

# Chipology 101

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# Chips Vs. Tokens



Whaa's UP?!?



Chip Which Indicates That it is a Token



Silver Strike Token Which Indicates That it is a Gaming Chip

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## Chips Vs. Tokens



Standard  
Gaming Chip

Silver  
Premium  
Token

GDC  
Token

Colorized  
Token



CO00272



LA0007B



PT00107

Antique Vs. Modern



Ivory

IV00000



Bone



Mother of Pearl

MOP0000



Poker

PK0007D



Foreign –Jetons



Stockholm, Sweden

FN00073



Austria

FN00056



Monte-Carlo, Monaco

FN0007C



Foreign – Plaques



Nairobi, Kenya

Plaque

FN00073

Lunette

Lunette



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Rodos, Greece

FN00071



## Foreign – BG & CHIPCO Style



## Bourgogne et Grasset (BG) Style

Stockholm, Sweden

CHIPCO  
Style



FN00074





Inlays – Metal Inlay;  
& Die Cut Metal



MLD000AD



Mason & Co  
Metal Inlay

KY00009



Die Cut  
Metal

NV00F8D



Die Cut  
Metal

Inlays – Brass Core



Brass Core  
With  
External  
Plastic



Brass Core  
Core



NV00B2F

Brass Core



CA00521

Clear Plastic  
Brass Core

## Inlays – Metal Inlay



NV00AA6

**PaulSon  
Scalloped  
Metal Inlay**



NV00B48

**PaulSon  
Round  
Metal Inlay**



NV00B47

**PaulSon  
Hex  
Metal Inlay**



CA0000B

**PaulSon  
Oval  
Metal Inlay**

Inlays – Crest & Seal; & Lithography



Crest & Seal



Crest & Seal Construction

NV00AA6



Lithograph Inlay

Inlays – Round; Notched; Hub



NV001BE

Round  
Inlay



IL00030

Notched  
Inlay



NV00AA1

Hub  
Inlay

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## Inlays – Scalloped; Lg. Scalloped; Star



NV00B30



Scallop  
Inlay

NV008D1



Large  
Scallop  
Inlay

MS000C1



Star  
Inlay

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## Inlays – Hex; Saw Tooth; Cog; & Wheel



NV00B31

Hex Inlay



NV00B32

Saw Tooth Inlay



NV00AA6

Cog Inlay



NV00B44

Wheel Inlay

Inlays – Selected Hot Stamp Varieties



NV0058B

Gold Hot Stamped



NV0058B

Blue Hot Stamped



NV004B2

Black Hot Stamped



NV00B2E

Green Hot Stamped



## Inlays – Paper; & Coin



SD00007

Label  
Or  
Paste-On  
Inlay



NV00448

Bud Jones  
Coin Inlay

Color – True Vs Faded



CA0006D Obv.

True Color



CA0006D Rev.

Faded Color

Color – PaulSon Variation



MF00043

(Dark)  
Horizon Blue



MF00044

(Light)  
Horizon Blue



MF00059

(Dark)  
Sherbert  
Green



MF0005A

(Light)  
Sherbert  
Green

## Chip Styles - Pie



NV00A08

1/2 Pie  
(CJ)



NV00B49

1/4 Pie  
(Small  
Crown)



NV00EAC

1/8 Pie  
(Small  
Crown)



NV00D55

1/4 Pie  
With  
Inserts  
(House)

## Chip Styles - Dovetail



NV00B3B



**CJ**  
**(Yellow  
In Red)**

NV00B3A



**CJ**  
**(Red in  
Yellow)**

Rim Design – Selected Plain Molds



NV0098D

PaulSon  
Plain Rim



MF0007D

Bud Jones  
Plain Rim



NV00272

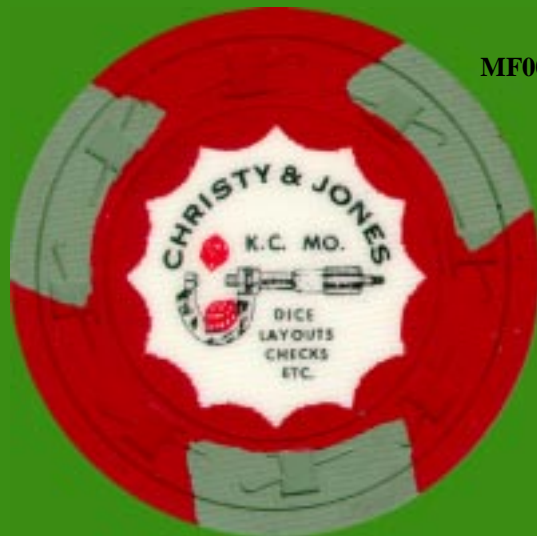
Langworthy  
Plain Rim



MF000FA

Langworthy  
Plain Rim

Rim Design Hat & Cane



MF00003

Christy & Jones



NV006C8

Burt Co.



IA00004

PaulSon H&C (Short Cane Version)



IA00003

PaulSon H&C (Long Cane Version)

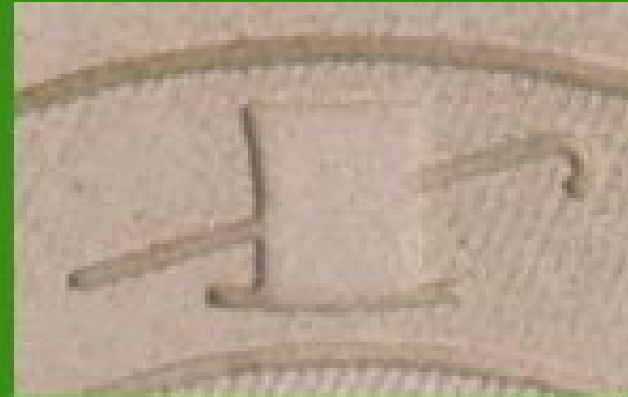
Rim Design Hat & Cane



Deep & Shiny Hat

Shallow & Dull Hat

Christy & Jones



Burt Co.

PaulSon H&C (SCV)



PaulSon H&C (LCV)

Flat Hat Rim  
Cane on Rim  
Thick Cane

Curved Hat Rim  
Cane off Rim  
Thin Cane



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## Rim Design - PaulSon



NV0004B

**PaulSon  
Wide  
Graphic  
(RHC)**



NV00995

**PaulSon  
Inverted  
Hat & Cane  
(IHC)**



CA0013E

**PaulSon  
Full  
Graphic  
Lg. Hats**



CA00201

**PaulSon  
Full  
Graphic  
Sm. Hats  
(RHC)**

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## Rim Design – Roulette; House; Die Swirl; & X Mold



MS0011D

**PaulSon  
Roulette  
Mold**



MF0007D

**PaulSon  
House  
Mold**



NV007CE

**Die Swirl**



NV007CE

**X Mold**

Rim Design – Arodie; C-Suit;  
Treybal; Oil Can



MLD00064

C - Suit



NV00185

Arodie  
With  
Inlay



MLD00033

Treybal



MLD000A6

Oil Can

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## Rim Design – Dot; Harp; Horsehead Right & Horsehead Left



NV00B4C

**Dot Mold**



MLD0009D

**Harp**



NV00C4E

**Horsehead  
Right**



UFO0000

**Horsehead  
Left**

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## Rim Design Sm. & Lg. Greek Key; Sm. & Lg. Crown



NV00FF1

Small  
Greek Key



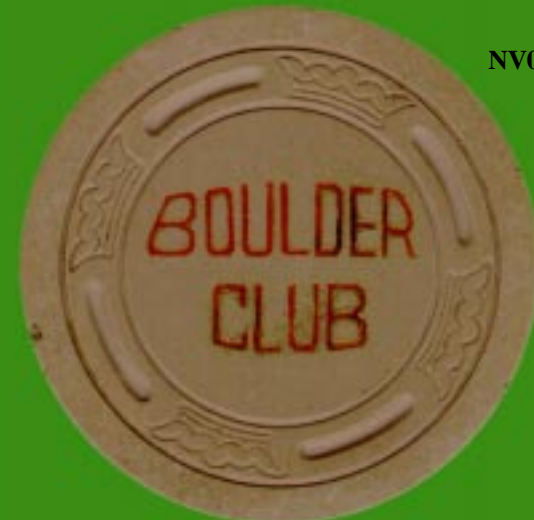
NV00B46

Large  
Greek Key



NV0046D

Small  
Crown



NV00055

Large  
Crown

Rim Design – Bud Jones



NV00B2D

Die-Suits



NV00B46

4 Suits



NV00444

8 - Suits



NV004B4

Solid  
8 - Suits

## Rim Design – Bud Jones



Plain



Core  
Of Plain



NV008A5

Plain  
With Ribs



CA00448

Denom-Bar  
With  
Prismatic  
Ring

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## Rim Design – Die Card; Nevada; & Horseshoe



NV0027D

Nevada



NV005FC

Die Cards



NV00208

Horseshoe



NV010EC

Ewing



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## Rim Design - CHIPCO



NV002D1

Round

Octagonal



NV00B39

Plaque



MF000E2

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Rim Design - CHIPCO



NV00B34



Unicorn  
Mold

CA00515



Pro-Tech  
Series

## Edge Inserts



NV00ABA

Single Color  
Edge Insert



NV004B5

Inserts  
Within  
Inserts



NV00993

Multiple  
Color  
Edge Inserts



NV0070E

Multiple  
Color  
Edge Inserts  
(Side by Side)

Edge Insert Shapes



NV00743

V-Shaped  
Edge Insert



00059

Round  
Edge Insert



NV001EF

Split Edge  
Inserts



NV0070E

Split Edge  
Inserts  
(Double Split)

Distinguishing Details - Font



NV0006C

Large  
Font



NV0006D

Small  
Font



NV00177

Large  
Cent Sign



NV00762

Small  
Cent Sign

Distinguishing Details - Font



NV002F2



Vertical  
Bar in  
Cent Sign

NV00891



Slanted  
Bar in  
Cent Sign

## Distinguishing Details



NV000C8

Without  
Skin  
Color



NV00B1A

With  
Skin  
Color

NV002F2

Diamond  
With  
Left Side  
On Top  
(LOT)

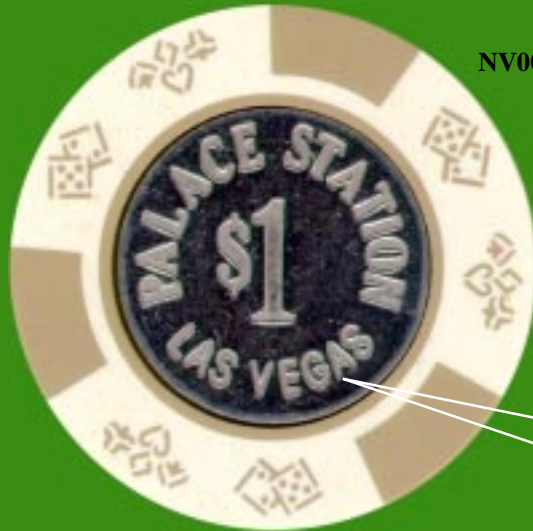


NV00891

Diamond  
With  
Right Side  
On Top  
(ROT)



Distinguishing Details – Coin Inlay



NV0037F

Polished

Location:  
Las Vegas



NV006C1

Polished  
With  
BJ

Mint Mark

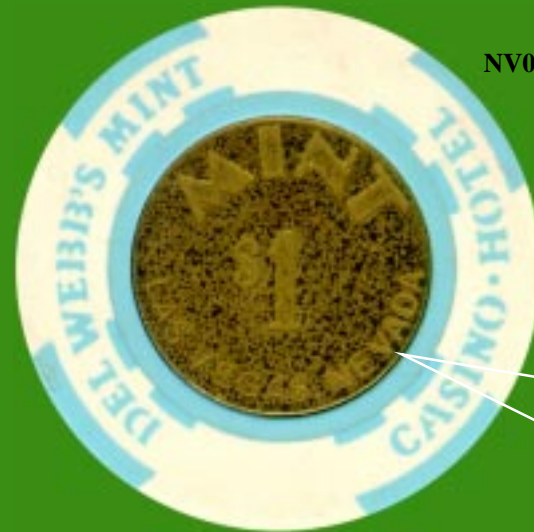
Location:  
Las Vegas, Nv



NV00885

Machined

Note:  
Concentric  
Rings



NV0032A

Brass

Location:  
Las Vegas,  
Nevada



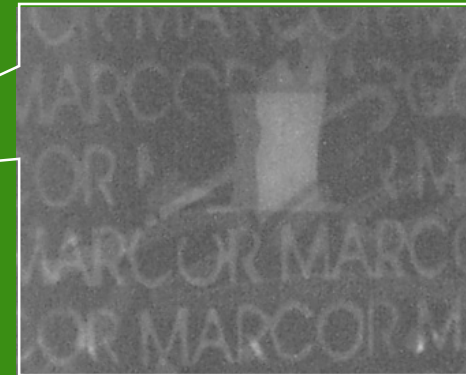
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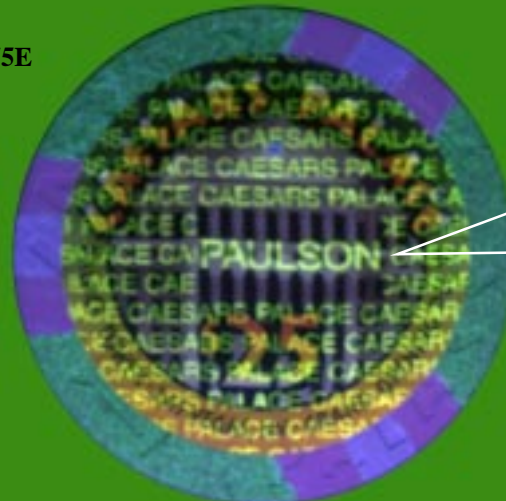
0.645" H&C  
With MACOR @ 10x



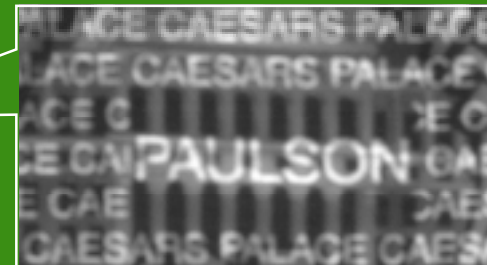
NV003B4



NV0075E



CAESARS PALACE  
& PAULSON



# Distinguishing Details BJ Ultraviolet Security Markings



NV0004E



Block BJ



NV0004E



Stylized BJ



# Distinguishing Details CHIPCO Ultraviolet Security Markings



Blank



LUXOR



CIRCUS  
CIRCUS



EGYPT



NILE



PYRAMID



TUT



# Distinguishing Details Paulson Micro Dots



Alternating Rows of:  
PAULSON..PAULSON..  
1800546DICE1800564DICE

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## How to Read a Chip Description



Chip Rack Number	Value Code	Denom	Color	Mold	Inserts	Inlay
N7987	I	25.00	GREEN	House	4-Yellow	R-Green

### The Chip Rack Description



Yellow		GOLD, BLACK; "85" W/O LOCATION	Y Y	VGD		1985
Color Of Denom	Note/Photo Ref	Inlay Description	Obv/Rev Logo	Cond	Number of Chips	Date