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# The Best Las Vegas Craps Games

Play Where the Insiders Play and Get the Best Odds and Playing Conditions!



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# Recommended casinos for Craps in Las Vegas

# Playing Craps and Testing your System on a Limited Budget

**Our Recommendation: JOKERS WILD** 

You have to venture far from the Vegas Strip to get low minimums on craps, but ohhow low these minimums are! The Jokers Wild is near Henderson on the BoulderStrip, and at their lone craps table you can bet as little as \$2 on the Pass orDon't Pass, and just \$1 on Prop bets. This table is usually staffed by break-indealers and jammed with player bets ranging from 1\$ to \$25. The table odds are 10X, which give players a lot of range to test strategy using the FreeOdds bet. Prudent and patient players should be able to experiment with strategies extensively with only \$50 to \$100. This is a great spot to test your system within the constraints of a small bankroll.

The Jokers Wild is a tidy and clean casino and the single craps table features a clean layout with fairly new gaming cheques. There is an attractive cocktail lounge within listening distance of the craps table, often featuring country and western music. There's also a small sports book and cocktail service area on the south end of the casino.

LOCATION: 920 North Boulder Highway, Henderson, NV 89015

Phone: (702) 564-8100, website

# **Playing Craps in Downtown Vegas**

**Our Recommendation: MAIN STREET STATION** 

There is no Downtown casino that can match the table offerings at the Main Street Station. The craps pit here features three clean tables, experienced dice crew and generous 20X table odds. The table minimum is \$5 and maximum is \$1,000. Serious players should be able to test strategies with a \$500 to \$1,000 bankroll.

The best access to Main Street Station from the Fremont mall is to walk through the Las Vegas Club casino, out the back door, cross the street and into the California Club, the home of the World's Record Craps Roll. Take the escalator up to the second floor and walk through the pedestrian overpass to Main Street Station.

Main Street Station features an elegant Victorian Theme and has one of the best Micro Breweries in Vegas.

You can pre-arrange your credit line by getting an application at Main Street's website.

LOCATION: 200 N. Main Street Phone: 800-465-0711, website

# Rolling the Bones on the Las Vegas Strip

**Our Recommendation: CASINO ROYALE** 

The best craps deal in all of Las Vegas is located right in the middle of the world famous Las Vegas Strip, the often-overlooked Casino Royale. The Craps Pit here features two full tables and a sit-down crap shoot. The two full tables feature a \$3 minimum and a \$500 maximum on flat bets with a \$2,500 maximum on Free Odds, which are a super-generous 100x, the absolute best offering in the Las Vegas area, even better than downtown. The 100X odds formerly provided at Sam's Town on the Boulder Highway and Downtown at Binion's Horseshoe no longer exist.

The sit-down table has limited options on maximums, so we recommend that you play on the full tables.

Casino Royale is located across the street from the Mirage and between the Venetian and Harrah's. As there is no major entertainment venue in Casino Royale,

We suggest that you stroll through Harrah's to the south side and witness The Carnaval Court venue. Most nights there is live music which can be seen from the exterior of the complex. Watch the bartenders juggle spirits and mixers from the main bar. This is a great spot for people watching.

LOCATION: 3411 Las Vegas Blvd. South, Las Vegas, NV 89109

Phone: 800-854-7666, website

## The Best Options in Vegas on The Boulder Highway

Recommendation: EASTSIDE CANNERY

The Eastside Cannery that opened in late 2008 is now offering \$3 and \$5 minimums on weekdays and posting 100X Free Odds. There are two tables, normally running weekends and Holidays, one table usually running on weekdays and during graveyard shifts. The 100X Free Odds posting is matched in Vegas only by the Casino Royale property on The Strip. The facility also features an attractive cocktail lounge called Marilyn's and often posts up attractive entertainment with a no-minimum requirement on cocktails. The sportsbook at this Cannery property is very much alligned to Horse action, though there are many high definition television sets at the adjacent sports bar.

LOCATION: 5255 Boulder Highway, Henderson, NV 89122

Phone: 800-856-5300, website

Our Recommendation: SAM'S TOWN HOTEL AND GAMBLING HALL Sam's Town Hotel and Gambling Hall is another solid option in Las Vegas on the BoulderHighway. This was one of the last bastions for 100X odds which were offered for a short while after Binion's Horseshoe (Downtown) discontinued its own 100xodds. In mid-2002 Sam's Town reduced its table odds to 20X which is still second-best only to Casino Royale in the Vegas vicinity.

The craps pit at Sam's Town features five tables. 20x Odds. \$5 Minimum, and \$3,000 Maximum. Maximum on odds is \$5,000. The casino was remodeled in early 2000. For sports bettors there are nice 32" TV screens directly over two of the craps tables. This is the best craps deal on The Boulder Highway.

You can sign up for credit at Sam's Town by filling out the application from their website. Once you have established a credit line atSam's Town you can also use their website to track your play for tax purposes.

LOCATION: 5111 Boulder Highway, Henderson, NV 89122

Phone: 800-897-8696, website

#### **Best Family of Casinos**

**Our Recommendation: STATION CASINOS** 

The Station Casino properties are one of the fastest growing and best managed companies in Vegas. All Station properties post 10X Odds in their craps pits with the exception of the little Wild, Wild West property on Tropicana, and The GreenValley Ranch that posts 3-4-5x Odds. Barley's Casino on Sunset Road no longer has a casino pit.

Their "Boarding Pass" comp system and promotion is one of the best packages for players, and comps can be accrued in any property and applied at any other property. You can sign up for The Boarding Pass on their website.

Station Casinos has managed to corner the locals market by positioning their properties to encircle the whole of Las Vegas.

The Station Properties include:

- Texas Station
- Palace Station
- Sunset Station
- Green Valley Ranch
- Boulder Station
- Wild, Wild West
- Santa Fe Station
- Barley's Casino
- Fiesta Henderson
- Fiesta Rancho
- Red Rock Station
- Aliante Station

Check out their room rates and promotions, often featuring Internet Specials.

LOCATION: Various locations throughout Las Vegas, Henderson and Green Valley

Phone: 800-6-STATIONS, website