

TAHOE DONNER DOWNHILL

FIRST TIMERS AND PARENTS GUIDE

5 Steps to Making Your Tahoe Donner Downhill Experience Better



Whether it's your first time on skis or a snowboard, your first time at Tahoe Donner Downhill, or you're bringing the family out for some winter adventure and learning, this guide will help you hit the slopes without missing a beat. Tahoe Donner specializes in teaching children and first-timers and we aim to make your experience easy and fun!

1 Before You Come

Proper clothing – Dress yourself and your family according to the weather. Waterproof pants and gloves are a must for beginners. Hats should be worn on stormy or very cold days. Wear socks made for skiing or snowboarding, not regular socks. Sunglasses should only be worn during fine weather – wear goggles for stormy weather. Most goggles have UV protection and can also be worn in good weather if desired. Our Sport Shop has all the items you need.

Check the weather – We keep updated snow conditions on our Snow Report page at www.skitaohedonner.com, also check www.weather.com for the regional forecast.

Give yourself plenty of time – If you're a parent; you know that it always takes a little extra time to get your children organized. If you are planning to take lessons, ski or snowboard, arrive at least one hour before the lesson is scheduled to begin. You will need this time to get your tickets and rental equipment.

Directions – From Interstate 80: Take exit #184 Truckee turning east onto Donner Pass Road. At the stoplight, turn left onto Northwoods Blvd. Follow signs approximately 4 miles up to the Downhill Ski Area.

2 Take the Shuttle

It's FREE and easy – Our shuttle bus makes rounds through the parking lots from 8 a.m. – 4:45 p.m. and brings you right to our ticket windows. After parking your car, go to the shuttle bus stops marked by shuttle signs and wait for the bus.

3 Choose Your Rental/Lesson Package

Ski and Snowboard Lesson Packages
These packages are designed for First Time and Improvement skiers and snowboarders that need rental equipment and lessons. Package includes a full-day lift ticket, a 90 minute group lesson and a full-day ski equipment rental. Adult – \$70, Child – \$58.

Group Lessons

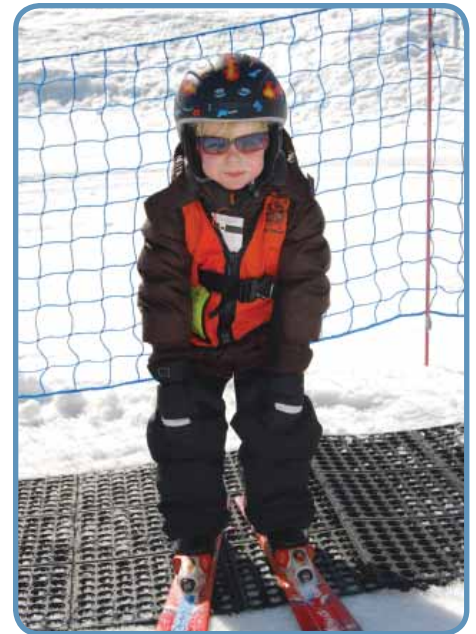
First-timers through advanced skiers and snowboarders. Lift ticket must be purchased separately. Single Lesson – \$35, Additional Lesson – \$25.

Midweek (non-holiday)

10:30 a.m. – First-Time Ski & Snowboard
12:30 p.m. – Improvement Ski & Snowboard
2:30 p.m. – All Levels Ski & Snowboard

Weekend & Holidays

10:30 a.m. – All levels Ski & Snowboard
12:30 p.m. – First Timer's Ski & Snowboard
2:30 p.m. – All Levels Ski & Snowboard



Private Lessons

For a more personalized lesson experience, try a private ski or snowboard lesson available for all levels. A 1-Hour Lesson costs \$75 and takes place at 9:15 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Each additional person of same age and ability costs \$20. There is a 48-hour cancellation policy.

Snowflakes Ski School

(Ages 3 – 6)*

This 2 1/2 hour program is designed especially for children ages 3 - 6. The Snowflakes Ski School has special teachers, its own kid's room, and five levels of instruction to meet your child's needs. Each session includes ski equipment for the duration of the lesson, specialized instruction, a low student to instructor ratio, and an all day lift ticket. Children must be at least 3 years of age, potty trained, and willing to ski.

*Children enrolled in Snowflakes must have an adult on-site or on-call at all times. Children attending more than one session per day must be picked up between sessions.

Snowflakes tickets must be purchased at the ticket office. (Limited availability for reservations.) You must have a credit card to make a reservation. There is a 48-hour cancellation policy.

Sessions

A.M. Session 9:30 a.m. – noon
P.M. Session 1 – 3:30 p.m.

2 1/2 hour - \$60

4 At the Ticket Window

Ticket Windows – The Ticket Windows open at 8 a.m. daily. This is where you can purchase lift tickets, Snowflakes lessons, rental packages, as well as group and private lessons.



If you are renting equipment go right to the Rental Shop and purchase your lift tickets and lessons there. Note: Private lessons and Snowflakes must be purchased at the ticket windows.

5 Picking Up Your Rental Equipment

Make sure you fill out the rental form completely. Anyone under the age of 18 must have a parent sign the rental form. You will need to have a drivers license for deposit. Lockers are located just down the hall from the Rental Shop exit. You will need quarters. Change is available in the Sport Shop and at the Ticket Windows.

For more information
call the Tahoe Donner
Downhill Ski Area at
(530) 587-9444.

*You can pick up
a copy of our trail map
at any ticket window.*

*Make sure your ticket is secure
and visible...*

AND YOU'RE OFF!

More Helpful Tips

Timing is everything – If you're planning to take lessons, ski or snowboard, arrive at least one hour before the lesson is scheduled to begin. Allow more time during holiday periods. Check our schedule to be sure that you know when your lesson begins and take note of any weekend or holiday schedules that might coincide with your trip. Reservations for private lessons are recommended especially during busy times as we can sell out.

Rental Shop – Decide on whether your children are renting skis or snowboards. Complete the rental form. Please have your ID ready!

Lockers – You may store your belongings in

our locker room while you visit the ski area. Small single-use coin operated and large 24-hour lockers can be rented in the Sport Shop.

Cafeteria – Come check out our newly remodeled cafeteria. Our cafeteria has a variety of ready to go lunches and snacks. Stop in for a quick break and a well deserved cup of hot chocolate.

Sport Shop – Forgot your hat, gloves or goggles? Did Junior outgrow his jacket? The sport shop has everything you may need from sunscreen to souvenirs. Visit the sport shop for great deals. Parents be sure that the whole family has proper sun protection. This means sunscreen, lip balm and eye protection. We all know how painful sunburn can be. Sun damage to the eyes or "snow blindness" is also a very painful condition that can cause permanent damage. You can get a sunburn



even on a cloudy day. Most ski areas are at a higher altitude with a thinner atmosphere, which means the sun's rays are stronger so be sure to protect yourself and your family even if it is a cloudy day. Remember to reapply during the day.

Helmets – We have helmets available for rent or for sale. They may help reduce the risk of head injury while skiing or snowboarding. Have your helmet fitted by a professional. Now you're ready to enjoy the Tahoe Donner Downhill Ski Area. Have fun!