



SKY RIVER CASINO UNVEILS AN EXPANDED GAMING FLOOR WITH OVER 300 NEW SLOT MACHINES

Sky River elevates comfort and convenience with a total of 2,500 slot machines as momentum builds toward its 2027 resort transformation

ELK GROVE, Calif. (March 05, 2026) — Sky River Casino’s expanded gaming floor is now open to the public. The expanded 20,000-square-foot gaming floor will seamlessly enhance the guest arrival experience as construction nears completion on the new five-story parking structure, which will feature 1,600 spaces, an enhanced valet service area, and a future Porte Cochere. With the addition of 312 new slot machines, Sky River Casino now celebrates a major milestone: 2,500 total slot machines across the property. This expansion supports the casino’s priority to build a true “park and play” experience, giving guests a convenient, streamlined arrival before stepping into a spacious, comfort-forward gaming environment.

“This moment reflects Wilton Rancheria’s pledge to honor our heritage while creating new opportunities for the future,” said Chairman Jesus Tarango of Wilton Rancheria. “Each enhancement — from the new slot machines to the evolving resort amenities — moves us toward a world-class destination that celebrates our connection to the region while embracing new possibilities.”

Beyond its expanded size and amenities, Sky River’s gaming floor continues to reflect the deep cultural heritage of Wilton Rancheria—design elements that have defined the casino since opening day. Throughout the floor, guests will find acorn-inspired chandeliers and carpeting, a motif rooted in the traditional foodways of the Miwok and Nisenan people and celebrated by the Tribe as a symbol of sustenance and self-sufficiency, a reminder of always living in balance with the land and preparing for the next generation. The newly expanded gaming floor extends these same culturally significant design motifs, ensuring that every new square foot reinforces Sky River Casino’s identity as a destination shaped by Wilton Rancheria’s legacy.

The expanded gaming floor features a diverse set of game themes, offering guests an even wider variety of cutting-edge entertainment. A selection of the newest slot machine arrivals includes:

- **Buffalo Gold Collection**
 - One of the most popular slot families in the U.S., dominating Las Vegas casino floors.
 - Features 1,024 possible winning combinations rather than traditional paylines, increasing hit potential.

- **Dancing Drums Link Fortune**
 - Offers three distinct pots (red, green, and purple) that can trigger jackpots, extra spins, or multiplier wilds.
 - Unlike typical pot-based games, two or even all three pots can trigger together for stacked features and bigger wins.
- **Dragon Spin Saga – Fire & Water**
 - Often uses a 5-reel format with up to 243 adjacent ways to win, where matching symbols on consecutive reels create payouts.
 - Includes themed Fire & Water bonuses with contrasting animations and motion effects.

“We are committed to providing our guests with an immediate sense of convenience as they step into our newly expanded gaming floor—a place where comfort is woven into every detail,” said Sky River Casino President and General Manager, Michael J. Facenda. “Reaching 2,500 slot machines is a milestone we’re proud of, and as we move toward our 2027 resort debut, we’re shaping an environment where every visit feels elevated.”

In 2027, Sky River Casino will expand into a full resort destination, building on its nature-driven design foundation. The plan includes a 300-room hotel positioned next to a ground-level glass atrium that will feature a bright botanical environment. Additional components include a luxury day spa, an outdoor pool, a 30,000 ft² multi-use event and entertainment venue, an elevated High Limit and VIP gaming area, and expanded food and beverage offerings. Together, these additions are designed to deliver a contemporary, comfortable resort experience that reflects the natural character of the region and supports Wilton Rancheria’s connection to its environment. An overview of the upcoming expansion plans is listed below:

2027 Resort Expansion

Sky River Casino’s next chapter will introduce a fully realized resort experience, including:

- 300-room state-of-the-art hotel
- Luxury-based day spa
- Vegas-style outdoor pool
- 30,000 ft² multi-use event and entertainment space
- Additional, elevated High Limit and VIP gaming area
- Expanded food and beverage offerings

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Sky River Casino

Sky River Casino was built by Wilton Rancheria in partnership with Boyd Gaming Corporation, which is managing the property for the Tribe. The casino opened in August 2022 and includes 120,000 ft² of gaming, 2,500 slot machines, 81 table games, and 18 elevated restaurants, bars, and lounge destinations. Sky River continues to progress toward a significant expansion; following the latest topping-off of the new 1,600-space multi-story parking structure, future additions will include a 300-room state-of-the-art hotel, an enhanced valet service area and new Porte Cochere, day spa and salon, outdoor pool, and a multi-use event and entertainment space. To learn more about the casino and/or future expansion plans currently underway, please visit www.SkyRiver.com.

Wilton Rancheria

Wilton Rancheria is Sacramento County's only federally recognized Tribe, with more than 1,000 citizens, primarily of Miwok and Nisenan descent. Known as California's Capital Tribe, Wilton Rancheria has established itself as a leader in sustainable development, cultural preservation, and community partnership. The Tribe operates Sky River Casino, holds majority ownership of Sacramento Republic FC, and continues expanding its influence in regional economic development.

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