



BLANKET GLACIER CHALET

START: 0730 Hrs (PST) Swiss Chalet, downtown Revelstoke

END: Early morning at Blanket Glacier Heli Staging South of Revelstoke

BASE MANAGER: Al & Marion Schaffer
OR Jami Kruger

INFO @BLANKETGLACIERCHALET.COM

- Our base manager is in Revelstoke. For whatever reason if your loved ones need to get hold of you at the Chalet either Al or Jami will be your contact. Our communication at the Blanket is over VHF radios with a satellite phone if we need to call out.

FIRST DAY:

0730 - Swiss Chalet.

- Continental breakfast is included for those staying at the hotel.
- We will have a copy of our waiver for you to sign

0745 – Drive to our staging area 20mins south.

- Drive Airport way until pavement turns to gravel, right turn on Greenslide road
- Google map - <https://goo.gl/maps/aUwer>

0830 – Vehicles are left in our secure parking lot

- Move all personal gear to helipad
- Wear all ski clothing, including ski boots.

0850 – Helicopter safety briefing

0900 – Heli exchange commences

**ALL TIMES ARE BASED
ON NORMAL WEATHER FLYING**

- Trips out will be done by 11am.
- If you need to be one on the road as soon as possible on your trip home, be sure to leave your car last in line for your escape
- Delays are subject to occur on poor weather days.

PRE-TRIP

TRIP INSURANCE

Anything can happen on your trip. Travel and cancellation insurance provide through [Lifestyle Financial Services](http://www.lifestylefinancial.ca) is highly recommended! It is affordable and very worth it. Click on the logo right now, follow the simple steps to set you up for success!

<http://www.lifestylefinancial.ca/index.php/travelinsurance/capow-canadian-powder-guiding>



WAIVER: Mountain activities are hazardous. There are inherent risks with traveling through an uncontrolled environment. Please take this time to read and understand this document before your trip.

- A copy is found at the end of this info package, and online.
- We will have copies the morning of. Please let us know if you have any questions.

**REVIEW THE WAIVER
BEFORE YOUR TRIP**

PACKING: We are very limited with space and weight flying everything into the Chalet with an A-Star helicopter. Gear will be weighed prior to flights in. If groups have excessively large or over weight gear that require an additional heli flight, groups will be financially responsible.

Personal ski gear – Wear all your gear as if you were going skiing. This includes ski boots.

- **Skis** – Strapped together, poles separate. No ski bags
- **Small duffle bag** – Max 30-40L . Either small duffle with sleeping bag outside or small sleeping bag inside medium duffle.
- **Normal daypack** – Max size 50L. Nothing strapped to the outside
- **Food boxes** – Liquor boxed sized and labeled. Banana boxes are too large.
- **Alcohol** – No glass. It is highly recommended to use Begbie Brewery for high quality beer.
- Total weight limit 45lbs/person – this does not include skis, food.

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45LBS/PERSON**

CHALET AMENITIES

KITCHEN: Fully equipped. Propane range oven with 4 burner stove. Filters provided for coffee. Large NEW (2016) outdoor BBQ.

HEAT: Wood Burning stove with propane furnace backup. Separate dry room for all outdoor gear.

SAUNA: Separate building with 10 person wood burning dry sauna. Heated change room and shower with stove generated hot water.

WATER SOURCE: Walking water delivered daily from adjacent creek.

FOOD STORAGE: Storage room with shelving to accommodate cardboard food boxes. Outdoor metal storage bin for fridge/freezer items. Electric freezer provided during warmer temperature weeks.

SLEEPING QUARTERS: Dorm style and semi private with single and double beds. Mattress covers and pillow slips provided.

LODGE WEAR: Hut shoes/clogs provided. Bring your own outdoor snow boots/booties.

CARETAKER: Its your party. We've been doing this for decades, so we want to make sure you maximize your trip and experience. A caretaker will be at the Chalet through the duration of your trip. They will quickly turn into family. Whether its making sure the sauna is ready for your return, the Begbie keg is tapped properly, or maybe you should get down from dancing on the table. They have local knowledge of area and terrain but aren't there to tell you where you should go skiing. You came to ski with your buddies, so make your own decisions on where to go. They will just supply you with the weather forecast and local avalanche bulletin. Have them join you for your group's dinner. The kitchen gets busy at night and it's a great way to connect at the end of the day. They will supply their own breakfasts and lunches, cause who knows if you decide to start early...or sleep in late.

**HAVE THEM JOIN
YOUR PARTY FOR DINNER!**

GROUP SAFETY :

Supplied

- Weather forecast and local avalanche bulletin information.
- 4 - Programmed VHF radios to be used in each ski group. Private Blanket frequency and all emergency contact channels.

- 1 - Rescue tarp/emergency toboggan
- 1 – Leg and arm split
 - **We believe in setting our groups up for success. These are supplied at no additional cost. They are required to be carried by groups in the field.
- Self-Guided groups are required to carry all other emergency, avalanche and first aid equipment

EQUIPMENT LIST

SKIING

- Ski Touring Skis (Bindings adjusted)
- Poles
- Skins (Cut and fit)
- Boots
- Avalanche Probe
- Shovel
- Avalanche Transceiver
- Helmet (recommended)

**WEAR ALL YOUR SKI
GEAR WHEN YOU FLY
IN AND OUT**

DAY PACK

- Day pack (no larger than 50L)
- Lunch Container
- Water bottle/thermos
- Sunglasses
- Goggles
- Toque
- Sunscreen
- Headlamp
- Pocket knife/screwdriver/Leatherman – (One tool to do it all)
- Personal first aid kit
- Extra transceiver batteries

**DON'T STRAP ANYTHING
TO THE OUTSIDE OF YOUR PACK
FOR THE HELICOPTER**

SKI CLOTHING

- Long underwear/undershirt
- Outer jacket/pants - Gore-tex style of shell, light and has some water proofing
- Fleece/ light primaloft
- Warmer Insulated Jacket
- Gloves – 2 sets – Thin pair for going up, thicker for going down
- Head Gear – Ball cap or headband for going up, Toque for going down
- Underwear
- Ski Socks

LODGE CLOTHING –We need to keep the amount of clothing down to a minimal because we are flying everything in by helicopter. We have a solar panel and generator for our electricity. There will be enough to charge cameras at night but don't bring any unnecessary electronic devices.

- Sleeping bag
 - Pillow and mattress covers provided
- Towel and Swimsuit for Sauna
- Lodge clothes
 - Toiletries
- Flashlight
- Hut shoes and insulated outdoor boots are provided.

**BRING YOUR OWN
SLEEPING BAG**

CMH HELI SKIING

The Chalet was built in 1983 by a CMH Heli-Ski guide Reiner Glyker after heli skiing in the area and realizing the potential. The Blanket Chalet has a shared tenure with CMH Revelstoke.

Although we share a lot of runs with heli skiers there are many areas that CMH does not ski. They no longer land on Castor peak or pick up at the lake where the Chalet is located. All runs facing Greenbush Lake don't have helicopter pickups therefor remain exclusive to Blanket Chalet touring groups.

**ESSENTIALLY WE'RE BOTH HELI-SKIING!
AT THE BLANKET WE JUST HAVE
A LONGER WAIT BETWEEN PICKUPS**

The area is CMH's poor weather and poor stability go-to. If they are skiing in the area, they have no other options for that day. We have an excellent relationship with the guiding team and operations at CMH. Every morning the caretaker at the Chalet updates CMH with current weather and conditions. Both parties communicate their plans for the day in an attempt not to create any overlap with either party. If CMH decides to ski in the area they will inform Blanket skiers at the soonest practical moment of their intention. At this time Blanket skiers will inform CMH of their location and must stay clear of any helicopter landings and approach/take off aerospace.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

ACCOMODATION:

Swiss Chalet Motel - Traditionally where our guests stay. Upon booking either mention you are going to Blanket Glacier Chalet or use BLANKET for discount code online

www.swisschaletmotel.com
(877) 837-4650

BEGBIE BREWERY:

Located in downtown Revelstoke

SKI SHOPS:

Valhalla Pure Revelstoke
213 Mackenzie Ave
(250) 837 – 5517

Skookum Cycle & Ski
Revelstoke Grizzly Plaza
(250) 814-0090

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**MARION AL AND MARTY SCHAFFER
WITH JAMI KRUGER AND OUR CARETAKING FAMILY**

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