

NO EXCUSES, GET TO CRESTED BUTTE THIS WINTER

MT. CRESTED BUTTE, CO — Vail Resorts' Epic Pass has become a household name across the globe and offers access to some of the world's top winter resorts. For the first time, dedicated skiers and boarders have an opportunity to embark on an Epic Southwest Colorado road trip that connects two of the nation's most authentic, historic and picturesque mountain ski towns: Crested Butte and Telluride. New for the 2018-19 Winter Season, Crested Butte Mountain Resort and Telluride Ski Resort have partnered with the Epic Pass offering pass holders multiple days of skiing at each resort.

Individually known for their historic Western culture and legendary inbounds terrain, Crested Butte Mountain Resort and Telluride Ski Resort have both topped the wish lists of skiers and snowboarders for years. Located a quick three-hour drive from one another, this season, plan your own Epic road trip that includes plenty of time to experience the wonders of both resorts.

To aid in your planning, here are three of the top tips for visiting Crested Butte this winter.

Legendary Freeskiing and Riding

Crested Butte Mountain Resort features 542 acres of famous inbounds expert-only terrain known as the Extreme Limits. Primarily accessible off the High Lift and North Face T-bars, the Extreme Limits Terrain is notorious for the steep, technical chutes in Banana and Staircase, and the wide-open powder fields of Headwall and Hawks Nest.

If you truly feel that you are ready to test your mettle, guide your skis to the top of Rambo, North America's steepest cut run that caps at a puckering 55 degrees. After your first turns down the steeps at Crested Butte Mountain



CRESTED BUTTE, CO – Families love Crested Butte Mountain Resort with its scenic beauty and terrain for all abilities from perfectly groomed trails to steep and deep untracked powder. Plan your Epic visit for this winter.
Trent Bono photo courtesy of Crested Butte Mountain Resort

Resort, you will understand why some of the country's first extreme skiing competitions were held here.

When speaking about Crested Butte's legendary terrain, it is always worth mentioning one of the town's true living legends. World Champion and Olympic skier Wendy Fisher is an icon in big mountain freeskiing. An extreme skiing pioneer, Wendy has led women – and challenged men to follow – into some of the steepest terrain around the world. Throughout her successful skiing career, she has been fea-

ured in numerous professional ski films, raced for the U.S. Ski Team, competed at the 1992 Winter Olympic Games in Albertville, France, and holds two Extreme Freeskiing world titles.

Wendy discovered Crested Butte's Extreme Limits Terrain and decided to make the valley her forever home. Today, she raises her family of shredders in Crested Butte and hosts special clinics designed to help skiers find their next level of "fearless."

Guests are invited to participate in Wednesdays with Wendy on select dates throughout the winter season. Clinics cater to intermediate and advanced skiers, so it is not required that you ski like an Olympian to learn from one. The dates for Wednesdays with Wendy are Jan. 9 and 16, Feb. 13 and 20, and March 13 and 20 for the 2018-19 winter season. Visit www.Skicb.com/wendy

Friendly for Families

In addition to the Extreme Limits, CBMR offers skiing and riding suited to all ability levels. In fact, over 83 percent of the mountain is comprised of beginner and intermediate terrain, catering to never-evers and families. Whether cruising the beginner runs off the Red Lady Express or the long intermediate runs around Paradise Bowl, there is something for everyone.

For families looking for a little guidance, CBMR's Ski & Ride School (www.skicb.com/lessons-rentals/ski-ride-school) offers programming for all levels and nearly all ages. Beginning with the Cubs program, children ages 3 and older are encouraged to get out on the slopes to begin a life-long passion. Here is a quick tip from CBMR Ski Instructor and PSIA National Team Member Dustin Dyar about introducing your kids to the slopes. "The most important outcome for new skiers and riders is that they enjoy their time and want to do it again. Have patience and let them play!"

Location, Location, Location

CBMR is situated at the end of the road, surrounded by National Forest and some of Colorado's most beautiful scenery. While Crested Butte may be a little further down the road, the added time in the car can be saved in lift lines. Moreover, once in Crested Butte, the convenient proximity of lodging properties, restaurants, activities and downtown encourages guests to cache the car and immerse themselves in their vacation.

Now that visions of Wild West ski towns and deep powder turns fill your daydreams, it is time to make these feelings become reality. Luckily, Crested Butte Mountain Resort offers numerous discounts and packages to encourage a visit to Colorado's Last Great Ski Town.

Deep Savings Now, Deep Skiing Later

Savvy travelers rejoice: Crested Butte Mountain Resort (CBMR) is bringing back its popular 50 percent off lodging winter promotion. The best early season deal of the season includes 50 percent off CBMR-managed lodging properties for stays between Nov. 20 and Dec. 20, 2018.

Kids Ski Free

But wait, there's more. Crested Butte Mountain Resort's youngest guests can hit the slopes free! That is right, all kids ages 12 and under visiting CBMR between Nov. 22 and Dec. 13, 2018, ski or ride free. No strings attached, no parent ticket required, no lodging stay required, no advance reservations, just a good ole free ticket for the littlest rippers – and a sweet surprise for Mom and Dad. CBMR is also proud to offer free skiing to children ages 6 and under all season long. Family members have not been forgotten: on top of receiving steep discounts on lodging, guests can qualify for savings on lift tickets, rental equipment and lessons if booking directly through Crested Butte Vacations.

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