

Wildwood Snowmass

Snowmass Village, Colorado



The all-new Wildwood is steps from the gondolas whisking skiers to Snowmass's powder.



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A brand new retro-mod lodge with a sweet après spot, all steps from the gondola accessing Snowmass's powdery peaks



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What we love

- Kitschy retro-mod design and art throughout
- Steamy outdoor swimming pool and hot tubs for après soaking
- Steps from Snowmass Village Mall and ski lifts
- The house bar serves the full line up of Colorado-brewed New Belgium beers

What to know

- A \$20 resort fee per night will be collected at the Jetsetter checkout
- This new hotel is a \$12 million top-to-bottom renovation of a 1970s lodge
- Lower floor rooms pick up some ski boot clomping noise in mornings
- Expect a few kinks while this new hotel hits its stride; still service is DIY — no ski valet or room service and bellhop is hit or miss

The Look

Designers Carlton DeWoody and Eric Adolfson, the men behind the Wildwood's funky style, studied ski lodges from the 1960s through the 1980s — what they considered the iconic decades of ski lodge design culture. The result is a hip new boutique hotel that's half western lodge and half 1970s rec room, with natural wood beams and light fixtures complementing blocky turquoise, blue and green furnishings, and Pueblo-inspired patterns. Special attention was paid to a large open lobby lounge and bar area where it's all about hanging out — there are board games and shelves lined with old pictorial history books and eclectic interpretations of traditional ski photography and mountain landscape paintings.

Bed & Bath

The retro design scheme continues in guestrooms, with a single strip of bold blue splashed across walls hung with wonderfully kitschy faux art. Digs are a tad small, especially when traveling with snow gear, but feature creative built-in ski and snowboard storage and a small table with chairs; large flat-screens and iPhone / iPod docks are standard. Beds are accented with western-patterned pillows atop silky soft duvets, while colorful curtains efficiently block light if you're not rising early for a powder day. Frill-free Bathrooms get the job done.

Beyond

Separating the two large lobby lounge areas, the very blue Bar at Wildwood doubles as the house restaurant, serving innovative pub fare (try the pizza with braised short ribs, mushrooms and spinach) and a host of New Belgium Brewing Company beers on draft. Fat Tire is standard issue, but don't be afraid to dive into the hoppy Ranger IPA Imperial or the deliciously heavy Coffee Chocolate Stout (10% ABV). Another bonus: The outdoor swimming pool is heated and remains open year-round, while two hot tubs offer post ski soaking under the stars.

In the Area

With 4,400-plus vertical feet and more than 3,100 acres of terrain for all levels, **Snowmass** is famous for its long, wide-open and often groomed cruisers. Two gondolas taking you to opposite sides of the massive mountain are just a quick slide from the hotel and make cold morning rides to the summit that much more tolerable. Ride the Elk Camp Gondola to the Elk Camp Lift to the 11,325-foot summit and enjoy a long leisurely cruiser down Bear Bottom. To rent gear or get a tune-up, visit **Incline Ski Rentals**. If you're traveling with kids, Snowmass is famous for its excellent children's ski program, housed at the \$17 million **Treehouse Kids' Adventure Center**, which proudly states it is a "parent free zone." Wildwood doesn't have a spa, so if you need some pampering, head down the hill to the **Spa at the Viceroy Snowmass** for some serious style and treatments — like the O2 Infusion facial.