



BOOKING CONFIRMATION: GUIDED & CATERED TRIP

Date, 2016

Dear ,

Thank you for booking with Sol Mountain and joining our thirteenth season in the Monashees. We are excited to see you soon.

This letter confirms your booking for x guests on a guided and catered x night trip **Date** , **201x**. We have received your payment of \$xxx + xxx taxes – Thank you.

You are reserved to stay in room # x.

Refund Policy

All payments are non-refundable unless we or you can rebook the space at full price. Refunds will be subject to a \$50 administration fee. All cancellations must be in writing.

If you are unable to come at the last minute due to injury, travel complications, inability to enter the country, etc. there will be no refunds or ski credits given. Trips will not be cancelled due to weather or snow conditions.

Sol Mountain's reservation and cancellation policies are standard in this industry.

Cancellation insurance, provided by a third party, is HIGHLY recommended.

Contact your local travel agent, Automobile Association or available from [Lifestyle Financial](#).

Below is a list of specific information that will help you to arrive here safely and get to know a bit about how we operate here before you arrive.

Be sure that you review the attached waiver prior to the trip and are aware that all guests are required to sign our printed waivers provided at our meeting place in Cherryville. *Please do not pre-sign attached waiver.*

BE SURE to let us know of any personal food allergies, special dietary needs, or medical allergies.

ALSO, let us know if you prefer touring or Nordic skiing, or part days rather than full days of powder skiing 4000 – 5000 vertical feet. This helps us ensure we have adequate guiding staff for all guests.

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1. FOR 2017

Bar and Retail

Our licensed bar serves wine, beer, cider, and soda. We offer a selection of Okanagan bottled red and white wines. Our house wine is available by the glass at \$2, or a half litre is \$7, or 1 litre at \$14. Local (Mt. Begbie) or import beer is \$4/can or \$5/ tall can. (Also it is fine to bring your own alcohol, just please keep within packing weights for the helicopter transfer). For retail we offer Icebreaker merino wool base layers and a stylish assortment of hats, toques and t-shirts. We run a tab during your stay that is payable at the end of the trip by cash, cheque, or credit card.

Lodge Rental Skis

Rockered skis (slightly raised tip and tail) are the new standard for powder skiing with their better flotation in deep snow conditions. This year we have BC-made [Prior Husumes](#) 163 cms or the [DPS Wailers](#) available to rent in 168, 178, and 184 cm lengths, and locally made [Bigbend Skis](#) at 175 cm, all set up with Fritschi Diamir bindings. Try them for a day or reserve for your entire trip. Demo the DPS's for a day! Rental costs are \$40 for a single day or \$25/day for multiple day rental.

XC Track Skiing

We have tracksetting for Nordic XC skiing when conditions permit (not always possible in deep snow conditions). We have 6 pairs of new waxless XC skis and poles, 3 with NNN and 3 with SNS bindings – just bring your boots. It is a stunning setting for XC skiing.

2. GETTING HERE

If you are travelling by airlines we always recommend to pack your ski boots as carry on luggage!

***** MEET AT CHERRYVILLE MEETING LOCATION at 7:30 am on flight day *****

[River Ridge Golf Course](#) (250.547.9660).

*****REVELSTOKE GUESTS meet at 8:00 am at the Arrow Heli hangar (at the airport past the ski hill 250.837.6288).**

We meet at the [River Ridge Golf Course](#) at 7:30 am on the first morning of your trip, where breakfast is available. To get to River Ridge from Kelowna, from Kelowna International Airport, drive 45 minutes north on Highway 97 to Vernon. Then travel 45 minutes east on Highway 6 through Lumby. The golf course is on your left 3 km before Cherryville, please watch for our sign. We meet here for breakfast and sign waivers before driving to the Sol Mountain staging area.

We leave the golf course at 8:30 am and drive to Cherryville, taking a left at the Tempo Gas and travel 20 minutes north to the Sugar Lake staging area for our flight at 9:30 am. Watch for the Sol Mountain sign on your right. We fly with a Bell A-Star helicopter flown by Arrow Helicopters of Revelstoke, BC.

Please note: In the event that the exchange is delayed until the next day due to weather guests are responsible for their own accommodation.

Van Shuttle Service

For guests flying into the Kelowna International Airport, the [Vernon Airporter](#) at 1.778.821.0101 provides shuttle service to Kelowna, Vernon, and Silver Star. For small groups of 3 or more the best value is [A1 Bus Ltd.](#), they will provide full transfer from the airport, to a hotel, and to our staging area the next morning.

Accommodation

Sol Mountain guests receive a discounted rate at both [The Best Western Plus Lodge](#) and [The Fairfield Inn & Suites](#) – both are close to good dining in downtown Vernon, or the [Twin Creeks Motel](#) in Lumby, 250.547.9221. For accommodations in Revelstoke try the [Revelstoke Gateway Inn](#), 1.877.837.8337, they offer reduced rates to our guests or the [Samesun Hostel](#), 1.250.837.4050. [Mustang B&B](#) in Revelstoke has a great value stay and ski package for Revelstoke Mountain Resort starting at \$130.

Packing

All guests should be dressed for skiing on the flight in and wearing ski boots (this helps to ensure that you have all your gear!)

All guests need to pack within weight requirements.

Catered guests may bring **20 pounds** of gear per person in addition to skis and a daypack. This weight allowance must be exact in order to complete the transfer in the budgeted trips. The simplest is to bring your skiing daypack and a small (30 litre) duffel for lodge items. **Please do not bring large duffel bags or hard-shelled luggage.** Please do not bring glass unless it is quality wine or single malt Scotch!

3. WHAT TO BRING

Lodge

The lodge is complete with indoor plumbing and micro-hydro electricity. *Please no hairdryers!*

All bedding and towels are provided.

Bring lodge shoes. We have a supply of boots for walking outside that you can use. A headlamp is also handy.

Music: Feel free to bring CDs, an MP3 player or an iPod for the stereo (we have a CD player, two guitars, mandolin, and box drum). There is also a complete selection of books and games.

Bring your own toiletries – hand soap, shampoo and moisturizing cream is provided.

Sauna

We have a wood heated cedar sauna a short walk from the lodge, bathing suits are optional, towels are provided.

Backcountry Skis or Splitboard

AT or telemark ski touring gear is required (minimum 100 mm waist) and should be outfitted with proper touring bindings (inserts such as Securafix are not adequate), Snowboarders must be on a split board (snowshoes are not adequate). Bring your own repair kit. We have five sets of DPS, Prior, or Big Bend rockered powder skis for rent at the lodge. It is best to reserve in advance. They are 163, 168, 176, 178 and 184 cm length, set up on Fritschi Diamir bindings.

If you are using rental boots – we recommend to bring your personal alpine boots as well. If you have any questions about gear please contact us.

Safety Equipment and Day Pack (20-30 litre day pack with water bottle / spare warm layers, blister repair kit, headlamp, ski repair kit, sunglasses, goggles, sunscreen) All guests are responsible for their own backcountry safety equipment (avalanche transceiver, shovel, probe). We do have five spare sets at the lodge available at no charge, just be sure to reserve in advance. Training will be provided on the first day of the trip.

We also have a small “beacon basin” at the lodge for avalanche rescue training. Bring your own blister repair kit.

Rentals

Avalanche safety and ski gear can be rented at [True Outdoors](#) in Kamloops, Vernon or Kelowna. In Revelstoke at either [Skookum Cycle and Ski](#) or [Powder Rental](#), or your local Mountain Equipment Co-op, or in Calgary at the U of C Outdoor Centre 403.220-5038.

If you are using rental boots – we recommend to bring your personal alpine boots as well.

4. SPECIFIC NOTES

Helicopter Evacuations

If emergency evacuation is required, the injured guest will be responsible for all expenses (minimum \$3000). Or you can purchase helicopter evacuation coverage available at the lodge for \$5/day.

Damage to Premise or Property

Any wilful damage to premise or property of Sol Mountain, and associated expenses, will be covered by the guest.

Lodge Communications

The lodge is equipped with a VHF radio and internet phone (250-275-4771) that is available to guests. From our lodge radio we have a clear link to Nakusp (CMH, Highland Helicopters). We have wireless internet in the lodge, provided at no charge, and a lodge laptop available for guests to use, or you may bring your own. (Best to carry on your lap in the helicopter.)

Guest Radios

For added safety we now provide each guest with a radio.

Maps and Location

The UTM coordinates for the lodge are 415199E 5589278N, and the lodge is located in the Bear Creek drainage. We have also produced a 1:50,000 field map with 20 meter contour intervals and marked with local area names. This map is available at the lodge to borrow or purchase, or [download](#) for your Iphone or Smartphone (need free App Avenza PDF Maps). The NTS Map Sheet 82L8: Mount Fosthall covers Sol Mountain’s tenure area.

If you have any more questions call us anytime at 250-674-3707 or email info@solmountain.com.

We look forward to seeing your tracks.

**Cheers,
Aaron and Sabine
Sol Mountain Lodge**

WINTER

Sol Mountain Touring

GUIDED

**RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS,
ASSUMPTION OF RISKS AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT**

**BY SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT YOU WILL WAIVE OR GIVE UP CERTAIN
LEGAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING THE RIGHT TO SUE OR
TO CLAIM COMPENSATION FOLLOWING AN ACCIDENT**

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

Initial of Guest

Name	Last	First	Middle Initial(s)
Address	Street		
	City	Prov/State	Postal/Zip Code
Email Address	Telephone		
		Home	Work
Date of Birth	Year	Month	Day
		Age	
Trip Dates	Year	Month	Day
		to	Year Month Day

MEDICAL INFORMATION	
ALLERGIES	
MEDICATIONS	
MEDICAL CONDITIONS	
FAMILY DOCTOR	Phone
MEDICAL INSURANCE	Carrier Number
OTHER HEALTH OR MEDICAL INFORMATION	

TO: Sol Mountain Touring Ltd., carrying on business as **Sol Mountain, Her Majesty the Queen in the Right of the Province of British Columbia, Backcountry Lodges of BC Association, Arrow Helicopters Ltd.**, and their directors, officers, employees, guides, agents, independent contractors, subcontractors, representatives, successors, assigns and guests (all of whom are hereinafter collectively referred to as "the Releasees")

DEFINITION

In this Agreement, the term "**wilderness activities**" shall include but is not limited to: alpine skiing, nordic skiing, telemark skiing, snowboarding, snowshoeing, hiking, touring, mountaineering, rock climbing, ice climbing, expeditions, trekking, glacier travel, and all activities, services and use of facilities (including the lodge and all other buildings), either provided by or arranged by the Releasees including orientation and instructional sessions or classes, transportation, accommodation, food and beverage, water supply, and all travel by or movement around helicopters, other aircraft, snowcats, snowmobiles or other vehicles.

ASSUMPTION OF RISKS – AVALANCHES, ALPINE TERRAIN, WILDERNESS TRAVEL WEATHER

I am aware that participation in wilderness activities, involves many risks, dangers and hazards. Avalanches occur frequently in the terrain used for wilderness activities and may be caused by natural forces or by persons travelling through the terrain. I am aware that the Releasees may fail to predict whether the terrain is safe or whether an avalanche may occur. The terrain used for wilderness activities is uncontrolled, unmarked, not inspected, and involves many risks, dangers and hazards in addition to that of avalanche. These may include, but are not limited to: cornices; crevasses; cliffs; trees, tree wells; tree stumps; forest dead fall; creeks; rocks; rockfall; boulders; holes and depressions on or below the snow surface; variable and difficult snow conditions; hypothermia, snow immersion; effects of high altitude including pulmonary edema and cerebral edema; equipment failure; encounters with domestic and wild animals; impact or collision with other persons including other guests; becoming lost or separated from one's party or guide; negligence of other persons; and **NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF THE RELEASEES. I UNDERSTAND THAT NEGLIGENCE INCLUDES FAILURE ON THE PART OF THE RELEASEES TO TAKE REASONABLE STEPS TO SAFEGUARD OR PROTECT ME FROM THE RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS OF WILDERNESS ACTIVITIES.** Communication in the alpine terrain may be difficult, and in the event of an accident or illness, rescue, medical treatment and evacuation may not be available or may be delayed. Alpine weather conditions may be extreme and can change rapidly and without warning.

I AM AWARE OF THE RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH WILDERNESS ACTIVITIES AND I FREELY ACCEPT AND FULLY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS AND THE POSSIBILITY OF PERSONAL INJURY, DEATH, PROPERTY DAMAGE OR LOSS RESULTING THEREFROM.

NOTICE TO SNOWBOARDERS AND TELEMARK SKIERS - INCREASED RISK

Unlike alpine ski boot/binding systems, snowboard, and some telemark boot/binding systems are not designed or intended to release and will not release under normal circumstances, thus increasing the risk of not surviving an avalanche.

NON-SCHEDULED OR EMERGENCY EVACUATION, RESCUE OR FIRST AID

I acknowledge and agree that all expenses associated with non-scheduled or emergency evacuation, rescue or first aid will be my responsibility and will not be covered by the Releasees.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

In consideration of the Releasees allowing me to participate in wilderness activities as defined in this Agreement, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is acknowledged, I hereby agree as follows:

1. TO WAIVE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS that I have or may in the future have against the Releasees and **TO RELEASE THE RELEASEES** from any and all liability for any loss, damage, expense or injury including death that I may suffer, or that my next of kin may suffer as a result of my participation in wilderness activities, **DUE TO ANY CAUSE WHATSOEVER, INCLUDING NEGLIGENCE, BREACH OF CONTRACT, OR BREACH OF ANY STATUTORY OR OTHER DUTY OF CARE, INCLUDING ANY DUTY OF CARE OWED UNDER THE OCCUPIERS LIABILITY ACT, R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 337, ON THE PART OF THE RELEASEES. I UNDERSTAND THAT NEGLIGENCE INCLUDES FAILURE ON THE PART OF THE RELEASEES TO TAKE REASONABLE STEPS TO SAFEGUARD OR PROTECT ME FROM THE RISKS, DANGERS AND HAZARDS OF WILDERNESS ACTIVITIES REFERRED TO ABOVE;**

- 2. TO HOLD HARMLESS AND INDEMNIFY THE RELEASEES from any and all liability for any property damage or personal injury to any third party resulting from my participation in wilderness activities;
- 3. This Agreement shall be effective and binding upon my heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators, assigns and representatives, in the event of my death or incapacity;
- 4. This Agreement and any rights, duties and obligations as between the parties to this Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted solely in accordance with the laws of the Province of British Columbia and no other jurisdiction; and
- 5. Any litigation involving the parties to this Agreement shall be brought solely within the Province of British Columbia and shall be within the exclusive jurisdiction of the Courts of the Province of British Columbia.

In entering into this Agreement I am not relying on any oral or written representations or statements made by the Releasees with respect to the safety of wilderness activities, other than what is set forth in this Agreement.

I CONFIRM THAT I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTOOD THIS AGREEMENT PRIOR TO SIGNING IT, AND I AM AWARE THAT BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT I AM WAIVING CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS WHICH I OR MY HEIRS, NEXT OF KIN, EXECUTORS, ADMINISTRATORS, ASSIGNS AND REPRESENTATIVES MAY HAVE AGAINST THE RELEASEES.

Witness's Signature
Witness's Printed Name

Guest's Signature
Guest's Printed Name
Date
Signature of Parent or Guardian if guest is under age 19