

What Happens in Vegas?

I'm sure by now you're all familiar with the TV advertisements for Las Vegas with the tag line "What happens in Vegas, stays in Vegas". Having sold Las Vegas for over 14 years as a destination to my clients and not having been there yet myself, I thought perhaps it was high time I got out there to see just what was happening in Vegas. To my delight, I actually found that there is a whole lot happening in Vegas. Here are a few of the highlights you might enjoy on your next visit:

- New hotels - The building boom continues in Las Vegas. This year alone we've seen the addition of a new tower at the all-suite Venetian hotel and the addition of "The Hotel", the ultra-deluxe tower at The Bellagio. Soon to open is the Wynn Las Vegas (already planning an expansion). Watch for the "extreme makeover" of the Aladdin hotel as it transforms into the Planet Hollywood Hotel Las Vegas.
- Entertainment – From Broadway hits to one-of-a-kind stage shows, Las Vegas is rivaling New York as an entertainment Mecca. Cirque Du Soleil has taken Las Vegas by storm and is debuting their fourth permanent show this month. In a partnership with MGM Mirage resorts, you can see Mystere at The Mirage, "O" at the Bellagio, Zumanity at New York, NY and the new "Ka" at the MGM Grand. Mama Mia is playing to a packed house at Mandalay Bay, and you can catch "The funniest comedian in Las Vegas", Rita Rudner at New York, NY. This is but the tip of the iceberg. Celine Dion holds court nightly at the Coliseum at Caesar's Palace. Numerous Las Vegas style reviews and burlesque shows are available as well as big name sporting events and nightclubs that rock until the wee hours. If you're looking for something a little less pricey, don't miss the fountain show at the Bellagio or splurge a little and ride to the top of the Eiffel Tower at Paris and watch it from there.
- Dining – If you're looking for the \$3.99 all-you-can-eat buffet, it probably still exists somewhere, but I didn't see it. Just remember that you get what you pay for. If you're looking for a good tasting buffet at a reasonable price, you might try the Pharaoh's Pheast at Luxor or the Spice Market Buffet at the Aladdin. Just about every big-name chef has opened or is opening restaurants in Las Vegas. You can find dining options by all your Food Network favorites from Emeril Lagasse, to Bobby Flay, to Wolfgang Puck, Las Vegas offers a gastronomic plethora of dining options to satisfy your pallet.
- Shopping – If you can't buy it in Vegas, it probably isn't worth having. Las Vegas offers "theme shopping" to fit your every mood. If you like upscale and trendy, try Mandalay Bay or the MGM Grand. Feeling tired and worn out, why not try the Dessert Passage shops at the Aladdin where an invigorating rain shower goes off like clockwork. If something with a European flair is more your style, why not try the boutiques at Paris or the Monte Carlo or the newly expanded Forum Shops at Caesar's Palace. For the ultimate experience, don't

miss the Grande Canal Shops at the Venetian, complete with singing gondoliers and “sidewalk” cafés.

All this, and you haven’t even left The Strip yet! Did you notice I never even mentioned the word “casino”?

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