



2018 Summer News

EPICDISCOVERY

Epic Discovery: Heavenly's On-Mountain Summer Adventure

An extraordinary vacation is only a gondola ride away where a variety of activities are awaiting your discovery. Learn and play with your family on zip lines, ropes courses, mountain coaster, climbing wall, tubing and guided hiking tours. Enjoy delicious burgers and BBQ for lunch at Tamarack Lodge surrounded by Tahoe's unmatched scenery. At Epic Discovery you can stop by for your family's favorite activity or spend all day discovering everything Heavenly has to offer.

Now Open at Epic Discovery:

Scenic Gondola - sightseeing
Blue Streak Zip Line
Granite Peak Climbing Wall
Hot Shot Zip Line
Red Tail Zip Line
Boulder Cove Ropes Course
Skyway Zip Line Tour
Summer Tubing
Black Bear Ropes Course
Discovery Forest Ropes Course
Silver Rush Zip Line Tour
Bear Cub Ropes Course

TBD – Coming Soon:

Ridge Rider Mountain Coaster
Gemstone Panning
Summer Mini-Tubing
Summit Expedition 4x4 Mountain Tour

For more information on Epic Discovery hours of operation, ticket options and pricing visit <http://www.skiheavenly.com/info/epic-discovery>.

Summer Photos

Download our [summer photo library](#) of the Heavenly Village and Epic Discovery activities.

[Discovery Day Camp photo library](#)

Please credit all photos to Heavenly Mountain Resort.

Summer B-roll

- [Activities](#)
 - Heavenly Gondola, Observation Deck, panoramic Lake Tahoe views, Blue Streak Zip Line, Ropes Courses, Summer Tubing, Tamarack Lodge, Tamarack Lift, hiking trails.
- [Ridge Rider Mountain Coaster, Updated 2018](#)
- [Hot Shot Zip Line and Ropes Courses](#)
- [Discovery Day Camp](#)

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Epic Discovery Activities

New to Epic Discovery this summer:

- **Heavenly Yoga** – Experience one of the most breathtaking views of Lake Tahoe while practicing yoga at 9,123 feet. Start your morning off with a 2.4 mile scenic Gondola ride up to our Blue Sky Terrace, where a certified yoga instructor will greet you with an Epic Discovery water bottle and towel to take home, yoga mats are provided. Yoga classes are 75 minutes long and occur every Thursday morning throughout July and August at 10 a.m.
- **Gemstone Panning** – Gemstone Panning is an interactive activity simulating the gold panning that made the gold rush such a fascinating historical phenomenon in the 1800s in California. This activity gives a great historical context for the kids, and provides a souvenir to take home!
- **Live Music at Tamarack** – Enjoy family-friendly, local bands every Saturday from 1-3 p.m. at Tamarack Lodge starting June 16 through Labor Day weekend.
- **Learn and Play Your Way** – Express your creativity and learn about animals native to the Lake Tahoe Basin at our new Epic Discovery Visitors Center at the top of the Gondola. Kids and families can interact with animal tracks, pelts and skull replicas, or take part in our kids craft table featuring leaf rubbing and animal stamp activities.

Silver Rush Zip Line Tour: New last season, a guided zip line tour consisting of five zip lines takes guests from tree to tree at speeds of up to 40 miles an hour. Overlooking the high desert of the Carson Valley, the last zip line allows guests to fly over the waters of East Peak Lake. This intimate experience concludes with an ATV ride back to the top of the Gondola.

Ridge Rider Mountain Coaster

Reaching speeds of up to 27 miles per hour, guests can fly through the forest iconic rock formations while taking in panoramic views of Lake Tahoe. The alpine coaster allows guests, on individual sleds, to descend on a raised track through the forest and natural rock formations, utilizing gravity for the descent while still giving riders full control of their speed. Experience the thrill on this gravity propelled alpine coaster as you race on this 3,400' track featuring a 300' vertical drop and two lateral loops.

Blue Streak Zip Line

Enjoy incredible views of Lake Tahoe as you glide through the sky on Heavenly's 3,300-foot-long zip line. With top speeds at 55 miles per hour, this is a great way to get your adrenaline fix all while soaking up the beautiful California sunshine and refreshing mountain air.

Skyway Zip Line Tour

Experience the ultimate alpine adventure with the guided Canopy Tour. Immerse yourself in the forest habitat with seven ziplines, two aerial bridges and one rappel station. Learn about the mountain ecosystem while working your way through each course's challenges.

Summit Expedition 4x4 Mountain Tour

Explore Heavenly in this open-air off-road ATV while on a guided tour around the mountain. This unique tour allows you to see both Lake Tahoe and panoramic views of Heavenly's surrounding mountain peaks including Job, Job's Sister and Freel Peak. You will learn about Tahoe's ecosystem and geology from your personal tour guide.

Hot Shot Zip Line

Take in one-of-a-kind views of Mt. Tallac and Pyramid Peak as you and up to three of your friends or family race down the four parallel lines on Heavenly's 1,000-foot-long zip line at top speeds of 40 miles per hour. This is a great way to build up your courage before testing your nerves on the Blue Streak Zip Line.

Red Tail Zip Line

The children's zip line is 15 feet off the ground and 100 feet long, providing a great introduction into zip lining for children.

Bear Cub Ropes Course

The children's ropes course is a sized-down version of Heavenly's larger ropes courses, Boulder Cove and Black Bear, and features similar obstacles including ropes and logs that are suspended five to eight feet off the ground.

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Granite Peak Climbing Wall

The Climbing Wall is an exhilarating man-made rock wall inspired by the legendary rock climbing available in the Sierra Nevada mountain range. The permanent rock climbing wall is 25-feet-tall with 15 defined climbing routes varying in difficulty and utilizes TruBlue auto-belays on each route. A unique feature of the wall is the quick-jump, 35-foot rapid descent that emulates free-falling, accessed by an adventurous climb up the Goat Trail.

Summer Tubing

Breeze down a thrilling 500ft-long hill, without snow or water! With our specially designed tubing surface, Heavenly summer tubing will have you smiling ear to ear. Once at the bottom, step on the carpet lift to take you back to the top!

- **Mini Tubing**

- This 250-foot long course allows kids with the little explorer pass to experience the thrill of tubing – located right alongside the regular tubing hill.

Discovery Forest Ropes Course

Located in the wooded area behind the Bear Cave, the Discovery Forest Ropes Course is a tree-top ropes course adventure that is fully integrated into the natural environment. This course brings the beauty of the National Forest up close and personal as you move around and through natural and man-made obstacles in the trees.

Black Bear Ropes Course

The Black Bear Ropes Course features challenges that are not as long as the other two ropes courses, making it ideal for families with younger children, smaller participants, or first-timers. With a variety of routes to choose from, this ropes course will inspire the most daring guest and create an appetite for adventure. The course ends with a 30-foot controlled descent.

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Boulder Cove Ropes Course

The Boulder Cove Ropes Course, located at the bottom of the Gondola stairs, is designed for the adventurer wanting to pursue a greater challenge. Featuring two levels, this course allows participants of all skill levels to progress to the higher, more difficult level if they choose.

Interpretive Learning

Heavenly's project integrates a "learn through play" environment and a robust interpretive learning component with curriculum created in collaboration with the Forest Service, the League to Save Lake Tahoe and The Nature Conservancy. Learning stations are positioned around Tamarack Lodge, providing a self-guided tour that includes Story Stakes, Animal Abilities and Pathway Stones:

- Story Stakes – Feature interpretive stories about native animals, plants, trees and the environment accompanied by fun facts and photos.
- Animal Abilities – Each Animal Ability station provides a hands-on interpretive experience for you to experience the incredible abilities of Tahoe's local animals. The loop trail showcases six unique Animal Ability activities.
- Pathway Stones – Along the path from the Granite Peak Climbing Wall to Tamarack Lodge, you will discover six boulders featuring stories of the Tahoe area – its pioneers, history, recreation and preservation.

Scenic Gondola Ride

A 2.4 mile ride up in the Heavenly Mountain Gondola will leave you breathless as you take in panoramic views of Lake Tahoe. On your way up, stop at the Observation Deck for photos, a latte at Cafe Blue or a unique Heavenly souvenir at The Gondola Sports shop. Once you get to the top, head up the Tamarack Express chairlift with your Scenic Gondola ticket for some of the best views of Lake Tahoe and access to a series of hiking trails, ranging from beginner to expert.

Discovery Day Camp

Heavenly's summer kids camp program, offers our pint sized visitors an unforgettable day of nature, exploration, adventure, and fun. Children ages 5-12 years old spend an entire day with our rock star camp leaders exploring the great outdoors, all at the top of Heavenly Mountain Resort. From 9am-4pm, the program is packed with a gondola ride, ropes courses, scavenger hunts, hiking, relay games, wilderness survival skills, and more! Half-day, full-day and multi-day packages available 7 days a week. For additional information visit www.skiheavenly.com/summercamp

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Epic Discovery Center: In collaboration with Heavenly and the U.S. Forest Service, this interactive center features a theater and kid's zone. There is also a water bottle filling station modeled after the Sierra Nevada mountain range's complex and fragile watershed.

1% for the Forest - Heavenly in Partnership With the Nature Conservancy

Together, we are creating eco-discovery experiences at Heavenly to promote education and awareness of our unique environment. Interpretive Discovery Zones will be seamlessly integrated at trails and activities throughout the Mountain, where guests can actively learn about the Mountain, its animals and the environment. In addition Vail Resorts has created a new program called "1% for the Forest," where we will contribute 1 percent of all summer activity revenue to The Nature Conservancy for forest health restoration projects out West. Here's to partnering for something big: the forest.

Call 1-775-586-7000 to book activity reservations

Reservation Office Hours: 10am-4pm PDT

Pricing and Package Options

We have many ways to plan and enjoy your Epic Discovery Experience!

- Grab our [Ultimate Adventure Pass](#) for an all-inclusive day of memories
- Book one of our [Zip Tours](#) for a guided day gliding around the mountain
- Pick 3 activities for the kids (under 42') with the [Scout Sampler Pass](#)
- Or head up the Gondola and pick from the Individual Experiences

New Value Deals

- Ultimate Adventure Pass Family Pack - Buy 3, get the 4th free
- [Guided Zip line Tours](#) - Buy 3, get the 4th free

What to Know

Prepare for your summertime discoveries, [here's what to know before you go.](#)

Social Media Tags

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Facebook: Heavenly Mountain

Instagram: @skiheavenly

Twitter: @skiheavenly

Heavenly Weddings

Weddings at Tamarack Lodge

Available as a post-ceremony reception or a special event venue, Tamarack Lodge's floor-to-ceiling windows showcase the mountaintop of Heavenly. Tamarack Lodge is available for mid-June through September events and can accommodate groups of up to 300 either indoors or on the outdoor deck. At an elevation of 9,150 feet, Tamarack Lodge will take guests' breathe away.

Blue Sky Terrace

Tucked in the serene wooded landscape adjacent to the Mid-Station Observation Deck, the Blue Sky Terrace seamlessly blends into the natural surroundings and is the new addition to venue options at Heavenly. This private, three-tiered natural stone and wood terrace provides an unrestricted view of Lake Tahoe and the Sierra Nevada mountain range. Accommodating an intimate group of 30 family and friends up to a larger group of 300 guests, the Blue Sky Terrace is available mid-June through September and includes a variety of different packages. Following an outdoor ceremony at Blue Sky Terrace, photos and a cocktail hour on the Observation Deck, continue up the Gondola for a private reception at Tamarack Lodge, located at 9,150 feet.

Lakeview Lodge

Lake Tahoe serves as a stunning backdrop for both a ceremony and reception at Lakeview Lodge, aptly named for the unfiltered view. A mile-long, scenic ascent via the Aerial Tram brings guests to 8,200 feet and the dual-purpose venue. Following an outdoor ceremony
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overlooking Lake Tahoe and wedding photos on the patio as the sun sets behind Mt. Tallac, dance the evening away under the stars or inside the two-tiered dining room, which offers a lounge area for non-dancers. Pick from two indoor dining rooms that can accommodate groups from 80-170, or combine those areas and use the entire lodge to accommodate up to 250 guests. With both indoor and outdoor options at one location, Lakeview Lodge is available from late May through mid-October.

2018-2019 Season Passes on Sale

- [Tahoe Local](#)
- [Tahoe Value](#)
- [Epic Local Pass](#)
- [Epic Pass](#)

For more information and to purchase season passes, please visit EpicPass.com.

About Heavenly

High above the sapphire-blue waters of Lake Tahoe, Heavenly Mountain Resort is one of the most unique mountain resorts on the planet. With 4,800 acres of off-the-grid terrain, incredible views of Lake Tahoe and high-energy on-mountain experiences, the choices are endless. Heavenly is a subsidiary of Vail Resorts, Inc., the leading mountain resort operator in the United States. skiheavenly.com.