



Canada Ski Safari

== Counter-clockwise ==

updated 12/06/2010



Participants

Totally informal road trip. No deposits and no reservations required. But, we need to coordinate the carpooling. Also, all the cars could drive together, in a caravan, and use 2-way radios to communicate.

Of course, feel free to drive up there on your own and just meet us on the slopes!

Some people prefer to do this in December, others in April.

Here are just some of the people who expressed interest in doing it.

December 2010:

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2. Kay Kinyon
3. Tom Rodrigues
4. Kurt Krueger
5. Kurt Mezger
6. Ron Jones
7. Tom Arnold
8. Humaira Falkenberg
9. Emilio Trampuz

If anyone else wants to join in the fun, please contact Emilio at 1-503-378-0171 or email: Emilio2000@earthlink.net. We'll put you in touch with the others.

Itinerary

Bring your passport & driver's license.

December 9 - 15. A 6-day trip. See map.

We'll follow Hwy.97 up, and Hwy. 95 down.

We'll ski the resorts in order from south to north.

Note that Mission Ridge is open Fri.-Sun. till mid-December.

Note: Each ski area has different opening and closing hours. See details.

Day 0: (Thur.) Leave Portland in the early afternoon Drive 5 hrs. to Wenatchee, WA. or to 9 hrs to Penticton, BC.

Day 1: (Fri) Ski **Mission Ridge**, **Loup Loup**, or **Apex**; then drive to Kelowna or Big White.

Day 2: (Sat.) Ski **Big White**. Drive 2 hrs to Silver Star.

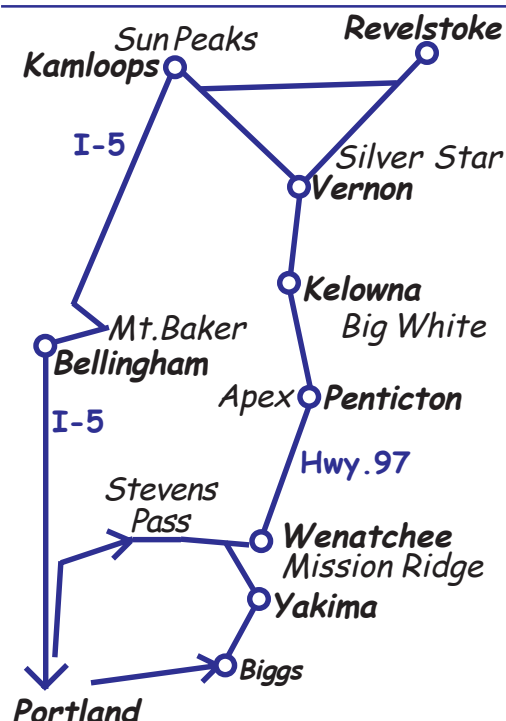
Day 3: (Sun.) Ski **Silver Star** Drive 2.5 hours to Revelstoke.

Day 4: (Mon.) Ski **Revelstoke**. Drive 3 hrs to Sun Peaks.

Day 5: (Tue.) Ski **Sun Peaks**. Drive 5 hrs to Abbotsford.

Day 6: (Wed.) Ski **Mt. Baker**. Drive 6 hrs to Portland.

The front and back end are flexible. You can leave earlier or later and catch up with the others. At the end, you can prolong the trip by stopping at another ski area on the way home. Just make sure that people with whom you carpool think likewise.



Money Matters

Use a **credit card** for most purchases. That way you get the best rate of exchange.

Use a **debit card** at ATMs to get Canadian cash directly from your checking account.

Carry some **cash** in small denominations, for small purchases (coffee, etc.)

Get some **Canadian cash** soon after crossing the border. It makes small purchases like lunch on the mountain much easier.

US \$1.00 = CAD \$1.01

CAD \$1.00 = US \$0.99

MOUNTAIN HIGH SNOWSPORT CLUB

Keeping us all together!

Everyone is free to travel whenever and however they want, and stay wherever they want, and ski wherever an however you like. This info is just for orientation.

Still, everyone is encouraged to **connect** with everyone else as much as possible. If we drive separately, let's try to reconnect at the ski areas. If we stay at different places, let's try to connect for **breakfast**, or **lunch** on the mountain, or **dinner**.

During travel times, if we are far apart, use your cell phone to communicate with the others. Emilio's number is **1-503-510-1477**. If our cars are less than 2 miles apart, use the radio.

On the slopes, tune your **2-way radio** (if you have one) to **Channel 6-19**.

Lodging

People who carpool together usually end up sharing the same type of lodging. So, make sure your car-mates agree with you where to stay.

Almost all ski areas in British Columbia offer the following 3 choices for lodging:

1. Hotels and condos in the on-mountain village, with ski-in ski out access. This is the most expensive option, but it is surprisingly affordable if shared between 2, or 3, or 4 people.

2. Motels and hotels in a nearby town. There is always a town within less than an hour from the ski area. This is a less expensive option. Especially good at places like Kicking Horse, where the on-mountain village is still small, but the town of Golden is only 15 minutes away.

3. Hostels. There's a hostel at many of the on-mountain villages, as well as in nearby towns. Only \$20 - \$30 per person, but bring your own bedding or sleeping bag.

Try a mix of lodgings. Treat yourself to a nice place at least once or twice.

DON'T FORGET THE MAIN THINGS:

1. **Passport** This is required now. You cannot cross the border without a passport. NOTE: If you have a DUI on your record, it is most likely they will not allow you to enter into Canada!
2. **Driver's License** - Not just for driving, but also if you used it as your primary ID when registering for the Warren Miller coupons. You will need to present this same ID when exchanging your coupon for a lift ticket.
3. **Warren Milller coupons for lift tickets**. Print two sets of copies, and keep them in separate places, just in case you lose one. If anyone doesn't have them, contact Emilio, who might have one for you.
4. **Skis / boards, boots and poles**
5. **Clothing** (jacket, pants, hat, goggles, gloves)
6. **Swim suit** (You might not want to sit in the hot tub nude!!!)
7. **Sleeping bag** - might come in handy if we stay at a hostel, or if we just share a hotel room with more people than beds.
6. **A credit card** (preferrable Visa or MasterCard. Very few places in Canada take the Discover card.)
7. **A debit card**. Your bank-card (linked to your checking account) is the easiest way to get some Canadian cash, by simply using it in an ATM. You will be charged an ATM fee (probably abt. \$2).
8. **Some cash** for small things, like lunch on the mountain, a drink, etc.
9. **Jot down any relevant information:**
 - Reservation numbers
 - Other people's cell phone numbers. Mine is: 1-503-510-1477.
 - Print out and bring these trip instructions (the whole PDF file).
10. Set your **2-way radio** (walkie-talkie) to **Channel 6-19**.

Have fun skiing Canada!

Emilio: 1-503-378-0171, newsletter@mthigh.org

MOUNTAIN HIGH SNOWSPORT CLUB**Day 0 (evening): Drive half way up and ski; or start the next morning & drive all day**

1. DEPARTURE: As much as we try to bring people together and drive out as a group, a caravan, in practice, people always seem to end up leaving Portland at different times. Maybe it is simpler that way, as it gets complicated trying to coordinate a large group of people.

The drivers can pick up their carpoolers at their homes, or we could all meet some place where people could leave their car parked for a week.

Feel free to drive up on your own, at your own pace. If you are at all unsure about the road and directions, please hook up with Emilio, who knows the road well.

2. DRIVING OPTIONS: You have two options:

a) **Drive all day.** You don't even need to start on Day 0. You can get a good night's sleep, and leave Portland on the morning of Day 1. Drive for about 11 hours to Kelowna. Or another hour to Big White, and you can meet with us there that night, ready to ski the next day.

PROs: The advantage of this method is that you travel mostly during the daytime, so you get to see more of the scenery.

CONs: You waste a whole day just driving. No skiing!

b) **Drive half a day and ski.** Split the long drive into two half-days. Leave Portland in the afternoon of Day 0 and drive only about half way (like to Wenatchee). If you start the trip too late in the evening, consider stopping for the night at Ellensburg (WA), an hour before Wenatchee. Or, if you plan to get closer to Canada that first day, start the trip earlier in the day on Day 0 and drive up to Okanogan or Omak (WA), or even up to Penticton (BC).

PROs: Less driving at one time. Plus, you get to ski on Day 1! Then complete the second half of the drive, up to Kelowna (or Big White), at the end of the day.

CONs: Most of the driving is done in the dark (on two consecutive evenings), so you see less of the scenery.

3. SKIING OPTIONS FOR DAY 1:

You can spend Saturday skiing somewhere. It depends on personal preference, and how early you can get started on Friday. It also depends on snow conditions. Here are some possibilities:

a) **Mission Ridge.** Just 12 miles from Wenatchee. Perfect place, exactly half way to Kelowna. Great skiing. But, unfortunately, this ski area doesn't usually open this early in the season.

b) **Stevens Pass.** Between Everett and Wenatchee. It is usually open, even if Mission Ridge isn't. But, you are about 1.5 hours before Wenatchee, meaning that much longer to drive on Saturday.

c) **Loup Loup.** This is a small ski area, a few miles east of Omak, WA. Only one fixed quad chairlift covering 1,240 vertical feet. Since you are in the neighborhood, might as well take a look! But, it would have to be an exceptionally good season for the ski area to open early. If Mission Ridge is close, chances are Loup Loup will be closed too.

d) **Apex.** This is in Canada, about 45 minutes drive into the mountains east of Penticton. There is tons of advanced skiing here. They tend to open reasonably early in the season, but some of the trails might still be closed. We'll have a voucher for a free day of skiing here. The only downside is that it is so far north that we would have to get going quite early on Friday to get as far north as Penticton (BC) before bed time.

e) **Grouse Mountain (BC).** This is near Vancouver, BC. This would require following a different route, up I-5 on Friday, and then Hwy. 97C from Merritt to Kelowna on Saturday night.

Either way, we should all be at our first Canadian destination by the end of Day 1.

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Day 1: Mission Ridge



LOCATION: Just 12 miles west of the town of Wenatchee, WA. Approx. 4 hours from Apex.

LODGING: Lots of motels in Wenatchee.

1. **Cedars Inn**, 80 Ninth Street N.E. East Wenatchee, Washington 98802. On the east side of the river. Cross the bridge on Hwy 2, then turn south. Complimentary hot breakfast buffet. Phone: (509) 886-8000 or 1-800-358-2074. <http://eastwenatcheecedarsinn.com/>. Rooms from \$57.

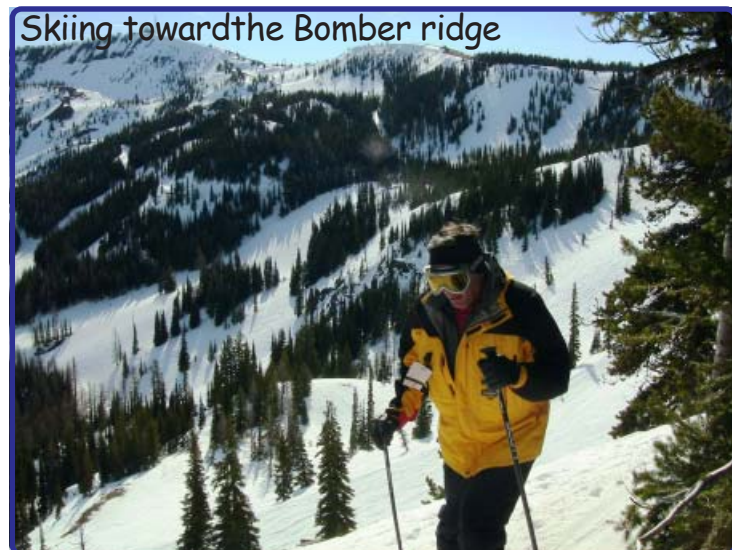
2. **Best Western - Chieftain Inn**. 1017 N Wenatchee Avenue, Wenatchee, Washington, 98801. Heated pool and hot tub. Complimentary continental breakfast. Phone: (877) 203-8585 or (509) 665-8585. www.bestwestern.com. Rooms start at \$132.

MISSION RIDGE:

Vertical: 2200'
 Base elevation: 4,570'
 Lifts: 5 lifts,
 (4 double, 1 tow)
 Lift tickets: \$42 (regular)
 \$54 (holidays)
 Lifts open: 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.

SNOW REPORT : 1-509-663-3200.

TERRAIN: Interesting and imposing **Bomber cliffs** that have several skiable paths through them. Remains of a **World War II bomber plane** that crashed on the mountain are on display, next to an intermediate trail. Lots of ungroomed powder lines from the ridges on both sides of the main chairlift.



Skiing toward the Bomber ridge



Bomber ridge

MOUNTAIN HIGH SNOWSPORT CLUB**Optional: Day 1: Loup Loup (WA)**

LOCATION: From Hwy 97 Norht, turn west on Hwy 153 at Pateros, go up to Twisp, and then turn east on Hwy 20. It's just 12 miles from Twisp.

Alternatively, drive up a little further north on Hwy 97, and then turn west on Hwy 20 at Okanogan. The ski area is 18 miles west of Okanogan. (or 25 miles from Omak).

LODGING: Lots of motels in Wenatchee. Here are just some.

1. **Ponderosa Motor Lodge**, 1034 S 2nd Ave., Okanogan, WA 98840. Phone: 509-422-0400. Reservations: 800-732-6702. www.ponderosamotorlodge.com. Located On Hwy. 20, 1/2 mile south of downtown Okanogan. 1/2 mile west of Hwy 97. Rooms from US \$50 - \$57.

2. **Omak Inn**. 912 Koala Dr., Omak , WA 98841, www.omakinnwa.com, Phone: 509-826-3822 or 800-204-4800. Indoor pool, hot tub, and free continental breakfast. Rooms from US \$70 - \$85.

LOUP LOUP:

Vertical: 1,240'
Base elevation: 4,040'
Lifts: 1 fixed quad and 1 platter (Poma) lift.
Lift tickets: \$38
Lifts open: 9:30 am - 4:00 pm.
Open Friday - Sunday.

SNOW REPORT : 1-509-557-3405.

TERRAIN: Total of 10 runs that are longer and steeper than you might expect. The snow tends to be dry and fluffy. See web site at: www.skitheloup.com/index.shtml.



At the base, looking up.



View from near the top of Loup Loup

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Day 2: Apex



LOCATION: About 21 miles west of the town of Penticton. Approx. 2.5 hours from Big White.

LODGING: Central Reservations 1-800-663-2772. or (250) 765-8888. Recommended places :



1. **Apex Mountain Inn**, the obvious choice for convenience and comfort, the closest one to the slopes, and the one with the most interesting eatery within its premises, a pirate's cave - with good food! Also has a hot tub. CAD \$125. Phone: 1-800-387-2739 or (250) 292-8126 . www.apexmountaininn.com.

2. **Sandman Inn - Penticton**. 939 Burnaby Ave. W, Penticton BC V2A 1J7, Tel: (250) 493-7151. Nice place with indoor pool & hot tub, Denny's 24 hour restaurant, and reasonable rates.



APEX: 1112 acres of skiable terrain
 Vertical: 2000' (Base elevation is at 5,200').
 Lifts: 4 lifts, (1 detachable quads, 1 triple, 1 T-bar, 1 platter)
 Lifts open: 9:00 am - 3:30 pm.

SNOW REPORT : 1-250-487-4848.

TERRAIN: An enormous amount of advanced terrain is served by the one high speed quad. For intermediate skiers, there's a whole separate part of the mountain, served by the triple chair.

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Day 3: Big White



LOCATION: About 35 miles (1 hour) south-east of Kelowna. Approx. 2 hours from Silver Star.

LODGING: Central Reservations 1-800-663-2772 or (250) 765-8888. Website: www.bigwhite.com.



They handle reservations for all of the following recommended places :

1. **Inn at Big White**, "A" on map, has a good outdoor heated pool and hot tub, Phone: 1-800-663-2772, local: (250) 765-8888. Price per room: CAD:\$189.
2. **White Crystal Inn**, "B" on map, has very spacious rooms, excellent access to the village and the slopes, but a small hot tub, too close to restaurant. \$199.
3. **Blackbear II condos**. Just below Inn at Big White. Cheaper than hotels.
4. **Whitefoot lodge** has "no frills" rooms for \$57 a night. Code "NF".

5. There is a **hostel** at Big White, but not very nice. You will enjoy the one in Kelowna better. **SameSun hostel**, 245 Harvey Ave., Kelowna, 1-250-763-9814.

If you stay in **Kelowna**, drive to the parking lot in Happy Valley. After you spot the first lifts, turn right, park the car, and then take the gondola up to the center of the village.

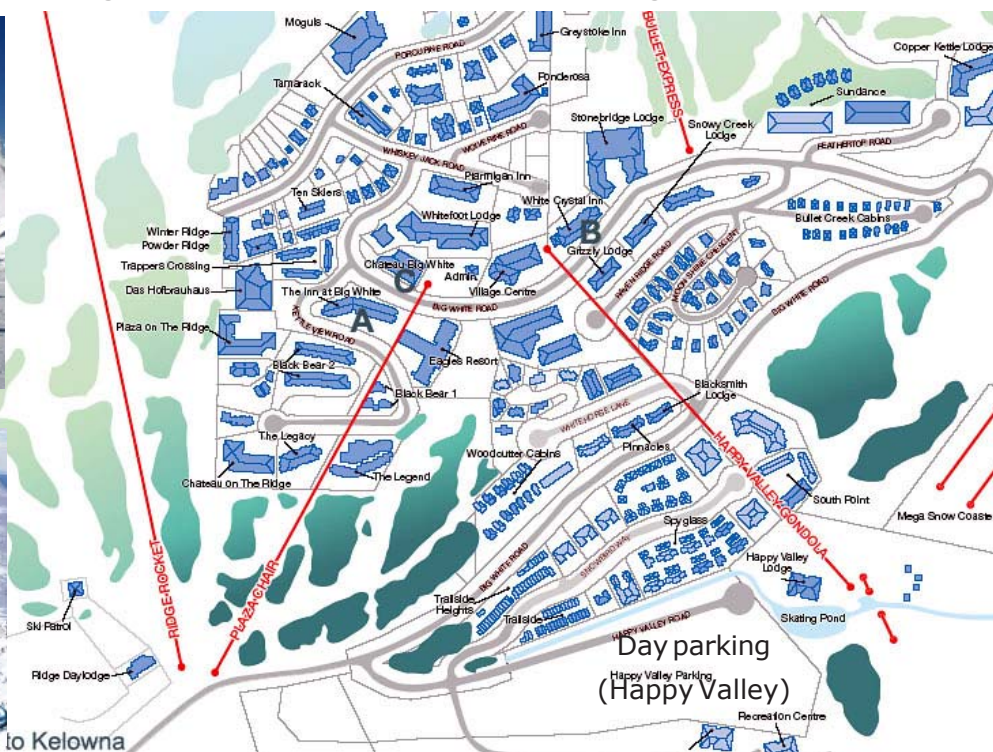
BREAKFAST: Breakfast is served at the bottom of the Snow Ghost and Ridge Rocket lifts, or ski through the village, and stop for breakfast at the central day lodge. Tickets can be purchased at both locations, either at the top of the gondola, or at the bottom of the Ridge Rocket Express lift.



Top of Black Forest lift.



NEW LIFT



BIG WHITE:

7355 acres of skiable terrain (but only 2,765 acres patrolled)
 Vertical: 2550' (Village center is at 5,760' elevation.)
 Lifts: 15 lifts, (a gondola, 4 detachable quads, 1 fixed quad, 1 triple, 3 doubles...)
 Lifts open: 8:45 am - 3:30 pm.
 Apres ski: 17 restaurants & cafes, 8 bars and lounges, 4 hotels, 25 condo complexes.
 SNOW REPORT : 1-250-765-SNOW (7669) .

TERRAIN:

In bad weather or poor visibility, seek shelter in the **Black Forest**, on the far right (when looking up at the mountain). The longest runs are served by the **Gem Lake** lift, on the far left of the ski area. Some of the steepest terrain is under the **Falcon** chair, and the new **Cliff lift** (serving the back bowl). You can also ski right through the center of the village.

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Day 4: Silver Star



LOCATION: From Hwy 97, at Vernon, take 48th Ave north-east, and follow it for just 12 miles.



BW Vernon Inn

LODGING IN VERNON: Many motels in town, only 30 minutes from the ski area.

1. **Best Western Inn Vernon**, 3914 32nd Street, Vernon, BC. Phone: 800-663-4422 or 250-545-3385. On main road through Vernon, heading south. Has covered indoor courtyard with a simulated jungle, a swimming pool and hot tub, and an Italian restaurant, and a bar and grill. Rooms: Canadian \$110.

LODGING AT THE SKI AREA: Central Reservations 1-800-663-4431



Bulldog Lodge

At the last fork before the parking lot, go left, then right on Silver Lode Lane.

1. **Vance Creek hotel** (#3 on map) or **Chilcoot Lodge** (#4). Just steps from the slopes. A rooftop hot tub. www.silverstarclubresort.com. Phone: 1-800-610-0805, local: (250) 549-5191. Rooms: Canadian \$129 in early December.

2. **Bulldog**, #13 on map, closest to the parking lot, and in the heart of the village. Cafe, hot tub, free Wi-Fi. Phone: 1-800-663-4431, local: (250) 558-6083. Website: www.skisilverstar.com. They only have 20 rooms, and they fill up fast.

3. Lots of **condos** (#18, 19). From \$106 for 4 people. Call Central Reservations.

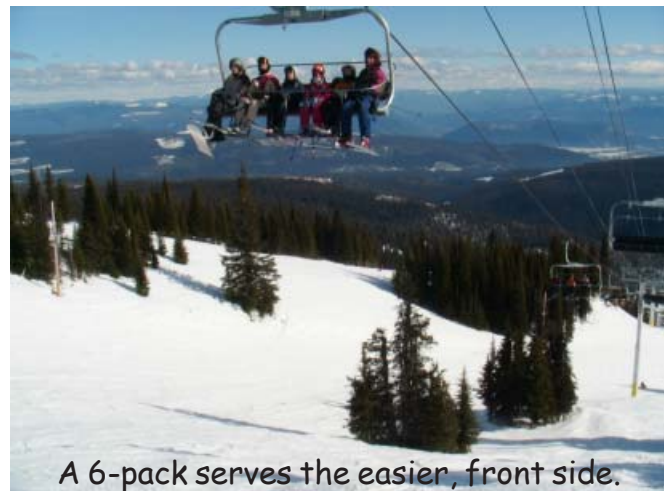
4. **SameSun hostel**. #6 on map on Pinnacles Rd.. Toll free: 1-877-562-2783, local: (250) 545-8933, www.samesun.com/destinations/silverstar/. Hot-tub. Bunk beds \$20.



BREAKFAST: Cheapest breakfast is at the day lodge, #1 on the map, last building on your right, as you head toward the slopes at the far end of the village. Quick cafeteria on the ground level, but also a nicer place downstairs.

SILVER STAR: 3,065 acres of skiable terrain
 Vertical: 2500' (Village elevation is 5,280')
 Lifts: 9 lifts, including one 6-pack, 2 detachable quads, 21 fixed quads, 1 double, 1 T-bar.
 Hours: 8:30 am - 3:30 pm
 SNOW REPORT : (250) 542-1745.

TERRAIN: Long cruising terrain on the front side. More challenging back side. Don't miss *El Dorado*, a very long blue trail from the top of the front side to the bottom of the back side. You can only do it once, because the back chairlift doesn't take you back high enough to do it again.



A 6-pack serves the easier, front side.

MOUNTAIN HIGH SNOWSPORT CLUB**Day 5: Revelstoke Mountain Resort (B.C.)**

This is a new resort, opened in 2007/2008, with 2 high-speed quads covering 4,700' vertical. For 2008/09, the resort added one more lift and more vertical, for a total of 5,620 feet, the greatest vertical in North America.

LOCATION: Just 3.5 miles south-east of Revelstoke (on Canada's Hwy 1). From Vernon, follow Hwy 97A north to Sicamous, then turn right (east) on Hwy 1. See web site: www.revelstokemountainresort.com or www.discoverrevelstoke.com.

LODGING: Nelsen Lodge, at the resort base. All king size beds. E-mail: reservations@thenelsenlodge.com, or call through the Sandman: 1-800-726-3626,

For hotel/motel-style accommodations in town, only 4 miles away, check out the following:

1. **Sandman Inn.** 1901 Laforme Blvd , Revelstoke BC, Phone: 1-250-837-5271. Toll free: 1-800-726-3626. Ski & stay packages. Next to Denny's restaurant. Indoor hot tub & swimming pool. Starting at \$109 per person (value season). Web: www.sandman.ca/en/hotel/bc/revelstoke.

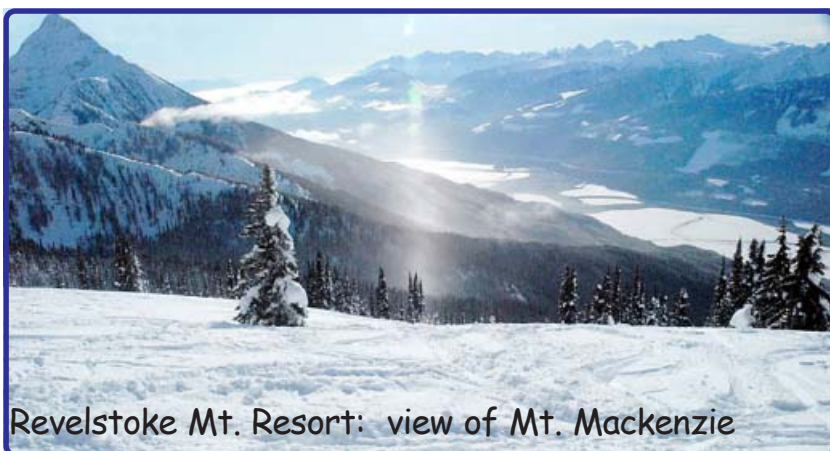
2. **Monashee Lodge**, 1601 Third Street West, Box 3059 Revelstoke BC, Canada V0E 2S0. Phone: 1(250) 837-6778, or : 1(800) 668-3139. Email: info@monasheelodge.com. Price: \$79 for one person. Add \$10 for each additional person. Family rooms with 3 beds are available. Continental breakfast included.

REVELSTOKE MOUNTAIN RESORT:

It was named after the town, but the mountain is actually Mt. Mackenzie.

Vertical: 5,620'
 Skiable terrain: 1,500 acres
 Base elevation: 1,680'
 Lifts: 4 lifts,
 Glades: 13 areas,
 Longest run: 9.5 miles
 Lift tick. (early): \$59 (Canadian)
 Lift tick. (regular): \$74 (Canadian)
 Lifts open: 9 am - 3 pm.

SNOW REPORT : 1-800-???
 Phone: 1-866-373-4754



Revelstoke Mt. Resort: view of Mt. Mackenzie

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Day 6: Sun Peaks



LOCATION: 12 miles north of Kamloops (along Hwy. 5), turn right on Sun Peaks Rd. for 20 miles.

LODGING: Drive up Sun Peaks Rd. Day parking is P2 and P3. The underground garage P4 belongs to the Delta Resort. Central reservations phone: 1-800-807-3257.

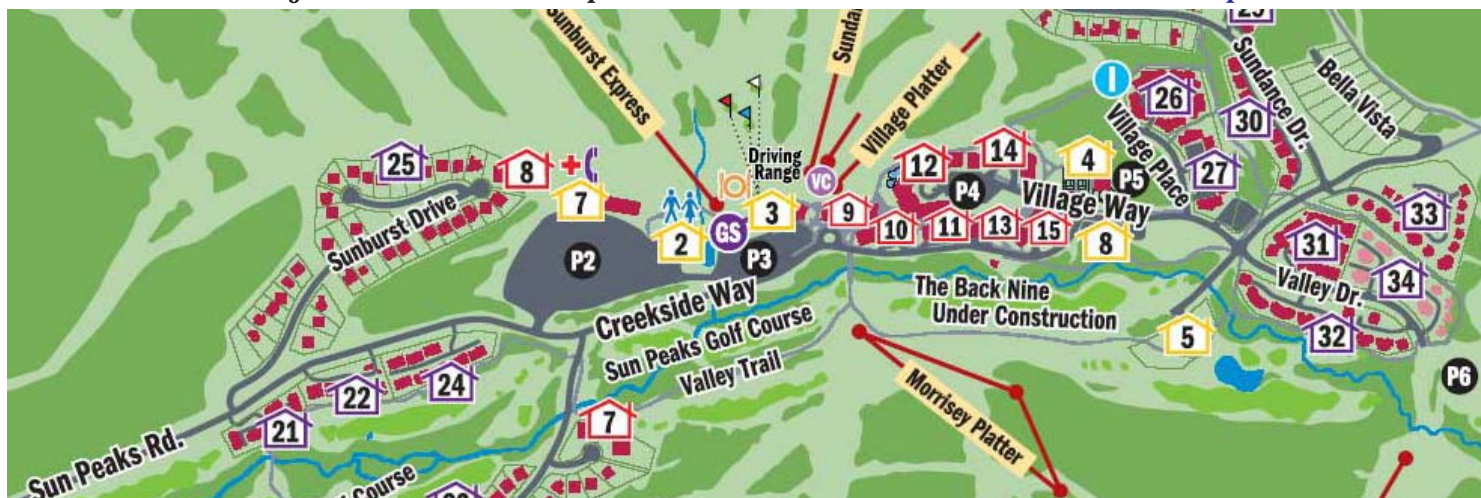
1. **"Sun Peaks" lodge** (#11 on map). Least expensive. Ph: 250-578-7878, Toll Free: 800-333-9112, www.sunpeakslodge.com. Rooms (early Dec.): CAD \$99

2. **"Delta Sun Peaks Resort"**, (#12 on the map), easiest access from the garage, and also closest to the lifts. The garage has a door straight into this hotel. Rooms (early Dec.) CAD \$135 to \$155. Ph: 250-578-6000, Toll Free: 866-552-5516, www.deltahotels.com/hotels/hotels.php?hotelId=38.

3. **Nancy Green's Cahility Lodge** (#14 on the map), run by Olympic medalist Nancy green. This lodge has a great place for breakfast! Halway decorated with photos of Olympic skiers. Phone: 250-578-7454, Toll Free: 800-244-8424, www.cahilitylodge.com. Rooms: CAD \$139 - \$339.

4. **Heffley Boutique Inn** (#13 on map), a short walk from the slopes. Phone: 250-578-8343, Toll free: 866-812-8333, www.heffleyinn.com. Rooms (before Dec. 20): CAD \$129.

5. **Sun Peaks International Hostel**. Bunk beds. Only CAD \$20. Located opposite the bottom of the Burfield chair, just outside the map, to the left. Ph: 250-578-0057, www.sunpeakshostel.com



BREAKFAST/TIX: Wherever you stay, let's meet for breakfast at **"Macker's"** in Nancy Green's Cahility Lodge, about 7:00 am. Lifts open at 8:30 am. For tickets, go to **"Guest Services"** (GS #3) on the ticket building's left corner (looking upward the mountain).

SUN PEAKS: The second largest ski area in B.C.
 Acres: 3678 acres of skiable terrain, on 3 mountains.
 Vertical: 2891' (greatest vertical in B.C.'s interior)
 Lifts: 11 lifts, including 4 quads.

Lifts open:
 8:30 am - 3:30 pm.
SNOW REPORT:
 250-578-7232.



Delta Sun Peaks Resort and village clock tower.
 The village has a "European" feel.



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Heffley Inn, and Mt. Tod in the background
 Ski with Nancy Greene. Meet at the top of Sunburst
 Express at 11am and 1:30 pm.

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Day 7 (Sunday): Mt. Baker



BREAKFAST: Maybe around 6:30 - 7:00 am. Not everyone has breakfast first thing in the morning, but some of us do believe in starting the day with a good, nurturing breakfast.

DRIVING TO MT. BAKER: Let's try to get going by 7:15 am, so we can be at Mt. Baker by about 8:30 am. It's 56 miles from Bellingham. Take the **Sunset Drive** (Hwy 542) exit off of I-5, and follow Hwy 542 toward Glacier and Mt. Baker.

On the drive up to Mt. Baker, make sure you don't turn toward Sumas and Abbotsford. Instead, just follow Hwy 542 all the way.

EST. DRIVING TIMES:

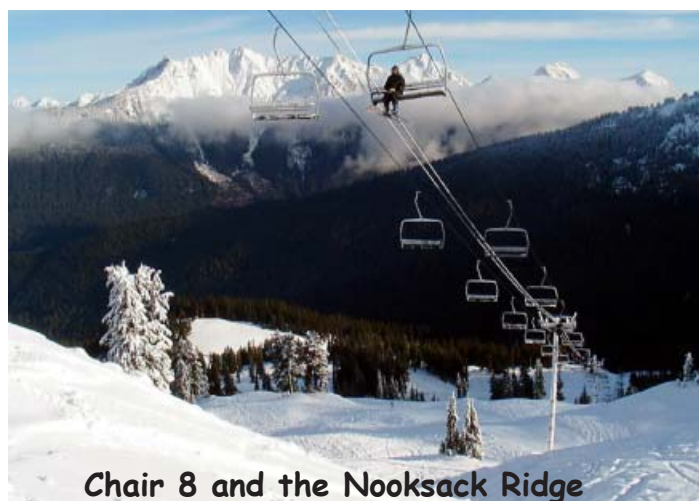
Bellingham:	1 hour 15 min.
Seattle:	2 hours 30 min.
Abbotsford:	1 hour 10 min.
Vancouver:	2 hours
Chilliwack:	1 hr. 45 mins.
Hope:	2 hr. 10 min.
Kamloops:	4 hr. 10 min.
Sun Peaks:	5 hr.

Mt. BAKER:

Vertical: 1500'.
 Lifts: 4 quads, 2 doubles, 2 rope tows.
 Lift tickets: \$40. Lifts open: 9:00 am - 3:30 pm.
 SNOW REPORT (Bellingham number): (360) 671-0211.



Top of Chair 8 at Mt. Baker



Chair 8 and the Nooksack Ridge

DRIVING ON: In the afternoon, after skiing, follow signs to Sumas and Abbotsford. Then follow I-5 all the way to Kamloops. Just a few miles north of Kamloops, turn right to Sun Peaks.

Take the border crossing seriously. Have your passport ready. If we are lucky, we'll just show our passports and drive on. Refrain from any joking with the border patrol. Absolutely no mention of any words like "terrorist" or "bomb" - not even in jest! We don't want any delays.

DINNER: If we are not too hungry right after skiing, and can hold on for about 1 hr. 45 mins., there are several good places to get a bite at **Chilliwack**, or in **Hope** (abt. 2 hr. 10 mins.). After that, we are literally beyond Hope!!! No other eatery for 68 miles, until Merrit.

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Bellingham, WA (near Mt. Baker)

Some people may prefer to spend the night in Bellingham (or maybe Everett, a little further south), and rest before driving home the next morning.

LODGING IN BELLINGHAM.

There are several lodging options in Bellingham.

1. The **Val-U Inn Motel**, 805 Lakeway Drive, Bellingham, WA 98229 (360) 671-9600 or (800) 443-7777 (toll-free) is located at exit 253, about a mile before the Mt. Baker turn-off. Make a right turn onto King St. and then right on Lakeway Dr. Rooms are \$70 a night.

2. The **Best Western Heritage Inn**, (1-360-647-1912) in Bellingham is only one exit (#256) beyond where we would need to turn for Mt. Baker (exit #255). Rooms are \$94 per night.

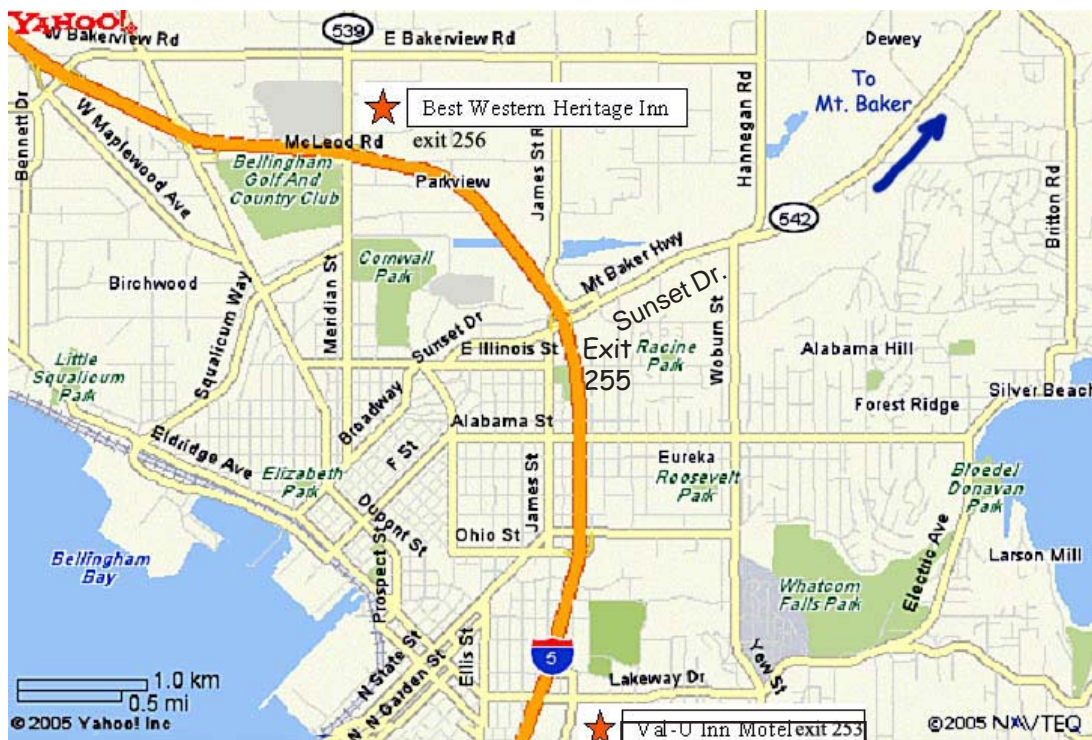
DRIVING DIRECTIONS TO Mt. BAKER

* On I-5, take exit 255.

* Go east on Sunset Dr., which eventually turns into Hwy 542. Follow Hwy. 542 to Glacier and to Mt. Baker.

* About 30 minutes after Bellingham, note a triangular intersection.

Returning from Mt. Baker, remember to turn southward toward Bellingham at that crossroads, otherwise you'll end up on Hwy. 547 heading for the Sumas border crossing.



LODGING IN GLACIER (alternative to Bellingham)

Glacier Creek Lodge, 10036 Mt Baker Hwy, Hwy. 542, Glacier, WA, 98244, has cabins of various sizes, some with kitchens. They are located 33 miles from Bellingham, but much closer to Mt. Baker. Prices are between \$55 and \$85. Reservations: 1-800-719-1414, or (360) 599-2991. **NOTE: These cabins no longer exist. They have been torn down.**



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