

WYNN LAS VEGAS 20TH ANNIVERSARY VO
5/3-4/2025

00 INTRO - OUTRO

00a Intro Stuff

Dale VO:

Twenty years at the corner of Sands Avenue and the Boulevard...and more 5-star awards than anybody else! Wynn Las Vegas does everything right...the design...the ambiance...the dining...the gaming...the spectacle...and the sheer beauty of the place.

Paula Live:

Don't forget the shopping! Every coveted designer label in the world can be found at the Wynn.

Dale Live:

So get ready...

00b Outro Stuff

[tell the Elaine stepping on your foot story]

[mention the incredible friendliness of the staff, and the endless cleaning]

[IMG_1089 holds on waterfall 1min16sec if we need a backdrop]

01 TRAVEL-ARRIVAL

01a Driving Footage

On April 28th, the Wynn Las Vegas officially celebrated 20 years in operation on the Strip. We'll talk more about the birthday bash later...but today, after not visiting here in a while, we're going to remind ourselves - and you - just why this place deserves all those awards!

[DJI_0461, 0462]

[Friday, May 2, 2025. 8:42 AM]

[Sunny, Hi 88, Lo 68]

01b Wynn Ext-Corner

Out of the car, and down at street level...let's check out the neighborhood. ... Across Sands, the Palazzo...and behind that screen of trees, the Wynn. [IMG_1096]

Opposite, on Las Vegas Boulevard, there's the Fashion Show Mall...that statement marquee...and the 45-story bronze-tinted tower. [IMG_1100]

Who remembers that first commercial Steve Wynn did, back in 2005, when he famously said:
"I'm Steve Wynn and this is my new hotel - the only one I've ever signed my name to."

[[IMG_1097](#); link to YouTube video of this is in your email - it's poor quality, so you may want to do a little picture-in-picture with it?]

01c Bridges-Sphere

Before we go in, another big shout out to the pedestrian bridges that make getting across these busy intersections no more than a simple - and safe - sightseeing excursion! [[either IMG_1108 or 1109](#)]

And oh, hello there to the Sphere. Hard to remember when this spectacular attraction wasn't part of the Las Vegas landscape. [[IMG_1103](#)]

01d Strip-Front Lake

Unlike other Steve Wynn properties, this one doesn't feature a splashy curbside attraction. Instead, the sparkling lake, the trees and landscaping, manage to shield the building itself from the Strip...and entice you to come around for a closer look. [[IMG_1110](#), [IMG_1092](#), [DJI_0475](#)]

01e The Waterfall

The mountain was the brainchild of Steve & Elaine Wynn when they were designing the resort. It's 100 feet tall, is planted with 1500 trees, and serves as a huge privacy screen for everything beyond it. The waterfall is one of the most popular picture spots in town. [[IMG_1111](#), [1088](#)]

Right here is the closest entrance to the Wynn, taking you in through the Esplanade Shops. But today, we'll go in the front door. [[IMG_1112](#)]

02 GARDEN-LOBBY

02a Enter-Wynn Garden I

This entrance is just north of the mountain - the valet drop-off, and the closest to hotel registration. A number of articles have been written lately, because of the 20 year anniversary, and they reminded us of all the reasons why Wynn Las Vegas is a superior experience. This atrium is high on that list.

[[DJI_0463](#), [0464](#); pic [PIMG_1040](#) is plaque for the King Bear]

Interior designer Roger Thomas called this "evoca-ecture" - using design and architecture to evoke emotion. Throughout the Wynn you'll find open spaces, natural light, and lots of floral and nature-inspired elements.

[[DJI_0465](#)]

02b Wynn Garden II

The atrium borrows from the Bellagio Conservatory, with large swaths of brilliant-colored blooms appropriate to the season, and fairy lights in the trees to add a little magic. [[IMG_1032 or 1033](#); then [1034 or 1125](#)]

Our favorite structure in the garden is over here, where you'd land if you had arrived via the Esplanade. This carousel is that bit of whimsy that doesn't seem to belong in a sophisticated casino resort, and yet...it's perfect. [[DJI_0469](#) (skip past me), [IMG_1083](#)]

02c Lobby-Registration

Let's pretend we're checking in, and head to Registration.

[\[first part of DJI_0466\]](#)

But wait...this captured Paula's attention, and she struck up a conversation with the craftsman doing the repair. It takes a lot of love and care - not to mention skill - to keep a busy resort looking as fresh and new as the day it opened. Kudos and appreciation to the staff for their efforts! [\[IMG_1049\]](#)

Hotel registration is a large space, featuring marble flooring and earth tones...a statement chandelier...and unbelievably, fresh lilacs here in the southwest desert! [\[rest of DJI_0466; IMG_1042, pic 1048\]](#)

02d Lobby Terrace

All the times we've been here, we never noticed this - there's a terrace, right off the lobby, that leads out to the Lake of Dreams. [\[DJI_0467\]](#)

From this vantage point, you can just make out the Steakhouse patio...the Aft Cocktail Deck...the screen where the show happens...some of those 1500 trees...and a lovely quiet terrace. What a gem of a spot! [\[IMG_1045\]](#)

03 BARS-VENUES AT FRONT

03a Bar Parasol

Speaking of Lake of Dreams, there may be no better spot to watch the show than right here, at Bar Parasol. That is some spectacular window right there! [\[IMG_1077\]](#)

It's not open yet today, but Bar Parasol is probably best viewed from the top down, where you can really appreciate the parasols suspended from the ceiling. The bar offers champagne and cocktails, and caviar-inspired small bites. [\[IMG_1074 or 1072\]](#)

03d Aft Deck Nov 2022

Paula and I enjoyed drinks on the Aft Cocktail Deck a couple of years ago, and I have to say they really nailed that cool yachting vibe out here!

[\[could use pic 3911 Wynn at night, or 3921 menu to start; clip IMG_9022, small part of 9028\]](#)

The lake spans 3 acres, and is surrounded by the mountain. Every half hour after dusk, guests are treated to a projection show featuring state-of-the-art sound, lighting, and imagery...plus a 30-foot tall frog who sings and dances. [\[IMG_3922\]](#)

03a Overlook Lounge

Back indoors, and a peek inside a gorgeous bar that was once called Parasol Up. It's the Overlook Lounge these days, and is an ode to European glamour, with opulent furnishings and jewel tone colors. If it had been open, Paula would have surely stopped in!

[\[IMG_1069, 1063, 1062\]](#)

03b Mizumi-Intrigue

[Hallway #1]

Our intention today is to walk the whole property, all the public areas...and I don't think we have ever been down this hallway. At the end of it is a Japanese dining establishment called Mizumi. Fresh fish is flown in daily from Japan, and in here, they proudly say, food is art.

[DJI_0468, IMG_1052, 1055; pics 1051 & 1056 of inside]

Down these intriguing steps - pun intended - is an intimate lounge called The Living Room at Intrigue. It's only open Friday & Saturday nights, but what a setting for a cocktail!

[IMG_1058, pics 1057 & 1060 are signage; 2 web pics of the lounge]

04 CASINO AREA

04a Casino General

OK, we are finally ready to make our way back from the front side of the resort...and into the casino. Between Wynn and Encore, there are more than 191,000 square feet of gaming - the number varies depending where we look. But, regardless, that makes it the biggest casino in Las Vegas! You can't help but notice the stunning ceiling architecture and lighting in the casino - this is unmatched anywhere else in town.

[DJI_0470, 0472]

04c Charlies-Sports

For sports fans, Charlie's Sports Bar is a must-stop. Just check out the views of those wall-to-wall screens in the sports book, from every seat!

[IMG_1189, 1188, 1190; 3 web pics]

Plus, the menu features All-American favorites like these Charlie's Sliders. Rewatching this clip makes me want an order, Riiiiight Now! [DJI_0848]

04d Red 8

A couple eateries on the casino floor to draw your attention to: Red 8 serves a menu of Asian specialties - noodle dishes, dim sum, and barbecue. Gorgeous room, and definitely red!

[IMG_1133, 1137, 1139; pics of signage]

04e Allegro

Allegro is Wynn's ever-popular Italian casual dining spot - and when we say popular, we mean it. The website says they serve more than a quarter million guests a year! We've dined here many times, most recently in August of last year during our Encore stay.

[IMG_1186 empty; IMG_3980 with guests; 5319 & 5320 are us eating]

04f Awakening

[Hallway #2]

Speaking of that, down this hallway is how you reach the Encore resort from the Wynn. We hope you saw our staycation video from 2024, we had a ball at Encore. ...Worth a mention here is the house production show, called "Awakening". It opened in November of 2022, and is an 80-minute spectacular featuring illusions, music, dance, and puppetry.

[\[DJI_0489, IMG_1193\]](#)

05 TOWER SUITES HALLWAY

05a Tower Suites Lobby

[\[Hallway #3\]](#)

One thing we like about Wynn is how all these hallways branch off the main casino, and lead to...well, let's find out. This particular one first takes us to the lobby of the Wynn Tower Suites. [\[DJI_0476\]](#)

This spacious area has turned into a favorite gathering spot for guests and business travelers, with a vibe that suggests a sophisticated living room... Now this morning, the Tower Suites Bar is serving breakfast items, but at 11 the stools come back out and they switch to a traditional bar. That is the best of both worlds!

[\[DJI_0478, IMG_1143\]](#)

05b Tower Suites Strip Entry

If you've stayed at Tower Suites, maybe you've come in this way, through this enchanted space filled with tropical plants and koi ponds. No practical reason for this, except to just be surrounded by exotic beauty as you arrive at the Wynn. [\[IMG_1157, 1158\]](#)

05c Tower Suites Room 2020

A few years ago, we stayed at the Tower Suites and did a room tour. At that time, the decor was elegant and classy, with a very subdued and neutral color scheme. [\[any of IMG_9082, 9085, 9094\]](#)

But one thing Wynn does is constantly update their design! Already, those rooms have been redone with more vibrant pops of color. [\[2 web pics\]](#)

Our view out the window showed the true scale of the mountain - that thing is massive! [\[small part of IMG_9083\]](#)

05d Wynn Pool 2020

Just to the left of the Tower Suites front desk is access to the pool deck.

[\[DJI_0477\]](#)

During our stay, we spent time at both the Tower Suites pool...

[\[DJI_0367 or IMG_9302\]](#)

...and the larger and more lively Wynn pool. Both provide a superb resort escape. [\[IMG_9303; \(optional\) end of DJI_0375 hi to Dale\]](#)

05e Tableau 2020

For poolside dining, we have to recommend Tableau. You can enjoy breakfast, brunch, or lunch indoors, or out by the pool...

[P1001119 Dale w/coffee; 2 web pics of inside, outside]

...and the food selections are fresh and healthy.

[DJI_0402 or 2 pics, 9243 & 9244]

FYI...this same spot, Tableau, is where the Four Sixes Ranch steak experience happens, in the evenings. [pics 9235, 1144-1146]

05f Wing Lei-Delilah

Beyond the Tower Suites lobby are 3 other venues of note. Wing Lei is the only Chinese restaurant in the country to have received a Michelin Star. The menu is Cantonese and Szechuan, and the dining room decor was inspired by Chinese jewel boxes. What a setting!

[DJI_0479, IMG_1148, my pics, 2 web pics]

[pronounce as it looks, wing-lee]

Delilah is the Wynn's answer to the classy supper club. It opened in 2021, and features dining, cocktails, and live entertainment.

[DJI_0480, my pics, 2 web pics]

05g Wedding Salons

On past the restaurants is the Wynn convention space, and the wedding salons. You have to marvel at the sheer beauty of it, just traveling from point A to point B. [DJI_0481]

It so happens that we attended the wedding of some friends of ours a few months ago, and were able to capture a little peek at one of the elegant Wynn wedding salons. They offer full services, including wedding planning and packages. [IMG_7450, 7451, 7452]

06 FAIRWAY ESPLANADE

06ab Wynn Buffet/Buffer April 2023

[Hallway #4]

Yet another hallway, this one called the Fairway Esplanade. First stop is the famous Wynn Buffet - what our connoisseur Paula will say is the best on the Strip. [DJI_0482, then either DJI_0484 or IMG_1164]

Wynn is a superior buffet experience, with 16 separate food kitchens, and cuisine from around the globe.

[IMG_8762; pics 8732, 8795, 8759, 8725]

The seating areas go on forever, and the fresh color and plantings evoke the feeling of dining in a garden.

[IMG_8770, 8785, 8815]

Wynn Buffet is a can't miss. [\[tiny clip of Paula tasting, DJI_0094 or 0098\]](#)

06c Sirius XM-La Cave

Now this is interesting! Famed audio entertainment company Sirius XM has partnered with Wynn in this 1700-square-foot studio, where they broadcast music, comedy, sports and more...and we can watch! [\[IMG_1167, 1168\]](#)

We've never gone into La Cave, but it's an enticing spot. It was just redone last year, and features an exceptional collection of wines as well as shareable plates. [\[No video, 5 pics of mine, 2 from web\]](#)

06d Terrace Pointe Cafe

Last stop on the Fairway Esplanade is another popular spot, especially right now. It's 10:15 AM on Friday, and the Terrace Pointe Cafe is doing a booming business for breakfast. The cafe is open from 7 to 3 every day, and offers both indoor dining and alfresco, out on the patio. [\[DJI_0485, 0486, 0487\]](#)

07 WYNN ESPLANADE

07ab Video-Photos-Esplanade

[\[Hallway #5\]](#)

Let's talk shopping. This is called the Wynn Esplanade, an avenue of designer boutiques that actually opened with the resort back in 2005. The Esplanade encompasses more than 76,000 square feet of retail, featuring the world's most coveted labels. Tell you what, we'll just settle for window shopping on this trip! ...Now, just to orient yourself, the walkway's other end is out at the Strip, the entry doors across from the pretty lake we saw earlier in the video.

[\[DJI_0474 is very long - more than 2 minutes; folder **07b Photos** has 15 pictures of the brands and products - pop up any and as many as you like\]](#)

08 WYNN PLAZA SHOPS

08a Plaza Shops Entry

[\[Hallway #6\]](#)

In case you didn't find the brand you were looking for, head this way! In 2018, Wynn unveiled another 70,000 square-foot retail space called the Plaza Shops. As with all the other areas of the resort, original art is prominently featured. The Arrows and Flowers Neon Sign marks the entry to the shops, from the casino side. [\[DJI_0490, IMG_1199 or 1238; pic 1195 is plaque for art\]](#)

08bc Video-Photos-Shops General

The Wynn Plaza Shops is home to 25 upscale retailers, in a two-level, architecturally stunning space.

[\[IMG_1196 or 1202\]](#)

Being honest here, a lot of these designer names weren't as familiar to us as the ones in the Esplanade, but no doubt they are exclusive!

...Here at this corner is another art piece, called simply "Tulips". It's made of stainless steel, and coated in colors that pop.

[\[DJI_0491, IMG_1221; pic 1222 is art plaque;](#)

[11 photos of the various shops in 08c Photos folder - pop up any or as many as you like\]](#)

08d Urth Caffè

By far, this is the spot that draws all the patrons in the Plaza Shops - Urth Caffè. Can you even believe the crowd? [\[IMG_1211 and/or 1214\]](#)

Urth Caffè is renowned for its organic selections - coffees and teas, and lots of healthy living items including vegan and gluten-free. The centerpiece is a hand-tiled fountain surrounding an olive tree. Tell you what, whatever they're selling, everybody is buying!

[\[IMG_1208, 1217 if needed; 1218\]](#)

08e Out to Strip

As we head down from the second level to ground floor...hey, there's the Strip. [\[IMG_1219\]](#)

We are about a block further north than where we started this morning, just past Wynn's main driveway...and, here is the direct entry from the Strip into the Shops. It has a long frontage along the east side of Las Vegas Boulevard. In fact, it actually spans the space between Wynn and its sister property, Encore.

[\[IMG_1228, 1230; pic 1267 or 1269 perspective shot from Maggianos\]](#)

08f Corner Property

Some of you may wonder how a huge 35-acre parcel, right along the resort corridor, remains undeveloped - how can that be? Turns out the land belongs to Wynn, and in fact was once envisioned as a new expansion called "Wynn West". There is an active building permit that extends to April of 2026...stay tuned, we'll see if anything happens with it.

[\[IMG_1223 and/or 1224; IMG_9828; web logo\]](#)

09 WRAPUP

09a B Bar

OK friends, to wrap things up, our camera gal had a plan: to enjoy a cocktail at Wynn's newest watering hole off the casino, the B Bar. It's meant to be the gathering spot for meetups, rendezvous, and the perfect Old-Fashioned...but though we love the mahogany and the crystal, it was just too crowded. [\[DJI_0492, IMG_1243, plus pics\]](#)

09b Snack in TS Lobby

Plan B! Across the hall was the Caffè Al Teatro pastry counter, with its display case full of fresh-made goodies.
[\[IMG_1239 and/or 1241\]](#)

She bought a cheese danish for \$7, and backtracked to the Tower Suites Bar for a \$15 bellini...in a too-large plastic cup! Call it a power snack to fuel her for the long trip home - and a nice way to end the visit.
[\[DJI_0493 - no audio; don't forget to flip me\]](#)

09c 20th Anniversary

[\[No VO - notes for us to talk about it live\]](#)

- Wynn opened at a cost of \$2.7 billion - at the time, the most expensive in the world
- It has 22 five-star awards across hotels-spas-restaurants - more than any independent hotel company in the world
- Management presented \$10,000 stock gift to employees who've been there since the beginning, plus tech gifts
- Out of a team of 12,000, 1691 are "Day Ones"
- Party/concert at Allegiant Stadium for Day One employees - sit-down dinner, red carpet

[\[Link to the 20th birthday YouTube video in your email\]](#)