

## QUESTIONS YOU MEANT TO ASK...AND THEIR RESPECTIVE ANSWERS

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The following questions and answers, compiled from a variety of sources, should provide information to make your choice of the trip to Mammoth Mountain and June Mountain, California an easy decision.



**Q: Where are Mammoth Mountain and June Mountain and how will we get there?** A: Mammoth Mountain and June Mountain are sister mountains located in the Eastern Sierra Nevada Mountains of east central California. We will fly from Norfolk to Reno on Delta Airlines via Atlanta and Salt Lake City. After our 1133 scheduled arrival in Reno, we will travel by motorcoach (about 165 miles) to our lodging at Mammoth. We will leave Norfolk on Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:50 am. We will leave the mountain Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup> and spend that night at a casino resort hotel in Reno prior to our return flight on Saturday, February 27<sup>th</sup>. We will arrive back at Norfolk at 4:46 pm. [Flight details subject to change.]

**Q: What kind of living arrangements can we expect?** A: We will be staying **slope side** in the Juniper Springs Resort condos. These four-person, 2-bedroom, 2-bath condos are AAA rated three-diamond units just steps from the Eagle Express six-pack lift. They offer a full-service guest experience with amenities such as reception desk check-in, complimentary ski and board check service, daily housekeeping, workout facilities, free Wi-Fi access, as well as outdoor pool and whirlpool spas. Each condo includes a gas fireplace, television, VCR, telephone, private balcony, a fully equipped kitchen, and dining area.

**Q: What is the story with the shuttle system?** A: Mammoth Mountain and Mammoth Lakes operate an extensive free shuttle system. The various routes commence about 7 am and run until about midnight. During the ski day, the shuttle operates every 15 minutes or more frequently to accommodate the skier load. In the evening, shuttles run on a schedule every 30 minutes or 60 minutes, depending on the route. In addition to the free shuttle system, the Juniper Springs Resort provides courtesy transportation to the Village and Main Street in town.

**Q: What about eating at Mammoth?** A: We will have one or two group meals while we are on the trip. More details later. There are many on-mountain eating establishments providing anything from a quick snack to superior slope side fine dining. The town of Mammoth Lakes is the site of many dining options. A free shuttle around town and to/from the mountain operates from 7 am till about midnight (see shuttle question above). And our condos have fully equipped kitchens; we plan to stop at the supermarket in town, en route from Reno.

**Q: What days will we be skiing?** A: Our lift tickets will be good for a total of five days of skiing -- four days at Mammoth Mountain and one day at June Mountain. We will have our own transportation for the day at June Mountain, about 20 miles from Mammoth Lakes. Current plans are to have skiing available on Friday with a mid-afternoon departure for Reno where we will spend the night at a casino resort hotel prior to our Saturday morning return to Norfolk.

**Q: What kind of skiing will we find at Mammoth?** A: Mammoth Mountain is just that...**mammoth!** As indicated on the reverse, Mammoth has 3,100 feet of vertical in its 3,500+ acres of skiing served by 28 lifts (plus 6 carpets) from four base areas. These lifts include two express "six-packs", nine express quads, one quad, seven triples, two 8-passenger- and one 15 passenger gondolas. Whether you ski or ride, prefer steepers to cruisers, solitude or a party, Mammoth has a trail for you. The mountain has several terrain parks and half-pipes. And the mountain is rated 25% Green, 40% Blue, and 35% Black. **The Ski magazine resort survey ranks Mammoth number 12 overall and number 2 for both Terrain/Variety and Lifts.**

**Q: What about skiing at June Mountain?** A: June Mountain is the smaller, sister mountain to Mammoth. With a 2,590-foot vertical over its 500+ acres of skiing served by 7 lifts, June Mountain has earned a reputation as "the place" for enhanced terrain. The mountain is rated 35% Beginner, 45% Intermediate, and 20% Advanced.

**Q: How will we get to June Mountain?** A: Our own bus will pick us up at our lodging and take us directly to June Mountain. It is about a 30-minute ride.

**Q: What about snowboarding?** A: Both areas have full and excellent snow boarding areas. The Mammoth Mountain Unbound terrain park system is ranked number one on the continent with extensive "freestyle" half-pipes, terrain parks, and terrain features.

**Q: What about nightlife?** A: Most of the nightlife is in Mammoth Lakes and the Village at Mammoth is increasing the amount of entertainment available. Both are easily accessible by the free shuttle system.

**Q: Do "seniors" receive a discount?** A: Yes. There is a \$121 senior discount on lifts available for skiers 65+ and anyone 80+ skis free (that is a discount of \$249). There are also discount rates for Children, Youth, and Teens; just ask.

**Q: What if I have more questions?** A: Contact Bill Bryan, at (757) 851-0748 or by e-mail at [billb-1111@cox.net](mailto:billb-1111@cox.net).