

POWDERHOUNDS

Canada	Location	Package type	Ability level	Terrain (hectares)	Elevation (m)	Annual Snowfall (m)	Runs per day	Daily vertical (feet)	Cost: Cat skiing only - 1 day peak season	Cost: Cat skiing only - 1 day low season	Cost per day with accom - high season	Cost per day with accom - low season
Chatter Creek	100km NW of Golden	2, 3 & 4 days; have to fly into lodge via heli from Donald airport (1); also offer heli skiing	strong intermediates and above	23,800	2,900	*	*	12,000-20,000	*	*	\$825	\$505
Revelstoke Cat Skiing	Revelstoke	1 day - accom not included in package	strong intermediates and above	1,242	2,225	12-18	*	*	\$400	\$400	*	*
K3 Cat Skiing (formlery Monashee Mountain Cats)	Sicamous, 30 mins from Revelstoke	2& 3 days, single day stand-by; accom in town not compulsory	*	13,354	2,256	18.29	*	*	\$450	\$350	\$500	\$450
Mustang Powder	meet 44km west of Revelstoke; lodge accessed by snowcat	3, 4 & 5 day trips (& 2 days prior to Xmas)	*	12,140	2,440	18.3	12-17	15,000-20,000	*	*	\$900	\$600
Great Northern Snowcat Skiing	near Trout Lake; 1.5hrs SE of Revelstoke	6 day/7 night packages	*	7,500	*	15	*	12,000-15,000	*	*	\$961	\$823
Monashee Powder Snowcats	meet in Cherryville, 45mins east of Vernon; travel to lodge in snowcat	2, 3 and 4 days	advanced intermediate ability and up	6,880	2,438	18.3	8-10	10,000-18,000	*	*	\$800	\$475
Highland Powder Skiing	Meadow Creek - 1.75hrs north of Nelson, north end of Kootenay	3, 4, 5 & 6 days	strong intermediates and above	6,880	2,438	10.2	*	10,000-18,000	*	*	\$596	\$596
White Grizzly Adventures	Meadow Creek; can drive directly to lodge	1-6 days; single day without accom available	strong advanced and above	2,500	2,500	13	*	20,000	\$550	\$425	\$700	\$550
Selkirk Wilderness Skiing	meeting place in Meadow Creek - 1.75 hours north of Nelson; access to lodge via snowcat only	3 days/3 nights and 5 days/6 nights	strong intermediates and above	7,800	2,500	15	8-12	12,000-18,000	*	*	\$940	\$840
Wildhorse Catskiing	Ymir (30 mins south of Nelson); accom & meeting place is in town	single and multiple days with accom	advanced ability and up	*	2,325	12.7	*	12,000-14,000	\$399	\$339	\$475	\$404
Baldface Lodge	near Nelson; flown into lodge via heli from Nelson	3 & 4 days	intermediate/ advanced level powder skills & above	12,950	*	*	*	15,000	*	*	\$890#	\$649#
Valhalla Powdercats	South Slocan - 15 mins W of Nelson	single days, doesn't include accom; combo packages with Snowwater Heli Skiing	stronger skiers and riders - they go hard!	8,700	*	12	6-12	12,000-18,000	\$449	\$325	n/a	n/a
Retallack Catskiing	Between the towns of New Denver & Kaslo; 1 hour north of Nelson	2-7 days and single days on standby; can drive to lodge	strong skiers and boarders	3,800	2,591	10	8-15	*	\$315	\$230	\$844#	\$676#
Big Red Cats	Rossland/Red Mountain	1 or multiple days - accom not compulsory in package	intermediate, advanced, expert	7,487	2,200	*	7-12	9,000-15,000	\$430	\$350	\$490	\$410
Cariboo Snowcat Skiing	Valemount (1 hour from Jasper)	single days - accom not included	first time powder skier and above	*	*	*	*	10,000-15,000	\$425	\$425	n/a	n/a

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Island Lake Cat Skiing	near Fernie	3, 4 or 7 days	strong intermediates and above	2,134	2,134	10.5	10-14	12,000-17,000	*	*	\$961	\$730
Powder Cowboy Catskiing	1 hour W of Fernie	3 & 4 days and standby single days	first time cat skiers/boarders up to experts (2 cats)	2,428	2,200	8.9	10-12	10,000-14,000	*	*	*	*
Fernie Wilderness Lodge	just SW of Fernie	single and multiple days; accom optional	intermediate to advanced intermediate.	1,214	2,170	8.7	8-10	10,000-12,000	\$450	\$350	\$585	\$485
Backcountry Snowcats	Pemberton, 1 hour from Whistler; arrive at lodge via snowmobile	2, 3, 4 day	intermediate or better	6,070	2,340	10	*	12,000	*	*	\$625	\$499
Blackcomb Powdercats	Whistler Blackcomb	full days or half days - accom not included	strong intermediate and advanced	1,619	2,225	11	*	6,000-8,000	\$499	\$499	*	*
Powder Mountain Catskiing	20 minutes south of Whistler - meeting place is at Whistler	single day - accom not included	any ability	1,741	*	*	8-10	7,000-10,000	\$499	\$499	*	*
Skeena Cat Skiing	1 hour northwest of Smithers, northern BC	single days or week long fully inclusive	intermediate to expert	*	*	*	10-16	13,000 - 16,000	\$325	\$325	\$825	\$625
Blomidon Cat Skiing	near Corner Brook, Newfoundland	single days - accom not included	strong intermediate to extreme	2,833	*	4.9	10	12,000-14,000	\$275	\$275	*	*

COMPARISON OF CAT SKI OPERATIONS IN CANADA FOR LOCATION, PACKAGE TYPE, ABILITY LEVEL, SIZE, SNOWFALL, VERTICAL & COST

* reliable information not available or not applicable

Multi-day packages include accommodation unless otherwise stated.

The prices listed above are for the 2011-12 season and serve as a guide to compare cat skiing costs. Check each website for up to date costs.

Costs don't include taxes unless specified with #

If more than one accommodation option is available, the price for the less expensive option is provided

The prices for Chatter Creek do not include the costs for the heli transport

The single day rates provided are not standby rates; the exception to this are operations that only offer single day standby e.g. Retallack, Island Lake, Powder Cowboy Peak and low season definitions vary for each operation.

Many operations have multi-day packages that commence the night before the first ski day and finish on the last day of skiing so that the package has an equal no. of days & nights. There are exceptions to this where for example a package is 5 days and 6 nights - this has not been factored into the cost per day.

The inclusions in each cat ski package differs between the operations. Generally multi-day packages include accommodation, meals, and safety equipment. Not all cat ski operations include ski and board rental.