

Serial number cross reference

Many customers send an e-mail or call us and ask —with us totally unable to see their table—if we can help them determine how old it is. 49 times out of 50 when we ask for a description, the answer is “it’s kind of a brown, woodgrain color.”

Really? No kidding?

Inside of the Ball-View Door (with the Plexiglas window), possibly on a plate attached to the table and occasionally stamped underneath the table is the Serial Number. Cross reference the format and sequence of your serial number against the list on the following page and you can determine what year your table was built.

This serial number list is color coded. In Green are models dating back from the Valley ZD-4 (1986) to the end of our written logs in June 1996. Your biggest issues will be with laminate color availability, corner pieces and coin mechanism parts.

Tables from the Valley Model 32 (1982) to the Model 510xxx (1969) are color coded in Yellow. Their coin mechanisms differ significantly from the current tables and few parts will be available; but the ball trap and separator will still be fairly similar. The current cushion rails should still work with only minor modifications. You’ll have more difficulty finding parts, but some current items will still work just fine.

Tables over 40 years old are coded in Red, as they differ greatly from the current tables, and even from the 1970’s tables. The only parts from current tables compatible with tables of that era may be the unpunched pocket liners. In most cases, parts specific to these tables were discontinued between 1986 and 1989 and we will definitely not have them, or any schematics, exploded drawings, tech documentation, part lists or diagrams for tables of this era. Nobody currently employed with Valley-Dynamo has any working knowledge of how to repair the pre-1970s tables. All that remain are a few advertising photos – which you can find scans of at our [Discontinued products Photo Gallery on Flickr](#) (the link is also on the main page, as shown in the pic). **It is pretty much impossible you will ever find any new original parts.**



For those looking for a key for an old table, not only aren’t we always clear about what lock may have been used in a 35 year old table, but even if we were the key is unlikely to still be available. In those 35 years since there’s a good chance a prior owner may have changed out the locks at least once. **Your cheapest and least troublesome solution is to drill out and replace the old locks.**

Don’t assume that if one year we started with number 1 and ended with 5000 we built 5000 coin pool tables that year. These serial numbers encompass all products built including home pool, bumper pool, and other short-lived product lines like Foosball, Hockey, Pinball, Shuffleboard, and Quick Poke. For more information on these, see the [Discontinued products Photo Gallery on Flickr](#)

And then there are tables where the serial number was attached to the table on a plate that may have been lost over the 20... 30... 40... years since. For more information on these—guess what-- see the [Discontinued products Photo Gallery on Flickr](#)

In the past we used to be able to look up exact build date, model number and original owner, but we received feedback from companies named in the information about people calling very persistently, relentlessly and rudely demanding—not politely requesting, demanding-- information about (or even the keys for) a pool table their company might have purchased in 1971 and sold immediately. “Valley said you bought this table...” So those few bad apples have spoiled the party, and we no longer provide that information. People were not contacting the first bar the table was in, but the Distributor who bought that table who sold it to an Operator who placed it on a route that included that first bar.

(Apologies for the tiny print)

Numbers only - pre-1959, no build records available

standard production color

VA6217 – VA9900's	1959 – start of archived records	A note regarding color : unless an exact date is given these are BEST GUESSES based only on year of manufacture. This also does not account for custom colors, Image Series tables, Black Cat tables and any tables that may have been refinished in the past 20 years, or 30, or 40...
VA9900's – VA13456	Jan – Jun 1960	
VA13457 – VA15125	Jul – Dec 1960	
VA15126 – VA18554	Jan – Jun 1961	
VA18555 - VA20333	Jul – Dec 1961	
VA20334 – VA24512	Jan - Jun 1962	
VA24513 – VA27133	Jul - Dec 1962	
VA27135 - VA31498	Jan – Jun.1963	
VA1000X – VA5151X	Jun – Dec.1963	
VA5152X – VA11152X	Jan - Jun 1964	
VA11153X – VA14011X	Jul - Dec 1964	
VA14012X – VA20170X	Jan - Sept 1965	
VA20171X – VA22216X	Sept 8th - Dec 1965 Now With Magnetic Separator	
VA22217X – VA27681X	Jan - Jun 1966	
VA27682X – VA30789X	Jul - Nov 1966	
3A-100 – 3A-1223	Dec.1966	Rosewood
3A-1224 - 3A-6902	Jan - Jun 1967	Rosewood
3A-6903 - 3A-10977	Jul - Dec 1967	Rosewood
3A-10979 - 3A-16586	Jan - Jun 1968	Rosewood
3A-16845 - 3A-20008	Jul - Dec 1968	Rosewood
3A-20009 – 3A-22950	Jan – Apr 1969	Walnut
3A–22951- 3A-26059	Apr- Jun 1969	Walnut
3A–26060- 3A-29726	Jul - Dec 1969	Walnut
3A-29727 - 3A-30099	Jan. 1970	Walnut
4B-100 - 4B-5806	Feb - Jun 1970	Walnut
4B-5807 - 4B-10265	Jul - Dec 1970	Walnut
4B-10266 - 4B-16307	Jan- Jun 1971	Walnut
4B-16308 - 4B-19970	Jul- Oct. 1971	Walnut
5C-100 – 5C-1793	Nov - Dec. 1971	Walnut
5C-1794 - 5C-9121	Jan - Jun. 1972	Walnut
5C-9122 - 5C-14246	Jul - Dec .1972	Walnut
5C-14247 - 5C-24000	Jan – Oct. 1973	White and Walnut
6E-100 – 6E-3108	Oct – Dec. 1973	White and Walnut
6E-3109 - 6E-16075	Jan - Apr 1974	White and Walnut
6E-7482 - 6E-10989	Apr - Jun 1974	White and Walnut
6E-10990 - 6E-16075	Jul - Dec 1974	White and Walnut
6E-16076 – 6E-17679 –	Jan - Feb 1975	White and Walnut
6E-17680 – 6E-19484 –	Feb 18th - Mar 1975	Pecan
6E-19485 – 6E-27516 –	Mar - Sep 1975	Pecan
6E-27517 – 6E-30160	Oct - Dec 1975	Pecan
6E-30161 – 6E-35515 –	Jan - Apr 1976	Pecan
6E-35516 – 6E-44381 –	May - Dec 1976	Pecan
6E-44382 – 6E-45584 -	Jan – Feb 1977	Pecan
6E-45585 – 6E-48600 -	Feb 18th – Apr 1977	Makoru

7E-100 - 7E-7228 -	Apr - Dec 1977	Makoru
7E-7229 - 7E-13671 -	Jun - Jun 1978	Makoru
7E-13672 - 7E-18601 -	Jul - Dec 1978	Makoru
7E-18602 - 7E-25205 -	Jan - Jun 1979	Birdseye Maple
7E-25206 - 7E-30254 -	Jul - Dec 1979	Birdseye Maple
7E-30255 - 7E-33443 -	Jan - Mar 1980	Birdseye Maple
9E-1000 - 9E-9040 -	Apr - Dec 1980	Birdseye Maple
9E-9041- 9E-11984 -	Jan - Apr. 1981	Birdseye Maple
9E-11985- 9E-19770 -	May - Dec. 1981	Birdseye Maple
9E-19771 - 9E-22987	Jan - Apr 1982	Birdseye Maple
9E-22988 - 9E-28625	Apr 19th - Dec 1982	Cheyenne Leather
9E-28626 - 9E-30006	Jan - Mar 1983	Cheyenne Leather
9E-30007 - 9E-33025	Mar - Jun 1983	Cheyenne Leather
9E-33026- 9E-36331	Jul - Dec 1983	Cheyenne Leather
9E-36332 - 9E-36835	Jan 4 - Jan 25th 1984	Cheyenne Leather
Z-105- Z-3658	Jan 25th - Jun 1984	Cheyenne Leather
Z-3659 - Z-6116	Jul - Dec 1984	Cheyenne Leather
Z-6117 - Z8675	Jan - Jun 1985	Cheyenne Leather
Z-8676 - Z11635	Jul - Dec 1985	Cheyenne Leather
Z-11636 - Z12337	Jan - Feb 1986	Cheyenne Leather
M-100 - M-2125	Feb 21st - Jun 19th, 1986	Classic Mahogany
M-2126 - M-3780	Jun - Dec 1986	Classic Mahogany
M-3781 - M-7992	Jan - Jun 1987	Classic Mahogany
M-7993 - M-12555	Jul - Dec 1987	Classic Mahogany
M-12556 - M-17977	Jan - Jun 1988	Classic Mahogany
M-17978- M-22315	Jul - Dec 1988	Classic Mahogany
M-22316 - M-30674	Jan - Sep 1989	Classic Mahogany
M-30675 - M-32478	Oct - Dec 1989	Classic Mahogany
M-32479 - M-38499	Jan - Jun 1990	Classic Mahogany
M-38500 - M-43102	Jul - Dec 1990	Classic Mahogany
M-43103 - M-46706	Jan - May 1991	Classic Mahogany
S-100 - S-5960	Jun- Dec 1991	Sable Maple
S-5961 - S-12721	Jan - Jun 1992	Sable Maple
S-12722 - S-18001	Jul - Dec 1992	Sable Maple
S-18002 - S-24738	Jan - Jun 1993	Sable Maple
S-24739 - S-31173	Jul - Dec 1993	Sable Maple
S-31174 - S-40014	Jan - Sep 1994	Summit Ash
S-40015 - S-43375	Sep - Dec 1994	Summit Ash
S-43376 - S-49501	Jan - Jun 1995	Summit Ash
S-49502 - S-53961	Jul - Dec 1995	Summit Ash
S-53962 - S-57923	Jan - Jun 1996	Summit Ash

...and be careful judging books by their cover. Like with cars, guitars and people: a many decades ago well-kept table may not look nearly as old as a recent model that's had the you-know-what beat out of it in a rough location.

What happened after June 1996...

1) Records started to get logged in a computer. As many of you know who owned a computer in 1996, files in old formats are sometimes impossible to read by current computers, and that 1996 computer may not work anymore... or may not even be around anymore.

and

2) After Valley and Dynamo merged, a serial number format was implemented of (table model number)- five-digit serial number.

But for a serial number of 100, that serial number was the 100th table built of that particular model number. For common items like a 93" push chute coin table, that could be fairly early in the production run. For a less common table like a 88" non-coin model, it could have occurred much later.

this means

For example, if your table is serial # 10555. It was probably the 555th of *that model number*. The table on the line before it could have been serial # 10962 of another model, the table after could have been serial # 10032 of yet another model. Serial # 10554 might have been built weeks or months earlier. Serial # 10556 might not have been built until weeks or months later.

unfortunately

The only way to tell those table's ages... is with the computer we can no longer access.