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Schweitzer opens for Preview Weekend Friday, Nov. 22 – Sunday, Nov. 24

5 feet of early season snow and favorable snowmaking conditions prompt early opening weekend, 7-day-a week operations begin Nov. 29

Sandpoint, ID - November 21, 2024 – With more than five feet of natural snow blanketing the slopes in the past month, and 15” in the last 24 hours, Schweitzer opens early for a bonus weekend of skiing and riding Nov. 22-24 as the official kickoff to the 2024/25 season.

“What a difference a year makes,” says Tom Chasse, Schweitzer COO. “The terrain we plan to open this weekend is the most we’ve been able to offer on Opening Weekend in at least 6 years. Our team is fired up for the La Niña winter and can’t wait to welcome back our longtime locals and those who are visiting Schweitzer for the first time this season.”

The Basin Express, Lakeview Triple, and Musical Carpet along with associated terrain are all expected to open Friday, Nov. 22 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., with the potential for additional terrain and lifts to be added throughout the weekend. Season pass holders, including Sunday – Friday pass holders, and day guests are invited to get in a few early season turns all weekend long. Lift tickets are available for purchase for \$50 both online and at the mountain.

The mountain will close Monday, Nov. 25 through Thursday, Nov. 28 for continued snowmaking and slope maintenance operations. Schweitzer will reopen for daily operations beginning Friday, Nov. 29. Access to additional lifts and terrain will continue to expand as conditions permit. The best resource for the most up-to-date information is [schweitzer.com](https://www.schweitzer.com).

As part of Schweitzer’s kickoff to the 24/25 ski season, and in the spirit of the holiday season, the resort has several special events and deals available for those looking to come up and enjoy the fantastic early season conditions.

Kids Ski Free Week – Dec. 7-13

From December 7 through December 13, 2024 kids are invited to ski and ride at Schweitzer for free as part of Kids Ski Free Week. Kids ages 17 and under are eligible to receive up to seven free single day lift tickets to use during the new Kids Ski Free Week. For more information and to sign up for the free lift tickets, visit www.schweitzer.com/plan-your-trip/deals-and-packages/kids-ski-free-week.

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Stay & Ski Free Lodging Package – Valid now through Dec. 14

From now through Dec. 14, 2024 guests can take advantage of Schweitzer’s Stay & Ski Free lodging package. For each night booked at Humbird between now and Dec. 14, the Stay & Ski package includes one free lift ticket for each lodging guest. Blackout dates: November 24-27 (due to the mountain being closed Thanksgiving week) Number of guests must not exceed occupancy per unit type (2 people for a King room, 4 for a double Queen). To learn more, visit www.schweitzer.com/plan-your-trip/deals-and-packages/stay-and-ski-free.

Ski with Santa – Dec. 23-24

A family-friendly tradition, Santa and Mrs. Claus make their way back to Schweitzer to take some turns with all the good little children. Catch Santa and Mrs. Claus cruising around the slopes, leading an on-mountain balloon parade, reading stories in Selkirk Lodge, and taking photos throughout the Village. This event is free to attend. More details are available at <https://www.schweitzer.com/things-to-do/events/ski-with-santa>.

For the latest on Schweitzer’s 24/25 ski season including hours of operation, upcoming events, deals and packages, as well as the latest weather conditions, visit www.schweitzer.com.

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About Schweitzer

Located 90 miles from Spokane, Wash. in the rugged Selkirk Mountains of Idaho’s panhandle, Schweitzer boasts 2,900 acres of skiable terrain, offering a mix of high angle groomers, gladed tree runs and wide-open bowl skiing and riding. Schweitzer’s size as the largest mountain resort in Idaho isn’t the only standout feature. Perched 2,000 feet above the picturesque town of Sandpoint and Lake Pend Oreille, Schweitzer’s intimate mountain village offers a year-round mix of family-friendly activities, dining, spa, and slopeside lodging. Soak in 360-degree views of neighboring mountain ranges in Montana, Washington, and Canada from the summit top, and enjoy best-in-class skiing at one of the Pacific Northwest’s favorite mountains. Schweitzer is a part of the Alterra Mountain Company family and a member of the Ikon Pass community. To learn more, visit schweitzer.com.