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ABOUT CHESTNUT MOUNTAIN RESORT

Chestnut Mountain Resort, located in Galena, Illinois perches high on a ridge overlooking the Mississippi River near the historic riverport of Galena. Nineteen ski and snowboard trails cut through solid rock bluffs that range up to 3,500 feet in length and are geared to all levels. The seven-acre Far Side Terrain Park, complete with its own triple, features a quarter-pipe, two halfpipes, and lots of rails, kickers and jumps. Chestnut, with the hotel and Village Ski Center located on top of the ski hill, features a 475-foot vertical drop, which is huge in the Midwest. In the summer, catch the Alpine Slide, 2,050 feet of tailored track on a sled to the banks of the Mississippi. The 220 rolling acres of mountain terrain offers three-miles for a Segway Tour that lasts 75-90 minutes. You can get an eagle's perspective of the Majestic Upper Mississippi River Valley on the Soaring Eagle Zip Line.

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FACT SHEET

Facility:

Alpine architecture. Chalet section built in 1959. Edelweiss sections built in 1971. Skier Service Building built in 1997.

Location:

8 miles south of Galena on Blackjack Road, via Hwy. 20, or 8 miles north of Hanouver on Blackjack Road via Hwy. 84.

Accommodations

- 99 guestrooms
- 26 rooms w/ 2 queen beds
- 4 rooms w/ 1 queen bed
- 12 rooms w/ 1 king bed
- 44 rooms w/ 2 queen beds and sofa
- 9 Family Suites 2 Jacuzzi Suites

Rates:

Rates vary depending on location, type of room, and season.

Winter:

Mountain – Ski Season – Thanksgiving through St. Patrick's Day

- 19 ski slopes and snowboard trails
- 4 triple and 2 squad chair lifts
- 3 surface lifts
- Longest run 3,500 ft.
- The slopes are 3,500 feet in length of solid rock bluffs and are geared to all level
- 475-foot vertical drop
- 7 acres Far Side Terrain Park
- Full line of ski and snowboard rentals

Activities:

- Ski and Snowboarding
 - 475-foot vertical drop meanders 3,500 feet through 19 runs, ranging from novice to black diamond.
 - Chestnut Mountain Resort has two quad chairs, four triple chairs, two conveyor lifts

Meeting Facilities:

Chestnut Mountain Resort can accommodate conferences of up to 200 people.

- Mississippi Courtside 1,247 sq. ft.
- Mississippi Riverside 1,334 sq. ft.
- Board Room 1,046 sq. ft.
- In addition, they have 2 large guestrooms that will accommodate meeting of 20 or less.

Receptions & Banquets:

Chestnut Mountain Resort can accommodate receptions and banquets of up to 275 people. A complete selection of hors d'oeuvres, buffets, and banquet dinners are available.

Indoor Activities:

- Indoor pool
- Sauna
- Jacuzzi
- Electronic Game Room

and one surface lift to get you back up to the top.

- 20,000 square foot ski center is home to Mountainside Outfitters – featuring brand name ski and snowboard clothing, goggles, hats, souvenirs and clothing rental.
- The ski center features equipment rental from Elan Discovery Ski Rental and Burton
- The terrain park, the Farside, is the largest of its kind in the Midwest – containing more than 25 rails and an array of features, and is served by its own triple chair lift and surface lift.
- Children's Programs
 - Powder Pups (Ages 4-6): The Powder Pups Program is for young skiers 4-6 years old and focuses on ski games and small group activities that will help you learn basic

moves like snowplow turns and stops. The instructors stress an atmosphere of encouragement and improvement – giving the young Powder Pups the skill, confidence and independence to tackle the slopes on their own.

- Powder Rangers Program (Ages 7-12): Chestnut Mountain's Powder Rangers Program is geared toward 7-12 year olds who want to improve their skills on the slopes. It's a playful, yet challenging program with instructors who specialize in teaching youth skiers. All classes are grouped by age and ability level, ensuring that each skier is matched up with their peers on the peak.
- Powder Playcare: Powder Playcare is the perfect place for toddlers to play while the

parents are out on the slopes – featuring a romper room, nap area with cribs, cozy beds and a central area for registration and play activities. Located in the Children's Center, our staff creates a warm and welcoming atmosphere that's playful, flexible and child oriented.

 Burton Learn To Ride (Ages 7 & Older): The biggest name in snowboarding has teamed up with Chestnut Mountain to provide new riders with a solid foundation on which to build their skills. The Learn To Ride (LTR) Program has been developed by a team of knowledgeable professionals in the snowboarding industry to make learning snowboard easy, fun and exciting. It's the perfect program for beginner boarders.

Summer:

Activities:

- Alpine Slide
 - 2,050 feet of tailored track on a sled to the banks of the Mississippi. The lift takes you back to the top of the mountain where a panoramic view of three states is unveiled.
- Soaring Eagle Zipline
 - The Soaring Eagle Zipline offers an eagle's perspective of the Upper Mississippi River Valley. It's a family-friendly thrill ride that allows up to two thrill seekers at a time and an experience they will never forget.
- Segway Tours
 - Get off the beaten path and experience over 220 rolling acres of mountain terrain, the three-mile Segway Tour lasts 75-90 minutes, and includes training.
- River Cruise
 - The 1.5 hour Mississippi River Cruises takes you down the Mississippi river where you'll view wildlife, learn a bit of the area's history, see geographical curiosities and

glimpse the riverscapes. All cruises include Alpine Slide and a chairlift to and from departure area. Maximum boat capacity is 39 people.

- Mini Golf
 - The course includes 18 holes of mini golf and is open 7 days a week during the summer season, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- Disc Golf
 - A 9-Hole Disc Golf course that offers a variety of skill ranges.
- Bike Rentals
 - Bike rentals are available seven days a week during the summer season, 8 a.m.

Points of Interest

- Downtown Galena Antique shops, historic buildings, museum, art galleries, and gift shops.
- Dubuque, IA (40 min. away) Dubuque River Museum and Gambling Casinos

STORY IDEAS

- November 4, 2017: Galena Lead Rush 1/2 Marathon
- Building the terrain park to get it ready for the winter
- The snowmaking machines
- Setting up the alpine slide
- Galena: a destination city (Chestnut will be one of 5 places for people to visit)
- Building the terrain park to get it ready for winter
- Midwest Top Rated Terrain Park "The Farside"
- Someone snowboarding/skiing for the first time
- Big Nut Open
- Slush Cup

PHOTOS













































VIDEOS

- 1 Segway Clip: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n34N-RuAp6Q
- 2 Alpine Slide Clip: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YXa_st8xLUI
- 3 **Mississippi Cruise Clip:** https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X7QoBOIeRHk
- 4 Aerial of Chestnut Mountain Resort Clip: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6HIOfauqj_0&list=PLgwIDmUeVff-k17VwrkZsIJ_at66daqs_
- 5 Farside Terrain Park Clip: https://youtu.be/8nyoLpLqlkQ--Farside
- 6 **Powder Pup Children's Lessons Clip** https://youtu.be/Q7aYCCFoqsk--Poweder
- 7 **Sunset Grille Clip** https://youtu.be/BUoKHLTsBLE-Sunset

Live Camera Link: https://www.chestnutmtn.com/live-cameras/

PAST PRESS PUBLICATIONS/ARTICLES

St. Louis Post-Dispatch:

http://www.stltoday.com/travel/go-to-galena-ill-to-ski-chestnut-mountain/article_700e45b5-94ea-5785-9726-9ef2b64ef169.html

Telegraph Herald:

http://www.telegraphherald.com/news/tri-state/video_ca0481ec-3ebb-11e5-963f-c351ba5d5fdf.html

On The Snow:

http://www.onthesnow.com/illinois/chestnut-mountain-resort/reviews.html

AWARDS/ACCOLADES

2017 Newschoolers Park Poll:

Top 5 Midwest: http://www.newschoolers.com/news/read/Newschoolers-Park-Poll-17-Top-5-Midwest





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