## Whistler Blackcomb Gears Up For Summer

World famous sightseeing and Whistler Mountain Bike Park 25th anniversary among highlights this summer at North America's largest all-season mountain resort.



Whistler, BC – May 16, 2024 – Whistler Blackcomb officially opens for summer operations this weekend. The resort is thrilled to welcome guests from the Sea to Sky Corridor, the Lower Mainland, across Canada, the U.S. and around the world for another summer of incomparable mountain adventure experiences.

The fun starts Friday, May 17 with the opening of Whistler Mountain Bike Park (WMBP) for its 25th anniversary season. Locally known as "Whismas," this highly anticipated event will feature exciting surprises and launch a season of events, activations and unparalleled mountain biking that will carry through to October. New this year, the freshly upgraded Fitzsimmons Express chairlift will make its WMBP debut, boasting increased upin creased upi

"Our dedicated team has been busy preparing our expansive trail network throughout Whistler Mountain Bike Park for the past several weeks," said Belinda Trembath, Chief Operating Officer at Whistler Blackcomb. "All that hard work is greatly appreciated as we welcome riders back for our 25<sup>th</sup>anniversary season to the world's premier mountain biking destination, which we're excited to share is fully operational for the first time since 2019."

For guests looking for adventure beyond the bike park, there are plenty of other ways to experience the stunning natural beauty of Whistler Blackcomb. The reimagined Summer Alpine Experience (formally the Summer 360 Sightsee Experience) opens to guests on Tuesday, May 21 via Blackcomb Gondola, offering lift-accessed alpine adventures and activities on the mountain with over 50km of hiking and trail running, mountaintop dining, sightseeing, special events and more. The world-famous PEAK 2 PEAK Gondola will start spinning for the summer on June 15, connecting both Whistler and Blackcomb mountains, and offering an even more expansive alpine experience. Peak Express is also targeting a June 15 opening, providing guests access to additional trails, as well as the iconic Cloudraker Skybridge and Raven's Eye Lookout. Guests are reminded that all operating dates are subject to change.

 $On top \ of \ these \ signature \ activities, \ guests \ can \ look \ forward \ to \ other \ on \ and \ off-mountain \ products \ and \ experiences, \ including:$ 

Bear Viewing Tours
Mountaintop Summer Feast
Family Adventure Zone
Whistler Farmer's Market
Valley Bike Rentals
Ziptrek Ecotours

Canadian Wilderness <u>4x4</u>, <u>ATV</u>, and <u>UTV tours</u>. CW also offers a mountaintop <u>Salmon Bake</u> culinary experience.

Mountain Skills Academy Via Ferrata and Glacier Tours

Summer Alpine Experience Season Passes and single-day lift tickets are on sale now with early-bird pricing available until June 16. WMBP Season Passes and single-day lift tickets are available for purchase with early bird pricing available until this Sunday, May 19.

Make sure to lock in your 2024.25 <u>Epic Pass</u> at the lowest price of the year before prices increase on May 27 and enjoy exclusive summer benefits at Whistler Blackcomb through <u>Epic Mountain Rewards</u>, including 20% off bike rentals, lodging, food and beverage. Summer Scenic Gondola rides are free with Epic Passes (excluding Epic Day Pass). Whistler Blackcomb Unlimited Pass Holders and EDGE Card Holders also receive great <u>summer perks</u> such as the Summer Alpine Experience with PEAK 2 PEAK Gondola access, plus savings on shopping and lodging.

To receive updates and real-time information about Whistler Blackcomb, along with other important news throughout the summer season, guests should download the new My Epic app (once in the app, look for the bell in the top right corner to see a feed of real-time guest alerts) or follow our social media channels: Instagram, Facebook, Resort Twitter/X, and Mountain Operations Twitter/X.

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## ABOUT WHISTLER BLACKCOMB

WHISTLER BLACKCOMB in British Columbia is North America's largest ski resort offering year-round adventure for all ages and skill levels. Summer is an incredible time to visit, with plenty to do, from mountain biking in our world-class Whistler Mountain Bike Park, to sight-seeing and hiking more than 50km of high alpine trails, to incredible events and experiences on-mountain.

Whistler Blackcomb operates on the unceded territories of the Lîlwat7úl (Lil'wat) Nation and Skwwó7mesh (Squamish) Nation, who have lived on these lands since time immemorial. The Whistler Blackcomb team has deep gratitude for the opportunity to live and work in this beautiful place, colonially known as Whistler. We encourage all guests of the resort to visit the Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre for an opportunity to respectfully learn about these lands, their people and culture.

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