

## Above average snowfall leads to another strong season for Mt. Bachelor

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BEND, Ore. – Mt. Bachelor's consistent snowfall allowed for another long snow season for skiers and riders. From the season opening on Friday, November 17 with the second annual Ski for Schools event, through the season's end on Sunday, May 20; Mt. Bachelor saw an above average 397 inches of snow. The 10-year average is 370 inches.

While many resorts across the country struggled to stay open, Mt. Bachelor snow levels allowed the resort to open on time and maintain excellent conditions for 185 days or nearly seven months of skiing and riding. This remains one of the longest seasons in North America. The strong snow level even allowed the resort to host the U.S. Snowboarding Grand Prix in February. The event, which included Superpipe and Slopestyle competitions, was relocated from Mountain Creek in New Jersey due to lack of snow on the east coast.

"Mt. Bachelor's natural snow and terrain provide for one of the best mountain experiences anywhere. We are blessed to have it in our backyard and call it home," explained Carly Carmichael, Director of Marketing for Mt. Bachelor. "Even with a very dry and warm March, early daylight savings time and a warm spring, we were able to reach the budget goals that we set out for this season. We must thank all of our loyal pass-holders, guests, hard working employees and of course Mother Nature for another successful season," Carmichael stated.

The resort will re-open on Saturday, June 30 for Summer Sightseeing. This year operations will move

back to the west side of the resort with lift service provided on the Pine Marten Express. Dining service will be available in the Pine Marten Lodge located at mid-mountain. During the summer, guests can hike and play Frisbee Golf. For information on summer activities please visit the Mt. Bachelor website. The resort will close for the summer on Labor Day (Monday, September 3).

Mt. Bachelor is in the Cascade Mountain Range just 22 miles from Bend, Oregon. More than 3,680 acres of terrain surround the classic cone-shaped peak of 9,065 feet. Mt. Bachelor receives approximately 370 inches of light, dry snow each year. MSN ranks Mt. Bachelor as one of the Top 10 resorts in North America.

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