

**Ameristar Casino Hotel Council Bluffs
Fact Sheet**

Overview

Ameristar Casino Hotel Council Bluffs is Iowa's largest riverboat casino. The property, which carries the Four Diamond designation from the American Automobile Association, features a 160-room hotel, an 8,000-square-foot conference and meeting center, four on-site dining venues, three bars, a 38,500-square-foot casino and two entertainment venues.

Owner

Ameristar Casinos, Inc. (NASDAQ-GS: ASCA), a leading Las Vegas-based gaming and entertainment company, operates eight properties in seven markets, including five of the country's top 20 commercial gaming markets and four of the nation's top 30 metropolitan markets.

Opened

The property was opened in January 1996 by Ameristar.

Casino

The casino consists of 38,500 square feet of gaming excitement, with a complete selection of popular slot and table games.

Offerings include:

- More than 1,600 slot machines, including reels, video reels, video poker and video keno
- More than 30 table games

Star Awards

The Star Awards program allows players to earn exciting awards and other benefits. Signing up for it is quick and easy. The Star Awards points that players earn through tracked slot and table game play can be redeemed for cash back or meals at Ameristar restaurants – even on the day of play.

Star Awards members are eligible to receive monthly awards packages containing cash, bonus points, and restaurant or hotel coupons, along with information on upcoming Ameristar promotions and events. Players may also, depending on their level of play, qualify for exclusive VIP invitations to parties, tournaments and other special events. To take full advantage of the program, be sure to use your Star Awards card when playing slot or table games at Ameristar.

Star Awards is located inside the casino on the main level. For more information about the Star Awards program, please call (712) 328-8888, ext. 6539.

Star Club

The Star Club lounge is reserved exclusively for players who have achieved Star Club membership. Members can relax in this private, richly appointed lounge while enjoying complimentary food and beverages and warm, personalized service from our club staff.

The Star Club is located adjacent to Amerisports Bar. For more information about the Star Club and hours of operation, please call (712) 328-8888, ext. 7781.

Dining

WATERFRONT GRILL offers an extensive menu of such dishes as filet mignon, jumbo sea scallops, roasted garlic prime rib of beef and king crab. For more information, please call (712) 328-8888, ext. 3218.

AMERISPORTS BAR is a great place to enjoy the big game while also savoring such house specials as beer-battered chicken tenders, sizzling beef, chicken fajitas and homemade giant pretzels. The restaurant and bar contain more than 30 TV screens, including a 9-foot-by-12-foot mega screen. And there's free live entertainment on Fridays and Saturdays. For more information, please call (712) 328-8888, ext. 7141.

PRAIRIE MILL CAFÉ & BAKERY offers generous portions of pure heartland goodness in a casual setting. The bakery features fresh cinnamon rolls and homemade cakes, pies, muffins and breads. For more information, please call (712) 328-8888, ext. 7883.

HERITAGE BUFFET includes seven exhibition-style serving stations serving American, Italian and Asian favorites, as well as salads, fresh seafood, homemade desserts – and even a chocolate fountain! The buffet seats up to 350 guests and includes a private room with audio/video capabilities. For more information, please call (712) 328-8888, ext. 7885.

Entertainment

CENTER SPORTS BAR is the most prominent of all the numerous bars at Ameristar Council Bluffs. Located on the casino's third deck, it features four plasma-screen televisions and 18 high-tech video poker and reel machines.

WATERFRONT BAR is adjacent to Waterfront Grill and provides an intimate atmosphere in an elegant, wood-paneled club room.

AMERISPORTS BAR & CABARET features great live entertainment from local, regional and national acts. Guests enjoy free live entertainment on Fridays and Saturdays. For more information, please call (712) 328-8888, ext. 7141.

KIDS' QUEST is a fully supervised children's entertainment complex offering innovative play and development activities for children ages six weeks to 12 years. For more information, please call (712) 328-8888, ext. 3165.

Hotel

The hotel at Ameristar Council Bluffs holds the Four Diamond designation from the American Automobile Association and features 160 rooms, including 40 suites, all with whirlpool bathtubs and 42-inch plasma-screen televisions. All rooms have high-speed wireless Internet access, mini bars and in-room safes.

Non-smoking and wheelchair accessible rooms are also available. For more information, please call (712) 328-8888.

Convention and Meeting Facilities

With its 8,000 square feet of meeting space, Ameristar Council Bluff's Conference Center can accommodate events of all sizes. The Grand Ballroom contains 5,000 square feet of convention and meeting space with a 1,400-square-foot pre-function area; a 500-square-foot boardroom; and, in the Riverside Room, 1,100 square feet of meeting space.

Highlights include configurable rooms for breakout sessions, board meetings, seminars, receptions and events; complimentary high-speed wireless Internet access; complimentary shuttle service; and an on-site child center. For more information, please call (712) 328-8888, ext. 3117.

Fitness and Pool Facilities

The fitness center includes a sauna and an indoor swimming pool with a glass wall that overlooks the Missouri River. In fair weather, the wall opens to a sunbathing patio. For more information, please call (712) 328-8888.

Shopping

MERCANTILE GIFT SHOP offers souvenir gifts, assorted sundries, beverages, snacks and publications. For more information, please call (712) 328-8888, ext. 7723.

Location

Ameristar Council Bluffs is situated in Council Bluffs, Iowa, at the intersection of Interstates 80 and 29 (Exit 52 on Interstate 29).

Address

2200 River Road
Council Bluffs, Iowa 51501

Parking/Valet

Ameristar Council Bluffs features a covered 1,000-stall garage with access to the pavilion and the Ameristar II riverboat. Complimentary valet service also is available.

Main Operator

(712) 328-8888

Reservations

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About Ameristar

Ameristar Casinos, Inc., is a leading Las Vegas-based gaming and entertainment company known for its premier properties characterized by innovative architecture; state-of-the-art casino floors; and superior dining, lodging and entertainment offerings. Ameristar's focus on the total entertainment experience and the highest-quality guest service has earned it leading market-share positions in the markets in which it operates. Founded in 1954 in Jackpot, Nev., Ameristar has been a public company since November 1993. The Company has a portfolio of eight casinos in seven markets: Ameristar Casino Resort Spa St. Charles (greater St. Louis); Ameristar Casino Hotel Kansas City; Ameristar Casino Hotel Council Bluffs (Omaha, Neb., and southwestern Iowa); Ameristar Casino Hotel Vicksburg (Jackson, Miss., and Monroe, La.); Ameristar Casino Hotel East Chicago (Chicagoland area); Ameristar Casino Black Hawk (Denver metropolitan area); and Cactus Petes Resort Casino and The Horseshu Hotel and Casino in Jackpot, Nev. (Idaho and the Pacific Northwest).

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