

Kirkwood to Open for 2020-21 Season this Friday, Heavenly Expands Terrain

- Kirkwood is set to open on Dec. 4, weather and conditions permitting
- Reservations are required to access the mountain this season, details at [EpicPass.com](https://www.epicpass.com)
- In addition to our current operational guidelines, Heavenly, Northstar and Kirkwood will follow all State of California guidance for ski resort operators
- Photos available for media use, please click links for Heavenly, Northstar and Kirkwood images.

SOUTH LAKE TAHOE, Calif. — Dec. 2, 2020 – Kirkwood Mountain Resort will open for the 2020-21 winter season this Friday, Dec. 4. Opening Day and week-of reservations for Kirkwood began today.

Priority Reservation Days for the core season (Dec. 8-April 4) for Kirkwood Heavenly and Northstar are also available for pass holders. For more information and to make reservations, guests should visit [EpicPass.com](https://www.epicpass.com).

Kirkwood will have grab and go food options available seven days a week at Timber Creek Lodge and Monte Wolfe's from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and the General Store from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Restrooms will be open with limited capacity. Kirkwood encourages guests to bring their own water, food and snacks.

Kirkwood will open with more than 187 acres of beginner and intermediate terrain. By the Mountain Village, Solitude (Chair 5) will provide access to Lower Zachary, Mokelumne, Lower Monte Wolfe, Outlaw and Lower Olympic. At Timber Creek TC Express (Chair 7), Bunny (Chair 9), will provide access a range of progressive terrain including Free 'N' Easy, Hole 'N' Wall, Home Run, Janes Jaunt, Up 'N' Over, Squirrel Ridge, Funny Bunny, Graduation and School Run. Additionally, the Wonder Carpet will be available for ski and ride school guests only. Chairlifts will open at 9 a.m. and guests will be able to enjoy the mountain until 4 p.m.

This Friday, Heavenly will open additional terrain on the Nevada side of the resort, as well as skiing and riding access via the Heavenly Gondola. Skiing and riding will be available in both California and Nevada, accessible from the California Lodge and Heavenly Village base areas.

Additional runs opening in Nevada are California Trail, Tamarack Return, Big Dipper, Orion and Big Easy. Access to the Nevada and California sides of the resort will be available from either the Heavenly Gondola or California Lodge base area, with Sky Express chairlift providing access via the Skyline Trail to link the two sides. Additional chairlifts opening are Tamarack Express, Dipper Express, Big Easy, Baby Bear Carpet. Sky Express will open only for skiing access to Nevada.

Starting this Friday, and for the remainder of the season, Heavenly's sightseeing will remain open with limited availability and reduced hours of operation in order to prioritize the skiing and riding experience. There will be no online purchase option for sightseeing and guests can purchase at the Gondola Ticket Windows starting at 10:30 a.m. on a first-come, first-served basis.

Heavenly, Northstar and Kirkwood will continue to expand and open terrain as conditions allow. Guests are encouraged to visit [SkiHeavenly.com](https://www.skiheavenly.com), [NorthstarCalifornia.com](https://www.northstarcalifornia.com) and [Kirkwood.com](https://www.kirkwood.com) for updates on terrain, conditions, and our approach to safety this winter.

Early Season Conditions

With limited early season terrain, skiers and riders can expect certain days to book up and as resorts expand terrain, they will be able to accommodate more guests. Heavenly, Northstar and Kirkwood require all skiers and riders to observe all posted signs and warnings. Closed trails may contain hazards due to limited natural snow coverage and snowmaking operations. For the safety of all guests, please keep off closed trails and out of closed areas.

Dec. 6 is the Last Chance to Purchase the Epic Pass and Entire Suite of Products for the 2020/21 Season

The Epic Pass, Epic Local Pass, Epic Day Pass and entire suite of pass products, each providing unbeatable value, go off sale

Sunday, Dec. 6. For the greatest value and access, guests should lock in their pass sooner than later. Additionally, there are now only a few days left of the exclusive booking window for pass holders to lock in up to seven Priority Reservation Days for the core season before lift tickets go on sale Dec. 8.

Additional Resources:

[A letter from CEO Rob Katz on our approach to winter](#)

[Pass holder reservation details](#)

[Latest updates on about the upcoming winter season at Heavenly](#)

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