



WSOP CIRCUIT 2018-19 EVENT REPORT

Circuit Stop:	Rio Las Vegas	Date:	19 February 2019
Event:	Pot-Limit Omaha 8-Handed	Entries:	174
Buy-in:	\$400	Prizepool:	\$57,420

Matt Silva Wins His Second PLO Circuit Ring

Matt Silva takes the lead in the Rio Casino Championship with his third cash of the series.

Matt Silva has won the Rio Las Vegas WSOP Circuit Pot-Limit Omaha event. He defeated a 174-player field to earn \$15,504 and his second career WSOP Circuit ring. Both of Silva's WSOP wins have come in PLO. Just over two months ago Silva won his first career WSOP Circuit gold ring at the IP Biloxi stop.

"I played for five years and it took a long time to get one, so [the first ring] felt really good, but to get one two months after is really cool" said Silva.

Despite winning both of his rings in Pot-Limit Omaha, Silva does not consider himself to be great at the game. He attributes the success to his experience and said that after playing for five years you start to [learn](#) things about all of the [games](#).

"It just takes time to get better at poker," said Silva.

Silva's second ring didn't come easy. He had to overcome a big chip lead not once, but twice over heads up opponent Mark Liedtke. The heads up battle lasted a grueling two and a half hours long before Silva was able to claim victory.

This marked Silva's third cash of the series and puts him in the lead for the Rio Casino Championship with seven events remaining. If he can hold onto the lead he will earn a seat to the \$1 million guaranteed 2019 Global Casino Championship. Even know Silva's lead in the Casino Championship is small, he won't have to sweat too hard. Silva now has 197.5 points on the 2018/2019 Circuit season and is in a strong position to finish in the top 50 point earners on the season, which would also net him a seat to the 2019 GCC.

The Charlotte based poker pro said that he will finish out the series here to try to win the Casino Championship. He said he'll be back at the Rio this summer to play in some of the [World Series of Poker](#) summer series, including testing his luck in a few Pot-Limit Omaha events.

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Name:	Matt Silva	Profession:	Poker Player
Nationality:	USA	WSOP Bracelets:	0
Current Residence:	Charlotte, N.C.	Previous WSOP Circuit Rings:	1
Birthplace:	Atlanta, Ga.		

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