

# Mammoth Trip FAQs



Welcome to the Long Beach Ski Club trips to Mammoth. This document is intended as a reference to answer many questions ski club members might have about these trips. If you still have a question, contact the VP of Mammoth Trips from the “CONTACT US” section of the website.

## Snowflower Condo

A reminder that the club rents condos, not hotel rooms, for these trips. The difference being that some of the amenities one might think would be available might not be. Some examples:

- There is NO maid service during the stay, so everyone needs to clean up after themselves and help keep common areas clean.
- There isn't a front desk or concierge service.
- You should NOT plan on getting the bedding nor towels changed out during a trip. It is possible to get fresh sheets and towels, but it requires some coordination with the management company and will probably be taken care of the following day.

Be considerate of other members in the condo when in the common areas of the condo especially in the early morning and the late evening. Walking around the common areas on the middle floor makes noise for those people staying in the first-floor bedrooms. Making noise in this same common area will disturb those people sleeping in the loft area.

The condos do NOT have the typical electrical outlets you might find in a recently built home. There are more than enough outlets, but it's recommended that you consider bringing a power strip, if you have several items you want to plug in.

Please keep in mind that plugging too much stuff in at once can trip the circuit breaker, which is an inconvenience for you as well as others in the condo. Sometimes the electrical panel is in a locked area of the condo and requires someone to be called out to gain access. Please be considerate when plugging in higher current devices like boot heaters, hair dryers, curling irons, etcetera.

## Configurations

The condos are a total of three stories:

- Ground Floor
  - Master Bedroom: This bedroom has an attached bathroom, a walk-in closet, and typically a queen bed; however, some condos do have a king bed.
  - Bedroom 2: This bedroom has an attached bathroom and typically a queen bed.
- Middle Floor: Common area
  - Living Room
  - Kitchen
  - Bathroom – common to the condo but primarily for those in the loft
- Top Floor (i.e., loft): Three beds, typically twin beds. Some condos have a full or queen bed.

## Amenities (typical)

- Ground floor storage area of skis outside of the condo. This may not be locked.
- Two Jacuzzis are in the complex near the pool. They are circled in green in the “Snowflower Complex Layout” section below. There is a changing room and a shower by the Jacuzzis.
- The kitchens are typically reasonably stocked for basic cooking (e.g., pots, pans, knives, cutting boards, etc.), with a dishwasher, coffee pot and toaster. Dish and dishwasher soap, dish cloths and paper towels are provided.
- Clean sheets and pillowcases are provided along with pillows and blankets. If you are particular about your pillow or want your special blanket, then you should bring it with you.
- Bath and wash towels are provided (one each per person). If you need/want an additional towel, then you need to bring it up with you. The towels from the condo are **NOT** for use at the Jacuzzi/Sauna – see “Condo Rules” section below.
- Soap and shampoo are provided, but they are pretty basic. It is strongly suggested you bring something up with you.
- Blow dryers, curling irons, etc. are **NOT** located in these condos, so if you need one be sure to bring it.
- TV and Internet are provided.
- Some condos have a washer and dryer but NOT all of them.

Condo and bedroom/loft bed assignments are determined by the Trip Coordinator. Every effort is made to accommodate member requests (e.g., wanting to be in the same condo as another member); however, this is not always possible.

## Condo Rules

- Please bring your own outdoor towels to use at the Jacuzzi/Sauna Common Area & Summer Pool Common Area. The towels supplied with the condo are not intended to be used outside of the condo.
- There is no smoking and no pets allowed.
- Review the binder in the condo for condo specific notes, rules, and the check-out procedure.

## Food

The club will provide coffee for the condos with creamer and sugar available on request. One evening includes a club dinner for all members staying in a club condo. For the weekend trips this is Saturday evening. The club dinner will be at one of the condos. The details will be included in the email about the specific trip.

You are encouraged to bring food and beverage supplies for your time in the condo. There is a Vons located near the condo that is under a mile from the condo. You can walk there; however, the RED LINE bus goes there – see “Transportation” section below. There are numerous places to eat in Mammoth too.

## Parking

Each condo has two parking spots with a tag for each car. Primary assignments of these will be for members who are carpooling other members. Typically, we have not had an issue with parking, but on busy weekends finding an open spot can be more challenging.

Per the Mammoth Lakes Police Department: There is no street parking from November 1 through April 30. Vehicles found parked in violation of these ordinances are subject to receiving a parking citation and/or in some cases, vehicles may be impounded at the owner’s expense.

## Transportation

Mammoth has an excellent bus system that you can use to get within the town of Mammoth and up to the resort. And it's free! The RED LINE has a stop right outside of the complex on Minaret Road (see highlighted stop in the "Sunflower Complex Layout" section at the end). You can get more details on the routes at <https://www.estransit.com/routes-schedule/seasonal/>.

A winter transit map can be found at <https://www.estransit.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/Winter-2023-Map.pdf>.

Keep in mind that when the weather is bad (i.e., LOTS of snow), the times outlined below may not apply. You can get the status of the buses at <https://www.estransit.com/>.

### Daytime Travel

Getting to Main Lodge in the morning: Take the RED LINE stop number 4 outside of the complex. The stop times are at 1 minute, 21 minutes and 41 minutes after the top of the hour from 7 AM to 5:30 PM. For example, during the 8 o'clock hour the bus should pick up at:

- 8:01 AM
- 8:21 AM
- 8:41 AM

You can stay on this bus all the way to Main Lodge. The transit time to main lodge can be a bit variable. It typically takes about 30 minutes, but slick roads and traffic can extend this time.

Other Locations in Mammoth: You can get to a variety of other locations within the town of Mammoth from this same RED LINE stop.

- Vons grocery store: This is at stop 9 on the RED LINE bus.
- The Village: This is at stop 18 on the RED LINE bus.
- Canyon Lodge: Take the RED LINE bus to stop 18 (The Village) and then use one of the following methods. Keep in mind that in the morning the lines for the BLUE LINE bus or Village Gondola can be long – The Village is a central location at Mammoth and VERY BUSY during peak times.
  - Walk across the plaza in The Village to the BLUE LINE, which goes up to Canyon Lodge
  - Take the Village Gondola, located in The Village Plaza, right above McCoy's ski shop. This goes directly up to Canyon lodge.
- Eagle Lodge: Take the RED LINE bus to stop 9 and then take the GREEN LINE bus to Eagle Lodge.

### Evening Travel

The free wintertime Night Trolley operates every 30 minutes from 5:40pm until 2:00am seven nights per week. The Night Trolley stops at the RED LINE stop number 4 starting at 5:41 and then every 30 minutes thereafter. The Night Trolley does NOT go to Main Lodge but makes a large loop to The Village, up to Canyon Lodge and back – essentially a hybrid of the RED LINE and BLUE LINE. The RED LINE stops identified above are the same for the Night Trolley.

## Ski Lockers

The club will reserve lockers at Main Lodge. To rent a locker, go to the Guest Services window, mention Long Beach Ski Club and request lockers on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. These should be lockers 450 to 531.

The window for Guest Services is located on the first floor of Main Lodge at the far-right entrance of the building, as you are looking at the lodge from the parking lot. The sign over the door will be “LIFT TICKETS” and is directly in front of the RED LINE stop for Main Lodge.

## Lunch Meet Up

The club tries to meet at noon for lunch in the Main Lodge in Roma’s Room. This is a good time to coordinate with other members to ski in the afternoon or for those interested in going out for dinner. It is an open area so look for other ski club members who are sitting together at one or multiple tables.

## Trip Cancellation

In the event a member needs to cancel out of a trip they have paid for, the club will work with the member to find another member to replace them. If a member cancels prior to the Early Bird date for the trip, they will receive a full refund of their payment. A member who cancels after the Early Bird date, may not receive their full payment back depending on the club’s ability to find another member or members to utilize the space.

**NOTE: The member needs to go to the event and cancel their registration.**

Any full or partial refunds to members for a trip cancellation after the Early Bird deadline must be approved by the Long Beach Ski Club’s Board after the trip, based on the financial impact to the club.

## Inclement Weather

In general, getting to Mammoth is relatively easy and generally the highways are open. If you are driving up, you are advised to have chains with you in your vehicle. You can see more on the chain level requirements here at the [Caltrans Chain Controls / Chain Installation webpage](#). Another good resource for see the status of highways in the state is the [Caltrans QuickMap](#) that allows you to see the status of road conditions throughout the state. It is also available as an app on GooglePlay and the Apple AppStore ([Caltrans Mobile QuickMap](#))

Highways 395 and 203 are the two highways that go to Mammoth.

While the closure of highways 203 or 395 is unusual, it is a good idea to be prepared, in case you are in Mammoth, and they close one or both of these highways. Having an extra day of medicine, food and clothing is smart ... “Just in Case”.

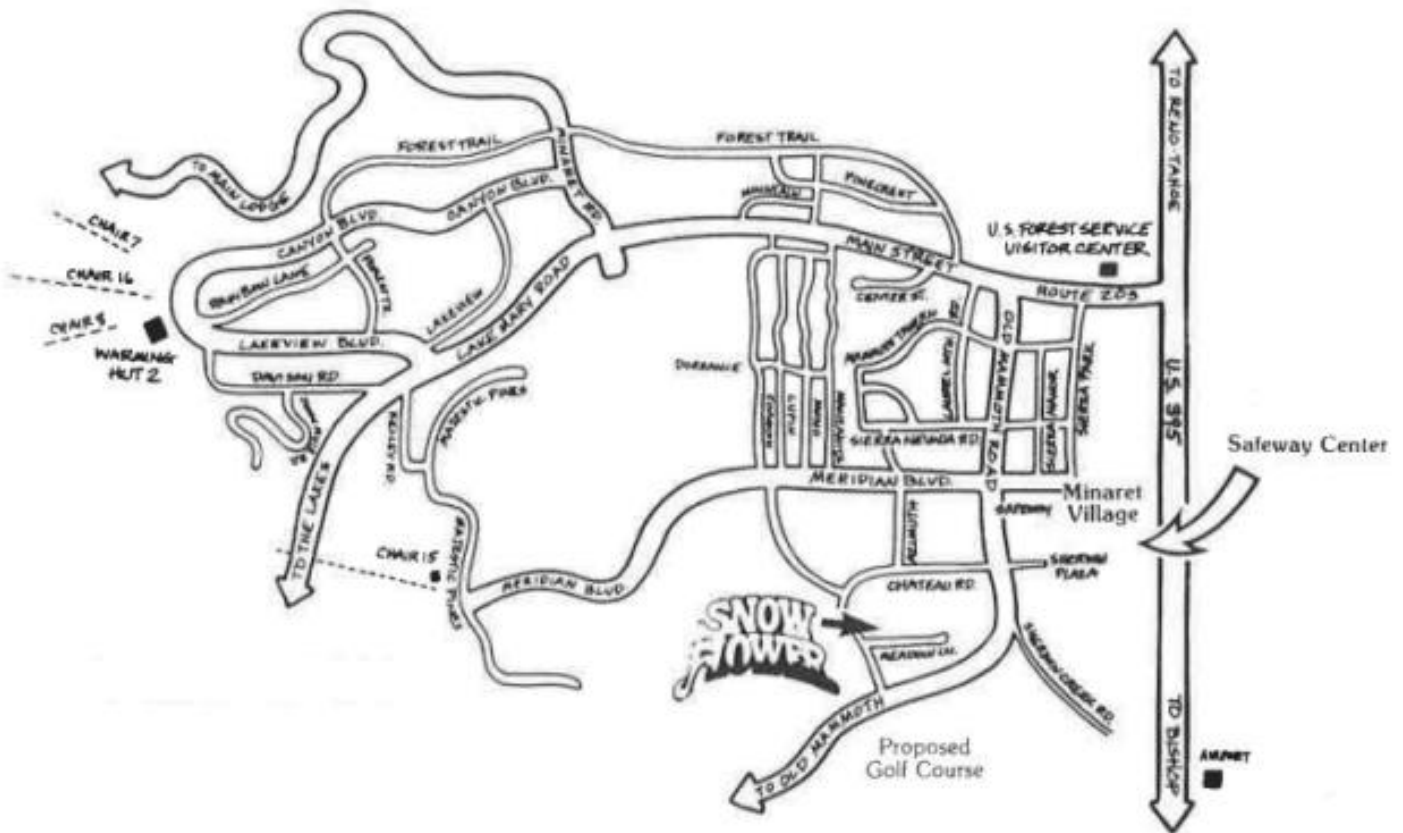
## Maps

### Snowflower Complex Location

The complex is located at 4710 Minaret Road, Mammoth, CA, 93546.

#### Directions:

- Follow Hwy. 203/Main St. to Old Mammoth Rd
- Turn left on Old Mammoth Rd and stay on Old Mammoth Rd past the Vons. The map below is older and shows it as the “Safeway Center”.
- Turn right on Minaret Rd.
- Turn Right into the Snowflower condo complex.



## Snowflake Complex Layout

The condos the club has utilized are circled in blue.

The complex Jacuzzis are circled in green.

The dumpster (trash) locations are in purple.

