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Where to ski in Ohio

Alpine Valley

■ **LOCATION** — 10620 Mayfield Road, Chesterland, 18 miles east of Cleveland off U.S. 322.

■ **PHONE** — Ski conditions, 216-729-9775; other information, 216-285-2211.

■ **FACILITIES** — Five slopes for beginner, intermediate and advanced skiers; longest run 2,000 feet, vertical fall 240 feet; snowboarding in designated areas and cross-country skiing.

■ **LIFTS** — Three rope tows, one double, one quad and one J-bar.

■ **HOURS AND RATES** — Weekends and holidays, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. or 2-11 p.m., \$15 per adult or \$12 for child 12 or younger; 1 to 5 p.m., \$13.50 adult, \$11.50 child; 5-11 p.m., \$13 adult, \$11 child. Monday and Friday, 3-10:30 p.m., \$14 adult, \$12 child; 5-10:30 p.m., \$13 adult, \$11 child. Tuesday through Thursday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., \$12 adult, \$10 child.

■ **SKI RENTAL** — \$13.

Brandywine

■ **LOCATION** — 1146 W. Highland Road, Northfield, 25 miles south of Cleveland on Highland Road, between Ohio 21 and Ohio 8, four miles east of I-77.

■ **PHONE** — Ski conditions, 216-650-2754 or 216-467-8197; other information, 216-467-8198.

■ **FACILITIES** — Eighty acres of skiable terrain for beginner, intermediate and expert skiers; longest run, 1,810 feet, vertical fall 241 feet.

■ **LIFTS** — Four quadruple, one triple and one double lift, six rope tows.

■ **HOURS AND RATES** — Weekends and holidays, 8:30 a.m.-11 p.m.; weekdays 9:30 a.m.-11 p.m.; night skiing Friday and Saturday, 9 p.m.-3 a.m.; beginner \$6 anytime; chairlift, \$10 to \$13.

■ **SKI RENTAL** — Adult, \$7 to \$13; children 12 or younger, \$3 off rental package, \$2 off chairlift ticket; senior citizens 60 or older, \$2 off lift and \$2 off rental on non-holiday weekdays or nights.

■ **INSTRUCTION** — One hour group, \$8 per person; one hour semi private, \$10 each; one hour private, \$20.

Boston Mills

■ **LOCATION** — Riverview and Boston Mills roads at Peninsula, between Cleveland and Akron north of Ohio Turnpike.

■ **PHONE** — Ski conditions, 216-657-2210 or 216-467-1891; other information, 216-657-2334.

■ **FACILITIES** — Seven slopes and trails for beginner, intermediate and advance skiers; longest run 1,700 feet; vertical fall 240 feet; six acres with dual race course and four miles of trails for cross-country skiing.

■ **LIFTS** — Two double and four triple chairlifts, two rope tows.

■ **HOURS AND RATES** — Weekends and holidays, 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m., \$14; 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m., \$17; 1-11 p.m., \$17. Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m., \$12; 1 p.m.-11 p.m., \$14; night skiing every weekend 6-11 p.m. and Friday and Saturday 9 p.m.-1 a.m., \$12; beginner's area ticket, \$8 anytime; child 12 or younger, \$2 off posted lift rate; senior citizen \$2 off on weekdays.

■ **SKI RENTAL** — Complete package, \$13 for adult, \$11 for child.

■ **INSTRUCTION** — Half-hour private, \$12; one hour private, \$20; two persons, \$12 each; three people, \$10 each.

Clear Fork

■ **LOCATION** — At Butler, 15 miles southeast of Mansfield, off I-71 east on Ohio 97 to Butler or Ohio 95 from Wooster.

■ **PHONE** — Ski conditions, 1-800-237-5673 (Ohio only), other information, 419-883-2000.

■ **FACILITIES** — Nine slopes for beginner, intermediate and advanced skiers; longest run 1,800 feet; vertical fall 300 feet.

■ **LIFTS** — Two rope tows, one J-bar, one hand-diebar, one quadruple, one triple and one double chairlift.

■ **HOURS AND RATES** — Weekends and holidays, 9 a.m.-10 p.m., \$18 adult, \$12 child 12 or younger; 4 p.m.-10 p.m., \$15 adult, \$10 child; half-day on weekends and holidays, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., \$15 adult, \$10 child. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m.-10 p.m., \$15 adult, \$10 child; 10 a.m.-5 p.m., \$13 adult, \$10 child; family rate, reduced rate for child when accompanied by one paying parent; special ski packages start on Jan. 6, call resort for details.

■ **SKI RENTAL** — Complete package, \$14 adult, \$11 child.

■ **INSTRUCTION** — Group lesson, \$5 for one hour; private, \$18; semi-private, \$11 per person.

Echo Hills

■ **LOCATION** — 9500 Bauer Road, Logan; four miles off U.S. 33 by taking Ohio 180 east to Voris Road and Bauer Road.

■ **PHONE** — Ski conditions and other information, 614-385-8760.

■ **FACILITIES** — Four slopes and five trails for beginners, intermediate and advanced skiers; longest run, 4,800 feet, vertical fall 340 feet; cross-country skiing.

■ **LIFTS** — Two rope tows and one chairlift.

■ **HOURS AND RATES** — Weekends and holidays, 10 a.m.-10 p.m., \$12.50; 4-10 p.m., \$10. Monday through Friday, \$10; 4-10 p.m., \$8.

■ **SKI RENTAL** — Complete package, \$10 for adult, \$8 for child 12 or younger.

■ **INSTRUCTION** — One hour private, \$10; semi-private, \$8 per person; group, \$3.50 per person.

Mad River Mountain

■ **LOCATION** — Off U.S. 33, five miles east of Bellefontaine.

■ **PHONE** — Ski conditions, 513-599-4225; other information, 513-599-1015.

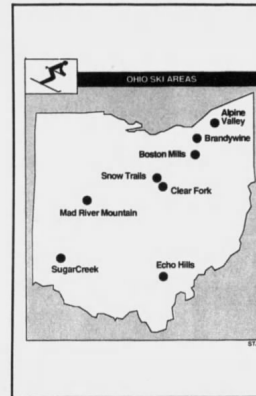
■ **FACILITIES** — Six slopes and trails for beginner, intermediate and advanced skiers; longest run, 3,000 feet; vertical fall 300 feet.

■ **LIFTS** — Two double and one triple chairlift, one T-bar, three rope tows.

■ **HOURS AND RATES** — Weekends and holidays, 9:30 a.m.-10 p.m., \$17.75; after 4 p.m., \$15.75; after 4 p.m., \$13.25; 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., \$15, all ages. Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m.-10 p.m., \$15.75; after 4 p.m., \$13.25; under 12 and over 65, \$13.75; after 4 p.m., \$11.75.

■ **SKI RENTAL** — Complete package, \$14 adult, \$12.50 for child 12.

■ **INSTRUCTION** — One hour group, \$5 per person; private, \$19; semi-private, \$13 per person; three people, \$10 per person.



SKIING TIP

■ **OHIO'S TOLL-FREE** number to get information about skiing conditions at eight Buckeye ski resorts is 1-800-BUCKEYE.

■ **MICHIGAN'S TOLL-FREE** number for information about skiing is 1-800-543-2937. That puts you in touch with the Michigan Travel Bureau.

■ **FREE SKIING LESSONS** and free lift tickets will be given Jan. 8 at 37 skiing resorts in Michigan. The occasion is a statewide program to encourage more people to try the winter sport. For a list of participating resorts, call the Michigan Travel Bureau.

■ **SILVER STREAK** Weeks will be observed at five resorts near Traverse City, Mich. Everyone 55 years of age or older can get free lift tickets and cross-country skiing passes Feb. 1-5; free group lessons Feb. 8-12; and grandchildren can sleep and ski free when staying with their grandparents, Feb. 15-19. For details, contact: Traverse City Area Ski Council, 2616 McClintock, Bloomfield Hills, Mich. 48013, or call (313) 332-5050.

Snow Trails

■ **LOCATION** — Five miles south of Mansfield off I-71 and Ohio 13 to Possum Run Road, hence two miles to the resort.

■ **PHONE** — Ski conditions, 1-800-332-7669 (Ohio only); other information, 419-522-7393.

■ **FACILITIES** — Twelve slopes and trails for novice, intermediate and advanced skiers; longest run, 2,000 feet; vertical fall, 300 feet; cross-country skiing.

■ **LIFTS** — One double, three triple chairlifts, four rope tows.

■ **HOURS AND RATES** — Weekends and holidays, 9 a.m.-10 p.m., \$20. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m.-10:30 p.m., \$17; after 4 p.m., \$17; after 7 p.m., \$10; child 12 or younger, \$1 discount on rates; family ski plan, two members purchase regular adult tickets and children may ski for \$4 on weekdays or \$7 on weekends.

■ **SKI RENTAL** — Adult, \$15; child, \$13.

■ **INSTRUCTION** — One hour group, \$6 per person; half-hour private, \$15; one hour private, \$25; semi-private, \$16 per person; three people, \$13 per person.

Sugarcreek Ski Hills

■ **LOCATION** — Bellbrook along the Little Miami River at Washington Mill Road.

■ **PHONE** — Ski conditions, 513-848-6211; other information, 513-848-4356.

■ **FACILITIES** — Five slopes for beginners, intermediate and advanced skiers; longest run, 1,600 feet, vertical fall 200 feet.

■ **LIFTS** — Two four-place chairlifts, two rope tows.

■ **HOURS AND RATES** — Weekends and holidays, 9:30 a.m.-10:30 p.m., \$17; 5-10:30 p.m., \$13; night owl Saturday, 8 p.m.-4 a.m., \$13. Monday through Friday, \$13.

■ **SKI RENTAL** — Weekends and holidays, 9:30 a.m.-10:30 p.m., \$13; Monday through Friday, anytime, \$13.

■ **INSTRUCTION** — Free lesson to first-time skiers; private half-hour lesson, \$15; semi-private, \$7.50; for details about complete ski school program call information number.