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# snowbowl

Missoula, MT



## Legend

This is a relative system specific to Snowbowl and does not reflect the same degree of difficulty as similarly rated trails at other ski areas.

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## Lift Information

Lift	Length	Vertical Ft.
Grizzly Chair	5,200'	2,000'
LaVelle Creek Chair	3,000'	1,000'
Sunrise T-Bar	1,500'	500'
First Run Tow	400'	50'
Snow Park Chair	4,000'	1,300'
The Transporter	3,800'	1,700'

### SKI AREA BOUNDARY NOTICE DANGER!!

The Ski Area Boundary is defined by the use of signs and/or rope line. The Ski Area Boundary is closed except at designated access points or gates. For your own safety, ski within the designated ski area. Life-threatening hazards and avalanche danger exists outside of the Ski Area Boundary. Snowbowl does not provide Ski Patrol service or avalanche reduction outside of the Ski Area Boundary. You are solely responsible for your own safety and welfare. Any rescues beyond the ski area will be coordinated by the Missoula County Search and Rescue, call 911. You will be responsible for any costs related to your rescue.

*Rescue may be prolonged. Be prepared to survive the night.*

## SMART PARK

- Start Small**  
Work your way up. Build your skills.
- Make a Plan**  
Every feature. Every time.
- Always Look**  
Before you drop.
- Respect**  
The features and other users.
- Take it Easy**  
Know your limits. Land on your feet.



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# TRAIL GUIDE

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### SKI AND RIDE WITH CAUTION, CHOOSE YOUR ROUTE CAREFULLY

The terrain at Snowbowl is different from most other ski areas. There are easy groomed runs and long intermediate cruisers, but there are also areas with dangers such as rocks, cliffs and very steep pitches. Much of the terrain on the front side of the resort, including the Bowls and the east side of TV Mountain, fall into this latter category. Many of the trails at Snowbowl continue uninterrupted to the end and there is no way off to an easier trail. It is important to use extra caution to prevent getting lost or starting down a run beyond your ability. Check with the Ski Patrol regarding run conditions and grooming, as conditions will make a big difference on the ski-ability of trails.

### EASY WAY DOWN

From the summit of Big Sky Mountain (the top of the LaVelle Lift) the easiest way to ski or ride down is to take High Roller to Upper Second Thought then Second Thought to the base. You can also ride the Grizzly or the Transporter lifts down to the base area any time during the day. Paradise is not a beginner run and once you start down the North Dakota Downhill, there is no way to get back to an easier run. Check with the Ski Patrol regarding trail conditions and grooming, as conditions will make a big difference on the ski-ability of trails.

### SLOW SKIING AREAS

Please use extra caution and slow down while skiing in the areas noted on this map, including the base area, around the loading areas of all lifts, Lower Sunrise Bowl and the North Dakota Downhill. You can lose your pass or day ticket for fast or careless skiing.

### YOUR RESPONSIBILITY

Skiing can be enjoyed in many ways. At ski areas, you may see people using alpine, snowboard, telemark, cross country or specialized ski equipment, such as that used by disabled or other skiers. Regardless of how you decide to enjoy the slopes, always show courtesy to others and be aware that there are elements of risk in skiing that common sense and personal awareness can help reduce. Observe the following code and share with other skiers the responsibility for a great skiing experience.

1. Always stay in control. You must be able to stop or avoid people or objects.
2. People ahead or downhill of you have the right-of-way. You must avoid them.
3. Stop only where you are visible from above and do not restrict traffic.
4. Look uphill and avoid others before starting downhill or entering a trail.
5. You must prevent runaway equipment.
6. Read and obey all signs, warnings, and hazard markings.
7. Keep off closed trails and out of closed areas.
8. You must know how and be able to load, ride and unload lifts safely. If you need assistance, ask the lift attendant.
9. Do not use lifts or terrain when impaired by alcohol or drugs.
10. If you are involved in a collision or incident, share your contact information with each other and a ski area employee.

### KNOW AND OBEY THE CODE IT'S YOUR RESPONSIBILITY

Winter sports involve risk of serious injury or death. Your knowledge, decisions and actions contribute to your safety and that of others. If you need help understanding the Code, please ask any ski area employee.

### CLOSED TRAILS AND AREAS

Certain trails and areas within the ski area boundary may be closed from time to time. Please respect these closures for your own safety. Failure to do so may result in the loss of pass or lift ticket.

### WARNING—ASSUMPTION OF RISKS

As a user (skier – a person sliding or jumping on snow or ice while using skis, a snowboard or any other sliding device) of these facilities and a participant in the recreational activities at Montana Snowbowl (MSB, Inc), you must be aware of and acknowledge that there are inherent risks involved in participating in these activities as well as environmental conditions and man-made hazards that can result in severe bodily injury including death or property damage. It is the user's responsibility to be aware of, to inspect, and to assess these risks. Montana law, the "Montana Skier Responsibility Act", 23-2-702 MCA, 23-2-735 MCA and 23-2-736 MCA, lists the duties of a skier, the duties of a rope-way passenger, and the definitions and inherent risks of skiing, that a skier or user must follow and accept. Be advised that all marking devices and/or equipment covers are used by Snowbowl to inform of potential hazards. These markers are no guarantee of your safety and will not protect you from injury. It is your responsibility to avoid these areas. Be aware that snow-making and/or snow grooming may be in progress.

Please note if you cannot assume these risks, your personal responsibilities as a skier, and to adhere to Snowbowl's policies and regulations described herein and/or posted at Snowbowl, return your ticket to the ticket office for a refund before using the recreational facilities, lifts or tows at Snowbowl.

### TREE SKIING, TREE WELLS AND SNOW IMMERSION SUFFOCATION

Snowbowl is fortunate to have many acres of terrain adjacent to named trails, referred to as "tree skiing" where skiers and riders can find deep, powder snow. However, these areas come with added risks including unmarked hazards and tree wells. A skier or rider can fall into the unconsolidated snow around a tree, "a tree well" (even a small tree) and become immobilized and suffocate. The more someone moves and struggles the more they become entrapped. Death from this kind of accident is called Snow Immersion Suffocation. You and your companions are the only ones that can prevent this accident by being aware of the danger and always skiing or riding with a partner. Tree skiing areas are not groomed, maintained or regularly patrolled. You ski or ride in these areas at your own risk. Tree skiing areas close earlier than named trails.

- Always ski with a partner and make sure you are in visual contact at all times.
- Stay away from trees. Even a 10-foot tree can have a deadly well.
- Ski and ride in control.

### AVALANCHE RISK

Avalanches and moving snow are inherent risks on and below terrain accessed by lifts. Avalanche hazard reduction measures within the ski area boundaries help reduce the risk of avalanches, but can not eliminate it. Contact the Ski Patrol for more information. Always ski with a partner.

### SKI PATROL – IN CASE OF AN ACCIDENT

Ski Patrol is available to provide trail condition and other information as well as first aid. In case of an accident, place skis or board upright above the accident to warn others and report the accident to the Patrol. Patrol stations are at the top of the LaVelle and Snow Park lifts and the base area. Please provide the location of the accident, the description of the injured person, and the nature of the injury. On hill emergency number 406-215-2636, Hours 9:30am-4pm.

### FLYING DEVICES

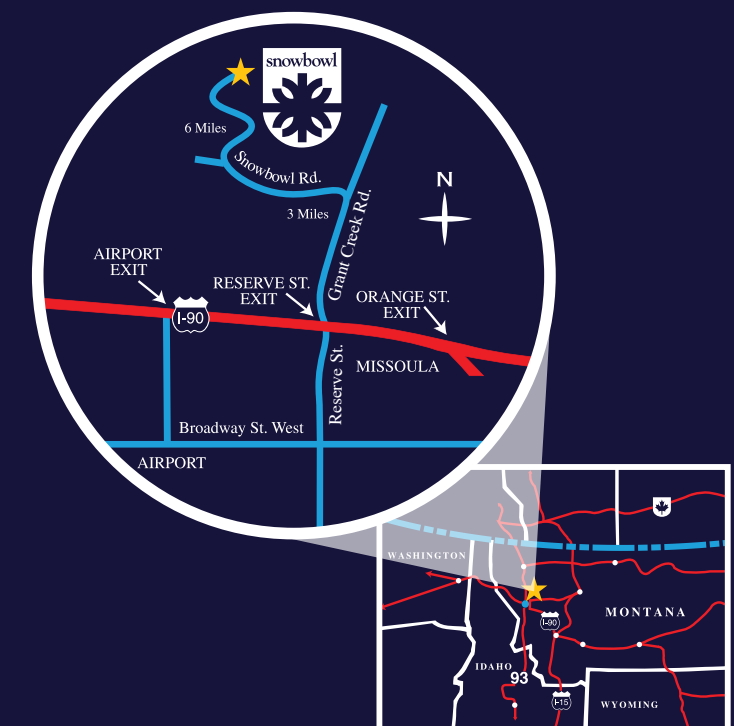
Use of any type of flying device including drones, hang gliders, hot air balloons and similar devices is prohibited over the ski area boundary without the prior approval of Snowbowl management.

### TICKETS

The ticket office is next to the main entrance to the Snowbowl Lodge. Please check mountain and weather conditions before purchasing your tickets. Sorry, tickets are not refundable or transferable. Tickets must be attached to a fixed part of your coat or pants, not to a removable part or object (gloves, clips, removable rings, etc.). The ticket checker will not let you board the lift if your ticket is improperly attached!

### SNOW SPORTS SCHOOL

Snowbowl is a great place to learn. Watching a few locals fly down Snowbowl should give you some idea how good our Snow-sports School is. After all, our PSIA-certified instructors probably taught them. In fact, each year we teach hundreds of grade school kids, teenagers and adults to ski, board and telemark. We offer programs that are designed to take everyone - from beginner kids to advanced adults - a long way in a short time and at a good value too. The Snow-sports School is located on the upper level of the Snowbowl Lodge.



### SKI SHOP-PRO SHOP

Located on the first floor of the Gelandesprung Lodge is a complete pro service center, including ski, snowboard and telemark rental, demos and repair. Plus the Pro Shop has the latest Snowbowl logo apparel, souvenirs and accessories like goggles, hand warmers, sunscreen and more.

### FOOD

Snowbowl is known for great food - how many ski areas do folks come up at the end of the day just for the food? The Double Diamond Café on the upper level of the Snowbowl Lodge has cafeteria-style dining featuring burgers, chili, soup and fresh-baked treats for lunch. For breakfast, there are a variety of bakery items and cooked foods, including the famous breakfast burritos. You can warm your toes around the Lodge's large, old-fashioned central fireplace. Our award-winning Last Run Inn has a decidedly relaxed atmosphere, tasty food and a refreshing selection of micro-brews from Western Montana. Lunches and dinners feature specialties from our wood-fired pizza oven and outdoor barbecue. Warm up in front of the Rumford fireplace.

### LODGING

The Gelandesprung Lodge offers lodging right at the base of the mountain. It features 20 affordable, comfortable rooms, some with private baths and some with shared baths. A common kitchen is available to guests and you can soak in the outdoor hot tub after a day on the slopes. Snowbowl has several great packages arranged with lodging establishments in Missoula. Check it out on our website.

### SUMMER AT THE BOWL

The Bowl is open for summer fun starting in late June and continuing until mid September. The Grizzly Lift is running for chairlift rides, Mountain biking, high-altitude hiking, sightseeing, wild huckleberry picking, plus there is a mountain-top disc golf course. For even more thrills try our zip line tour.

### WEDDINGS AND SPECIAL GATHERINGS

Snowbowl is a wonderful place for weddings and other special gatherings. Our beautiful alpine setting and great food make for a memorable event. Summer dates book up early so give us a call or check our website for more information.

### FOREST SERVICE—SNOWBOWL WINTER SEASON ACCESS POLICY UPHILL TRAVEL RESTRICTION

All ski runs and trails are closed to uphill traffic when the lifts are operating. The uphill traffic restriction is in effect one hour prior to the lifts opening and until day-end sweep has been completed and all skiers coming downhill have arrived at the base area. Outside of regular business hours, public access is not allowed on runs while grooming and or snow-making is occurring on that run. Snowbowl shall not be responsible for skiers or snowboarders inside the ski area boundary before or after regular business hours.

Pets that are attended on a leash will be allowed in the parking lot area only.

