How to Get to Beaver Creek, Colorado

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Nestled in a canyon in Eagle County, Colorado, the Beaver Creek ski resort is one of the best kept secrets in the skiing community. While many enjoy "The Beav" for its family <u>entertainment</u>, it also boasts some of the most challenging ski terrain in North America, including the world famous Birds of Prey downhill course. Getting to Beaver Creek takes a little creativity but in the end it's well worth it. Here's how to get there.

Difficulty: Easy

Instructions

things you'll need:

- · A car or a reservation on a skier shuttle
- · A lot of energy for skiing
- · Tons of money
- You can reach Beaver Creek from one of 2 airports--the Eagle County airport or Denver International Airport.
- 2 From Denver International Airport (DIA) drive 110 miles west along I-70 to the town of Avon. Exit and follow the signs heading south to Beaver Creek.
- Parking at Beaver Creek is rough, so you may wish to use several alternatives. If you're staying in one of the local hotels, catch a ride to the resort using your hotel's shuttle service. If you'd like to drive yourself to the resort, try parking in either the Bear of Elk parking lots at the base of the village and catch the free shuttle up to the mountain that runs continuously between 6:30 a.m. and 2:00 a.m.
- 4 If you arrive early and don't mind liberating a little of your hard-earned cash, drive through the main security gate at the entrance of the resort and follow the signs up the hill to the resort. Park in either the Village Hall or Avondale parking lots. Be prepared to spend \$20.00 or more.
- 5 Once you're at the village everything is within easy walking distance.

Tips & Warnings

- Get to the resort early. All of the parking lots fill up quickly.
- Consider renting a locker and keeping your equipment at the base of the mountain to save lugging around your
 equipment.
- Consider taking the free shuttles offered by hotels in the area.
- Never leave any valuables in your <u>car</u>.