has had a total of four money finishes in the World Series of Poker and one World Series of Poker tournament earned him his gold WSOP bracelet. 2004 was a significantly successful year for Esfandiari were he won more than a million dollars at the Commerce Casino. To date, he has managed to win more than 2.5 million dollars in cash.

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