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Keystone Resort to Open on Saturday, November 2 with over 2 miles of terrain

2024-25 Opening Day experience to also feature a hike-to terrain park and live DJ music



Keystone, Colo. — October 31, 2024 — Keystone Resort announced today that it will open for the 2024-25 winter season on Saturday, Nov. 2 with 2 miles of skiing and riding on the signature Schoolmarm and Silver Spoon trails. Additionally, skiers and riders will have access to a hike-to terrain park on Spring Dipper and beginners will have access to learning terrain at the top of the River Run Gondola, utilizing the Kokomo Carpet. In celebration of Opening Day, guests who arrive early will be treated to free donuts and hot coffee. DJ experiences at the River Run base area and Summit House at the top of the gondola will keep the party going throughout the day.

"We are thrilled to get back on snow at Keystone! Early season wouldn't be possible without the hard work and dedication of our employees, and I am so grateful to be a part of this incredible team," said Keystone Resort Vice President and General Manager Shannon Buhler. "There's a lot to look forward to this winter, from year two of Bergman Bowl with its fun and approachable high alpine terrain for all levels to the return of the World's Largest Mountaintop Snow Fort to incredible events like our new Women's Weekend and the National Brotherhood of Snowsports Annual Summit. It feels really great to be back home in Summit County and here at Keystone, and the team and I can't wait to welcome skiers and riders back to the resort this winter."

Keystone's Opening Day terrain will be accessed via the River Run Gondola, with skiing and riding off the Montezuma Express lift. At the end of the day, guests will download the River Run Gondola back to the base of the resort.

Starting Saturday, the resort will be open daily from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and will stay open until 7 p.m. for night skiing operations on select Fridays, Saturdays, and holidays, starting on Thanksgiving.

Keystone will continue to make snow at every opportunity to expand terrain offerings this early season and will aim to open the Mountain House base area in mid-November, weather and conditions permitting. During the early season, resort uphill access remains closed until more terrain is open. Uphill access is only permitted on designated routes, before and after lift operating hours, and more information is available via the resort's safety page.

Elevating the On-Mountain and Village Experience
Last season, Keystone transformed the on-mountain ski and ride experience by adding more than 550 acres of lift-served terrain with the debut of the Bergman Express lift, making Keystone's high alpine terrain accessible to a wide range of ability levels for the first time ever.

Now, this winter, transformations are underway in Keystone's River Run Village, with the construction of Kindred Resort, anticipated to open in Summer 2025. The family-friendly Kindred Resort will feature luxury ski-in, ski-out lodging at the base of the River Run Gondola, including new restaurants, a full-service spa, and pool and hot tub facilities. It will also be the new home for the Keystone Ski & Ride School, and resort retail and rental shop.

But wait, there's more! This season, **Build-A-Bear Workshop** makes its debut in Keystone's River Run Village! Guests can commemorate their adventure on the mountain by choosing from dozens of furry friends, while bringing them to life with the iconic heart ceremony before decking them out in their very own unique Keystone merch. At 9,280 feet, Keystone Resort's new Build-A-Bear Workshop is the highest workshop of its kind, offering another one-of-a-kind experience that families can only find at Keystone Resort.

Mountains of Fun
This winter at Keystone, skiers and riders can look forward to mountains of fun ahead, including **the return of the World's Largest Mountaintop Snow Fort,** New Year's Eve Fireworks, a brand-new Women's Weekend event, the Kona Ski Beach, our signature Springtastic Slush Cup, and more. In addition, classic Keystone favorites will return including snow tubing, ice skating, night skiing, sleigh rides, and the Kids Ski Free program.

National Brotherhood of Snowsports Annual Summit, Feb. 22 – March 1
This February, Keystone Resort will host the National Brotherhood of Snowsports Annual Summit, bringing together 58 member clubs and thousands of supporters from around the world. The NBS Summit offers a week

of winter sports fun to raise funds to support their mission: increasing participation in winter sports while developing and supporting athletes of colorwho will win international competitions.

Epic Passes Available for a Limited Time – Prices Increase Nov. 17
2024-25 Epic Pass products are on sale this early season for a limited timeand skiers and riders have until Nov. 17 to purchase before prices increase Don't miss the chance to lock in the best value in skiing and riding by purchasing in advance, with a variety of options for every type of skier and rider from Epic 1-7 day passes, the Epic Local Pass and the full Epic Pass.Perfect for Pass Holders looking to make the most of their experiences, limited memberships to **My Epic Gear** unlock access to over 60 of the latest ski and snowboard models with the convenience of daily slopeside pick-up and drop-off.Visit EpicPass.com for more information and to purchase.

Your Pass, Now on Your Phone with the New My Epic App
This season, enjoy more laps and fewer lines thanks to the **Mobile Pass** feature on the **My Epic App**. Buy your pass or lift ticket online, activate and store on your phone in the new My Epic app, put the phone in your pocket and you're ready to go! Bluetooth technology designed for low energy usage means you get scanned, hands-free, on-the-go. For those who may not want to usemobile pass, plastic cards will continue to be available. More information about Mobile Pass and the My Epic app can be found on the Epic Pass website.

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