Croquet is a sport that is played on a small patch of grass. It is played all over the world, but it is most popular in Europe.
In croquet, players use a mallet to hit a wooden ball through a series of metal hoops called wickets. Behind the final two wickets is a small wooden pole. When a player hits their ball through the final wickets and hits the pole, they earn a point.
Players may not let their ball touch other players’ balls during the game. If they do, the player whose ball is hit can do one of two things. They can take two bonus shots, or they can “strike” the ball that hit theirs. A strike is a penalty shot in which one player hits their opponent’s ball off the course.