WINTER EXPERIENCE
WHISTLER
British Columbia, Canada

Whistler is the picture-perfect winter vacation destination—rugged mountains, abundant and reliable snow, a quaint alpine village and warm and inviting accommodations and amenities. Whistler Village is nestled at the base of Whistler and Blackcomb Mountains which are linked by the world record-breaking PEAK 2 PEAK Gondola—creating one of the largest ski areas in North America, and a mecca for skiers and snowboarders. The ski experience, however, is just the start. The village’s great vibe and endless entertainment, the long list of outdoor adventures and a world-renowned après, makes Whistler a one-of-a-kind place.

WHY WHISTLER

Ski in/Ski out: Whistler Village is conveniently located at the base of both Whistler and Blackcomb Mountains with easy ski-in and ski-out access.

Pedestrian Village: Whistler Village is nestled at the base of Whistler and Blackcomb Mountains, and is linked by the village stroll, a meandering, pedestrian-only walkway lined with shops, restaurants and accommodation, surrounded by mountain views.

Low Altitude: While our mountains are some of the tallest in North America, our base elevation of just 675 meters / 2,214 feet will let you arrive and jump into the fun, without needing to get used to the altitude first.

Snowfall: It’s what we’re known for. We’re blessed with a historical average of 11.47 metres / 448 inches / 38.5 ft per year.

PEAK 2 PEAK Gondola: This world record-breaking gondola will transport you between the tops of Whistler and Blackcomb Mountain providing more access to the best alpine skiing and snowboarding in North America.

Most Terrain: 3,307 hectares of skiable terrain: simply put, that’s the most in North America.

Weather in Whistler Village: Due to Whistler’s coastal proximity, temperatures are moderate through the winter season, rarely dipping below -10°C (12°F) in the valley and -15°C (5°F) in the alpine during the coldest part of the year. Expect -5°C (22°F) average daily alpine temperatures during most of the winter months.

Shopping: Over 180 retail shops will get you geared up for adventure or provide you with the perfect Whistler keepsake.

Dining and Après: More than 90 restaurants, cafes, lounges and bars.

Accommodation: No matter what you’re looking for, we’ve got it—from full-service hotels (from brands such as The Fairmont, Westin, Four Seasons, Hilton, and Pan Pacific) or mountainside condominiums to executive homes or quaint cabins.

Relaxation: Slip into one of our many spas and salons for a relaxing or therapeutic treatment service; or try out the unique, outdoor Scandinave Spa.

Arts and Culture: Art galleries and shows, musical entertainment and performing arts, literary events, photography and film exhibitions, and the Squamish Lil’wat Cultural Centre all add an invaluable dimension to Whistler’s animated atmosphere. The Audain Art Museum houses one of the most unique collections of British Columbian art, right in the heart of Whistler Village.

Festivals and Events: We’ve got a non-stop lineup of events covering sports, culinary, film and mountain culture, throughout every season. View a full event schedule at whistler.com/events

Olympic Venue Tours: Exciting legacies like the Whistler Sliding Centre, Whistler Olympic Park and Whistler Olympic Plaza, are open to the public for tours and photo opportunities.

GETTING TO WHISTLER IS EASY

Flights to Vancouver, Canada are available from many major cities around the world. From Vancouver, there are many options for getting to Whistler—you can make the scenic drive via rental car, motorcoach or private shuttle.

Distances and approximate travel times by car:

Downtown Vancouver to Whistler: 127 km (79 mi), 2 hours
Vancouver International Airport to Whistler: 140 km (87 mi), 2.5 hours

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ACTIVITIES

Whistler is a winter adventure destination full of possibilities, with an almost endless array of activities available to fill any day. Amped up or laid back, here’s a list of just a few activities that’ll fit any age, activity level or appetite for adventure.

WINTER

**Skiing / Snowboarding:** Explore Whistler’s two side-by-side mountains and discover the largest amount of skiable terrain on the continent. More than 10 m (33 feet) of snow per year, 3,307 hectares (8,171 acres) of terrain and the world record-breaking PEAK 2 PEAK Gondola thrills all skill levels. Need gear? No problem. Try out the latest ski and snowboard equipment, freshly tuned and ready to go from any of the rental shops conveniently located close to hotels and lifts.

**Snow School Lessons:** Whistler Blackcomb has ski and snowboard lessons and clinics that are the sure-fire way to improve your technique, grow your confidence and experience the mountains from top to bottom. Choose from private, semi-private and group lessons for all ages and abilities, with multilingual instructors available upon request.

**Childcare:** Everyone knows that every parent deserves a little “alone time” now and again. We’ve got a variety of childcare and nanny services, specialty camps and kids-only activities that allow kids and parents to take a break from each other.

**Heli-Skiing / Snowboarding:** Find your freedom with a breathtaking helicopter ride to the freshest tracks imaginable in Whistler’s legendary backcountry terrain.

**Cat Skiing / Riding:** Guided snowcat skiing and riding can help you maximize your vertical with stunning scenery and untracked powder.

**Cross-Country Skiing:** Glide into a scenic adventure at Whistler’s Nordic ski areas at Lost Lake Park (located in Whistler), Whistler Olympic Park and Callaghan Country (both located south of Whistler in the stunning Callaghan Valley).

**Backcountry Tours:** Benefit from the knowledge of ski guides and “earn your turns” during a ski tour in Whistler’s backcountry. Or, choose from a selection of other guided alpine wilderness tours.

**Ziplining:** Sit back in your harness, or try some acrobatics, as you zip along a steel cable that criss-crosses through the forest canopy, high above the valley bottom. Educational and exhilarating in equal measure.

**PEAK 2 PEAK Gondola:** Take to the skies and discover 360-degree vistas via this world record-breaking gondola. It’s like an access-all-areas pass to Whistler and Blackcomb peaks whether you’re hiking, snow-sliding or just taking in the sights.

**Dog Sledding:** Harness the energy behind a team of sled dogs and ride through some of Whistler’s spectacular wilderness with this uniquely Canadian adventure.

**Tube Park:** Rubber meets the road—or in this case the snow track—at the tube park located on Blackcomb Mountain. This way-too-much-fun-for-the-whole-family activity features lanes of varying difficulty, offering thrills for all ages.

**Snowshoeing:** Few activities let you experience Whistler’s inspiring panoramas in such a peaceful and idyllic way. Follow your guide on a trek through old-growth forests, around glacier lakes and to unique hideaways.

**Snowmobiling:** We’ve got an array of guides and outfitters that will take you anywhere from a scenic wilderness tour, to an adventurous trip in the backcountry, to a charming mountaintop fondue or for a family-friendly expedition.

**Sleigh Rides:** Cuddle under warm blankets and sip hot chocolate as your sleigh glides along behind the horses. It’s the stuff Christmas carols are made of.

**Ice Skating:** Lace up your skates for a glide around the outdoor Whistler Olympic Plaza rink, at the Meadow Park Sports Centre arena, or one of our frozen lakes.

Contact us for more information on available activities.