

1. Welcome and Introductions

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2. Timeline and Information for 1st day of Travel

- We are flying on United Airlines flight number 1765.
 - Leaves Pittsburgh on February 24th, 2024 at 8:35 a.m.
 - Please arrive to the Pittsburgh airport by 6:30 a.m.
 - Tickets will be issued to you via an email once they are processed and we receive them.
 - You will have them on your phone for check in purposes.
 - Carry-on and under seat personal bag are Free. Please refer to the United Airlines website for baggage detail regarding size and weight. A checked bag meeting size specifications of 30" tall, 20" wide and 12" deep up to 50 lbs. will cost \$35.00 or \$30.00 if prepaid online.
 - You may check a Ski Bag and a regulation size boot bag, together, weighing no more than 50 lbs. for \$45.00 or \$40.00 if prepaid online.
 - Consider parking your vehicle securely at a place such as Globe Parking and taking their shuttle to airport.
- Flight arrives in Denver at approximately 10:15 a.m. Colorado is on Mountain Time – 2 hours behind PA.
- Roughly, anticipating 1.5 hours to exit plane, obtain luggage, ski equipment, and get on our shuttle bus to Breckenridge. We should leave airport around noon.
- Approximately 1 hour to arrive at Grocery Store including Beer/Wine/Alcohol for an hour of shopping. Make your shopping lists ahead of time to save time. Concerning food purchases, keep in mind that your unit at the hotel has a fully equipped kitchen. A large refrigerator/freezer, stove top without oven and microwave are also included. Full breakfast (see notes below) is provided each morning. Plan your purchases accordingly.
- There are no crock-pots available for use at the Inn.
- Roughly leaving the shopping spree around 2 p.m. with an additional 1-hour ride to Breckenridge.

3. Hotel Arrival and Information

- Anticipated arrival time to the Marriott Residence Inn at 600 South Ridge Street, Breckenridge, CO is around 3 to 4 p.m. The Inns number is **970-453-1181**.
- Room Assignments and keys given out at front desk.
- Provide at front desk: ID, Credit Card hold of \$40 is necessary and will be reimbursed if not needed as a security deposit.
- There is a secure (locked at night) ski/board and boot storage area near the front lobby desk. The Inn frowns at guests taking equipment to their room.
- After you are settled in your room, and if you plan to join us for the group dinner, prepare to meet in the lobby area around 5:30 p.m. We have made dinner reservations for 6 p.m. at Ollie's Pub and Grub. It is a 5 to 6 minute walk and is located at 180 Jefferson Avenue. We will leave the Inn at 5:45 p.m.

4. Daily Happenings/Plans/and Information

- Breakfast is served daily between 6:30 and 9:30 a.m. One or more of the 5 of us will be available daily between 6:30 and 7:30 a.m., at breakfast, to answer any questions or assist with any concerns. You may

reach us on our cell phones and we will try to get back to you ASAP. Do not hesitate to text us or leave voice messages.

- Breakfast menu includes pancakes, waffles, eggs, daily meat selection, yogurts, fruit, dry cereal, juices, coffee, tea, several varieties of breads and will accommodate gluten free needs.
- For safety and fun, we want to be certain that everyone has someone to ski with. Please let us know if you need someone to ski/board with.
- Some of you may only plan to ski/board half the day. There are numerous non ski/board activities to do in the afternoons. Check the daily info board and plan to join in the fun.
- Two great sites to check out for information about Breckenridge are: GoBreck.com and Residence Inn by Marriott Breckenridge.

5. Shuttle Information

- The Residence Inn Marriott Breckenridge Winter Ski Shuttle runs on demand every day between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. It is an easy 5-minute drive to the slopes. They drop off/and pick up at all the Breckenridge Base Areas
 1. Gondola (Breckenridge Station).
 2. Village (Quicksilver Chair).
 3. Beaver Run Lift.
- **They generally recommend starting at Beaver** – because it has the shortest lines.
- The daily shuttle driver will provide you with his/her cell number to call for a return ride to the Inn.

6. Additional Information to Share

- Remember to pack your MVSC Vest! In addition to the vest, remember your: bathing suit, pool type shoes, cell phone chargers, ski locks, saline nasal spray for nostril dryness.
- Altitude sickness - the town of Breckenridge sits at 9600' and the Summit on the slopes is 12,998'!
 - Symptoms: headache, weak legs, fatigue.
 - Keep hydrated, limit alcohol & caffeine intake, use Ibuprofen, adjustment first day acclimation, Sea Band Nausea Relief, Altitude Sickness Patches, and Diamox which is a prescription.
- Breckenridge Market & Liquor is located down our street at 311 Ridge Street. For shopping convenience.
- There are several second hand shops in town and one recommended is "For Pet's Sake" and donates to animal shelters.
- Wednesday, February 28th, your committee will provide a group dinner to enjoy. More on this will follow. This is an optional event and your cost is \$10 to cover the cost. Meal will be gluten free.
- For all those using transportation to and from the airport, we are requesting a minimum \$5 tip per trip, per person.
- With your permission, we would like to create a trip roster with members' names and cell phone numbers. Please let us know if you DO NOT wish to have your information made available.

7. Activities and Transportation to other local ski resorts

- The following information comes directly from members at The Marriott Inn. To book your Activities and Transportation: Patty Belletete, 970-262-0374. www.alpine-events.com/activities; patty@alpineactivities.com. Check it out if interested. You will find a flyer from the Patty site that will list numerous fun things to do.
- Nearby Epic slopes that you may be interested in and ways to get there. We attained this information from our Inn. 1. You can hire a shuttle to drive you round trip to Vail or Beaver Creek. They booked a group last year and it cost about \$50 per person with 10 people. Since it's a private shuttle, you can decide times. 2. You can take the Swan Mountain Flyer "Free Ride" to Keystone. Our hotel shuttle can take anyone to the Breckenridge Station for drop off and pick up.
- Dog Sledding Anyone.... Virginia found a place through Good Times Adventure Tours on Breck.com. Cost is \$180 per person.
- Scenic Sleigh Rides - \$60 to \$65 per person for a one- hour ride. Check out the link. <https://youtu.be/PSSOjqvyyil>
- Breckenridge is filled with fantastic restaurants for you to enjoy with all varieties of cuisine.