



Where to save without leaving the Strip

Let's face it: if you're not careful, Las Vegas can leave your wallet a little light. But with research and planning, you can avoid paying full price or spending an arm and a leg to have a good time. While the rule of thumb for budget travelers has long been to head off Strip, Las Vegas Boulevard has plenty of deals from happy hours at high end restaurants to ticket discounts and hanging out in more low-key casinos. Check out these places to get more bang for your buck without leaving the Strip.

Allegro at Wynn Las Vegas

There are few better pairings than pizza and beer, and from 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. every Saturday and Sunday at [Allegro](#), you can drink your way through Blue Moon and Stella Artois drafts for \$25. Chef Enzo Febbraro's signature wood fired pizzas (\$18-\$21) at the casual Italian bistro include classic margherita with mozzarella, tomato sauce and basil and the bianco, topped with mozzarella, prosciutto, arugula and parmesan. The only thing that could complete this pairing is football, which you can watch on the big screens in the bar area.

Esiatorio Milos at The Cosmopolitan of Las Vegas

The Greek restaurant is known for its pristine seafood from the waters of the Mediterranean, which can definitely come with a hefty price tag at dinner. But if you'd like to try Chef Costas Spiliadis' freshest catches of the day without dropping a bundle, head over early for lunch or grab a seat at the bar for the Milos Meze menu. The three-course prix fixe menu at lunch costs a mere \$22.13 and offers your choice of some of the restaurant's greatest hits: the Greek meze plate with various dips and spreads and the lavraki, or Mediterranean sea bass cooked simply with olive oil and lemon. Happy hour lasts all day at [Milos](#)' bar and offers more variety with nearly 20 items under \$9, including mini gyros (\$5), Greek saganaki cheese (\$5) and calamari (\$8.50).

Tix4Tonight

On the off chance that you decide to see a show at the last minute, or you simply don't want to pay box office prices, Tix4Tonight is a valuable resource for Las Vegas visitors and locals alike. Not only can you score half-off, last-minute tickets to productions such as KA by Cirque du Soleil and Absinthe, or concerts by Shania Twain or [Celine Dion](#), but discounted admission to attractions, such as [Bodies The Exhibition](#) are also available. You can preview which tickets are available online, but your best bet is to go directly to one of the 11 booths located on the Strip and downtown.

Slots-A-Fun

It's a dive, but Slots-A-Fun is one of the best spots to have low-budget fun on the Strip. Between the \$2 minimums on electronic craps games, crazy cheap drink specials, \$3.99 foot-long hot dogs and its prime location next to Circus Circus, this casino is where you go if you want to be paid in Vegas kitsch.

Buffet of buffets

Joining a players program at casinos definitely has its perks. The Total Rewards program at Caesars properties (which includes [Caesars Palace](#), Bally's, The Quad, [Paris](#), Harrahs, Rio, Flamingo and Planet Hollywood) offers participants benefits that include special discount pricing at countless restaurants. One of the best deals, however, is the Buffet of Buffets. Guests who book two nights or more at any of these properties (starting as low as \$52 per night), receive two 24-hour passes to be used at their best smorgasbords. Now is your chance to really determine what your "all you can eat" capacity is.

Hotel deals

Staying on the Strip doesn't have to mean you shell out hundreds of dollars a night. Let's face it, you're really only using your room to stash your bags and sleep when you absolutely need to. Some of the older hotels on Las Vegas Boulevard, including Excalibur, [Luxor](#) and New York-New York, occupy prime real estate that you can occupy for less money. If you shop around various Las Vegas-oriented websites (such as [vegas.com](#) or [cheapovegas.com](#)), you can find hotel promo codes for nightly room rates as low as \$30 at the Luxor or \$59 at New York-New York. And if you're lucky, it might include other package amenities such as resort credits or discounts to restaurants, attractions and shows.