



CASINO GAMES

SEGA

£24.95

Are you the kind of geezer who just can't lose? Do people come up to you and say, "You're the 100th person I've met today - please accept this big wad of dosh"? If so, Casino Games will probably provide you with hours of fun and fortune.

On arriving at the gambling house, you're asked to enter your sex and name, and are then given \$500 from your account. At any stage thereafter you can put your winnings back into this account - in effect, saving the game position. Go bankrupt, however, and you'll end up walking the streets.

There are three basic games to choose from: cards, slot machine and pinball. Pinball isn't really a gambling game, more a release from spending money elsewhere. It can be good fun, but there aren't enough extras to make it worthwhile in the long run: no multi-ball, no great bonus system. In fact, there's nothing much that the modern pinball player would find exciting.



YOUR MONEY
\$473

There are three kinds of card game: poker, blackjack (pontoon) and baccarat. Poker is played against one of four opponents - Nancy, Janet, Dick and Charley - each of whom has an individual playing style (ie computer difficulty level). All these games allow flexible betting and are entirely random.

The slot machine is a 70s-style one armed bandit, so it doesn't have any hold or nudge feature and no wibbly flashing lights or sub games. You can vary the bets (from \$1 to \$100), but it soon becomes monotonous.

In fact, this is true of the action as a whole. The graphics and sound are nice enough, if only functional, but the game lacks variety. There's no roulette or dice to help spice things up and you'll soon find yourself wanting more for your money.

RATINGS

GRAPHICS 77%

Nicely drawn and colourful throughout.

SOUND 71%

Plenty of jolly tunes to accompany your gambling.

VALUE 42%

There are plenty of better Sega games around.

PLAYABILITY 56%

Fun at first, but it soon becomes dull.

OVERALL 49%

Three different games, but none are very exciting.