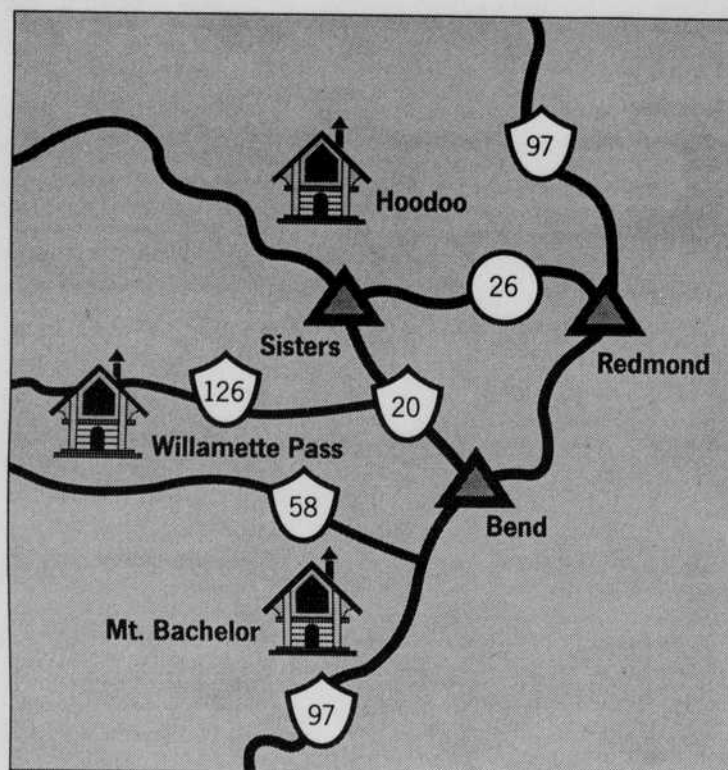




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WHERE TO GO FOR SNOW

Hoodoo**Base elevation:** 4,668 feet**Summit elevation:** 5,703 feet**Vertical rise:** 1,035 feet**Ski lifts:** Three quads, one triple chair, one double chair, two tow ropes and one carousel**Size:** 806 skiable acres; 120 acres maintained/groomed; 30 alpine trails; 30 percent beginner, 30 percent intermediate and 40 percent advanced**Hours:** Sunday, Monday Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.**Mt. Bachelor****Base elevation:** 6,300 feet**Summit elevation:** 9,065 feet**Vertical rise:** 3,365 feet**Ski lifts:** Seven express quads, three triple chair lifts, two Poma lifts, one wonder carpet and two tubing lifts**Size:** 3,683 acres; 1,600 acres groomed daily; 71 runs; 15 percent beginner; 25 percent intermediate; 60 percent advanced/expert**Hours:** 9 a.m.-4 p.m. weekdays; 8 a.m.-4 p.m. weekends and holidays**Willamette Pass****Summit elevation:** 6,683 feet**Base elevation:** 5,120 feet**Vertical rise:** 1,563 feet**Ski lifts:** One six-person detachable, four triple chair lifts, one double chair lift, one tubing lift and one magic carpet**Size:** 550 acres skiable terrain; 220 acres groomable terrain; 29 trails; six beginner, 13 intermediate, 10 advanced/expert**Hours:** 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m.**Sources:** www.hoodoo.com/skiinfo.htm, www.mtbachelor.com, www.willamettepass.com/main.html

Overcoming the hurdles

Mt. Bachelor is the perfect winter getaway with lodges, ski runs and restaurants — the only problem is getting there

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With the snow season approaching, outdoor enthusiasts are preparing to enjoy the recreation offered on the slopes of the Cascades. Mt. Bachelor is one of the 13 major mountain resorts in Oregon and has one of the longest ski seasons in the country, which begins in November. While Bachelor has only seen about a dozen inches of snow so far, the ski resort projects it will have the minimum of 20 inches it needs

open sometime during the week of Thanksgiving.

When planning a trip to Mt. Bachelor or any of Oregon's winter resorts, transportation is one of the first hurdles to overcome.

For those without a vehicle, Berg's Ski Shop will run a shuttle service to Mt. Bachelor, which will leave the shop at 6 a.m. Saturdays and return around 7 p.m. the same night. Tickets cost \$20 and must be reserved in advance.

Ullr Sport Shop runs a shuttle to

SHUTTLE SERVICES

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Shuttle service to Mt. Bachelor

Loads daily at 6 a.m. Saturdays and returns around 7 p.m.

Cost: \$20

Ullr Sport Shop, 207 Coburg Rd.

Shuttle service to Willamette Pass

Loads daily at 7:15 a.m. and returns at 5:45 p.m.

Cost: \$14 round-trip or \$10 for Passport members

Reservations are required for both shuttles.

Willamette Pass for \$14 round trip, which loads daily at 7:15 a.m. and returns at 5:45 p.m.

Reservations are required and can be made at the shop. Gear can be rented from either of these locations prior

to trip take-off or at the mountain shops. Getting gear beforehand helps avoid the long lines at the passes.

As an alternative to driving or shuttling, the Outdoor Program has a board of trip postings for the week. Trips are open to students and community members.

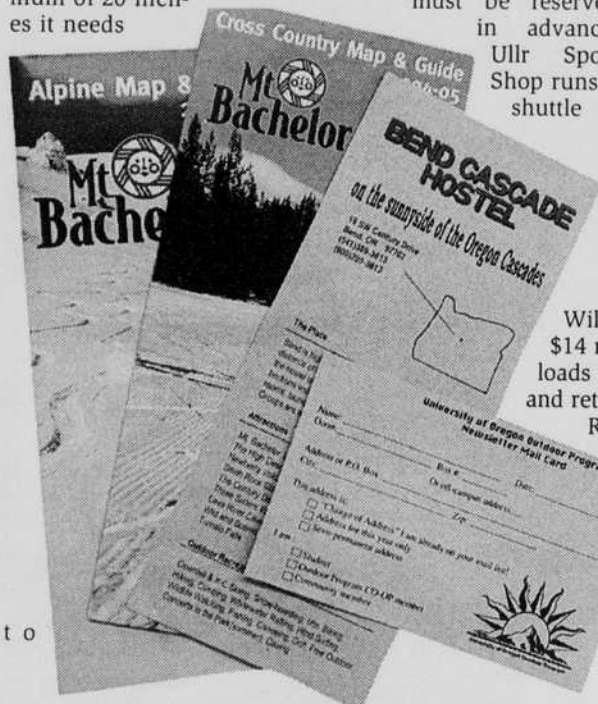
The Outdoor Program Future Trips clipboard has a trip to Sunriver for Thanksgiving weekend, initiated by senior Gabe Shaughnessy. The Outdoor Program will be renting a three-bedroom cabin with a hot tub. While students will purchase their own lift tickets, Shaughnessy said the benefit of an Outdoor Program trip is that shared expenses lower the cost considerably.

Sunriver is a 30-minute drive from Mt. Bachelor. There are various condos and houses that can be rented, and a number of lodges that cater to the winter sport adventurer. Bend is a 45-minute drive from Mt. Bachelor and has more options for a tighter budget.

Junior Sarah Kenney said she enjoys the perks of a family-owned condo at Sunriver.

"I pretty much fell in love with it the first time that I went," Kenney said. "My favorite thing to do is ride hard for about four hours and then go into the Pine Martin lodge and get some hot chocolate while I get warm."

Mt. Bachelor boasts six lodges, seven restaurants and a 17,000 square foot retail and rental center. Its 71 slopes range in difficulty from chutes, bowls and treed runs for experienced skiers to gently groomed runs for beginners. Its computerized ski rentals, electronic ticketing and high-speed lifts give guests as much mountain time as possible.



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