

## Whistler Blackcomb Beats December Snowfall Record

- **All-time stats show more snow fell in December 2018 than ever previously recorded for December**
- **January launches with 74 cm between Jan. 2 and Jan. 3**

**Whistler, BC — Jan. 4, 2019** — In the final days of 2018, Whistler Blackcomb set a new snowfall record for the month of December and the snow hasn't stopped falling.

Daily statistics compiled by the mountain show a record 384 cm of fresh snow fell last month, beating the all-time record for a December month, set in 1994, by four centimetres.

"It was a phenomenal holiday period and we've got a great base to start the season, particularly given the snow we've had in the first days of January. It took some time to arrive this season, but it's not letting up," said Marc Riddell, Whistler Blackcomb & Northwest Public Relations Director.

Some 74 cm of snow hit the mountains between Wednesday afternoon and Thursday this week, temporarily closing the highway. With all 8,171 acres of the resort now open, the storm delivered prime conditions for the weekend, though some areas may remain closed, pending avalanche clearing.

Those headed to the mountains are asked to watch the website and social media for the latest weather and conditions, and check DriveBC for road information.

Snowfall facts and figures are posted daily on the [mountain's website](#), and can be found by clicking the snowflake in the upper right-hand navigation bar. The mountain also posts [live temperature and wind data](#), including wind speed and direction, to keep skiers and snowboarders as up-to-date as possible.

Regular updates on mountain operations are made to Twitter, [@Whistlerblackcmb](#), and an eyes-on view of the conditions through its [Mountain Cams](#). The [alpine snow report](#), with forecast information from its independent meteorologist at RWDI and the mountain's forecasters, has up-to-date information on incoming weather systems and the latest snow statistics.

### What's on in Whistler

- Love your wine. Love your mountains. Come wine and dine at 6,000 feet as Whistler Blackcomb launches the first **Winemaker's Après** of the year this Wednesday, January 9 at the Roundhouse Lodge. Winemaker Derek Kontkanen, of Inniskillin, hosts this wine-paired luncheon, offering oenophiles an intimate look at the tastes and story of a pioneer in the Canadian wine industry. Tickets are \$99.45 plus tax, available at >>
- New winter season **lodging deals** launch this weekend with up to 40% off a two-night and three-night accommodation and lift ticket deals, starting this weekend, for the month of January. Details at >>
- Whether you're a photography buff or a committed Instagram fan, the **Deep Winter Photo Challenge presented by Kokanee** cannot be missed. Back for its lucky 13th season, this time-tested photo competition brings a group of the world's top ski and snowboard photographers
- Spectacular **NEW Sightseeing** adventure – Join us on British Columbia's new gondola attraction. Mid-December, Whistler opened the Blackcomb Gondola, a 3.86 km trip to the Rendezvous Lodge in a fully enclosed 10 person gondola to join the Village Gondola and PEAK 2 PEAK in one continuous 13.5 km round-trip loop. Come enjoy a mountaintop lunch, take in the Roundhouse Umbrella Bar or simply venture up into the clouds for a taste of winter wonderland. Tickets available at >> [whistlerblackcomb.com](http://whistlerblackcomb.com)
- The **#MakeWavesMoveMountains Tour** stops at Whistler Blackcomb on January 26. This ride day with Roxy and pro snowboarder Robin Van Gyn will include coaching, lunch, a mini rail jam, apres, Roxy gear and more. Must be 16 years old to participate. Tickets are \$200 at [whistlerblackcomb.com/roxy](http://whistlerblackcomb.com/roxy).

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Eric Poulin shreds fresh powder on Whistler Friday afternoon after a 74cm snowfall mid-week. Mitch Winton/Whistler Blackcomb

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