



# WHAT'S NEW AND HAPPENING IN WHISTLER, BC



## WHISTLER BLACKCOMB 2023/24 WINTER SEASON OPERATIONS

The Winter 2023/24 season operating dates are Thursday, November 23, 2023 - Monday, May 20, 2024. Early-season terrain packages are available as the season kicks off. The new Fitzsimmons Express high-speed eight-person chair upgrade is on track to debut in time for the holiday season.

The new My Epic App provides access to a range of features, including interactive trail maps with GPS location tracking, and mountain and resort alerts, including operational information like grooming updates, parking availability, terrain status, snow reports, and conditions. For Full lift hours of operation and sightsee access information visit <u>whistlerblackcomb.com</u>.



### WHISTLER CHANGEMAKERS

Tourism Whistler has launched a new video series, Whistler Changemakers, which highlights local businesses putting sustainability at the forefront of their operations. Hosted by Whistlerite, pro skier, and passionate environmentalist, Mike Douglas, the series explores a variety of topics including emissions tracking, supply chain best practices, and the ripple effects of sustainability education. Tourism Whistler will continue to share stories of Whistler residents, businesses, and organizations who are going above and beyond in their efforts to preserve the environment and contribute to the Whistler community. Learn more about Whistler's sustainability journey <u>here</u>.



### NEW DAWN PATROL OPTION WITH WHISTLER HELI-SKIING

This winter, Whistler Heli-Skiing is introducing a new exclusive offer for their guests that offers an alternative when a heli-ski day is canceled due to weather. 'Dawn Patrol' is an add-on option, where guests will meet their guides at 7:30 AM for a private First Tracks experience on Blackcomb Mountain, not available to the general public, and will continue to have lift line priority with their guide until noon. Guests must sign up for this option by 4 PM prior to their day of heli-skiing and will only be charged if they cannot heli-ski. <u>whistlerblackcomb.com</u>



# NEW: WEDGE MOUNTAIN LODGE AND SPA OPENED IN NOVEMBER



New luxurious, fully serviced private retreat Wedge Mountain Lodge & Spa opened in November in Whistler. The 12,000-square-foot lodge was thoughtfully crafted to fully accommodate a diverse range of groups from corporate retreats and weddings to intergenerational family getaways and intimate gatherings. Wedge Mountain Lodge boasts 10 meticulously appointed bedrooms to accommodate 20 guests and up to 50 for a reception, also offers a private spa facility with a sauna, steam room, gym, massage rooms, hot tubs, refreshing pools, and more. The Lodge also offers a conference room, a state-of-the-art movie theatre, an impeccably curated wine cellar, a poker and billiards room, a bar, and a dedicated children's area. This property can be booked with commission. wedgemountainlodge.com



## ASK WHISTLER – WHISTLER'S MOBILE LIVE CHAT

Ask Whistler is a mobile live chat service ready to help your clients uncover everything Whistler has to offer, from getting insider tips on things to do to deciding where to go for dinner, or even helping them find their way around the resort. Think of it as your client's own personal concierge at their fingertips. Get chatting with a local expert <u>here</u>. Live agents are available from 8 AM to 7 PM PST daily.





#### **GO WHISTLER TOURS**

**Go Whistler Tours** is a free app of informative self-guided tours. Enjoy DIY exploration of various routes and points of interest and discover a new side of Whistler. Sample tours include:

• Whistler Festive Lights – experience some of the most illuminated places in Whistler, with warm-up suggestions along the way

• Art & Storytelling of the Skwxwú7mesh and Lílwat7úl – this tour weaves its way through the Village to nine locations that are culturally significant to the First Nations

• Legacies of the 2010 Olympic & Paralympic Winter Games – explore the legacies and discover how the Games were experienced in Whistler

• **Craft Beer** – get your suds on with a tour de beer around Whistler.

• Sweet Treats – a tour of some of Whistler's best places to pick up a treat. Happy sugar rush!

New tours are added regularly here.



# **CULTURAL HIGHLIGHTS**

The Audain Art Museum hosts a number of exciting Special Exhibitions each year. Dedicated to presenting a wide range of artists and artistic practices, the Museum's exhibitions include both historical and contemporary art.

- Karin Bubaš: Garden of Shadows, showing September 23 January 29, 2024, will be a mix of old and new work, centered around the tension between the summer and winter season. Monochromatic photographs taken in cold arctic conditions (such as icebergs in Iceland, frozen waterfalls and snowcovered forests) are juxtaposed against the bright hues of summer, with fields of dahlias, sunflowers and rose gardens.
- **Gathie Falk: Revelations**, showing November 25, 2023 May 6, 2024. This exhibition of legendary Canadian artist Gathie Falk features more than 90 works and underlines the incredible range of her creative output in ceramic and bronze sculpture, acrylic and oil on canvas painting, photography and video, as well as multi-media installation. <u>audainartmuseum.com</u>

## **CULINARY HIGHLIGHTS**

- Caramba are now serving breakfast from December 1 <u>carambarestaurant.com</u>
- Longhorn Saloon debuts new Buffet Breakfast for winter season gibbons.com
- New cafe Alpha Cafe now open in Whistler Village <u>alphacafewhistler.com</u>
- Miracle in Whistler pop-up Christmas-themed bar at the Raven Room for the 2023 holiday season instagram.com/miracle.whistler

#### **NEW + RETURNING EVENTS**

- Whistler Film Festival November 29 December 3 whistlerfilmfestival.com
- Creekside Village Christmas Market December 3 whistlercreeksidevillage.com
- Whistler Bespoke Market December 9 10 <u>bespokemarket.ca</u>
- Eberspächer Luge World Cup December 15 16 luge.ca
- Wintersphere December 23 January 6 <u>whistler.com</u>
- Fire & Ice Show December 31 March 10 whistler.com
- Whistler Pride and Ski Festival January 21 January 28 whistlerpride.com