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Form SC 13G  
December 30, 2004

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(Amendment No. )\*

Riviera Holdings Corporation

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(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$.001 Par Value Per Share

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(Title of Class of Securities)

880296885

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(CUSIP Number)

December 22, 2004

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(Date of Event which Requires Filing  
of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule  
is filed:

- Rule 13d-1(b)  
 Rule 13d-1(c)  
 Rule 13d-1(d)

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initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and  
for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the  
disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

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to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of  
1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act  
but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the  
Notes).

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

S.A.C. Capital Advisors, LLC

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2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\* (a) [ ]  
(b) [X]

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3 SEC USE ONLY

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4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

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NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	5 SOLE VOTING POWER
	0
	6 SHARED VOTING POWER
	253,400 (see Item 4)
	7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
	0
	8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
	253,400 (see Item 4)

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9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

253,400 (see Item 4)

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10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

[ ]

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11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

6.4% (see Item 4)

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12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

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S.A.C. Capital Management, LLC

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(a) [ ]

(b) [X]

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

5 SOLE VOTING POWER

0

NUMBER OF  
SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY  
OWNED  
BY  
EACH  
REPORTING  
PERSON  
WITH

6 SHARED VOTING POWER

253,400 (see Item 4)

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

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11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

6.4% (see Item 4)

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

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S.A.C. Capital Associates, LLC

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(a) [ ]

(b) [X]

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Anguilla, British West Indies

5 SOLE VOTING POWER

0

NUMBER OF  
SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY  
OWNED  
BY  
EACH  
REPORTING  
PERSON  
WITH

6 SHARED VOTING POWER

253,400 (see Item 4)

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

253,400 (see Item 4)

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

253,400 (see Item 4)

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

[ ]

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

6.4% (see Item 4)

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

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Sigma Capital Management, LLC

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\*

(a) [ ]

(b) [X]

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

5 SOLE VOTING POWER

0

NUMBER OF  
SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY  
OWNED  
BY  
EACH  
REPORTING  
PERSON  
WITH

6 SHARED VOTING POWER

7,500 (see Item 4)

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

7,500 (see Item 4)

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

7,500 (see Item 4)

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

[ ]

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

0.2% (see Item 4)

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

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Sigma Capital Associates, LLC

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2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\* (a) [ ]  
 (b) [X]  
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3 SEC USE ONLY  
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4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
Anguilla, British West Indies  
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5 SOLE VOTING POWER  
0  
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NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH  
6 SHARED VOTING POWER  
7,500 (see Item 4)  
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7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
0  
-----  
8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
7,500 (see Item 4)  
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9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
7,500 (see Item 4)  
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10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES  
[ ]  
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11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
0.2% (see Item 4)  
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12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*  
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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
Steven A. Cohen  
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2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\* (a) [ ]  
 (b) [X]  
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3 SEC USE ONLY  
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4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
United States  
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5 SOLE VOTING POWER  
0  
NUMBER OF  
SHARES -----  
BENEFICIALLY 6 SHARED VOTING POWER  
OWNED 260,900 (see Item 4)  
BY -----  
EACH 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
REPORTING 0  
PERSON -----  
WITH 8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
260,900 (see Item 4)  
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9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
260,900 (see Item 4)  
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10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES  
[ ]  
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11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
6.6% (see Item 4)  
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12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*  
IN  
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Item 1(a) Name of Issuer:  
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Riviera Holdings Corporation  
Item 1(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:  
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2901 Las Vegas Boulevard South  
Las Vegas, Nevada 89109

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Items 2(a) Name of Person Filing:  
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This statement is filed by: (i) S.A.C. Capital Advisors, LLC, ("SAC Capital Advisors") with respect to shares of common stock, \$.001 par value per share ("Shares") of the Issuer beneficially owned by S.A.C. Capital Associates, LLC ("SAC Capital Associates"); (ii) S.A.C. Capital Management, LLC, ("SAC Capital Management") with respect to Shares beneficially owned by SAC Capital Associates; (iii) SAC Capital Associates with respect to Shares beneficially owned by it; (iv) Sigma Capital Management, LLC ("Sigma Capital Management") with respect to Shares beneficially owned by Sigma Capital Associates, LLC ("Sigma Capital Associates"); (v) Sigma Capital Associates with respect to Shares beneficially owned by it; and (vi) Steven A. Cohen with respect to Shares beneficially owned by SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management, SAC Capital Associates, Sigma Capital Management and Sigma Capital Associates.

Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office:  
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The address of the principal business office of (i) SAC Capital Advisors and Mr. Cohen is 72 Cummings Point Road, Stamford, Connecticut 06902, (ii) SAC Capital Management and Sigma Capital Management is 540 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10022, and (iii) SAC Capital Associates and Sigma Capital Associates is P.O. Box 58, Victoria House, The Valley, Anguilla, British West Indies.

Item 2(c) Citizenship:  
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SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management and Sigma Capital Management are Delaware limited liability companies. SAC Capital Associates and Sigma Capital Associates are Anguillan limited liability companies. Mr. Cohen is a United States citizen.

Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities:  
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Common Stock, par value \$.001 per share

Item 2(e) CUSIP Number:  
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Item 3 Not Applicable

Item 4 Ownership:  
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The percentages used herein are calculated based upon the Shares issued and outstanding as of November 4, 2004 as reported on the Issuers's quarterly report on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by the Issuer for the quarterly period ended September 30, 2004.

As of the close of business on December 29, 2004:

1. S.A.C. Capital Advisors, LLC

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 253,400
- (b) Percent of class: 6.4%
- (c) (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-
- (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 253,400
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 253,400

2. S.A.C. Capital Management, LLC

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 253,400
- (b) Percent of class: 6.4 %
- (c) (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-
- (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 253,400
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 253,400

3. S.A.C. Capital Associates, LLC

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 253,400
- (b) Percent of class: 6.4%
- (c) (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-
- (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 253,400
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 253,400

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4. Sigma Capital Management, LLC

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 7,500
- (b) Percent of class: 0.2%
- (c) (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-
- (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 7,500
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 7,500

6. Sigma Capital Associates, LLC

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 7,500
- (b) Percent of class: 0.2%
- (c) (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-
- (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 7,500
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 7,500

7. Steven A. Cohen

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 260,900
- (b) Percent of class: 6.6%

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- (c) (i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote: -0-
- (ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote: 260,900
- (iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition: -0-
- (iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition: 260,900

SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management, Sigma Capital Management, and Mr. Cohen own directly no Shares. Pursuant to investment agreements, each of SAC Capital Advisors and SAC Capital Management share all investment and voting power with respect to the securities held by SAC Capital Associates. Pursuant to an investment management agreement, Sigma Capital Management maintains investment and voting power with respect to the securities held by Sigma Capital Associates. Mr. Cohen controls each of SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management and Sigma Capital Management. By reason of the provisions of Rule 13d-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, each of (i) SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management and Mr. Cohen may be deemed to own beneficially 253,400 Shares (constituting approximately 6.4% of the Shares outstanding) and (ii) Sigma Capital Management and Mr. Cohen may be deemed to own beneficially 7,500 Shares (constituting approximately 0.2% of the Shares outstanding). Each of SAC Capital Advisors, SAC Capital Management, Sigma Capital Management and Mr. Cohen disclaim beneficial ownership of any of the securities covered by this statement.

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Item 5 Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:

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If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following. [ ]

Item 6 Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another

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Person:  
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Not Applicable

Item 7 Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which

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Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent

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Holding Company:  
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Not Applicable

Item 8 Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

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Not Applicable

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Item 9 Notice of Dissolution of Group:  
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Not Applicable

Item 10 Certification:  
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By signing below the signatory certifies that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURE  
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After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: December 30, 2004

S.A.C. CAPITAL ADVISORS, LLC

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum  
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Name: Peter Nussbaum  
Title: Authorized Person

S.A.C. CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum  
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Name: Peter Nussbaum  
Title: Authorized Person

S.A.C. CAPITAL ASSOCIATES, LLC

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum  
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Name: Peter Nussbaum  
Title: Authorized Person

SIGMA CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum  
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Name: Peter Nussbaum  
Title: Authorized Person

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SIGMA CAPITAL ASSOCIATES, LLC

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum

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Name: Peter Nussbaum  
Title: Authorized Person

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STEVEN A. COHEN

By: /s/ Peter Nussbaum

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Name: Peter Nussbaum  
Title: Authorized Person

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