

# **Big Sky MT**

# March 8 - March 15, 2025



## Customize your travel package!

# SkiCruisers are proud to offer this "Build your own" ski vacation.

Prices include air, lodging, baggage handling, transfers & group gatherings

Room Location	Room Features	Sleeps	Price
Huntley Lodge	2 Queen bed hotel room includes daily	2	\$2500.00 per person
, .	breakfast; at Mountain Village Base	2	. 1
Big Horn Condo	3 bed/3 bath; Full Kitchen;	4	\$2500.00 per person
	<sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> mile to Base, use shuttle or nearby poma lift	4	
Big Horn Condo	3 bed/3 bath; Full Kitchen;	_	\$2250.00 per person
	<sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> mile to Base, use shuttle or nearby poma lift	5	1 1
Big Horn Condo	3 bed/3 bath; Full Kitchen;		\$2050.00 per person
	<sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> mile to Base, use shuttle or nearby poma lift	6	. <b>F</b> · F · · · ·

IKON PASS NOT INCLUDED- SEE SEPARATE INFO SHEET "2025 SKICRUISERS AND IKON/ PASS OPTIONS"

### Please consider carefully these unique features of this trip as you decide to join us:

- SkiCruisers cannot guarantee to provide you with roommates in your preferred room given the structure of the pricing. Therefore, we strongly recommend you sign up with others interested in the same lodging. If interested in participating but without roommates, please call Trip Chairs to discuss options
- Given the early release of this information, airfare has been set at the highest rate as of this past season. We are in constant dialogue with our Tour Operator and if lower rates are secured then an adjustment will be provided on the final payment.
- We have reserved 7 hotel rooms and 4 condominiums. First Come/First Served. We have no option to add additional lodging.
- Big Sky Properties maintains the right to return the reserved lodging to their inventory as of July 1 if we do not have sufficient bodies to hold the rooms... *Therefore*: In order to reserve your spot, we are requiring you make a \$200.00 NON-REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT by June 15, 2024.

#### Other Fun Stuff:

• We have asked our Tour Operator to put out feelers with vendors in the area that will provide an excursion midweek to Yellowstone National Park. Pricing would be separate and reservations required.

#### Ready to Sign Up!?!?

- ✓ Review the SkiCruisers Travel Contract and sign it; send with your deposit- spot not saved w/o signed form
- ✓ Forward your \$200.00 non-refundable deposit to P.O. Box 418, Washington Twp, MI 48094
- ✓ Contact Trip Chairpersons Bill and Cathy Korreck at skicruisers@gmail.com or (586) 992-3864 w/questions
- ✓ Go to <u>www.skicruisers.org</u> for more information about the club

1 <sup>st</sup> pymt	2 <sup>nd</sup> pymt	3 <sup>rd</sup> pymt	Final Payment October 1, 2024
\$200.00	\$800.00	\$800.00	Balance Due after any adjustments made
Due June 15	Due July 15	Due August 15	

<u>Travel Insurance Optional (but strongly recommended)</u>: MDSC has a partnership with Travel Guard/AIG Find the link on their webpage at <u>www.mdscski.org</u> and save money compared to similar policies. If you have a pre existing condition you must sign up within 21 days of trip deposit.



and now we are going to this jewel of the West!

JOIN US IN BIG SKY COUNTRY!





# 2025 SkiCruisers and Pass Options

#### Types of Passes:

- 1) **IKON PASS** Broadest and most flexible pass for a wide range of locations. Get the most access and no blackout dates at 59 unique destinations worldwide
- 2) **IKON BASE PLUS PASS** 52 desirable destinations with some added access to 7 others
- 3) **IKON BASE PASS** Restricted by blackout dates but still provides a variety of locations
- 4) **IKON SESSION PASS -** Kickstart adventure with 2 3 or 4 days total at select destinations
- 5) **BIG SKY FREESTYLE PASS** 3, 4 or 5 days only good at Big Sky (not an IKON Pass)

#### **Some Helpful Tips:**

- Always read the fine print! The "devil is in the details!" Match their offerings to your unique interests. There is a wide range to choose from.
- Remember Boyne Mountain and Boyne Highlands are properties where you can use an IKON pass.
- ➤ Because of the wide range of options, study the restrictions carefully. How frequently you can use the pass and which resorts honor the specific pass can vary. Certain passes include limitations you should be aware of.
- ➤ If Big Sky is the only resort in the IKON collection you have interest in for the 2024/25 season then consider a Big Sky Freestyle Pass.
- > Often pricing increases from now through the summer so you may want to take advantage of these "Early Bird" rates.
- A word to the wise: We have seen both Epic and IKON cut off advance purchasing of lift passes in the Fall prior to the season thereby forcing skiers to pay a "walk up" price once on the premises.
- ➤ IF you are considering the excursion to Yellowstone, you may want to purchase one less number of days on your lift pass.
- Disclaimer: These are the rates and links that we know work the best presently. Our Tour Operator may have additional information in the coming weeks and/or other purchase opportunities. It is also possible that the information we are sharing here may change without our knowledge. Therefore, SkiCruisers and its Trip Chairs bear no responsibility for the decision and purchase you make once you familiarize yourself with the available options.

## Ways to Purchase

- Use the link from our Tour Operator, SportsAmerica, <a href="https://www.sportsamerica.com/ikon-skicruisers">https://www.sportsamerica.com/ikon-skicruisers</a>
   Password: snow. This portal will provide you with a 15% discount off the IKON PASS, the IKON BASE PLUS PASS and the IKON BASE PASS. SkiCruisers receive a credit back from SportsAmerica as well for any passes purchased via the link
- Go to <a href="https://www.ikonpass.com">https://www.ikonpass.com</a> to purchase the IKON SESSION PASS for 2, 3, or 4 days in the season at select IKON resorts
- Go to <a href="https://bigskyresort.com/season-pass/freestyle">https://bigskyresort.com/season-pass/freestyle</a> to purchase the BIG SKY FREESTYLE SEASON PASS for 3, 4 or 5 days of skiing at Big Sky only

If we can be of any additional help in your decision-making, call 586.992.3864 or write us at <a href="mailto:skicruisers@gmail.com">skicruisers@gmail.com</a>

## The Ski Cruisers Travel Contract / Member of MDSC Revised 04/26/2024 2025 MARCH 8 – 15, Big Sky, Montana

<u>General Trip Policy:</u> Trip rates are based on a minimum of 26 people traveling. Should participant numbers drop below this minimum, participants will be responsible for additional charges which may be applied.

<u>Payments</u> Participants are responsible for making payments according to the payment schedule as published for the event or trip. Participants may pay per schedule or may accelerate their payments, including payment in full before the final date in the schedule. *Make checks payable to SKI CRUISERS SKI CLUB*. Special arrangements can be made on an individual basis to submit payments via electronic Funds Transfer. Contact Trip Chair.

<u>Late Payment Charges:</u> Any participant who does not meet the payment schedule may be subject to a \$25.00 late payment fee.

<u>Cancellation and Refund Policy:</u> Any event sponsored by The Ski Cruisers can be canceled at any time by airlines, ground transportation providers, or resort owners or operators. If such entities cancel an event, Ski Cruisers will exert reasonable efforts to obtain refunds of amounts paid by participants for the event. Additionally, The Ski Cruisers reserves the right to cancel any event at any time for its own reasons. If The Ski Cruisers does so, The Ski Cruisers will refund amounts received from participants for the event minus any charges incurred in reserving the trip with Tour Operator.

A participant who wishes to cancel a reservation for an event must notify the trip leader or the event coordinator immediately in writing. Reservations are not transferable by participants and The Ski Cruisers must make all changes. The Cancellation Fee Policy is as follow:

#### \$2050 Package \$2250 Package \$2500 Package

- Cancellation prior to 07/01/2024 Full refund minus \$200.00 [all packages]
- Cancellation fee on/after 07/01/2024 and before 08/01/2024 \$700 \$765 \$850 Cancellation fee on/after 08/01/2024 and before 09/01/2024 \$1000 \$1095 \$1215 Cancellation fee on/after 09/01/2024 and before 10/01/2024 \$1300 \$1415 \$1575 Cancellation fee on/after 10/01/2024 and before 11/01/2024 \$1700 \$1845 \$2050
- Cancellation fee on/after 11/01/2024 No refund.

<u>Responsibility and Liability</u> The Ski Cruisers and/or the Tour Operator reserve the right to withdraw the tour, to refuse to accept or retain any person as a member of the tour at any time, or to make changes in the transportation, lodging or published itinerary, whenever in their sole judgment conditions warrant. The passenger ticket in use by the airlines, when issued, shall constitute the sole contract between the airlines and the passenger.

Plans for this trip are subject to Montana law and venue in Gallatin and Madison County. No damages may be claimed by any participant due to causes beyond the Tour Operator's or The Ski Cruisers' reasonable control including, but not limited to, force majeure, war, terrorist act, government regulation, riots, disaster, pandemic or epidemic, or strikes. Tour Operator agrees to use reasonable efforts to mitigate the effects of such events.

Participation in any activity sponsored by The Ski Cruisers is entirely voluntary, and each participant must exercise judgment and care at all times to minimize the risk of inconvenience, injury or death, to herself or himself, members of The Ski Cruisers, and all other persons. The Ski Cruisers serves only as the sponsor of activities, and The Ski Cruisers, and their officers, delegates, trip leaders, and other employees, will not be responsible for or liable for any inconvenience, injury, or death that occurs during or as a result of participation in a sponsored activity.

Given the necessity of these conditions, it is strongly urged that each participant purchase **Travel Insurance** to potentially reduce risk exposure.

<u>Air and Bus Fuel Surcharge:</u> Both the air carrier and the bus carrier may impose fuel surcharges any time up to the day of departure. The Ski Cruisers reserve the right, if deemed necessary, to pass any surcharges assessed between deposit date and departure date on to the group participants.

#### **Commitment**

I accept the provisions associated with this application regarding Responsibilities, Cancellations and Payments. By my signature below, I understand and agree that The Ski Cruisers and everyone associated with it will not be liable for any financial loss, injury or death related with this activity, and I am willing to accept full responsibility.

- The Ski Cruisers only arranges for lodging, baggage handling, air travel and ground transportation as publicized.
- I further understand the cancellation policy for this activity/event, and I or we will abide by it.

# PLEASE PRINT, SIGN and forward to SkiCruisers at PO Box 418, Washington Twp, MI 48094 (signed and scanned/emailed document will be accepted): 2025 MARCH 8 – MARCH 15, Big Sky, Montana

(NOTE: Your name as printed here MUST match Government ID you will use to board airlines. Non-matching names can be refused boarding)

First name	Middle Name	Last Name_			
Male Female Age	DOBN	our ski club (if other than Ski Cruisers)			
Are you a smoker?	` ' '	,			
Which lodging do you want?	Huntley Hotel (2 per roo	m)	Big Horn Condo (4 per condo)		
	Big Horn Condo (5 per o	condo)	Big Horn Condo (6 p	ido (6 per condo) _	
Please share names of preferre	d roommates, If known:				
Your Address		City	State	Zip <sub>-</sub>	
Home Phone	Cell	Email address _			
KTN (TSA Precheck) #		Global Entry #			
*Southwest Airlines Frequent Flier #		*American Airlines Frequent Flier #			
*United Airlines Frequent Flier#		Delta Airlines Frequent Flier #			
Emergency Contact		Relationship			
O' Name			Phone#		
Sign your Name Conditions of this trip require each A 2024/25 Membership form will b					
Which Lift Pass do you plan to IKON Pass IKON Base Pas	•	ass IKON Session	Pass: 2 <u>3</u> 4_day		
Pass exclusive to BIG SKY <i>ONL</i>	LY: Freestyle Season Pass	3 4 5 Day			

\*We are monitoring airfares closely and will choose our flights based on pricing, timing and availability in consultation with our Tour Operator. This decision may come as late as Fall 2024. If you would prefer to provide the airline specific FF# at the time the airline is announced, feel free to leave this information blank at this time.