

# SNOWBIRD, UT

## In the Little Cottonwood Canyon

The Greatest Snow on Earth! What's not to like?



Snowbird opened in 1971 (although the history of Little Cottonwood Canyon and the greater-Alta area extends back to the 19<sup>th</sup> century). Its initial owners were Ted Johnson (visionary discoverer) with financial support from Texas Oil-man Dick Bass (investor in development of Vail and the first man to climb the "Seven Summits"). It is primarily on privately owned land, rather than leases from the USFS. Over the years, it has expanded including over the backside into Mineral Basin, with an interconnect to nearby Alta Ski Resort (more on that later).

Nestled in Little Cottonwood Canyon in Utah's Wasatch Mountain Range (and located an unbelievably short 38-minute bus ride from the airport),

Snowbird is internationally known as being the home of the *Greatest Snow on Earth* and has some of the best lift-served terrain in the nation. They offer a wide variety of runs, 28% Beginner/38% Intermediate/35% Advanced-Expert, so there is something for everyone. The Top of the Bird is at 11,000 feet and they are known for having plenty of snow in mid-March, especially with an average of 500" (that's right 500") per year. Snowbird offers over 2,500 acres of legendary terrain, a 3,240' vertical drop, and a 3.5-mile trail from top to bottom.

Piccadilly is staying at the Cliff Lodge, with ski-in/ski-out luxury, a heated outdoor pool and hot tubs, and available Spa! Our pricing includes airfare, ground transfers, convenient lodging, Snowbird-only lift tickets\*, one breakfast, 10% discounts on Spa Club access, a mountain tour, a 20% discount on rentals, and all the fun that goes with being on a Piccadilly trip. Our club hasn't been to the Bird since 2002, so look out Little Cottonwood Canyon, here we come!



**Lodging:** Cliff Lodge (@Snowbird), Canyon View (2 Q beds, minifridge, coffee maker), 2 per room

**Flight info:** American Airlines direct into SLC (did we mention the short bus ride?)

**Dates:** 3/16/2024 – 3/23/2024

Lifts\*

**Cost:** \$ 2,350 (thru 9/7/23)

\$ 2,400 (after 9/7/23)



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\* A 5-day Snowbird-only lift pass (plus a 6th day free) is included in this pricing. The \$ surcharge for the Snowbird-Alta interconnect lift ticket is TBD and will be available later this summer. For those of you buying your own IKON Pass, note that Snowbird (and Brighton and Solitude, in nearby Big Cottonwood Canyon) are on the IKON full and Base Passes. Adjoining Alta is on the IKON full and Base Plus plan (talk to your trip leader for details). If you purchase your own IKON Pass, Snowbird will provide a credit of \$514 that can be used at the Snowbird resort for food, beverages (including alcohol), ski rentals (20% discount), in the shops, etc. During the 2023-2024 season, access to Brighton and Solitude in the Big Cottonwood Canyon was available via UTA bus with transfers (anticipated also available in 2024). IKON Pass Sheet explanation and helpful information to come.