



W7 Killington VT, 2024

Downhill Ski and Snowboard Trip

By popular demand, we return to Killington, Vermont – the Beast in the East! Killington is a huge resort with so many trails and ski options that it will be a challenge to do them all. The timing of the trip coincides with historical peak snow conditions. A combination of high elevation, lots of natural snowfall, and comprehensive snowmaking provides good conditions from early November until early April. At least 50% of the runs are groomed nightly, and several are left ungroomed for bumps enthusiasts. Expert skiers may even try the infamous double black “Outer Limits” run. This is an expansive resort. Killington is one of Vermont’s great skiing destinations and the largest resort in the East.

All rooms are in the Killington Grand Hotel. Condos are NOT available on this trip but to keep costs reasonable in spite of the USD exchange rate, we have arranged for two Studio room options with fully equipped kitchenettes. Standard hotel rooms have no cooking facilities.

This has been an HPSC favourite which offers good value, great camaraderie and superb skiing. For those who have not been to Killington before, take advantage of this wonderful mid week ski experience.

Dates

Sunday, March 17, 2024 – Friday, March 22, 2024

What does it cost

\$1,345 – Standard room, with 2 Queen beds.

\$1,275 – Studio with one Murphy bed and one sofa bed, double occupancy. For pre-assigned roommates.

\$1,235 – Studio with one Murphy bed. Suitable for couples.

Payment instalments

\$100 – online registration deposit, non-refundable

\$500 – October 31, 2023 to Merit Travel, non-refundable

+ cost of insurance if taken due at time of booking, non-refundable

Final balance due date: January 17, 2024

Trip Highlights

- ❄ 4 days of magnificent skiing on 6 interconnected peaks, 21 lifts including 3 gondolas at Killington resort (summit elevation 4,241', vertical drop 3,050') serving 155 trails
- ❄ Largest ski area in the eastern USA, 2nd greatest vertical drop next to Whiteface, NY
- ❄ 100' ski-bridge access to slopes
- ❄ 17% beginner, 40% intermediate, 24% advanced, 15% expert (double black)
- ❄ 4 day lift tickets
- ❄ IKON pass holders save \$270
- ❄ 5 nights' accommodation at Killington Grand Hotel, double occupancy
- ❄ Heated outdoor pool, 2 hot tubs, sauna, gym, spa
- ❄ Transportation by HPSC luxury coach
- ❄ No food included. A grocery run into town on Monday after skiing to stock up on supplies and refreshments for the week.
- ❄ Room options include studios with Murphy and sofa beds, and standard hotel rooms with 2 Queen beds.





Optional Deductions/Additions

Non-skier, deduct \$270 CAD

IKON Pass holder, deduct \$270 CAD

Single Supplements:

– Standard room 2 Queens -	Add \$640.00 CAD
– Studio 2 beds (Murphy&sofa) -	Add \$600.00 CAD
– Studio 1 bed (Murphy) -	Add \$585.00 CAD

What's included

All accommodation in Killington Grand Resort Hotel:

Killington Grand Resort is a full service mountainside hotel located at the resort base. While not ski in/out, it is a convenient 100' walk across a wooden ski-bridge to the lifts. No food is included and there are no cooking facilities in the standard bedrooms. However Studio rooms are equipped with kitchenettes with fridge, stove, DW, microwave, essential pots & pans, glassware, dinnerware and utensils. There is a café and restaurant in the hotel along with a number of retail outlets, including a wine store. Other restaurants and shops are within walking distance and a free Hotel shuttle is available in the evening to restaurants farther afield. There is an on-site health club, 75' outdoor heated pool and 2 hot tubs in the hotel. Rooms have TV/DVD players and there is free Wi-Fi throughout the hotel.

Lift Tickets

4-day lift tickets are included.

IKON pass holders and those who don't want lift tickets, deduct \$270 from the trip price.

No Meals

No food is included in the trip price. There is a restaurant in the hotel and a number of other restaurants close by. A grocery run into town is planned on Monday after skiing for those staying in kitchen-equipped studios to buy groceries for the week.

Transportation

To Killington ski resort and return will be by luxury coach.

Departure

On Sunday March 17, 2024 from Yonge & York Mills, Toronto at 8:30 AM, and 9:00 AM from a west-end parking lot.

On Friday March 22, 2014 from Killington at 10:30 am.

Good Value Trip

Killington offers an excellent skiing experience and the Grand is an up-to-date semi-luxury hotel at the base of the mountain with Green Mountain views from the outdoor heated pool and the hotel. In spite of the USD exchange rate, we have secured well appointed studios for those who wish to cook their meals. Those who choose the standard rooms will have the option to eat at various restaurants in the hotel, at the base of the mountain and nearby.





What you should know and fine print

Passport / Travel Documents

A valid passport is required for this US destination. A Visa may also be required if you are not a Canadian or US citizen. It is your responsibility to have proper travel documents on your person before the trip departs. Anyone who is not admitted to the United States will have to provide their own return transportation from the border. With the advent of recreational cannabis in Canada, you must meet customs regulations outside of Canada when traveling with the Club. You cannot bring any type of cannabis product into the US. The border guards are under Federal jurisdiction which prohibits transporting any form of cannabis into the USA. VT State law does not matter. Anyone who is not admitted to the United States will have to provide their own return transportation from the border.

Optional Travel Insurance

For overnight bus trips, members are responsible for arranging their own trip cancellation insurance and medical insurance. On USA trips, Out-of-Country health coverage in case of sickness or injury is **strongly recommended**. Insurance can be purchased from a number of Toronto sources. Some credit cards also provide coverage but check carefully that you are getting the coverage you want. All insurance claims must be made by the member to their own insurance company. Merit will arrange for Insurance quotes for all members from age 25-74 according to a published schedule and on an individual basis to those members age 75 and above. "Cancel For Any Reason" insurance rider can be added to any insurance option purchased through Merit.

Cancellation Policy

Cancellation from the trip is subject to payments already made and refunds are only available through self application through Insurance previously arranged. Refunds are **not** available from HPSC or Merit.

Resort web site

<https://www.killington.com/>

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Note

All applicable fuel surcharges and taxes in effect as of August have been included in the package price. However in these volatile times HPSC reserves the right to charge for any currently unanticipated increases in costs including fuel and taxes subsequently imposed by the resort or coach company.

