



# Casino Fun 101

## Your Trip Kit Planner.

### Remember:

*“If you don’t know where you’re going, you’ll end up someplace else.”*

—Yogi Berra, baseball player, coach, and philosopher

### Game Choices for This Trip

Choose the game or games you’ll be playing and, no matter how good a player you are, practice them before going. Once you’re at your casino destination, it’s a good idea to do a warm-up session in the hotel before playing on the casino floor.

➤ *Review the four key steps for learning casino games in Chapter 5.*

Make sure you’ve practiced and are competent with each of the four steps for learning and practicing casino games.

### Create Your Flex Schedule.

Begin creating a flex schedule by making a list of everything you want to do at your casino destination.

Once your activities list is complete, answer the following questions:

- ☐ How many sessions do I intend to play?
- ☐ How long will my sessions be?
- ☐ Did I give myself at least a one-hour break between sessions?

- ☐ Which of my activities must I do or be on time for?
- ☐ Which activities are not time sensitive?

Once you know the answers to these questions you are ready to create your flex schedule.

➤ Review Chapter 6 on creating a flex schedule.

## Your Money Plan

Creating a solid money plan means doing everything listed below before your trip:

- ☐ Decide what your trip bankroll will be.
  - *Your trip bankroll is the total amount of money you'll set aside to play casino games on this trip and must be a sum you can afford to lose and still have a good time.*
- ☐ Determine your session amounts.
  - *Your session amount is the amount of money you'll risk each playing session.*
- ☐ Define your buy-in amounts.
  - *A buy-in amount is the amount of money you'll risk at each location.*
- ☐ Establish your betting unit and maximum betting unit.
  - *A betting unit is an amount you bet each time a play is made in a game. A maximum betting unit is the largest bet in any single play, unless a betting strategy calls for more.*
- ☐ Set your stop-loss goal for each playing session.
  - *This is usually equal to the session amount.*
- ☐ Determine your stop-loss goal for each location.
  - *This is usually equal to the buy-in amount.*
- ☐ Decide what your stop-win goal is for each location.
  - *This can be somewhere between a buy-in amount and half a buy-in amount.*

Practice playing with chips and play money using a stop-loss and stop-win goal in the games you'll be playing.

- *Review Chapters 8 and 9 on money management.*

## **Practice and Warm-Up Items**

Bring practice items, such as dice, cards, chips, etc., and use them in a few warm-up games before playing.

- ☐ The practice items I'm bringing are:

## **Study and Review Materials**

Bring books and/or study materials to review. This could include basic strategy cards, charts, etc.

- ☐ The study and review materials I'm bringing are:

## **Recordkeeping Materials**

Bring all the materials you'll need to keep records.

- ☐ The recordkeeping materials I'm bringing are:

- *Review the simple method for recordkeeping by answering the four key questions in Chapter 7.*

And don't forget...

- *Review Chapter 10 and practice discipline and patience before your trip.*

***Have a fabulous casino adventure!***