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Advantage Play Slots Guide

Carson Valley Inn Edition

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There are currently 30 Advantage Play Slots at **Carson Valley Inn** in Minden NV:

Genie Unleashed (x1) next to the main bar
Frights 'N Delights (x1) next to the main bar
Cats Wild Serengeti (x2) one next to CV Steak and a second near the stairs leading to the Poker room
Wolf Run Eclipse (x2) MegaBucks edition at main entrance and regular version next to CV Steak
Grand Buddha Link (x1) across from the Cashier
Progressive Slots (x6) located near the 395 side entrance to the casino (opposite the Cashier)
Rich Little Piggies (x4) located at the main entrance to the casino
Rich Little Hens (x2) directly across from the Cashier
Magic Treasures Gold (x2) two near the main entrance
Raise the Sails (x4) two near the main bar and an additional two across from the Cashier
Magic Treasures Dragon (x2) one near the main bar and another near the stairs leading to the Poker room
Magic Treasures Tiger (x2) one near the main bar and another across from the Cashier

The above list of games is current for CVI as of the listed publication date. Casinos often change their games, and when CVI makes significant changes to their advantage slots layout, I will publish an updated guide at MindenSlots.com.

How To Play These Machines: These machines have indicators that show when the game is in an advantage state for the player. You'll find strategies for these specific machines on the following pages. The enclosed explanations are simplified compared to the elaborate essays you might find elsewhere

online. These are the exact strategies I use on a daily basis. If you're new to Advantage Slots, use my strategies as a basic guideline to get started.

Bankroll Management: In order to play these machines, I suggest a minimum bankroll of $500. And until you begin to understand how these slots work, I suggest keeping your wagers at the lowest spin amount. Some of these games – even when in an advantage state – can still require 500+ spins before you'll hit the bonus, so play according to your individual bankroll.

Best Time to Play These Slots at Carson Valley Inn: Thursday through Sunday, 6pm to 1am.

How to Find These Slots in Their Advantage State: While you can certainly just show up at the casino and do a quick walk-thru to see if any of these games are in an advantage state, it's much more profitable to stay inside the casino for at least 2 or 3 hours and perform a walk thru and check each machine every 20 minutes or so. Any one of these machines can switch to an advantage state within minutes, especially if the casino is busy, so you really should stick around the casino and just repeatedly check the machines. In your off time, you can slow play Keno or Poker or just sit in the sportsbook and watch any of the live games on the various televisions.

Don't be afraid to walk directly up to a machine and check the denominations, and then do it again twenty minutes later. That's the only way you are going to find machines in an advantage state. There's no law against checking the machines. The casinos know exactly what types of games are in their casino. And don't let any other advantage slot player tell you otherwise; you have just as much right to be in the casino and hunt for advantage play slots as anyone else visiting the casino. Be polite and friendly to everyone and you can hunt all night for advantage plays.

The best strategy is to bring a gambling buddy and each of you cover one half of the casino. Each one of you should perform a walk-thru in your area every 15 to 20 minutes. If you can do this, you will find many machines in an advantage state every night, and you will produce a nice profit. Sometimes it only takes one machine to make several thousand in a single night.

One last piece of advice: **Play fast!** Some of these machines will require several hundred spins (or more) before you hit the bonus. If you play slow and allow the reels to stop on their own, it can 30 minutes or longer to enter a bonus round or hit a jackpot. Instead, hit the spin button rapidly and the machine will stop the reels almost as fast as you can spin. Playing fast is a major time saver.

Good luck!

Genie Unleashed (Play Until it Hits)
As you play this game, you will collect coins for two different spins on the wheel. The game pictured below is in the 4-1 position. You can see the collected coins directly beneath the wheel. The only time I will play this game is if it is either in the 4-4 position or a 5-3 or 3-5 position. I'll play until the arrival of the 6th coin and I get to spin the wheel and then I stop. If you look at the denominational pad you'll see what the coin positions are for each spin amount. This is a very easy game to check. This game is the same as Frights 'N Delights.





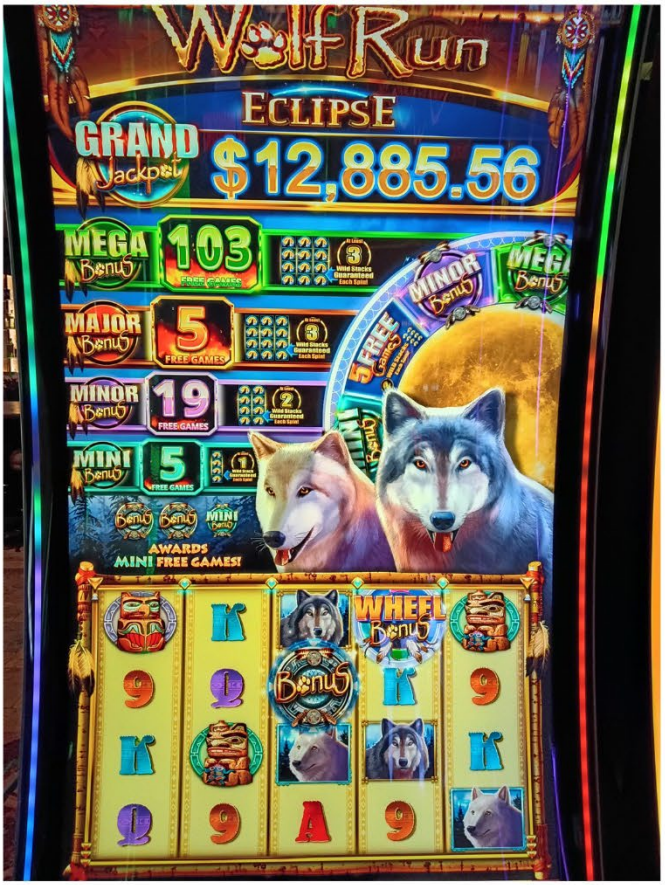
Frights 'N Delights - Play Until It Hits

Read the description for Genie Unleashed.

Cats Wild Serengeti (Play Until It Hits Warning! May need 500+ spins to hit!)

There are three bonuses to focus on: Mini, Minor and Major (the Mega and the Grand bonus are unicorns, so don't play for those). The Major and Minor are very difficult to hit. The Mini bonus is the one you want to focus on. A Mini that is 18+ is basically an insurance policy that you will break even when you finally hit it. Your real profit while playing is if you can hit the Major or Minor while playing a Mini that is 18+. If you hit the Mini first and it resets to 5, stop playing. This game is idential to the game **Wolf Run Eclipse**. Be careful playing these games at higher amounts as it can take hundreds of spins before you hit the Mini bonus.





Wolf Run Eclipse (Play Until It Hits Warning! May need 500+ spins to hit!)

Read info for **Cats Wild Serengetti**.

Grand Buddha Link (Play Until it Hits)
Take a look at the multipliers above the reels. They are as follows (from left to right): 6x, 3x, 3x and 3x. When these numbers multiplied together produce 100+ then it's time to spin the reels. This particular game is currently at 162 (6x3x3x3=162), so it's in a favorable position for the moment. Once that number falls below 100, stop playing. Every spin denomination has it's own current set of multipliers, so check them all. My max bet on this game is $20. This game is idential to the game **Grand Cat Link**.







Six Pack of Progressive Slots - Play Until It Hits

There are six of these various themed machines inside Carson Valley Inn that have two progressive payouts: one at $500 and one at $50.

When the $500 progressive hits $493, play until it hits.
When the $50 progressive hits $48.50, play until it hits.

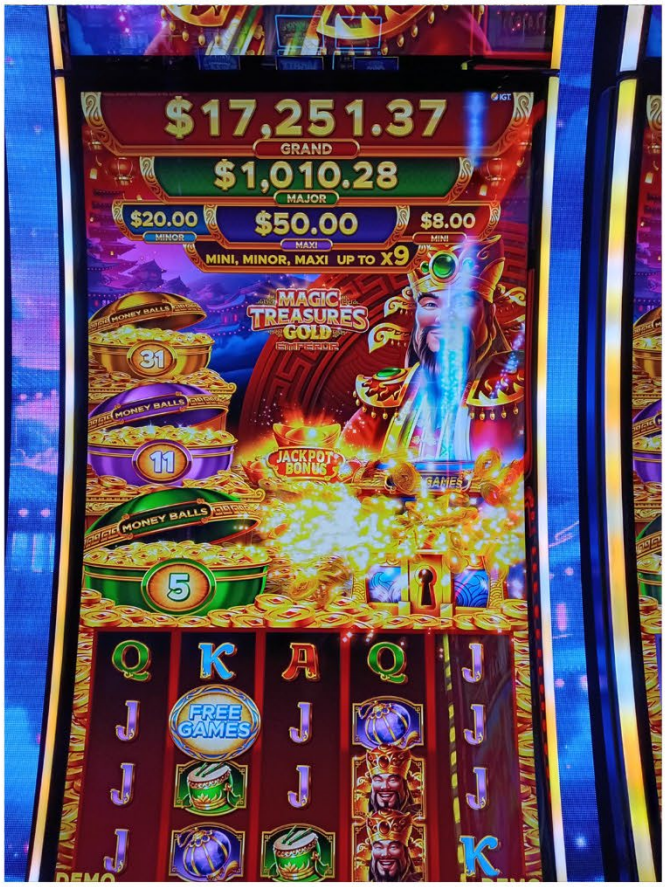
Rich Little Piggies Hog Wild (Play Until it Hits)
There's only one number I focus on in this game, and that is the leftmost pig which is the "free games" bonus. Ideally, I want to hit the free games bonus and the jackpot bonus (the middle pig) at the same time as that will result in a chance to hit the various jackpots. I will only play this game when the free games pig is 18 or higher. I've never hit the Mega Jackpot but I have hit the Grand Jackpot many times with as few as 17 free games. I always stop playing after I've hit the free games bonus. In the game pictured below, I hit the free games bonus of 23 along with the jackpot bonus and the wilds bonus at 100.





Rich Little Hens Founding Feathers (Play Until it Hits)
The game pictured is in the free game bonus with 23 games coupled with the jackpot bonus. The jackpot bonus is the white chicken and the free games bonus is the red chicken. Play this game when the free games is 18 or higher, and play until the free game bonus hits. Ideally, you want the bonus for the red and white chicken to hit together. That's when you have a chance at the large payouts. This game is idential to **Rich Little Piggies Hog Wild** and the **Rich Little Hens Rule The Roost** version.

Magic Treasures Gold (Play Until It Hits)
The only number I play is the bottom number of the three displayed on the left (31,11 and 5). If that 5 was 25 or higher then I will play this game until the bonus hits for that number. I never chase the top two numbers (31 and 11) as they hit too infrequently. I play this game with extreme caution as the payouts are volatile and it's easy to lose even when the numbers are favorable. It can take several hundred spins in order to hit the bonus.





Raise the Sails (Stop/Loss)
There are three bonuses in this game: Bronze, Silver and Gold. I will only play this game when the Gold is 75 or higher and I will play a limit of 20 or 30 spins. I used to play this game until the bonus hit which led to spending 9.5 hours on a game chasing the Gold bonus all the way until it finally hit at 260. Never again. I chased the Gold from 6:00am to 3:30pm. Luckily for me, the floor manager disabled the game for 1.5 hours so I could go home and have lunch and walk my dog. After I returned to the casino, she enabled the game and I finished my play. On another occasion, I chased the Bronze at 80 and it took over 1,500 spins before it finally hit at 120. Play this game with caution.

Magic Treasures Dragon - Play Until It Hits

Very similar to Magic Treasures Gold but with only one visible bonus number which is pictured at 11. I won't play this until that number is 25+ and I will play until the bonus hits. As with Magic Treasures Gold, the payouts on this game are volatile and you can still lose money even if you start playing when that number is at 25+. This game is identical to **Magic Treasures Tiger**.





Magic Treasures Tiger - Play Until It Hits

Very similar to Magic Treasures Gold only with one visible bonus number which is pictured at 5. I won't play this until that number is 25+ and I will play until the bonus hits. As with Magic Treasures Gold, the payouts on this game are volatile and you can still lose money even if you start playing when that number is at 25+. This game is identical to **Magic Treasures Dragon**.