The Ultimate Step by Step Lifestyle Travel Hack Guide.

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Introduction

The Ultimate Step by Step Lifestyle Travel Hack Guide.

Depending on the industry you're in, you may travel more than the normal consumer. However, if your job involves no business travel whatsoever and you just like to travel leisurely that is fine as well. In our industry, traveling is something that comes with the territory of what we do. Our team constantly has to do meet and greets with clients quite often. In our case, it may be a little easier to reach major brand reward elite statuses versus someone who does not travel that often.

Why should the individual who travels less miss out on great perks?

We are going to show you step by step how you can get those high-status perks as if you travel on a constant basis.

Best Lifestyle Travel Hacks

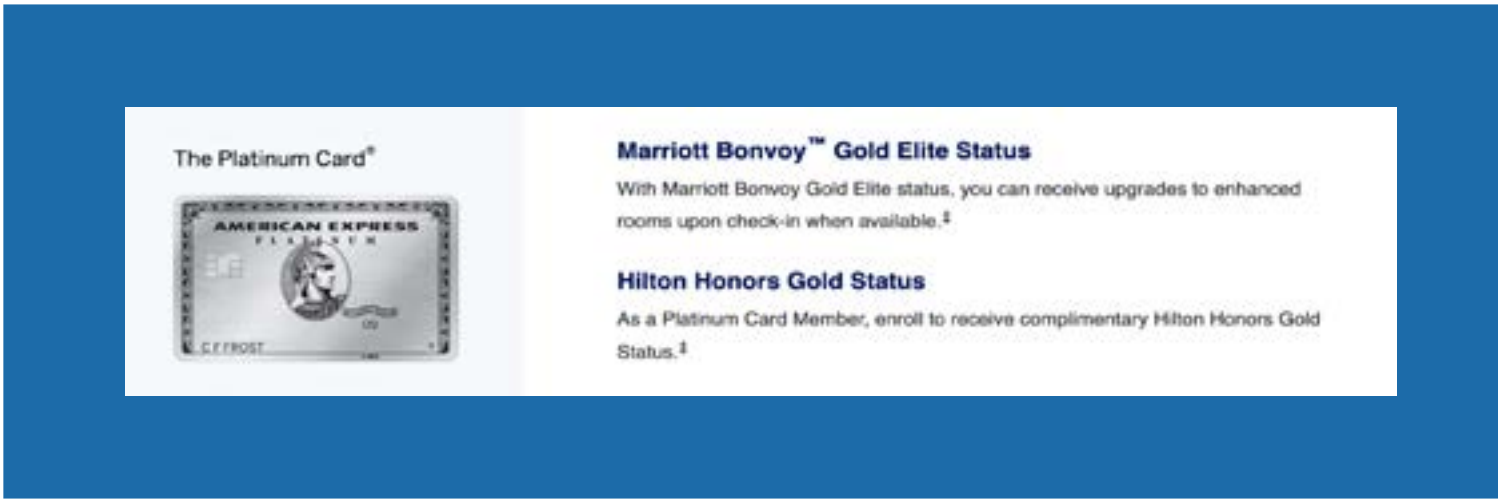
When it comes to traveling there are loopholes that you may not know existed and some that the big corporations don't want you to know about either. Ever go to a hotel or car rental office and see those "VIP" lines that get service first, before you and overhear the special treatment they are getting like room upgrades, free gifts and more? If you are like me and want to travel in style as an important individual in the eyes of where you are staying, which cars you are renting from and even which casino's you are partying at, we have some information here that is going to blow your mind. By the way, did we mention you will also get a free (yes, free) 4 night vacation to Atlantis in Nassau Bahamas? We are going to provide you a step by step full proof plan from experience to achieve high status tiers at many hotels, car rentals and casino's through a status matching strategy and most importantly how to obtain that free 4 night stay in Atlantis. Sounds interesting? Let's get started and jump on the train.

Step 1

American Express Platinum Card

Hop on the American Express Choo Choo

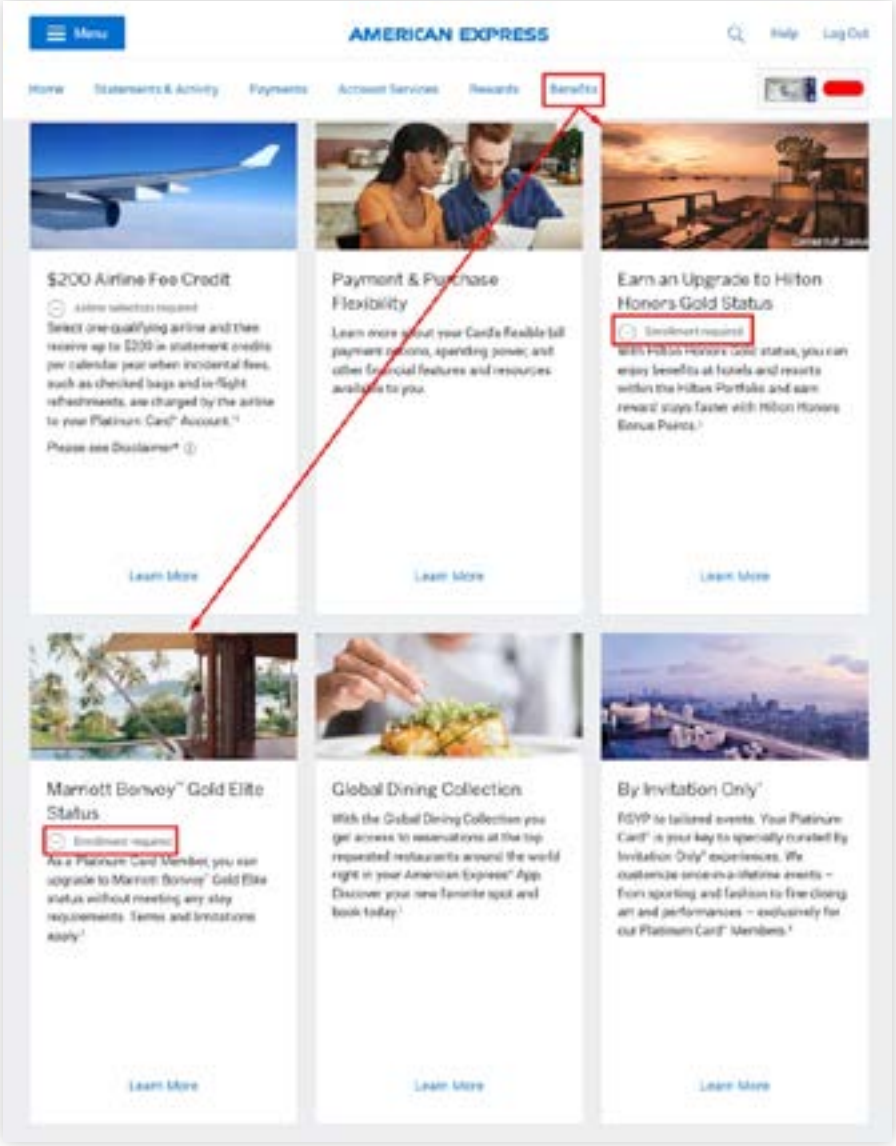
There are two ways you can start this journey which we have used and they both involve starting it all off with an American Express credit card. The first option would be to obtain an American Express Platinum credit card and the second option would be to obtain an American Express Aspire credit card.



Getting Started with the American Express Platinum Card

When we originally ran the train that we are about to explain below, we applied, used and started with the American Express Platinum Card, so that is what we are going to use for the purpose of this post. One of the perks of having the American Express Platinum Card is two fold when it comes to hotel tier upgrades. One, you

can enroll and automatically get upgraded to Hilton Honors Gold Status and second you can enroll and also get upgraded to Marriott Bonvoy Gold Elite Status.



Be sure that once you have the American Express Platinum Card that you sign up for these services as they are not automatically applied! You can find the area to enroll for these included services for your account under the Benefits link in the main American Express navigation. We have provided a screenshot below which shows what you should see in your American Express dashboard, what to click on, and where these two perks should show up in your American Express Platinum account.

Step 2

Hilton Hotel Status Match

If you have been following along since our first step, you have noticed that having the American Express Platinum Card come with some really great benefits. One of which is the benefit of enrolling and getting an automatic Hilton Honors Gold Membership Tier which is what we need in order to complete many of the steps we are going to discuss throughout this guide. So if you haven't enrolled or upgraded to your Hilton Honors Gold Tier, now is the time to do so before moving forward.

Enrolling and Upgrading to Hilton Honors Gold

By upgrading to the Hilton Honors Gold Tier, you can enjoy these benefits within the Hilton Honors Gold Rewards Program:

- **80% Bonus Points on stays**
- **Space-available Room Upgrades**
- **Free Continental Breakfast**
- **Milestone Bonuses**

Hilton Brands You Can Use Your Honors Gold Status

It is important to note that once you complete the Hilton Honors Benefit Enrollment to their Gold Member Level, this status level will apply to the rest of their brands which include:

- Waldorf Astoria Hotels & Resorts
- LXR Hotels & Resorts
- Conrad Hotels & Resorts
- Canopy
- Signia
- Hilton Hotels & Resorts
- Curio Collection
- DoubleTree
- Tapestry Collection
- Embassy Suites
- Tempo
- Motto
- Hilton Garden Inn
- Hampton
- Tru
- Homewood Suites
- Home 2 Suites

Step 3

Marriott Bonvoy Hotel Status Match

Another important step in this status match process is enrolling and upgrading to Marriott Bonvoy Gold Elite. If you have been following along since our first step, you have noticed that having the American Express Platinum Card come with an automatic Marriott Elite Gold Membership Tier. If you haven't enrolled or upgraded to your Marriott Gold Elite Tier, please do so now before moving forward.

Enrolling and Upgrading to Marriott Bonvoy Gold Elite

By upgrading to the Marriott Bonvoy Gold Elite Status you will get these awesome perks:

- **25% bonus points**
- **Enhanced Room Upgrade**
- **A Welcome Gift of Points and Complimentary In-room Internet Access**
- **2pm Late Checkout**

Marriott Brands You Can Use Your Gold Elite Status

It is important to note that once you complete the Marriott Bonvoy Benefit Enrollment to their Gold Elite Member Level, this status level will apply to the rest of their brands which include:

- **The Ritz-Carlton** (Luxury)
- **St. Regis** (Luxury)
- **JW Marriott** (Luxury)
- **Ritz-Carlton Reserve** (Distinctive Luxury)
- **The Luxury Collection** (Distinctive Luxury)
- **W Hotels** (Distinctive Luxury)
- **Edition** (Distinctive Luxury)
- **Marriott Hotels** (Premium)
- **Sheraton** (Premium)
- **Delta Hotels** (Premium)
- **Le Meridien** (Distinctive Premium)
- **Westin** (Distinctive Premium)
- **Renaissance Hotels** (Distinctive Premium)
- **Gaylord Hotels** (Distinctive Premium)
- **Courtyard Hotels** (Classic Select)
- **Four Points** (Classic Select)
- **SpringHill Suites** (Classic Select)
- **Protea Hotels** (Classic Select)
- **Fairfield Inn & Suites** (Classic Select)
- **AC Hotels** (Distinctive Select)
- **Aloft Hotels** (Distinctive Select)
- **Moxy Hotels** (Distinctive Select)
- **Marriott Executive Apartments** (Classic Longer Stays)
- **Residence Inn** (Classic Longer Stays)
- **TownePlace Suites** (Classic Longer Stays)
- **Element** (Distinctive Longer Stays)
- **Homes & Villas by Marriott International** (Distinctive Longer Stays)
- **Autograph Collection Hotels** (Collections)
- **Design Hotels** (Collections)
- **Tribute Portfolio** (Collections)

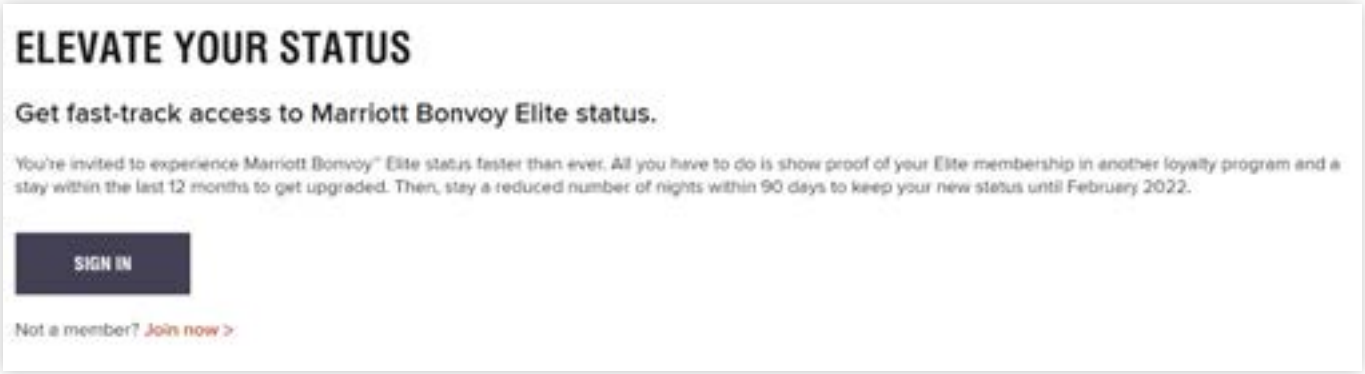
An Alternate Upgrade Route with a Higher Tier Option

However, before using the American Express Platinum Perk of obtaining the Marriott Bonvoy Gold Elite Status; on the Marriott website itself, it states that Hilton

Honor Gold or Hilton Honor Diamond Members can be matched to Marriott Bonvoy Platinum Elite.

Existing Program Name	Eligible Membership Levels for the Status Match
Hilton Honors	Gold (Matched to Marriott Bonvoy™ Platinum Elite)
	Diamond (Matched to Marriott Bonvoy™ Platinum Elite)

So you have the option of getting the Upgrade to Hilton Gold Status and then going to the Marriott Website Status Match link (https://status-match.marriott.com/en-us) and matching your Hilton Honors Gold to Marriott Bonvoy Platinum Elite. It is important to point out that if you take this route to upgrade to Marriott Bonvoy Platinum Elite, you need to stay a number of nights within 90 days in order to keep your Platinum Elite Status with Marriott.



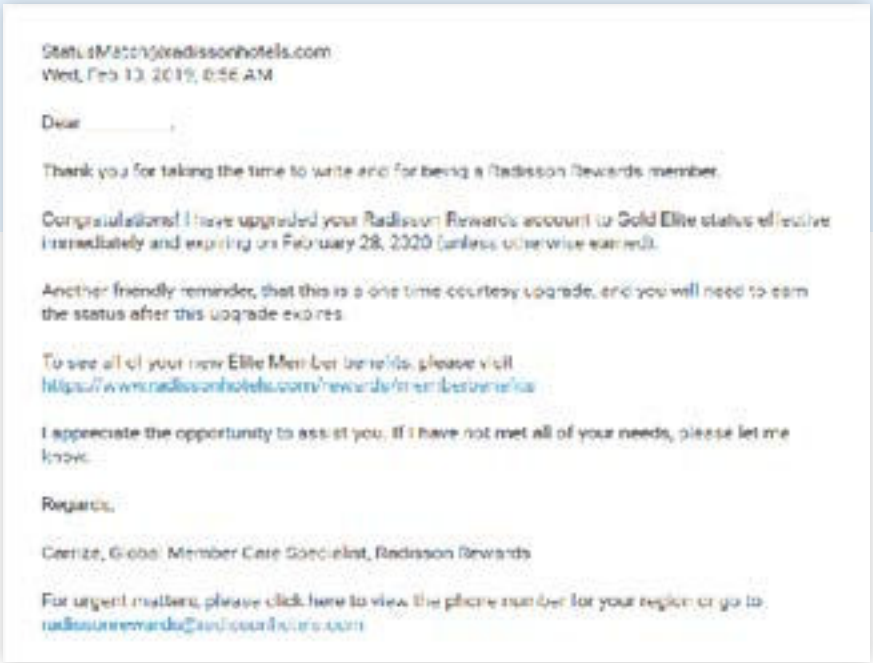
If you obtain your upgrade to Marriott Bonvoy Gold Elite Status, that status will last as long as you are an American Express Platinum card holder or as long as the benefit lasts from American Express. In this case, we recommend upgrading to Marriott Bonvoy Gold Elite via the American Express Platinum Credit Card perk since it will last longer.

Step 4

Radisson Club Carson Hotel Status Match

Once you have the Hilton and Marriott Elite statuses under your belt, it's time to move on to some other top hotels. This next one is optional and it is also important to point out that the Radisson Hotel status match will only match your high tier status from another hotel once per lifetime of the account which lasts for only 1 year. After the expiration of your high status you will need to obtain their reward benefit levels the good old hard way.

Using your newly obtained Hilton Honors Gold, you can email statusmatch@radissonhotels.com to request a status match. Depending on your status from your other hotel brand, (in this case Hilton Honors Gold) Radisson will match you up to their second highest tier status which is Radisson Gold. Even if you try to use Hilton Honors Platinum for a status match, Radisson will only match their second highest tier of Gold. In order to get their highest reward tier of Platinum, that has to be earned the hard way.



Benefits of Matching to Radisson Rewards Gold

Here are some of the perks that come with your status match to Radisson Rewards Gold:

- **25/$1 Points**
- **15% Discount on Food and Beverages**
- **In Room Welcome Gift**
- **72 Hour Room Availability Guarantee**

If you are set on wanting/trying to become Radisson Platinum, if you have a Radisson Rewards Premier Visa Signature Card, this card comes with an automatic Radisson Gold Status which also comes with 15 qualifying nights towards Radisson Platinum status which gets you a quarter of the way to Platinum status since you need 60 qualifying nights / 30 stays to reach this Radisson reward level.

Radisson Brands You Can Use Your Radisson Rewards Gold Status

It is important to note that once you complete the Radisson Hotel Status Match to their Gold Member Level, this status level will apply to the rest of their brands which include:

- **Radisson Collection**
- **Radisson Blu**
- **Radisson**
- **Radisson RED**
- **Park Plaza**
- **Park Inn**
- **Country Inn & Suites**

Step 5

Choice Hotel Status Match

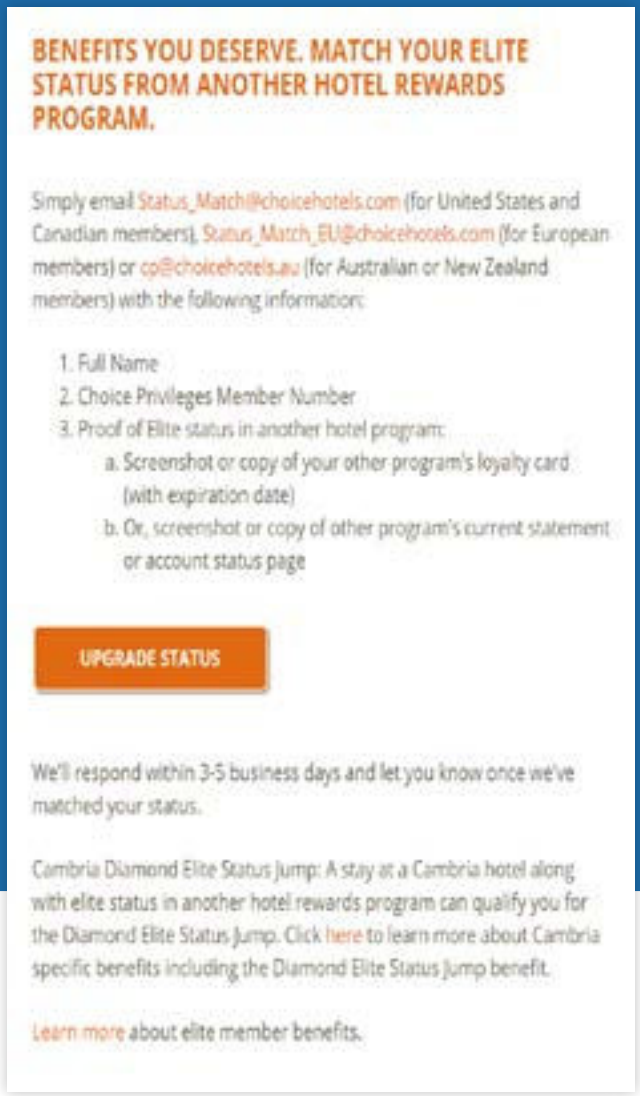
Using our Hilton Honors Gold level, we can status match to Choice Hotel Platinum Elite which is their second highest level behind their Diamond Elite level (we assume that Hilton Honors Diamond would match Choice Hotel diamond but have not tried yet). To complete this status match, head on over to Choice Hotel Membership Level Status Match Page and follow the information on that page to email Status_Match@ChoiceHotels.com for members in the United States.

Requesting Your Choice Hotel Status Match

Please check the image to the right for other country emails and information needed in order to successfully complete the upgrade:

- **Your Full Name**
- **Your Choice Privileges Member Number**
- **Proof of Elite Status with Another Chain**

  (Including a Screenshot or Photo of a Loyalty Card)



BENEFITS YOU DESERVE. MATCH YOUR ELITE STATUS FROM ANOTHER HOTEL REWARDS PROGRAM.

Simply email Status_Match@choicehotels.com (for United States and Canadian members), Status_Match_EU@choicehotels.com (for European members) or cp@choicehotels.au (for Australian or New Zealand members) with the following information:

1. Full Name
2. Choice Privileges Member Number
3. Proof of Elite status in another hotel program:
   a. Screenshot or copy of your other program's loyalty card (with expiration date)
   b. Or, screenshot or copy of other program's current statement or account status page

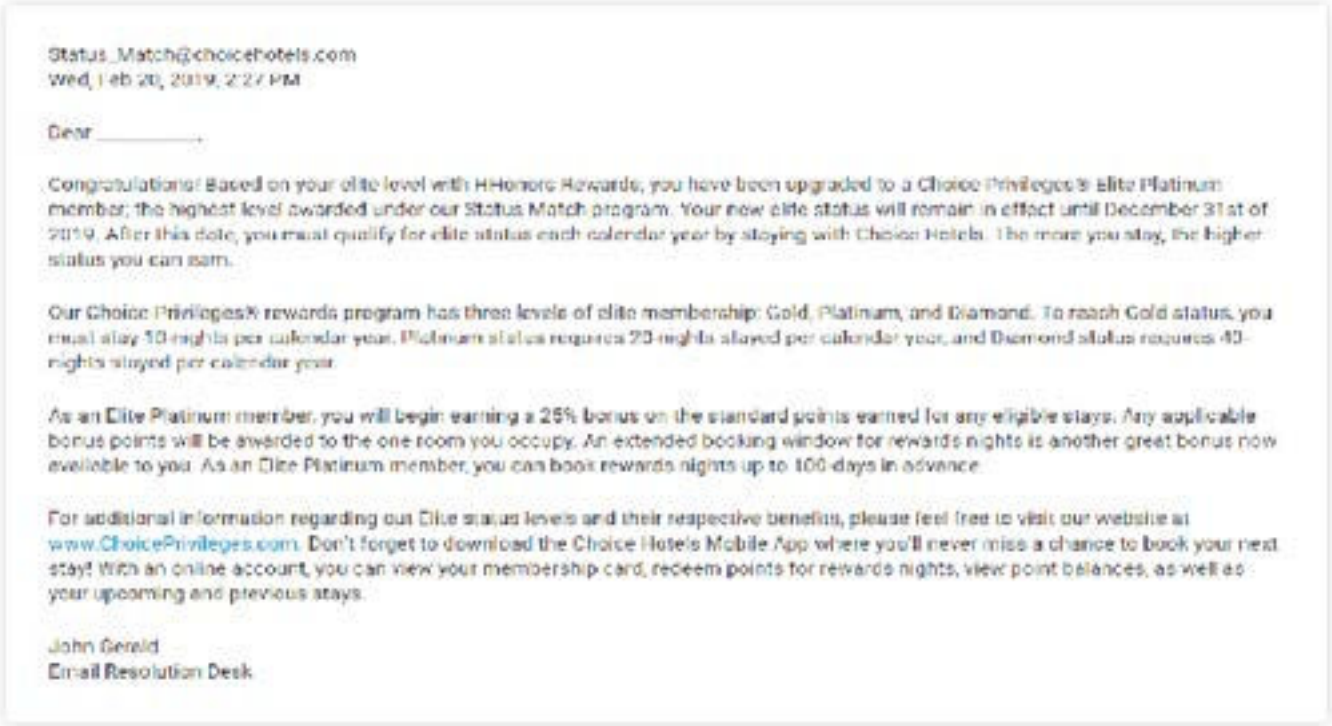
UPGRADE STATUS

We'll respond within 3-5 business days and let you know once we've matched your status.

Cambria Diamond Elite Status Jump: A stay at a Cambria hotel along with elite status in another hotel rewards program can qualify you for the Diamond Elite Status Jump. Click here to learn more about Cambria specific benefits including the Diamond Elite Status Jump benefit.

Learn more about elite member benefits.

Once you send the email over to Choice Hotel's status match customer service department, you can expect to get a response back from them within 3-5 business days with a confirmation of a successful status match.



Status_Match@choicehotels.com
Wed, Feb 20, 2019, 2:27 PM

Dear _____,

Congratulations! Based on your elite level with HHonors Rewards, you have been upgraded to a Choice Privileges® Elite Platinum member; the highest level awarded under our Status Match program. Your new elite status will remain in effect until December 31st of 2019. After this date, you must qualify for elite status each calendar year by staying with Choice Hotels. The more you stay, the higher status you can earn.

Our Choice Privileges® rewards program has three levels of elite membership: Gold, Platinum, and Diamond. To reach Gold status, you must stay 10 nights per calendar year. Platinum status requires 20 nights stayed per calendar year, and Diamond status requires 40 nights stayed per calendar year.

As an Elite Platinum member, you will begin earning a 25% bonus on the standard points earned for any eligible stays. Any applicable bonus points will be awarded to the one room you occupy. An extended booking window for rewards nights is another great bonus now available to you. As an Elite Platinum member, you can book rewards nights up to 100 days in advance.

For additional information regarding our Elite status levels and their respective benefits, please feel free to visit our website at www.ChoicePrivileges.com. Don't forget to download the Choice Hotels Mobile App where you'll never miss a chance to book your next stay! With an online account, you can view your membership card, redeem points for rewards nights, view point balances, as well as your upcoming and previous stays.

John Gerald
Email Resolution Desk

Perks that Come with Your Choice Hotel Platinum Elite Member Level

It is important to note that your status match with Choice Hotel will stay in effect for the entire year. For example, if you status match in February, your elite status will last until the end of the year in December. After the expiration date, you must qualify for elite status again each calendar year. Some of the extra perks that come with your new Platinum Elite Status at Choice Hotel are:

- **Earn 25% Bonus Points on Eligible Stays**
- **Avis Preferred Plus**

Choice Hotel Brands You Can Use Your Choice Hotel Platinum Elite Status

Another important note that once you complete the Choice Hotel Status Match to their Platinum Elite Member Level, this status level will apply to the rest of their brands which include:

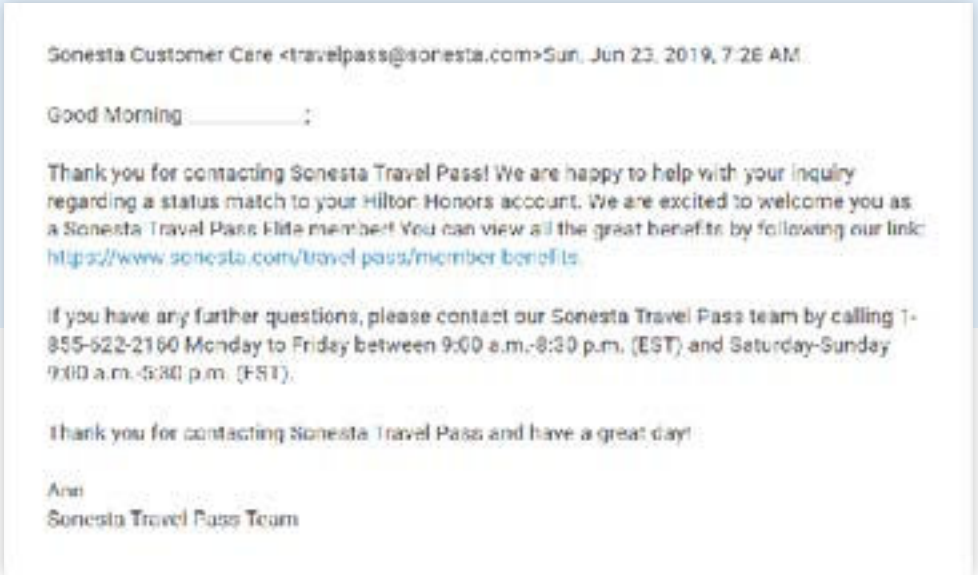
- Ascend Hotel Collection
- Cambria Hotels
- Comfort
- Sleep Inn
- Clarion
- Clarion Pointe
- Quality Inn
- MainStay Suites Extended Stay
- Woodspring Suites
- Suburban Extended Stay Hotel
- EconoLodge
- Rodeway Inn

Step 6

Sonesta Hotels and Resorts Status Match

Once you complete your Choice Hotels status match, we can continue with our Hilton Honors Gold Status which we can use to match to Sonesta Travel Pass Elite which is their highest level of membership rewards which can be used across all of their hotel brands including Royal Sonesta properties. To match your Hilton Honors Gold Status, all you need to do is to enroll in Sonesta Travel Pass and once that is completed send an email to Sonesta Travel Pass Customer Care (travelpass@sonesta.com) with your Sonesta Travel Pass Member ID and proof of your current membership card or statement showing your current status in Hilton. Sending them an email with a copy of your Hilton Honors Gold card should suffice.

You can expect to wait about a week for a response from Sonesta Travel Pass Customer Service and if you do not receive a response after a week, I would re-submit another email to their team to be on the safe side. Once they do respond however, they will confirm the status match from Hilton Honors Gold to a Sonesta Travel Pass Elite Member!



Sonesta Customer Care <travelpass@sonesta.com>Sun, Jun 23, 2019, 7:26 AM

Good Morning _____;

Thank you for contacting Sonesta Travel Pass! We are happy to help with your inquiry regarding a status match to your Hilton Honors account. We are excited to welcome you as a Sonesta Travel Pass Elite member! You can view all the great benefits by following our link: https://www.sonesta.com/travel-pass/member-benefits

If you have any further questions, please contact our Sonesta Travel Pass team by calling 1-855-522-2160 Monday to Friday between 9:00 a.m.-8:30 p.m. (EST) and Saturday-Sunday 9:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. (EST).

Thank you for contacting Sonesta Travel Pass and have a great day!

Ana
Sonesta Travel Pass Team

Perks You Get by Being a Sonesta Travel Pass Elite Member

Here some of the perks that come along with your newly Sonesta Travel Pass Elite Member status:

- **$15 Sip 'n Snack Credit** (Available at Sonesta ES Suites Only)
- **15% Discount on Dining & Resort Amenities**
- **Complimentary Room Upgrade**
- **Choice of Welcome Amenity**
- **Complimentary One Non-Alcoholic Beverage** (Max Value of $15)
- **Discounted Suite Upgrade** (50%)
- **Complimentary Club Lounge Access** (or Continental Breakfast Daily)

To view some of the perks that come with this status level, log into your Sonesta Account online to view your Sonesta Travel Pass Elite member benefits.

Sonesta Hotel Brands You Can Use Your Sonesta Elite Member Status

It is important to note that once you complete the Sonesta Travel Pass Status Match to their Elite Member Level, this status level will apply to the rest of their brands which include:

- **Royal Sonesta**
- **Sonesta Hotels and Resorts**
- **Sonesta ES Suites**
- **Sonesta Cruise Collection** (Nile River)
- **Sonesta Posadas Del Inca** (Peru)

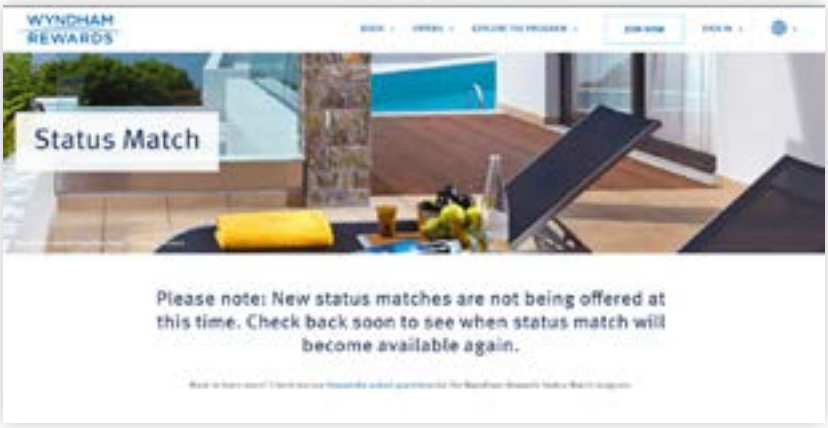
Step 7

Wyndham and La Quinta Hotels Status Match

When we originally ran the train that we are about to explain below, we applied, used and started with the American Express Platinum Card, so that is what we are going to use for the purpose of this post. One of the perks of having the American Express Platinum Card is two fold when it comes to hotel tier upgrades. One, you can enroll and automatically get upgraded to Hilton Honors Gold Status and second you can enroll and also get upgraded to Marriott Bonvoy Gold Elite Status.

This match is probably one of the most important matches since this is the match you need to start the journey to get your free 4 night vacation to Atlantis in Nassau Bahamas. Be sure you use this match wisely as you need to complete 14 night stays within 90 days in order to keep this status if you wish to keep it. However, keeping the status is not needed (unless you as an individual need it), we only need this status match to get us to Caesar's Diamond. So make sure that you status match Wyndham at a specific time in the year (since the match only lasts 90 days) because you need the Caesar's Diamond Level in order to book your free 4 night vacation to Atlantis.

To match your Hilton Honors Gold (or Diamond) to Wyndham Rewards Diamond, head on over to Wyndham's Status Match page and fill out the information on their page to receive a match to Wyndham's Corresponding Diamond Reward Level Status based your Hilton Honors Gold or Diamond.



It is important to point out that Wyndham has suspended their status matching program back in April of 2020 as a likely response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Once they return the program, we will get this post updated.

Perks Being a Wyndham Rewards Diamond Member

Here are some sweet perks that come only with your Wyndham Rewards Diamond after you status match:

- **Suite Upgrades**
- **Welcome Amenity at Check-In**
- **Give Gold**

Wyndham Hotel Brands You Can Use Your Wyndham Rewards Diamond Status

It is important to note that once you complete the Wyndham Rewards Status Match to their Diamond Level, this status level will apply to the rest of their brands which include:

- **Wyndham Grand** (Distinctive)
- **Dolce Hotels and Resorts** (Upscale)
- **Wyndham** (Upscale)
- **TRYP** (Lifestyle)
- **Esplendor** (Lifestyle)
- **Dazzler** (Lifestyle)
- **TM Trademark Collection** (Lifestyle)
- **LaQuinta** (Midscale)
- **Wingate** (Midscale)
- **Wyndham Garden** (Midscale)

- **AmericInn** (Midscale)
- **Ramada** (Midscale)
- **Baymount** (Midscale)
- **Microtel** (Value)
- **Days Inn** (Value)
- **Super 8** (Value)
- **Howard Johnson** (Value)
- **Travelodge** (Value)
- **Hawthorn Suites** (Extended Stay)

Step 8

Best Western Hotel Status Match

Once we have our Wyndham Diamond Rewards Status, we can then use that to match to Best Western Hotels Loyalty Program to their Diamond Level which is their second highest level behind their Diamond Select level.

Requesting Your Best Western Hotel Status Match

To get started with Best Western Hotels no catch status match, please visit Best Western's Status Match Form to match your Wyndham Rewards Diamond to Best Western's Diamond Level. Once you submit the form, Best Western will send you an email confirmation usually within a day or two confirming your upgrade to their Diamond Status.

Some of the Perks Being a Best Western Rewards Diamond Member

Some of the perks that come with Best Western Hotels Diamond Level are as follows:

- **30% Bonus Points for Eligible Stays**
- **Early Check-In/Late Check-Out**
- **Complimentary Water and Points Upon Arrival**

Best Western Hotel Brands You Can Use Your Best Western Rewards Diamond Status

It is important to note that once you complete the Best Western Hotels Loyalty Program Status Match to their Diamond Level, this status level will apply to the rest of their brands which include:

- **Glo**
- **Vib**
- **Best Western Plus**
- **BW Premier Collection**
- **Best Western Premier**
- **Sadie Best Western**
- **Best Western**
- **BW Signature Collection**
- **Executive Residency by Best Western**
- **Aiden by Best Western**
- **World Hotels Collection** (All Brands: Luxury, Elite, Distinctive and Crafted)
- **SureStay Hotel Group** (All Brands: Plus, Signature Collection and Studio)

Step 9

Preferred Hotels and Resorts Status Match

Next on our list is an independent hotel that represents a diverse global portfolio. With five distinctive collections under their umbrella, Preferred Hotels help ensure the highest levels of customer service and satisfaction. With their iPrefer Rewards program, you can match your Wyndham Diamond status to their iPrefer Elite Member Level.
To get started, go to their website to sign up for their iPrefer Rewards Program. Once enrolled (and you verify your enrollment by clicking on the verification link they send to your email) we can start the status match process which is rather simple. Send an email to their iPrefer customer service department with a request for an upgrade by emailing IPreferemail@preferredhotels.com. Here is a sample email of what to include when you send them the message request:

"Hello!

I just became a member on the iPrefer website and am inquiring to see if there are any status match opportunities available. I have provided my membership number and information along with my status from the competing hotel chain.

Name:
Member #
Address:
Phone:
Competing Hotel Chain:"

In this case we use our Wyndham Diamond Level (which you can send them a picture of your diamond card in the email) as our competing Hotel Chain to get the status match. Within a couple of hours we received an email verifying the status match has been successful by upgrading us to their highest level of Elite.

IPreferEmail <IPreferemail@preferredhotels.com>
Wed, Jun 12, 2019, 3:26 PM

to me

Dear Mr. Liquori,

Thank you very much for your interest. We are delighted to upgrade you to Elite status effective immediately.

To receive I Prefer benefits, you must include your I Prefer member number in your reservation and book via the following channels:

iPrefer.com
PreferredHotels.com
I Prefer or Preferred Hotels & Resorts reservations line
Participating hotel websites or by calling directly
Travel agent bookings via official Preferred Hotels & Resorts booking codes

We look forward to welcoming you at a Preferred Hotels & Resorts property soon – please visit www.IPrefer.com to find special offers from our worldwide collection of participating hotels.

Thank you for your business.

Sincerely,
I Prefer Member Services

Telephone: 1-877-497-6976
Email: IPrefer@PreferredHotels.com

Member Perks of Upgrading to Preferred Hotels iPrefer Elite

Some of the perks that come with Preferred Hotels iPrefer Elite Member level are as follows:

- **15 Points Earned Per Eligible US$1 Spent for Stays**
- **Welcome Amenity**

Preferred Hotel Brands You Can Use Your iPrefer Elite Member Status

As the world's largest independent hotel brand, Preferred Hotels features more than 700 properties under five different hotel collections with each one having its own level of luxury and service. Our new iPrefer Elite Member Level will also apply for the following Preferred Hotel Collections:

- **Legend**
- **L.V.X.**
- **Lifestyle**
- **Connect**
- **Residences**

Step 10

Voila Hotels Status Match

The Voila Hotel Rewards Program features about 300 independent hotels in dozens of countries around the world. Using your Wyndham Diamond Level, we can match to Voila Hotels Platinum Reward Member Level which is their highest member status. To get started, head on over and signup for Voila's Hotel Reward Program which will give you their lowest member tier at silver.

Once you are signed up, you can then go ahead email Voila's Support at support@vhr.com with the request for a status match which they will respond within 2 business days as stated on their website contact us page:

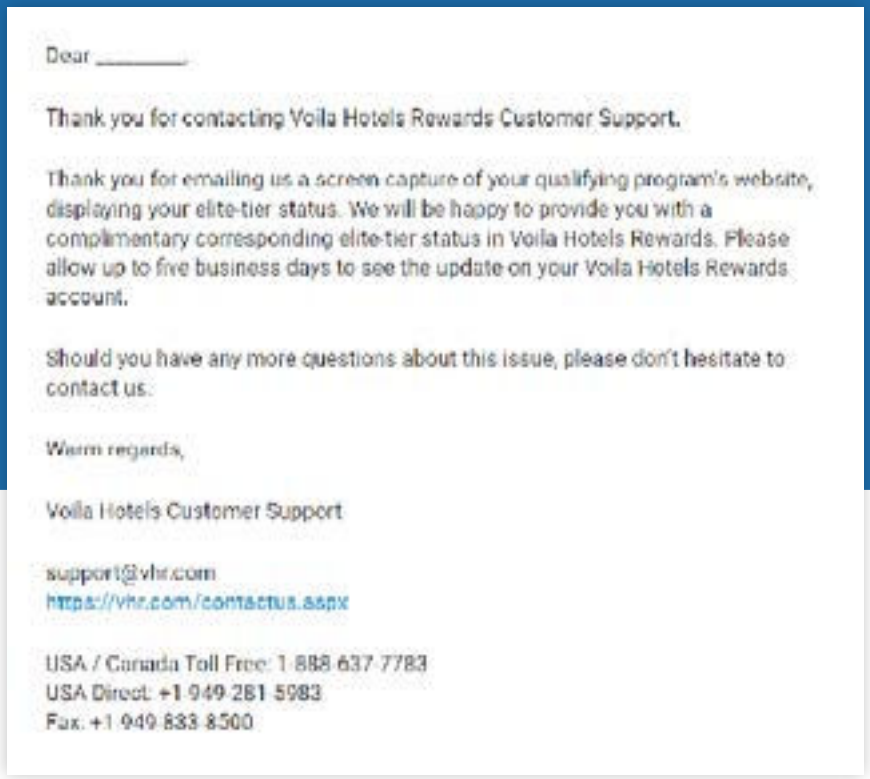
Here is a sample email you can send over to them with the request for the status match:

"Hello!

I just became a member on the Voila website and am inquiring to see if there are any status match opportunities available. I have provided my membership number and information along with my status from competing hotel chains.

Name:
Member #
Address:
Phone:
Competing Hotel Chains:"

Again, for this purpose we will be using our Wyndham Diamond Level (which you can send them a picture of your diamond card in the email) as our competing Hotel Chain to get the status match. Their customer service support team responds rather quickly within a 24 hour period with a confirmation of the approved status match request which may take a few days to show in your online account:



Dear _____,

Thank you for contacting Voila Hotels Rewards Customer Support.

Thank you for emailing us a screen capture of your qualifying program's website, displaying your elite-tier status. We will be happy to provide you with a complimentary corresponding elite-tier status in Voila Hotels Rewards. Please allow up to five business days to see the update on your Voila Hotels Rewards account.

Should you have any more questions about this issue, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Warm regards,

Voila Hotels Customer Support

support@vhr.com
https://vhr.com/contactus.aspx

USA / Canada Toll Free: 1 888 637 7783
USA Direct: +1 949 281 5983
Fax: +1 949 833 8500

Some of the Member Perks that Come with Voila Platinum

Once you have confirmation of the Voila status match to their Platinum Tier you can start enjoying some of the perks listed below that come with the Voila Platinum Reward Status Level:

- **50% Bonus Points on Eligible Stays**
- **No Blackout Dates**
- **24-Hour Guarantee Room Availability**
- **Priority Reservations**
- **Special Welcome Amenity** (Specific Items)
- **Complimentary Access to Executive Lounge**

Voila Hotel Brands You Can Use Your Platinum Member Status

With approximately 300 Hotels participating in Voila's Reward Program, your membership can go a long way with Voila's Network of Hotel Partners:

- Accura City Hotel
- America's Golden Tower
- Atlantica Hotel Halifax
- Capital Plaza Hotel
- Cobblestone Hotels
- HB Hotels
- Hearthstone Hospitality
- L.E. Hotels Rewards
- La Hotel Downtown
- Luzeiros Hotels
- Othon
- Park Perks
- Pointe Plaza Hotel
- Redec Hotels Rewards
- St. Giles Hotel
- St. Regis
- Swiss International
- Time Hotels
- Victor Hotels
- Villa Morra
- Voila Direct
- Xperience Hotels

Step 11

Caesars Rewards Status Match (Free 4 Night Stay in Atlantis)

At this point in the process you will have high tier status levels at a majority of the hotels you can stay at across the country and even worldwide. As we get into the next major part of this process we are going to focus on Casinos which of course have their own hotels that you can stay and enjoy. Just an FYI, we did not forget about Hyatt, we will be touching on that Hotel Brand shortly. This first step is going to set the stage for the other Casino status matches that we are going to perform. Using our Wyndham Diamond Member Level, we can now use this status to match to Caesars Rewards Diamond.

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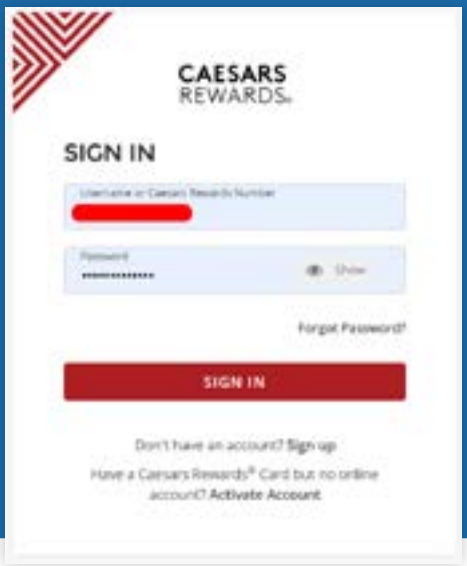
To get started, head on over to Caesars Rewards status match page and choose the option “I’m a Wyndham Rewards Member – Match My Status” Button:



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If you do not have an account with Caesars go ahead and sign up if you have an account go ahead and sign in.

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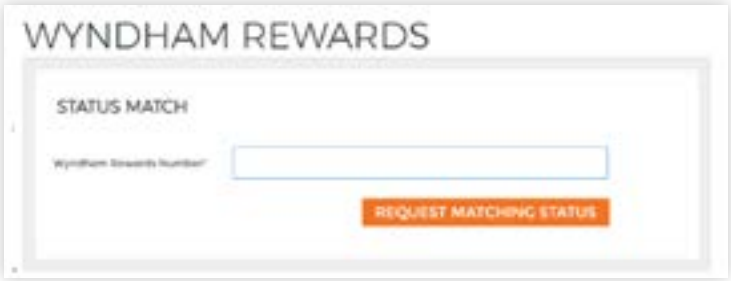
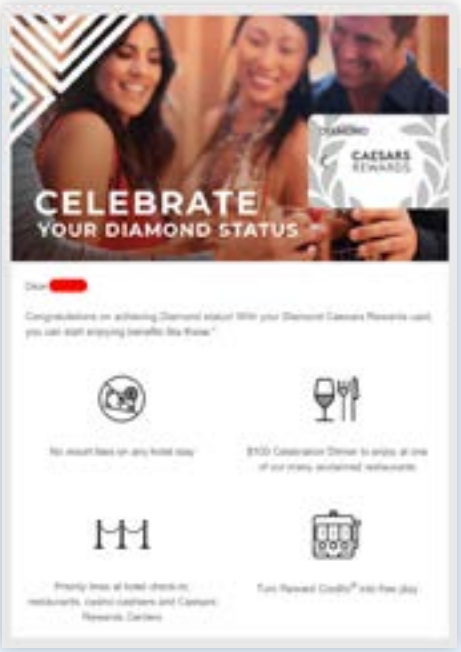
Enter your Wytndham Rewards Number to request the status match





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In a few days Caesars will send you an email confirming the upgrade to your account member level:

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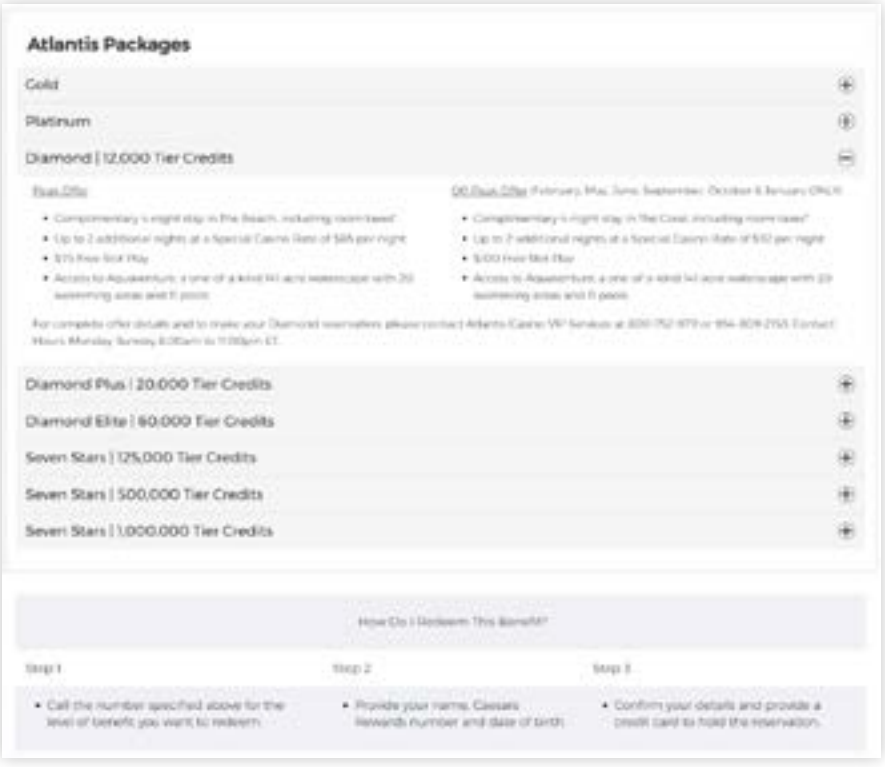
Once you receive confirmation from Caesars on your Diamond Status, head on over to Caesars Atlantis Paradise Island Page and start the process to claim your free 4 night stay in Atlantis Paradise Island.

Step 1: Call the number specified based on your level of benefit. In this case if you just received Caesars Total Rewards Diamond and have had no play prior you would be at their Diamond | 12,000 Tier Credit level and the number to contact is Atlantis Casino VIP Services at 800-752-9711 or 954-809-2153. Contact hours at Monday – Sunday 8:00 AM to 11:00 PM EST.

Step 2: Provide your name, Caesars Rewards Number and Date of Birth.

Confirm your reservation details and provide a credit card to hold your Atlantis Paradise Island Reservation.



Some of the Member Perks that Come with Caesars Total Rewards Diamond Level

Once you have confirmation of the Caesars status match to their Diamond Tier you can start enjoying some of the perks listed below that come with the Caesars Total Rewards Diamond Status Level:

- **15% Off Best Available Advertised Rate on Rooms and Suites**
- **No Resort Fees on Any Hotel Stay**
- **2 Free Nights at Caesars Bluewaters Dubai**
- **Guaranteed Room with 72 hours Notice in Atlantic City and Las Vegas**
- **Priority Lines at Hotel Check-in, Restaurants, Casino Cages & the Caesars Rewards Center**
- **Use the VIP Reservations Hotline**
- **Gain Access to the VIP Laurel Lounge**
- **Complimentary 4 Night Stay at Atlantis, Paradise Island in The Bahamas**
- **20% Discounts on Select Norwegian Cruise Line® Vacations**

Caesars Casino and Hotel Brands You Can Use Your Total Rewards Diamond Member Status

With some of the biggest casinos and hotels under Caesars umbrella participating in Caesars Total Reward Program, your membership can go a long way with Caesars Network of Casino and Hotel Resort Partners. The company owns more than 55 casinos across the U.S. including with high power properties on the Las Vegas strip:

- **Caesars Palace Las Vegas**
- **Caesars Casino** (Las Vegas or Atlantic City)
- **All Eldorado Resort Casinos**
- **Harrah's Hotel and Casino** (Las Vegas or Atlantic City)
- **Horseshoe Casino** (Baltimore Maryland)
- **Tropicana Casino** (Las Vegas or Atlantic City)
- **Flamingo Las Vegas Hotel and Casino**
- **The Cromwell Las Vegas Hotel and Casino**
- **Bally's Las Vegas Hotel and Casino**
- **The Linq Hotel Las Vegas**
- **Paris Hotel Las Vegas**
- **Planet Hollywood Resort and Casino Las Vegas**
- **Rio All-Suite Hotel and Casino Las Vegas**
- **Harvey's Hotel and Casino** (Lake Tahoe, NV)
- **Circus Circus Hotel and Casino Las Vegas**
- **Silver Legacy Resort Casino** (Reno, NV)
- **Grand Victoria Casino** (Chicago IL)
- **Lumiere Place Casino and Hotel** (St. Louis, MO)
- **Four Seasons Hotel** (St. Louis, MO)
- **Belle of Baton Rouge Casino Hotel** (Baton Rouge, LA)
- **Indiana Grand Racing and Casino** (Shelbyville, IN)
- **Isle of Capri Casino and Hotel** (Lake Charles, LA)
- **Lady Luck Casino** (Farmington, PA)
- **Eldorado Gaming Scioto Downs** (Columbus, OH)
- **Caesars Republic Hotel** (Scottsdale, AZ)
- **WSOP** (World Series of Poker)
- **Caesars Mobile Sports**

Caesars Total Rewards Veterans Status

Important to note, if you are a veteran, you are able to get a specialized Caesars Rewards Salute Card. Just show proof of being a veteran and the customer service desk will provide the Caesars Total Reward Veteran Card Variation. Salute Card holders are automatically upgraded to Total Rewards Platinum Status which offer perks as:

- Complimentary self and valet parking at many destinations
- Special pricing at restaurants
- Pre-sale access for shows
- Discounts at casino gift shops
- Discounts on select Norwegian Cruise Line vacations
- A complimentary stay at Atlantis, Paradise Island in The Bahamas
- Tier status match with Wyndham Rewards®
- And more

Step 12

Casino Status Match Travel Hack

We have gotten mixed feedback from individuals on whether or not the next couple of steps work in Las Vegas, N.V., however, we know for a fact that the next couple of steps will work if you are in Atlantic City, N.J. For the purpose of this post, we have done all steps in Atlantic City, N.J.

Atlantic City, N.J. Casino Status Match

Once you have your Caesars Total Rewards Diamond Member Status, head on over to a Caesars Casino and pick up your card first before performing the next couple of steps.

Step 13

M life Status Match

M life Rewards Tier Match Promotion

Once you have your Caesars Total Rewards Diamond Card in hand, head on over to an MGM Resort in either Las Vegas, NV or Atlantic City, NJ and match your Caesars Total Rewards Diamond to M life Gold. If you are located elsewhere other than Las Vegas, NV or Atlantic City, NJ, you can use the handy tier match page offered on MGM Resorts website to find your location, casino and type of tier match being currently offered.

Some of the Member Perks that Come with M life Rewards Gold Tier

Once you have confirmed from M life rewards desk and received your M life Gold card you can start enjoying some of the perks listed below that come with the M life Rewards Gold Tier:

- **Extended Expiration For Points and Express Comps**
- **Invitations to Members-Only Events, Tournaments or Promotions**
- **20% Bonus on Points Earned Playing Slots at M life Rewards Destinations Nationwide**
- **20% Bonus on Express Comps Earned at M life Rewards Destinations Nationwide**
- **Priority Hotel Check-in Line at the Front Desk**
- **Room Upgrade** (subject to availability at check-in, excludes suites)
- **10% Exclusive M life Rewards Member Discounts at Participating Retail Shops** (exclusions apply)
- **Dedicated Line at Participating Restaurants**
- **Fine Dining Priority Reservations**
- **VIP Line Access to Select Nightclubs for You and a Guest in Las Vegas**
- **20% Bonus When Redeeming iRewards Points Earned on BetMGM**
- **Expedited Withdrawals** (within 24 hours)
- **Access to VIP Support Team**
- **Dedicated Window at BetMGM Sportsbook**

MGM Resorts and Casino Brands You Can Use Your M life Member Status

- **Bellagio Hotel and Casino** (Las Vegas, NV)
- **Bellagio by MGM Shanghai** (China)
- **Mandalay Bay Resort and Casino** (Las Vegas, NV)
- **Empire City Casino** (Yonkers, NY)
- **Vdara Hotel and Spa** (Las Vegas, NV)
- **Park MGM Las Vegas**

- **Delano Las Vegas**
- **New York New York Hotel and Casino** (Las Vegas, NV)
- **Borgata Hotel and Casino** (Atlantic City, NJ)
- **MGM Northfield Park** (Northfield, OH)
- **Aria Resort and Casino** (Las Vegas, NV)
- **The Diaoyutai Mansion Frankfurt** (Germany)
- **Diaoyutai Hotel Hangzhou** (China)
- **Diaoyutai Boutique Hotel Chengdu** (China)
- **MGM Grand Sanya** (China)
- **Luxor Hotel and Casino** (Las Vegas, NV)
- **Excalibur Hotel and Casino** (Las Vegas, NV)
- **MGM Grand Detroit** (Detroit, MI)
- **MGM Macau**
- **MGM Grand** (Las Vegas, NV)
- **Nomad Hotel** (Las Vegas, NV)
- **Beau Rivage Resort and Casino** (Biloxi, MS)
- **MGM National Harbor** (Oxon Hill, MD)
- **The Signature at MGM Grand** (Las Vegas, NV)
- **The Mirage** (Las Vegas, NV)
- **Gold Strike Casino Resort** (Robinsonville, MS)
- **MGM Springfield** (Springfield, MA)
- **MGM Cotai** (Macau)

M life Rewards Veterans Status

Similar to the Caesars status match in our last step, it is important to to note, MGM recognizes those who have served in the armed forces. They have created a special Military and Veterans Program codenamed “MVP”. MVP members receive a unique branded M life rewards card that qualifies you as the cardholder some extra

discounts and special benefits across all MGM resorts. Some of the perks you can expect to receive with MGM MVP card are:

- **10% off Wedding Plans at the Bellagio, Aria, Mandalay Bay, MGM Grand, Luxor and Excalibur**
- **10% Discount off Standard Room Rates at MGM Resorts**
- **Automatic Upgrade to Pearl Rewards Tier**
- **Discounts on Restaurants, Shows and Attractions**

The M life MVP program is available to any active duty, national guard, reservist, retired military, prior service and spouse of eligible military personnel.

Step 14

World of Hyatt Hotel Status Match

M life Gold, Platinum & Noir to Hyatt Explorist Tier Match

Now that we have M life Rewards Gold you may be either in Vegas or Atlantic City living up your newly upgraded status which is great. At the same time do not forget that with M life Gold Rewards comes another status match to World of Hyatt Hyatt Hotels. Our M life Gold Rewards with MGM will status match to Explorist with World of Hyatt. You can do this match online rather easily through Hyatt's website.

Explorist Tier Benefits at Hyatt Hotels and Resorts

- Earn Free Nights Faster with 20% Bonus Points on Qualifying Purchases
- Enjoy an Upgraded Room (Excluding Suites), Upon Availability

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Be sure you are logged in to your Hyatt account and go to the World of Hyatt's Partnership Page and from the left navigation click on MGM Resorts International. To receive your matched tier with M life rewards, click on the blue "LEARN MORE" button about a quarter way down the page. Here is a screenshot which shows where you should be and what you should click on:

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Once you click the "LEARN MORE" button, it will bring you to Hyatt's M life Rewards Tier Match Page where you will see another blue button that says "OPT IN". Click on that button and your World of Hyatt Membership Level will be automatically Upgraded to Explorist from your M life Gold Reward Tier.

Please note, it may take 24 hours for it to update in your Hyatt account.

Some of the Member Perks that Come with World of Hyatt Explorist Membership Level

Once you have completed the status tier match with M life and Hyatt and received your World of Hyatt Explorist Membership Level you can start enjoying some of the perks listed below that come with the World of Hyatt Explorist Membership Level:

- **Earn 5 Base Points for every eligible US dollar spent at participating M life Rewards destinations**
- **Earn Qualifying Night and Base Point credit toward World of Hyatt elite status for eligible nights stayed at participating M life Rewards destinations**
- **Redeem points for stays at participating M life Rewards destinations**
- **Receive a matched M life Rewards Tier Level**
- **Earn M life Rewards Tier Credits in lieu of Base Points for eligible stays at participating Hyatt hotels and resorts**
- **Book participating M life Rewards destinations through Hyatt channels**
- **Premium Internet**
- **Bottled Water**
- **Room Upgrades**
- **Elite Check-in**
- **Late Checkout**
- **American Airlines AAdvantage Bonus**
- **Guaranteed Availability**

World of Hyatt Hotels Brands Where You Can Use Your Explorist Membership Status

- Park Hyatt
- Miraval Resorts
- Grand Hyatt
- Hyatt Regency
- Hyatt
- Hyatt Zilara
- Hyatt Ziva
- Hyatt Place
- Hyatt House
- UrCove by Hyatt
- Hyatt Residence Club (HRC)
- Andaz Hotels and Resorts
- Alila Hotels and Resorts
- Thompson Hotels
- Hyatt Centric
- Caption by Hyatt
- Exhale Spa and Fitness
- The Unbound Collection by Hyatt
- Destination Hotels
- Joie De Vivre Hotels and Resorts

Step 15

Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Status Match

If you have been keeping up with us up to this point and you are still in Atlantic City, head on over to the Hard Rock Hotel guest services window to instantly sign up for Hard Rock Wild Card Rewards and get matched to their highest tier which is Hard Rock Royalty by using your M life Gold card.

Upgrading to Rock Royalty

- **Two Complimentary Nights, Valid Any Day of the Week**
- **$50 Bonus Free Play**

Some of the Membership Perks that Come with Hard Rock Royalty Wild Card Member Tier

Once you have completed the status tier match with M life and Hard Rock Hotel and you also received your Hard Rock Royalty Wild Card Member Tier you can start enjoying some of the perks listed here that come with the Hard Rock Royalty Wild Card Membership Level:

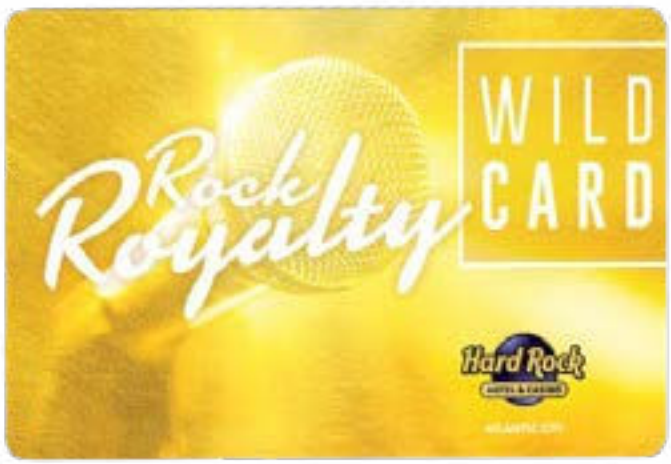
- **Earn 750 Tier Points on Gaming**
- **3x's Additional Entries into Eligible Sweepstakes**
- **1:1 Comp Dollar Redemption for Gas**
- **Complimentary Car Wash Once a Month**
- **Upgraded Hotel Accommodations Upon Request**
- **Guaranteed Noon Late Check-Out**
- **Priority Line at Check-In**

Hard Rock Hotels and Casinos Where You Can Use Your Hard Rock Royalty Wild Card Tier Membership

With your new hard rock royalty wild card membership tier, you can enjoy many exclusive benefits at more than 22 casino and/or hotel locations in North America which includes Canada and Mexico. Internationally, as of 2021, there are currently 4 Hard Rock Hotel (and 1 casino) locations Central and South America, Caribbean, 10 Hard Rock Hotels in Europe, Middle East and Africa, and finally 9 Hard Rock Hotel locations in the Asia Pacific.

Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Wild Card Rewards for Veterans

Similar to the M life status match we have gone over in previous steps, it is important to note, Hard Rock recognizes those who have served in the armed forces. They have created a Veterans Program which is open to all active duty military, all veterans, members of the Army and Air National Guard, Army Reserve, Navy Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve, Air Force Reserve, Coast Guard Reserve, and all active military and veteran spouses. Some of the program benefits you can enjoy with Hard Rock Veteran's Program include:



- **Automatic upgrade to Elite status** (with complimentary self-parking)
- **A limited edition Hard Rock Veteran Pin**
- **Buy One, Get One Buffet Monday through Thursday**
- **15% discount at Hard Rock Cafe**
- **20% off all regular priced services at the Rock Spa**
- **20% off Hotel Rooms Sunday through Thursday, and special Veteran's Events throughout the year**

If you are a veteran be sure to stop by the rewards desk to get the veterans Hard Rock Royalty Wild Card which prominently shows a "V" in the top left corner of the card to indicate veteran status.

Step 16

Ocean Casino Resort Status Match

Moving on down the pier in Atlantic City from Hard Rock, stop in to Ocean Casino Resort to do a tier match there as well. Since we already have M life Gold, Caesars Diamond, Hard Rock Royalty, we can use anyone of those to status match at Ocean Casino Resort to their Platinum Tier which is the second highest tier offered by Ocean Casino Resort.

Some of the Benefits that Come with Ocean Casino Resort Member Tier

Once you have completed the status tier match with M life and Hyatt and received your World of Hyatt Explorist Membership Level you can start enjoying some of the perks listed below that come with the World of Hyatt Explorist Membership Level:

- **15% Off Dining Discounts at Cafe 500 and Rocco's Italian Kitchen**
- **Access to VIP Lounge with $10 Comps Per Person (1 Guest Max)**
- **Complimentary Admission to HQ2 Nightclub and 1927 Lounge + Speakeasy (+1 Guest)**
- **Complimentary Valet Parking**

Ocean Casino Resort Ocean Honor Card for Veterans

Similar to previous casinos such as the Hard Rock, M life and Caesars we have gone over in previous steps, it is important to note, Ocean Casino Resort recognizes those who have served. The newly introduced Ocean Honor Card can be obtained to any active duty or U.S. Armed Forces Veteran. Some of the program benefits you can enjoy with the Veteran Ocean Honor Card include:

- **Automatic upgrade to Gold status**
- **Complimentary Self-Parking**
- **10% Discount on Food and Beverages throughout the Ocean Casino Resort**
- **10% Off Rooms When Calling 609-783-8000**

If you are a veteran be sure to stop by the Ocean Rewards Club to get the Veterans Ocean Honor Card which prominently shows a “Veterans” in the top of the card to indicate veteran status.

Step 17

Car Rental Status Matching Train

Car Rental Agency Tier Status Match

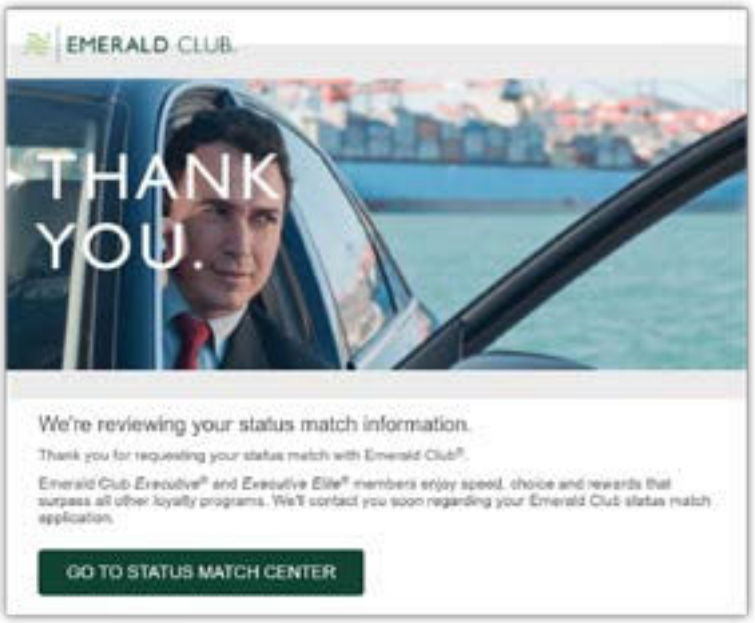
Up until this point, so far we have had the opportunity to get top tier status matches at many of the top brand hotels and casinos which come with some impressive perks. You may ask yourself, now that you have these top level membership levels at many exclusive places, we need some wheels to go along with our newly found top tier levels. The next couple of steps we are going to discuss are getting top level member tiers at many of the big brand car rental agencies. Let's get started.

The process for these car rental status matches are much more simplistic versus what we were doing previously with the hotel and casino matches.

Step 18

National Car Rental Status Match

Since we just covered the majority of Casinos and hotels, what good would that be if we don't have a way to get around? Well, we have that covered as well! Going back to using our Hilton Honors Gold Membership to start the Car Rental Status Match Train. Starting with National Car Rentals, we can use our Hilton Honors Gold to match to Executive Elite which is their highest status member level. In order to get the process started and completed is rather easy to do. Head on over to National Car Rental Emerald Club Status Match Page and just following the form on the page by entering your Emerald Club Member information (if you have not signed up yet, now would be a good time to do so before starting this process), submit your proof of status which in this case is our Hilton Honors Gold Card and submit.



It takes about 10 days give or take to receive the confirmation email with your new Emerald Club Executive Elite Kit which you can go ahead and Tour the Executive Elite Isle and when you log into your account you will now show as an National Car Rental Emerald Club Executive Elite Member.

Some of the Benefits that Come with National Car Rental Emerald Club Executive Elite Member

Once you have completed the status tier match with Hilton Honors Gold and received your National Car Rental Emerald Club Executive Elite Member Tier you can start enjoying some of the perks listed below that come with the Emerald Club Executive Elite Membership Level:

- **Earn a Free Rental Day for Every 5 Credits Earned**
- **Guaranteed Vehicle from a 24 Hours Notice**
- **Private Airport Delivery at Most Private Airports within 50 Miles of a National Car Rental Office.**
- **When You Reserve a Full Size through Luxury Vehicle, National will Charge You One Car Class Less Guaranteed.**
- **Choose Free Rental Days, Frequent-Flyer Miles or Hotel Rewards for Your Reward Choices**
- **Drop and Go Service, eReceipts, Arrival Alerts, and Return Alerts**
- **Priority Service During the Renting Process and Participating Airport Locations in Europe, Latin America and Caribbean**
- **Receive Exclusive Members Only Discounts and Offers**
- **No Fee Additional Drivers for Family Members Living in the Same Household and Business Associates**

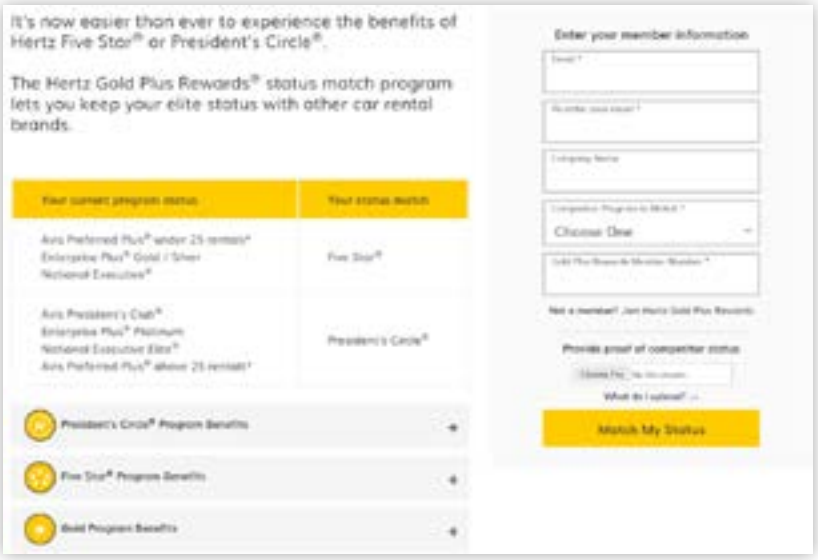
National Car Rental Locations Where You Can Use Your Emerald Club Executive Elite Tier Membership

With National Car Rentals ever growing presence, your member benefits can be used at any National Car Rental Office. Emerald Club is recognized in more than 55 countries including North America, Europe, Latin America and the Caribbean.

Step 19

Hertz Car Rental Status Match

Now that we just scored the top membership tier with National Car Rental in our last step, we can now use the Emerald Executive Elite Membership Level to match Hertz President's Circle which is their highest level membership tier. This status match is also a pretty painless process like the last one for National Car Rental. To get started, visit Hertz Status Match Page where all you have to do is fill out the member information form and provide proof of competitor status, which in this case is our National Car Rental Emerald Club Executive Elite Card.

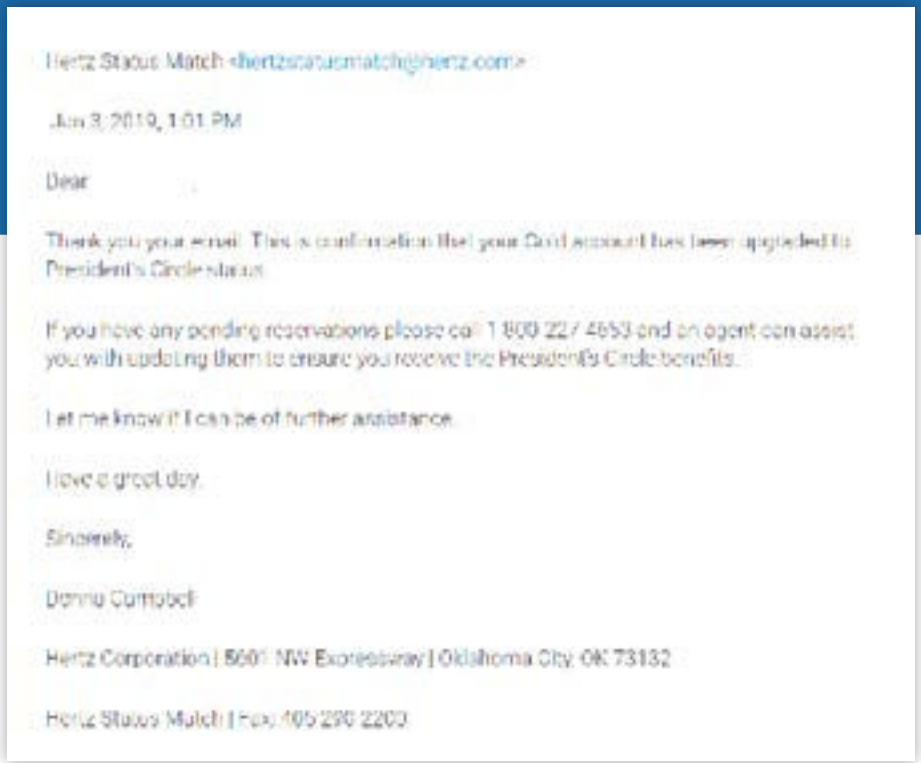


Some of the Benefits that Come with Hertz President's Circle Membership Level

Once you have completed the status tier match with National Car Rental Emerald Club Executive Elite and received your Hertz President's Circle Member Tier you can start enjoying some of the perks listed below that come with the Hertz President's Circle Membership Level:

- **Guaranteed Upgrades**
- **$1 = $1.5 Earning Points**
- **Widest Selection Among Vehicles**
- **Additional Exclusive Benefits and Rewards**
- **Dedicated Hertz Rewards Line**
- **Free Additional Driver**
- **Tier Benefit Experience**

Once submitted, you can expect a response within a day or two with confirmation on your Hertz President's Circle Status Upgrade.



Hertz Status Match <hertzstatusmatch@hertz.com>

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Dear

Thank you your email. This is confirmation that your Gold account has been upgraded to President's Circle status.

If you have any pending reservations please call 1 800 227 4653 and an agent can assist you with updating them to ensure you receive the President's Circle benefits.

Let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Have a great day.

Sincerely,

Donna Campbell

Hertz Corporation | 5601 NW Expressway | Oklahoma City, OK 73132

Hertz Status Match | Fax: 405 290 2203

Step 20

Enterprise Car Rental Status Match

The next car rental company we want to focus on to get a top status tier membership level is Enterprise Car Rental. Using our newly Hertz President Circle Membership Level we obtained in our last step, we can use this tier to successfully match to Enterprise Plus Platinum which is their highest level reward membership. Once you have signed up for an Enterprise account (or if you are already a current Enterprise member, head on over to the Enterprise Status Match Website to start the process which is pretty simple to complete.

Enter your membership information, competitor program to match and upload your proof of status which in this case would be your Hertz President Circle proof of status and upload. An important note that Enterprise at the time of writing this article, Enterprise will only match Avis and Hertz. Depending on your status with either of those competitors, Enterprise will match to their corresponding level.

Here is a screen shot which shows the trade off:

Your Current Program Status	Your Status Match
Avis Preferred (6 to 11 rentals/year) Hertz Gold Plus Rewards (6 to 9 rentals/year)	Enterprise Plus Silver
Avis Preferred Plus Hertz Gold Five Star	Enterprise Plus Gold
Avis President's Club Avis Chairman's Club Avis Preferred Plus (25 rentals or 85+days) Hertz President's Circle	Enterprise Plus Platinum

Some of the Benefits that Come with Enterprise Plus Platinum Membership Level

Once you have completed the status tier match with Enterprise and received your Enterprise Plus Platinum Membership Tier you can start enjoying some of the perks listed below that come with the Enterprise Plus Platinum Membership Level:

- **Points that won't expire**
- **Free rental days on any car, any day with no blackout dates**
- **20% Bonus Points earned for qualifying rentals in North America and Europe**
- **A higher level of recognition based on rental activity**
- **Accelerator bonuses on qualifying dollars spent**
- **Four Free car-class upgrade certificate(s) per tier level and program year**
- **Members-only check-in at participating locations**
- **Expedited service via a dedicated phone number for each tier level**
- **Special offers when you subscribe to Email Extras at enterprise.com**

Step 21

Sixt Car Rental Status Match

Sixt Car Rental Company is relatively new but offers great prices for a nice selection of vehicles. Sixt offers three membership tiers. When you sign up, you automatically become Sixt Express and each level afterwards is actually quite easy to obtain. To get to the next membership level which is their gold level, all you need to do is complete 3 rentals. After that, to get to their second to highest level which is Platinum, all you need to do is complete 10 rentals. They do have a Diamond Tier Level which can be obtained by invite only. For the purpose of this post, Sixt Car Rental will match your Hertz President's Circle to Elite Platinum.

To get started, make sure you are logged into your account and head on over to Sixt's Help and Support Page where you will be presented with a number of options to choose from. Go ahead and choose "Other" from the top row of choices. Once you click "Other" you will be presented with a new row of choices, go ahead and choose Sixt Rewards (Miles and More). A form will appear to enter your details which some of the fields will already be pre-populated based on your profile.

In the “Issue Description/Query” text field, go ahead and send them a message. Something along these lines below should work:

"Hello!

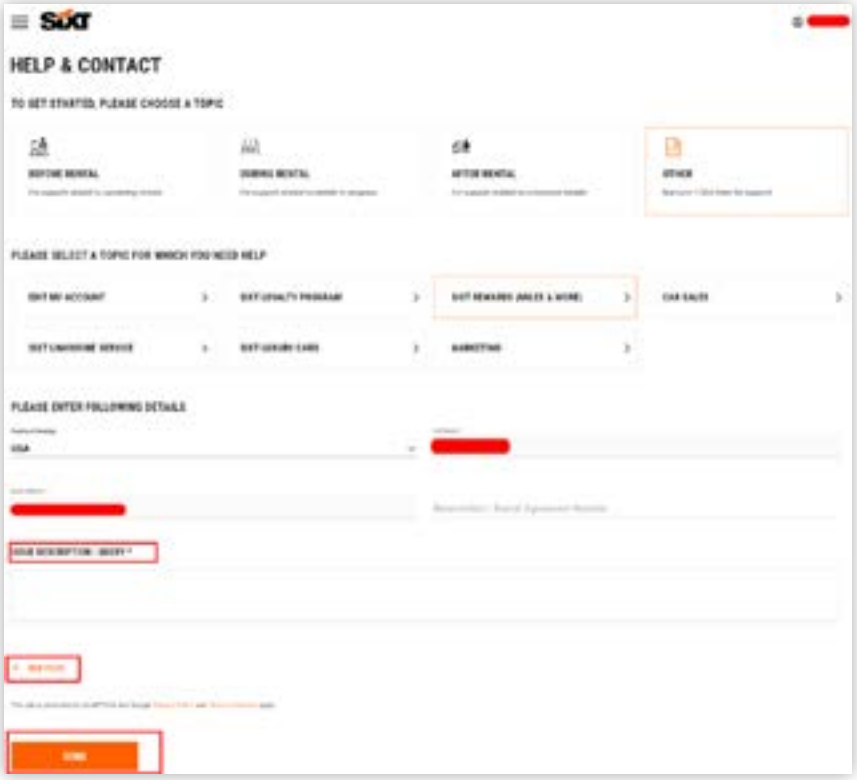
I just became a member on the Sixt website and am inquiring to see if there are any status match opportunities available. I have provided my Sixt membership number and my personal information along with my status from competing car rental agencies.

Name:
Member #
Address:
Phone:
Competing Car Rental Agency:"
Hertz President's Circle (Verification Badge is attached in this message)

Looking forward to your response!

Thanks!

Once you have your text field completed with your message, there is a “add files” link in orange for you to upload your Hertz Card. Click send once all is completed. Here is a screenshot of everything we referred to in this post:



When we originally did this step, we did not hear back from Sixt and just monitored our account for about a week or so and noticed our account profile was noted as Sixt Platinum.

Benefits that Come with Sixt Platinum Membership Level

Once you have completed the status tier match with Sixt and received your Sixt Platinum Membership Tier you can start enjoying some of the perks listed below that come with the Sixt Platinum Membership Level:

- **Exclusive COUNTER AND PARKING**
- **Free UPGRADE UPON AVAILABILITY**
- **Up to 15% DISCOUNT at SIXT**
- **FREE ADDITIONAL DRIVER for all rentals in the US**
- **COLLECT BONUS POINTS with participating programs**
- **BIRTHDAY SURPRISE**

Step 22

Avis Car Rental Status Match

Car Rental Agency Tier Status Match

Our last car rental status match we are going to focus on is upgrading our membership with Avis by using our Hertz President's Circle status. If you missed any of the previous steps on how we got to the Hertz President's Circle Membership Level, please review Step 19 of this Ultimate Status Matching Guide. When you sign up with Avis, you will automatically be enrolled in their lowest level member tier which is called Avis Preferred. One of the main benefits which works great at such a low tier, is the ability to go straight to your car and drive off at Avis Preferred locations around the world. This will save you a countless amount of hours right off the bat.

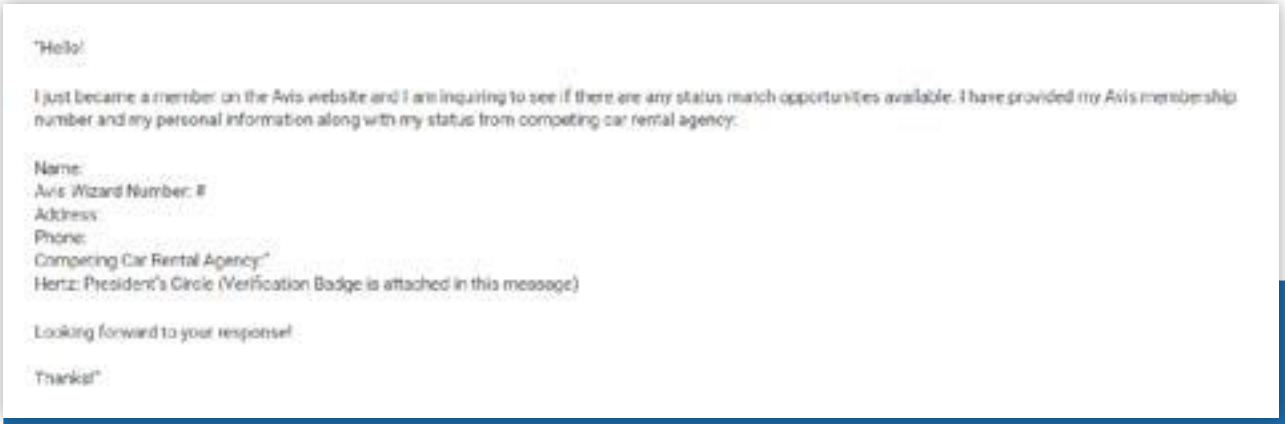
Avis has Three Higher Tier Levels after Avis Preferred

- Avis Preferred Plus
- Avis President's Club
- Avis Chairman's Club

During our status matching research for Avis, we confirmed that you are able to status match with Avis at their first elite level which is Avis Preferred Plus. Avis President's Club and Avis Chairman's Club are invitation only at the moment. To get started with the Avis Preferred Plus status match you will need to email proof of status from a competitor car rental company. In this case, we are going to be using Hertz. You can go ahead and send an email to any of the email addresses that we have compiled:

- **profile.update@avisbudget.com**
- **kristy.williams@avisbudget.com**
- **custserv@avis.com**
- **delia.thompson@avisbudget.com**

Here is a sample email you can send over to them with the request for the status match:



"Hello!

I just became a member on the Avis website and I am inquiring to see if there are any status match opportunities available. I have provided my Avis membership number and my personal information along with my status from competing car rental agency:

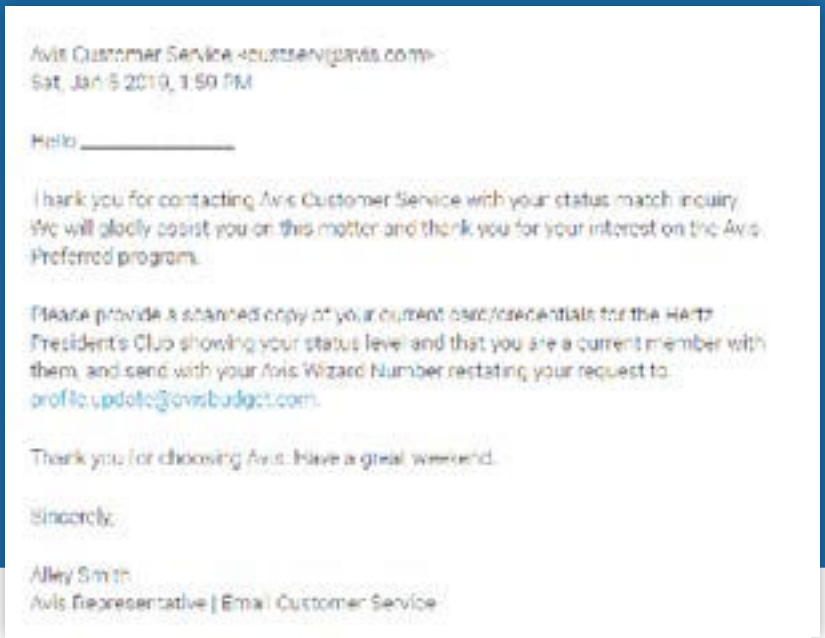
Name:
Avis Wizard Number: #
Address:
Phone:
Competing Car Rental Agency:"
Hertz: President's Circle (Verification Badge is attached in this message)

Looking forward to your response!

Thanks!"

Be sure to attach your Hertz President Circle Card to your email and send. We notice that Avis does take much longer to respond then any other brand that we have gone through so far. If you do not get a response from them after about a week, we recommend to resend and try again. When they do respond, this would

be the type of response you would receive (even though we originally sent them the Hertz President's Circle card in our original email):



Avis Customer Service <custserv@avis.com>
Sat, Jan 5 2019, 1:50 PM

Hello _____

Thank you for contacting Avis Customer Service with your status match inquiry. We will gladly assist you on this matter and thank you for your interest on the Avis Preferred program.

Please provide a scanned copy of your current card/credentials for the Hertz President's Club showing your status level and that you are a current member with them, and send with your Avis Wizard Number restating your request to profile.update@avisbudget.com.

Thank you for choosing Avis. Have a great weekend.

Sincerely,

Alley Smith
Avis Representative | Email Customer Service

Benefits that Come with an Avis Preferred Plus Membership Level

Once you have completed the status tier match with Avis and received confirmation from Avis on your Avis Preferred Plus Membership Tier you can start enjoying some of the perks listed below that come with the Avis Preferred Plus Membership Level:

- **For Every $1 Spent on Rentals = 1.25 Points** (After 12 Rentals or $5,000 Spent)
- **For Every $1 Spent on Accessories = 2.5 Points** (After 12 Rentals or $5,000 Spent)
- **For Every $1 Spent on Rentals = 1.5 Points** (After 25 Rentals or $7,000 Spent)
- **For Every $1 Spent on Accessories = 3 Points** (After 25 Rentals or $7,000 Spent)
- **Receive Complimentary Upgrades** (Whenever Available)
- **Accelerate Your Rewards by Opting into Avis Preferred Points. Receive 25-50% More Points for Every Qualifying Dollar You Spend**
- **Use a Special Avis Preferred Plus Number for Reservations and Customer Service Support**
- **Get Exclusive Monthly Email Offers**

Step 23

MSC Cruises Status Match

When it comes to the cruise line industry there are not many major cruise brands that offer any status match opportunities, that is until MSC Cruises entered the picture. European based company MSC Cruises first introduced their Voyagers Club Loyalty Program back in 2015 and changed the ways cruise line loyalty reward programs work. MSC Voyagers Club is completely free to join and all you have to do is fill out their simple form to create a new account. Once your account is created you can start enjoying the benefits of their Voyagers Club Loyalty Program for points and additional benefits starting with their Classic Voyagers Club tier.

Car Rental Agency Tier Status Match

- Classic
- Silver
- Gold
- Diamond

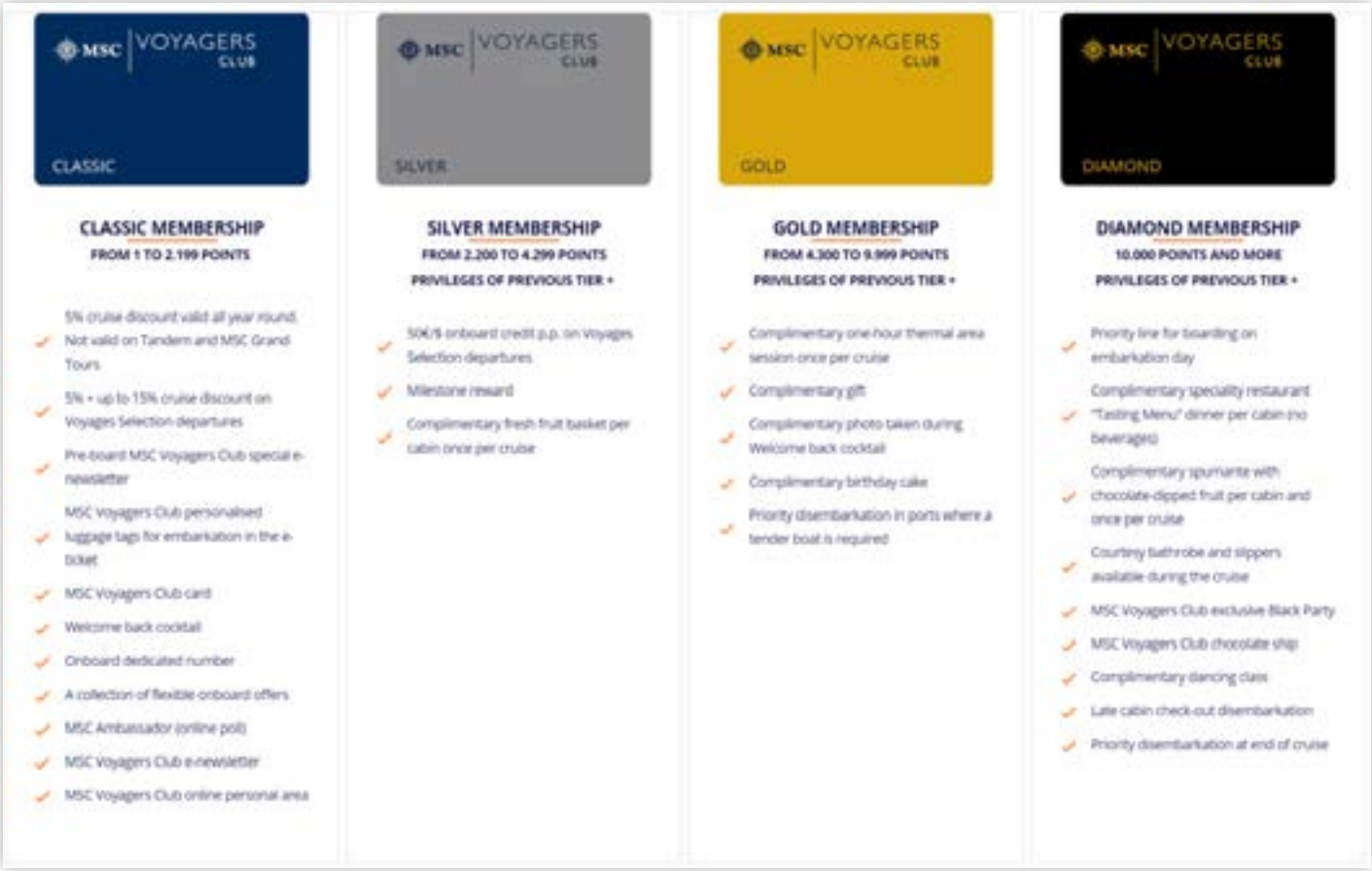
It takes about a week for a response from MSC Cruises with confirmation on the status match. For the sake of this post, we have used our M life Gold status match for the MSC Cruise match which gave us Voyagers Club Silver. It is important to point out that there is no set in stone list of which hotel brand is best to use when doing the status match with MSC Cruises since it seems they have their own internal grading algorithm when completing status matches.

Benefits that Come with a Voyager Club Silver Membership Level

Since we are using our m Life Gold for the status match and were given a Silver Membership, below are some of the perks that come with this Voyagers Club Membership:

- **All Privileges of Previous Tier**
- **50€/$ Onboard Credit P.P on Voyages Selection Departures**
- **Milestone Reward**
- **Complimentary Fresh Fruit Basket per Cabin Once Per Cruise**

Being that MSC Cruises uses their own internal system for status matches and depending on which hotel brand you use to complete the status match with them, we have provided below their table of Voyager Club Membership Benefits:



Which Cruise Lines Status Match with MSC Cruises?

At the time of writing this post, below is a list of current cruise lines that are eligible for the MSC Cruise Line Voyagers Club Program status match:

- **Azamara Cruises**
- **Carnival Cruises**
- **Costa Cruises**
- **Royal Caribbean**
- **Norwegian Cruise Line**
- **Celebrity Cruises**
- **Cunard Cruises**
- **Princess Cruises**
- **Silversea**
- **Regent Seven Seas Cruises**
- **Holland America**
- **P&O Cruises**
- **Seabourn Cruise Line**
- **Disney Cruise Line**
- **Ponant Yacht Cruises**
- **Aida Cruises**
- **Crystal Cruise**
- **Oceania Cruises**
- **Star Cruises**

Which Hotel Brands Status Match with MSC Cruises?

At the time of writing, the current hotel brands that are currently eligible for MSC Cruise Voyagers Club Status Match Membership are:

- Club Med ITA
- Club Med FRA
- Club Med DEU
- Expedia
- Starwood
- Kampinski
- Pestana
- Best Western
- Vodokhod
- RIU Hotels and Resorts
- Wyndham Hotels
- MGM Resorts

- Hilton
- Marriott
- Ritz Carlton
- Hyatt Hotels
- Orbitz
- Shangri-la
- Accor Hotels
- Melia Hotels
- Fairmont
- Club Carlson
- Othon Hotels
- International Hotel Group
- NH
- Centara Hotel Resort
- Sandals
- Steigenberger Hotel Group
- Mosturflot
- Infoflot
- GNV
- Alipay
- Air China
- China Eastern
- China Southern
- Jin Jiang Hotels
- Club Med US & CAN
- Mohegan Sun
- C-Trip

Ultimate Step by Step Lifestyle Travel Hack Guide Conclusion

At this point if you followed all of the steps we have outlined in our Ultimate Step by Step Lifestyle Travel Hack Guide, you should be well on your way to some pretty sweet perks with one of them being a free 4 night vacation in Atlantis Paradise Island, Bahamas. If you missed out on any of the steps, please feel free to go back, view and complete any of the steps that cater towards your needs. You do not have to complete every step in this guide and we recommend completing what works best for you.

We are constantly updating our Ultimate Travel Hack Guide so keep checking back with us to see if we added any new steps to our process or sign up for our newsletter to get notified when this post gets updated. We are always looking into adding new information and if you see something that may be missing from this guide, please feel free to contact us and let us know so we can do some research and include it.