



## **GREAT CANADIAN HELI-SKIING**

# **2008 Heli-Ski Season Prices and Information**

*All-Inclusive tours including **Unlimited Vertical All Season**  
Smallest groups in the business, **4:1 guest to guide ratio**  
**Flexible holidays with 2 to 7 day tours available**  
Located in the **world's most famous powder skiing belt**  
Most **accessible** heli-skiing lodge from an **International Airport**  
**Fully connected** accommodation:  
Phone, wireless internet and LCD television available*

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***“We have never strived to be the biggest, just the best.”***

*Greg Porter, Proprietor and Product Tester*

## All-Inclusive Holidays, Unlimited Vertical, World Famous Powder!

Experience the luxury of our Unlimited Vertical powder holidays. From beginning to end you will dine on high mountain cuisine, disappear in a deep sleeping duvet, and descend the world's most famous powder snow.

Easy drive-in access to our wilderness lodge offers you the choice of a two-day getaway, or a self-indulgent week. High tech communications enable you to slip in and out of the real world so you can enjoy the remoteness of the lodge.

Relax with our all-inclusive price and experience small group service of just four guests per guide. Meet new friends, or join as your own group with family and friends, either way you are guaranteed an experience of enduring value.

*Dream Less, Live More!*

### Prices and Dates 2007/2008:

All packages for the 2006/07 Winter season include Unlimited Vertical skiing. Packages highlighted red have flexible start and end dates. Design your own holiday!

#### 6 Day Tours

Dates	\$ CDN	Final balance due date
Dec 15-22	6966	8-Sep
Dec 22-29	6966	15-Sep
Dec 29-Jan 5	6966	23-Sep
Jan 5-12	7655	29-Sep
Jan 12-19	8877	6-Oct
Jan 19-26	9544	13-Oct
Jan 26-Feb 2	9818	21-Oct
Feb 2-9	9818	27-Oct
Feb 9-16	9818	1-Nov
Feb 16-23	9818	1-Nov
Feb 23-Mar 1	9818	1-Nov
Mar 1-8	9818	1-Nov
Mar 8-15	9818	1-Nov
Mar 15-22	9818	1-Nov
Mar 22-29	9224	1-Nov
Mar 29-Apr 5	8636	1-Nov
April 5-12	7854	1-Nov

#### 5 Day Tours

Dates	\$ CDN	Final balance due date
Dec 15-22	5969	8-Sep
Dec 22-29	6036	15-Sep
Dec 29-Jan 5	6100	23-Sep
Jan 5-12	6615	29-Sep
Mar 15-22	8185	1-Nov
Mar 22-29	7765	1-Nov
Mar 29-Apr 5	7313	1-Nov
April 5-12	6652	1-Nov

## 4 Day Tours

Dates	\$ CDN	Final balance due date
Dec 15-22	4916	8-Sep
Dec 22-29	5019	15-Sep
Dec 29-Jan 5	5121	23-Sep
Jan 5-12	5486	29-Sep
Jan 12-19	6032	6-Oct (skiing Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat)
Jan 19-26	6358	13-Oct (skiing Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat)
Jan 26-Feb 2	6558	21-Oct (skiing Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat)
Feb 2-9	6558	27-Oct (skiing Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat)
Feb 9-16	6558	1-Nov (skiing Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat)
Feb 16-23	6558	1-Nov (skiing Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat)
Feb 23-Mar 1	6558	1-Nov (skiing Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat)
Mar 1-8	6558	1-Nov (skiing Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat)
Mar 8-15	6558	1-Nov (skiing Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat)
Mar 15-22	6558	1-Nov
Mar 22-29	6284	1-Nov
Mar 29- Apr 5	5952	1-Nov
April 5-12	5417	1-Nov



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*"Terrific operation. Very professional. Focus on safety and fun. Guides are excellent. We'll be back." - John*

### 3 Day Tours

Dates	\$ CDN	Final balance due date	
Dec 15-22	3882	8-Sep	
Dec 22-29	4035	15-Sep	
Dec 29-Jan 5	4188	23-Sep	
Jan 5-12	4393	29-Sep	
Jan 12-19	4599	6-Oct	(skiing Sun, Mon, Tues)
Jan 19-26	4752	13-Oct	(skiing Sun, Mon, Tues)
Jan 26-Feb 2	4915	21-Oct	(skiing Sun, Mon, Tues)
Feb 2-9	4915	27-Oct	(skiing Sun, Mon, Tues)
Feb 9-16	4915	1-Nov	(skiing Sun, Mon, Tues)
Feb 16-23	4915	1-Nov	(skiing Sun, Mon, Tues)
Feb 23-Mar 1	4915	1-Nov	(skiing Sun, Mon, Tues)
Mar 1-8	4915	1-Nov	(skiing Sun, Mon, Tues)
Mar 8-15	4915	1-Nov	(skiing Sun, Mon, Tues)
Mar 15-22	4915	1-Nov	
Mar 22-29	4802	1-Nov	
Mar 29- Apr 5	4599	1-Nov	
April 5-12	4188	1-Nov	

### 2 Day Tours

Dates	\$ CDN	Final Balance due
Dec 16-23	2653	8-Sep
Dec 23-30	2752	15-Sep
Dec 30-Jan 6	2850	23-Sep
Jan 6-13	2980	29-Sep
Mar 17-24	3276	1-Nov
Mar 24-31	3276	1-Nov
Mar 31- Apr 7	3145	1-Nov
April 7-14	2850	1-Nov

**Note:** All prices are in Canadian Funds and are subject to taxes 3% GST for Foreign Guests and 6% GST for Canadian Residents.

*“ Thanks again for a great time. Class operation you guys got there. Looking forward to the next trip.....” - Ronnie*

## All Tours Include:

- **Unlimited Vertical**
- **Maximum of 4:1 Guest: Guide ratio**
- **Maximum 3 groups per helicopter**
- **Maximum of 24 guests at the lodge**
- **Powder Ski/Board Equipment and Safety Equipment**
- **Accommodation at Heather Mountain Lodge and Gourmet Meals**

## Private Groups

The Private Heli-Tour offers the ultimate in privacy and versatility. With this option your guide and helicopter will cater to your pace, ability and terrain preferences. With a helicopter at your beckon, you can enjoy our most exclusive holiday available. Great Canadian offers 2 types of Private tours. Both experiences provide exclusive use of one A-Star helicopter with skiing from 9 am until 4 pm over 6 days.

The Semi-Private accommodates 8 skiers in two groups of 4 per guide, includes 7 nights double accommodation, minimum 9, maximum 15 hours of heli-time and private transfer from Calgary. Priced at \$ 115,000.

The Private accommodates 4 skiers with one guide, includes 7 nights Single accommodation, minimum 7 hours, maximum 10 hours with a 7 night package, and minimum 3.5 hours maximum 5 hours with a 3 day package of heli-time and private transfer from Calgary. Priced at \$69,500.

Extra heli-time is billed at a rate of \$2100 per hour.

## Terrain & Climate

**Our Ski Area** – The interior ranges of British Columbia – the Selkirk (Rogers Pass) and Purcell mountains – are possibly the most famous skiing mountain ranges in the world. They can offer phenomenal amounts of light dry powder snow, good flying conditions, tens of thousands of square kilometers of wilderness and ideal skiing weather. Great Canadian Heli-Skiing has an exclusive license to almost 2,000 square kilometers of the Selkirk and Purcell mountain ranges, along the north and east borders of Glacier National Park.

**Terrain** – There are hundreds of ski runs for your use, offering every type of terrain – glaciers, open bowls, gladed trees – and every slope angle and exposure. Our runs vary in length from 500 to 2100 vertical meters (approx. 1500-6900 vertical feet) and we ski at an altitude on average between 3000 and 1833 meters (9000 and 5500 ft).

**Temperatures** – Winter temperatures on average range between -7° to -15°C (20° to 5° F). On occasion temperatures can fall below these ranges producing very cold weather -30° C (-18° F).

**Snow Conditions** – The Selkirks and Purcells are renowned for the deep, dry consistent snowpacks that are ideal for heli-skiing. However, skiing conditions and stability in the mountains can deteriorate with excessive exposure to wind, sun, snow or possibly rain. While nature will dictate the conditions, our guides will focus on finding the best available skiing. Check out our on-line weather and conditions updates at: [www.canadianheli-skiing.com](http://www.canadianheli-skiing.com)

**Our average annual snowfall is over 14 metres (46 feet) and will typically build a base of more than 3.5 metres (12 feet)!**

## Safety

There are inherent risks to heli-skiing, which you will be taking while on a heli-ski vacation. Before you are able to join us heli-skiing you will be required to sign a waiver, thereby accepting the risks.

**Guides** – Great Canadian Heli-Skiing holds your safety as our priority. Our guides are experienced and certified professionals (ACMG or CSGA). They are all trained in snow safety, first aid and mechanized ski guiding.

**Snow and Avalanches** – Our guides are constantly practicing snow and avalanche management as they analyze the changes in the conditions and make guiding decisions accordingly. Each morning and evening our guides meet to evaluate and discuss the weather, snow stability and terrain based on field observations and data supplied by remote weather stations and the Canadian Avalanche Association.

**Helicopter and Pilots** – We use the ultimate heli-skiing machine the “A-Star B2”. These are powerful, comfortable helicopters, ideal for mountain flying. All of our helicopters and high hour mountain trained pilots are supplied by Canadian Helicopters, the largest helicopter company in Canada. Canadian Helicopters has the extensive infrastructure to maintain the rigorous maintenance schedule and safety inspections required for helicopters.

**Emergencies** – Continuous radio communication between the guides, the helicopter and our base is maintained. The guides carry extensive emergency gear in their packs and on the helicopter.

**HeliCat Canada & CWSAA** – We are proud members of the Canada West Ski Areas Association (CWSAA) and HeliCat Canada Association.

## Skiing and Snowboarding

### Ability

In order to fully enjoy your heli-skiing holiday you must be a strong intermediate skier/snowboarder. This means you have skied/snowboarded regularly over the last several years and are capable of controlling your self on treed ski runs, traverse slopes and can maneuver over variable mountain conditions. For example, at your local ski resort, if you are able to descend a black diamond run and maintain control you will likely be prepared for our terrain. Any experience that you have had in skiing powder would be an additional asset. We suggest regular skiing/snowboarding and fitness conditioning before your heli-ski vacation.

### Groupings

We ski with four guests per group. During your vacation we encourage our guests to ski with others who have similar interests or abilities. As a result of using small groups, compatibility is most often obtainable. The guides do reserve the right to rearrange the groups as they deem necessary.

*“Knowing the guides return year after year is reassuring and speaks highly of your business. The staff is friendly and approachable while the physical offerings are more than comforting. You provide holiday in the true sense of the word.” - George*

## Registration and Deposits

Read our brochures and/or website on the tours that we offer. Select a tour and a date that suits you. Read the Great Canadian Heli-Skiing Waiver before you book your package. This waiver will affect your legal rights and you will be required to sign a copy of this waiver before being allowed to ski/ride with us. Give us a call if you cannot find what you're looking for.

### Contact our Office at:

Phone: **1(250) 344-2326** or **1(866) 424-4354** Fax: **1(250) 344-2316**

E-mail: [info@canadianheli-skiing.com](mailto:info@canadianheli-skiing.com) with any questions or with a booking request.

### Initial Deposit

To secure your space, we require an initial deposit of \$500 for 2, 3, 4 day packages, \$1000 for 5 and 7 day packages, or 15% for Privates and Semi-Privates. The deposit is refundable up to May 1st, 2007. After May 1st, 2007, all deposits become non-refundable. We accept Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Wire Transfers and Personal Cheques.

### Final Deposit

Final balance of Deposit is due 14 weeks prior to your trip, **or** November 1st, 2007, whichever comes first. Any spot held will be subject to Cancellation if the full deposit balance is not received by the final deposit date. If you are booking after November 1st, the final deposit will be necessary upon the booking date. We accept Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Wire Transfers and Personal Cheques. Deposits are considered payments upon your departure date. Any additional charges or refunds will be presented at this time.

Deposits in US funds will be credited to your account at the exchange rate that we receive upon deposit at the bank. This rate is always subject to change.

**Wire transfers should be made to the account of:** Great Canadian Heli-Skiing Ltd, Acct #00350 - 010 - 40 11112 Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce Golden, B.C. Canada V0A 1H0, Tel: 1(250) 344-2244.

**Be sure that transfer instructions include your name and trip date.**

## Refunds

Refunds are \$75 per 1,000 vertical meters not skied based on the following guarantees: Private and 6 day - 30,500 vm, 5 day - 22,000 vm, 4 day - 17,500 vm, 3 day - 13,000 vm, and 2 day - 8,800 vm. Refunds will not be given if eighty percent of the guaranteed vertical has been skied. Refunds are given only for mechanical delays or inclement weather. Refunds will not be given for any unused part of a package due to physical and skiing abilities.

## Cancellations and Insurance

### Cancellations

We will refund all deposits made, less the non-refundable initial deposit; in Canadian Funds, for cancellations received in writing or by fax, 14 full weeks prior to the commencement date of your trip, or Nov. 1, 2007, whichever comes first. If you are unable to make your holiday after the cancellation date, the package you purchased is transferable to another person if you find a replacement.

**Please note** - the nature of our business requires that we make significant commitments of highly trained personnel and very expensive equipment well in advance of your skiing with us. We do this to ensure you have the best holiday possible when you arrive. As such, we cannot refund, in full or any unused portion of a trip, to customers who find they must cancel after the final deposit date.

### Insurance

When you make a reservation with Great Canadian Heli-Skiing you agree to terms and conditions stated in our insert. Our cancellation policy clearly states that the funds that you have deposited are absolutely non-refundable after May 1st 2007. We strongly recommend you purchase Cancellation and Interruption

Insurance in order to protect the funds that you have deposited should you need to cancel your trip. Cancellation and Interruption Insurance is available through our office, but it must be purchased at the time of initial deposit. Rates vary depending on your age, the duration and the price of your package.

## Travel Arrangements

**Clearing Customs:** All customers, including US citizens, should carry a Passport.

### Self Drive

Heather Mountain Lodge is the most accessible Heli-skiing lodge by car. Most of our guests choose to drive themselves by rental car and enjoy the magnificent scenery from Calgary. It is a 3.5 hour drive on the Trans Canada Highway. You will pass through beautiful Banff, Lake Louise and Golden with plenty of opportunities for pre and post-resort skiing. Check-in time is 5 pm and dinner is served at 7 pm, so book your flights accordingly.

### Saturday Shuttle

Those joining us for a Private or 6-day package may choose to let GCH do the driving. Our regular shuttle departs the Calgary International Airport Saturdays between 1:30 and 3 pm. Our escort will meet you at the airport's Meeting Place "C" near the International Arrivals Gate from 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm or from the Sheraton Cavalier Hotel at 1 pm. Please ensure that your flight arrives no later than 1:30 pm to allow for collecting baggage and clearing customs. We recommend that overseas travelers arrive Friday evening to avoid jet lag. When booking your return flight, keep in mind that the shuttle will return you to Calgary the following Saturday by 12:30 pm. **Do not book your departing flight for any earlier than 1:30 pm.**

### Driving Directions

Heather Mountain Lodge is located 3.5 hours west of Calgary on the Trans-Canada Highway (Hwy. 1). More specifically, 55 km west of Golden, 20 km east of Rogers Pass on Hwy. 1. Please call our office if you require more details or visit [www.canadianheli-skiing.com](http://www.canadianheli-skiing.com) for a map.

## Staying in Calgary

We recommend that guests stay at the Sheraton Cavalier Tel: (403) 291-0107 [www.sheraton-calgary.com](http://www.sheraton-calgary.com). This is a first class property located 2 minutes from the airport, with free airport pickup. Alternatively, you can stay right at the airport with the Delta Calgary Airport Hotel Tel: (403) 291-2600 ext. 6347. Ask for 'Great Canadian Heli-Skiing' rates when making reservations.

## The Lodge

The moment you set foot into Heather Mountain Lodge you'll realize you have arrived at a very special place. The craftsmanship and design are clearly reminiscent of a bygone era. Beautiful massive fir and larch beams are pinned together with oak and mahogany dowels and the exposed joinery techniques are a tribute to the timberframe craft. To complete the rustic ambience, two immense riverstone fireplaces enhance a most memorable mountain experience. The large, vaulted ceiling dining room offers panoramic vistas of the rugged Selkirk Mountains while you enjoy the high mountain cuisine prepared by our excellent chefs. Recently re-decorated guest rooms are sure to provide comfort, privacy and with the option of Satellite television you can now choose to keep up to date on news and events.

The altitude at Heather Mountain Lodge is 1200 m / 3600 ft.

### Lodge Communications

Heather Mountain Lodge utilizes the latest technology to provide the best communication services available. Every room now offers internet connections and phone. We also have a computer for guest use in the lounge and fax service available from the front desk.

### Lodge Expenses

Heather Mountain Lodge accepts cash in Canadian and US dollars, travelers cheques, Master Card and Visa. We do not accept personal cheques at the lodge. Optional expenses could include single room upgrade, LCD television upgrade, ski shop, liquor, massages, and gratuities.

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