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Salt Lake City winter skyline.
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WELCOME TO SALT LAKE!

It's my pleasure to extend greetings on behalf of Salt Lake County's one million residents. When you venture out, you will see this truly is the place to enjoy a variety of sights, sounds and activities, whether you are here on business or on vacation and whether you plan to enjoy the urban offerings throughout the valley or our world-class resorts in the beautiful Wasatch Mountains towering over this, the "Crossroads of the West."

Fall is a great time for crisp air, changing mountain foliage and fun local festivals. During the winter months, Salt Lake sparkles like the snow gracing our mountain peaks. We're proud of the fact that Salt Lake is Ski City: the only winter destination in North America that gives skiers and snowboarders the unique advantage of having four world-class resorts – Alta, Brighton, Snowbird and Solitude, each featuring 500" of Utah's "Greatest Snow On Earth" – just minutes away from a city filled with a variety of hotels, restaurants, bars, and unrivaled entertainment options located in distinct and unique neighborhoods throughout the valley.

You'll find that Salt Lake redefines "après-ski" as well, offering an endless opportunity for shopping, dining, theater, museums, or any number of lively nightspots to check out off the slopes. Everything is close and inviting. At every turn, you'll likely run into a friendly local who is happy to answer questions or suggest options. Our Rocky Mountain home is the enviable combination of the rugged outdoors and metropolitan comfort.

As mayor of Salt Lake County, I welcome you to our community and extend my best wishes for an enjoyable stay.

Ben McAdams
Salt Lake County Mayor

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The Great Salt Lake Valley

Between the Wasatch Front and the Great Salt Lake, defining the Salt Lake metroplex is a web of neighborhoods, towns and communities; each offering a distinct flavor of sights, food, entertainment and flat-out adventure.





Lights on Main Street

When most people think of Salt Lake City, they're thinking of more than just its urban center but also the area stretching the 1-15 Corridor following the stunning Wasatch Range to the East and the shimmering blue waters of the Great Salt Lake to the west.

Salt Lake City itself was founded in 1847 by the The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, which gives the city and surrounding communities a unique history and flavor. Upon their arrival in the foothills above Salt Lake City, church President Brigham Young declared, "This is the place," and within four days had chosen the site for the Salt Lake Temple and designed

the city's grid layout, which makes use of the prominent mountains to the east and the Great Salt Lake to the west to help with way finding. The pioneers called their new state Deseret and petitioned for its national recognition in 1849. The United States Congress instead established the Utah Territory. Early Salt Lake's population swelled with an influx of religious converts, making it one of the most populous cities in the American Old West.

Polygamy made relations between the Utah Territory and the U.S. government tense for much of the mid-to-late 1800s—peaking in the late 1850s with a series of small skirmishes between militias and Federal Troops

called the Utah War. During the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln stationed 3,000 soldiers in Salt Lake City, who encamped at what is now known as Fort Douglas above the University of Utah campus. The soldiers had little to do and, under the direction of their commander Col. Patrick Connor, spent their time prospecting in the hills and valley. Way back in 1847, Brigham Young had forbidden his followers from mining and prospecting, not wanting to subject his small community to the boom-and-bust cycle of an economy built on mining. And any man who left Utah to join the 1849 Gold Rush, for example, had to forfeit his property. Thus, Connor's men uncovered rich veins



of silver, copper and other precious metals that would lead, with the coming of the Transcontinental Railroad, to the rise of the Silver Barons in Utah.

The railroad and Silver Barron's would begin to change Salt Lake. Railroad workers of many races and nationalities established enclaves in Salt Lake City. Today remnants of these immigrant communities—Greek Town, China Town, Japan Town—still exist. The Barons, mostly from back East, would spend lavishly on mansions that today line Salt Lake City's South Temple Street (The Utah State Governor's Mansion was built by silver magnate Thomas Kearns) and some of the west's

first skyscrapers. Finally, in 1890, the church issued "The Manifesto," ordering members to obey the government's marriage laws. Utah achieved statehood six years later, and Utah joined the Union.

Still Utah, remained, in a sense, aligned with a dominant religion that often dictated politics and individual conscience. Meanwhile, those old mining claims would become privately owned ski resorts and the jet set finally had a reason to skip Colorado. Finally, the 2002 Winter Olympics would thrust Utah into the spotlight. Salt Lake City is the center of it all. A clean walkable, bike-able city with a progressive city government. Salt Lake attracts talented and creative

people from all over the world who see it as a blank canvas. The food scene has exploded along with a healthy nightlife scene. Art, music and creativity are flourishing in what was considered a sleepy backwater.

The surrounding communities and neighborhoods have also flourished creating a vast metro-plex of unique pockets, districts that all draw upon the valley's place below the Wasatch Front Range to celebrate a tradition of mountain recreation and good clean living. In the next pages, we'll break down the different areas of the Great Salt Lake Valley to help you find fun, food and adventure. Welcome to The Great Salt Lake City!





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PLAY YOUR WAY

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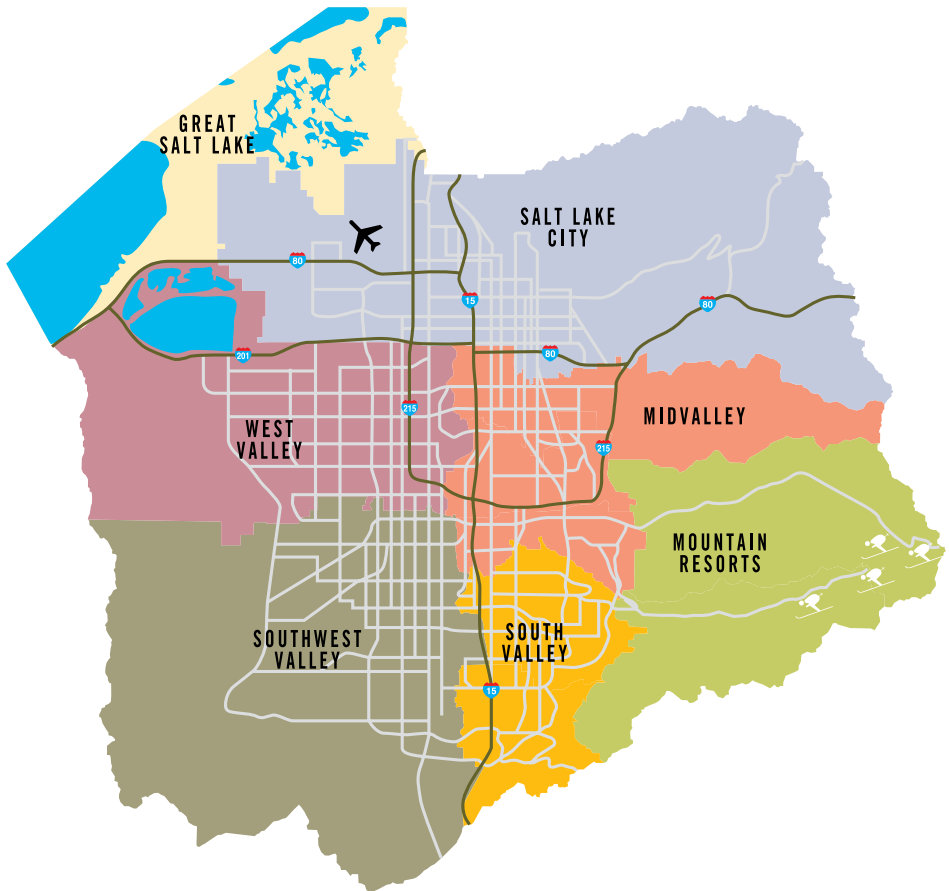
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Welcome to the Neighborhood

In the following pages, we'll break down each of the different areas, districts and diverse communities that make up the larger Great Salt Lake Valley. Drill down into each to find unique options for fun, food and adventure.





AUSTEN DIAMOND

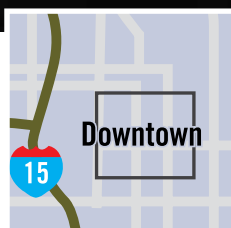
DOWNTOWN

Downtown Salt Lake City is a vortex of entertainment, with hundreds of upscale and unique restaurants, a spectrum of bars and clubs, symphony, opera, NBA games and more. Downtown has embraced the urban living movement, providing light-rail transportation, lofts, shopping—both high-end and offbeat—and hotels that range from swanky to cozy. Hop aboard Trax trains for a ride into Downtown. The young, hip residents make the heart of SLC an exciting place to stay.

EAT & DRINK

You're surrounded by cutting-edge restaurants and watering holes. It's best to just surrender to eateries like **Copper Onion** (thecopperonion.com), which under Chef Ryan Lowder

has set the pace for robust, innovative cooking. **Tin Angel Cafe** (thetinangel.com), a unique bistro south of Pioneer Park and **Finca** (fincasl.com), specializing in Spanish tapas and great drinks. If you're parched, pop into **Beer Bar** (beerbarslc.com), where you can try a wide selection of brews along with locally made meats, or walk



through the passage to **Bar-X** (barxsaltlake.com) for a high-class cocktail.

PLAY

Most nights, anywhere in Downtown is walking



Utah Museum of Contemporary Art



Gallivan Center

distance to a symphony, Broadway show, the opera or a world-class dance performance. The heart of Downtown is **Temple Square** (templesquare.org), the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints' cluster of historic buildings that includes the Temple itself, the domed Tabernacle, Church History Museum and Assembly Hall. Stroll through the famous seasonal flower gardens. Just

off the square, genealogy buffs will be drawn to the **Family History Library** and, for beginners, the **Discovery Experiences** (familysearch.org). **Gallivan Center** (thegallivancenter.com), "Salt Lake's living room," hosts festivals and events all season. At the south end of downtown, **City Library** (slcpl.org) is the secular center of town, the landmark building and anchor festival space.

SHOP

Puttin' on the glitz? Head uptown to **City Creek Center** (shopcitycreekcenter.com) where you'll find Nordstrom, Tiffany & Co. and **Utah Woolen Mills** (utahwoolenmills.com). Feeling funky? East Broadway (300 South) is lined with vintage and antique shops, including **Jitterbug Antiques & Toys** (801-537-7038), and **The Green Ant**, (mid-century modern) (thegreenant.com). Bibliophiles can pursue their bliss at **Ken Sanders Rare Books** (kensanders.com).

WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW

Visitors may overlook the **Utah Museum of Contemporary Art** (utahmoca.org) tucked in by the Salt Palace. It's a mistake—UMOCA offers mind-blowing modern art exhibits—absolutely free.



City Creek Center



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Trolley Square

CENTRAL CITY

Not too downtown, not too suburban. Central City is just right. Home to historical landmarks, haute couture, hip enclaves and culinary arts, this 'hood is actually near perfect.

EAT & DRINK

Work your way from South Temple to Liberty Park, and nosh on great bites along the way. **VENETO** (venetoslc.com) dishes out big helpings of Italian delicacies. **Rye** (ryeslc.com) offers soft egg scrambles, waffles with whiskey syrup for breakfast and lunch. Neighborhood bar **Dick N' Dixie's** (801-994-6919) is where Real Salt Lake fans congregate. **Tulie Bakery** (tuliebakery.com) is a baked-goods paradise, while **Desert Edge Brewery** (desertedgebrewery.com) in Trolley Square serves great pub fare and house brews. The **Park Café** (theparkcafeslc.com) at Liberty Park is a locals' favorite for hearty breakfasts and bottomless coffee and upscale **Pago** (pagoslc.com) offers homey fare with a creative flair. Stop in for a java at the **Coffee Garden** (801-355-3425). Favorite

lunch spots are **Mazza Middle Eastern Cuisine** (mazzacafe.com) and **East Liberty Tap House** (eastlibertytaphouse.com) where select brews meet bar food with a gourmet twist.

PLAY

At 80 acres, **Liberty Park** (at 600 and 900 S.) is packed with playground equipment, tennis courts, kickball fields, drum circles and a pairs-friendly running trail. For nighttime fun, hit **Urban Lounge** (theurbanloungeslc.com), which hosts rising bands nearly every night. Or join the cerebral crowd at an art-house flick at **Tower Theatre** (saltlakefilmsociety.org).

SHOP

Trolley Square (trolleysquare.com) is a mall and a destination. In a former life, it was the hub for the city's trolley cars. Notable shops include high-end stationer **Tabula Rasa** (tabularasastationers.com) and kitschy gift shop **Cabin Fever** (801-363-0828.). The 9th & 9th area is also a strollable gem for a shopping day out with boutiques like **Hobnob** (801-750-6487), **Hip & Humble**



(hipandhumble.com) and **The Children's Hour** (childreashour-bookstore.com).

WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW

One of the area's oddest attractions, **Gilgal Sculpture Garden** (gilgalgarden.org) is home to 12 quirky sculptures—notably, the Sphinx statue bearing the face of LDS Church founder Joseph Smith's head.



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Westminster College

SUGAR HOUSE

Sugar House is a center for eclectic shops, small galleries, and craft restaurants and bars. With diverse, progressive residents—including students from top-rated **Westminster College** (westminstercollege.edu)—this neighborhood is walkable and friendly. The heart of the neighborhood is the vibrant hub around 2100 South and Highland Drive, and the **Sugar House Street-car** (shstreetcar.com) makes it all easily accessible.



CAMPFIRE LOUNGE

Circle the wagons at Campfire Lounge where you can enjoy a hobo dinner and s'mores with your adult sips.

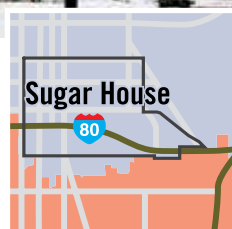
837 E. 2100 South, 801-467-3325,
campfirelounge.com

EAT & DRINK

Hungry Salt Lakers come to Sugar House for pub fare of the highest order. **Wasatch Brew Pub** (wasatchbeers.com) serves award-winning craft brews alongside menus that feature dishes like chilaquiles, chicken and waffles. **Kimi's Chop & Oyster House** (kimishouse.com) offers surf and turf. Try out eclectic sandwich shop **Even Stevens** (evenstevens.com), and the busy brunch spot **The DoDo** (thedodorestaurant.com). For a hearty plating of comfort food, visit long-time staple **Sugar House BBQ** (sugarhousebbq.com), and if you're wanting to watch the game while you nosh, try **Fiddler's Elbow** (fiddlerselbows.com). If you're looking for craft cocktails, try **The Ruin** (ruinlsc.com).

SHOP

Sugar House is all about the "Buy Local" movement, so make sure to check out the many cool shops. **Unhinged Boutique** (unhingedslc.com) offers one-of-a-kind goods



from local artists and vintage finds, while **Pib's Exchange** (pibsexchange.com) wins with funky consignment. **Sundance Catalog the Outlet Store** (sundancecatalog.com) offers amazing discounts on western-inspired clothing and home goods. Or walk down to **Raunch Records** (801-467-6077) to restock your music supply. **Local Colors of Utah Art Gallery** (localcolorsart.com) features Utah artists' fine and folk art.

PLAY

Get together with your people at **Sugar House Park** (sugarhousepark.org)—110 acres in the middle of the neighborhood. The hilly landscape is great for a jog or sledding, depending on the weather.

WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW

Sugar House's name? From the pioneers, who grew and processed sugar beets.



State Capitol

AVENUES/CAPITOL HILL

On the hill rising from the Downtown and Central City districts, this neighborhood is a world unto itself. Historic bed and breakfasts, artisan coffee, craft beer, charming local restaurants, cathedrals and politically liberal residents give this charming neighborhood its' unique character.

EAT & DRINK

Neighborhood pub **Avenues Proper** (avenuesproper.com) specializes in lesser-known brews and puts a new spin on contemporary American grub. For an artisanal yet homey dining experience, check out **Avenues Bistro on Third** (801-831-5409). **Publik** (publikcoffee.com) offers a java fix with inspired toast. If you want a sweet treat, **Hatch Family Chocolates** (hatchfamilychocolates.com) is famous for amazing hand-dipped chocolates and confectations. For nightlife, there are two prominent options: roadhouse **The Garage on Beck** (garageonbeck.com) with its

menu of comfort food and live music, and **HandleBar** (handlebarslc.com), a bicycle-themed neighborhood joint.

PLAY

Make it a "must do" to see one of the fine, often-original, plays staged by **Salt Lake Acting Company** (saltlakeactingcompany.org). **City Creek Canyon**, above Memory Grove, is fun to explore on snowshoes and nature watch. **Bonneville Shoreline Trail** (bonnevilleshorelinetrail.org) is accessible, dog-friendly and filled with trail runners and mountain bikers. Need some pampering? **The Kura Door**, a holistic Japanese spa (thekuradoor.com) will melt away all your stresses.

SEE

A walk is an architect's delight, including the **Utah State Capitol Building** (utahstatecapitol.utah.gov), the Salt Lake **Masonic Temple** (wasatchlodge.org) and the **Cathedral of the Madeleine** (utcotm.org), along with some of the state's mansions.



WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW

In the Avenues, you'll find a great view and the oldest grave in the Salt Lake **City Cemetery** (slc.gov/parks/city-cemetery): Mary B. Wallace, a toddler who was buried on Sept. 27, 1847.



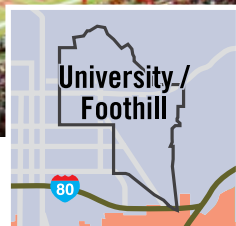
EAST INDIA CAFE

Saffron Valley East India Cafe offers modern spins on Indian street food.

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saffronvalley.com



Rice-Eccles Stadium



ERIC SCHRAMM

UNIVERSITY/FOOTHILL

A beautiful neighborhood crowned by large trees and historic homes, the area around the **University of Utah** (go Utes!) and Foothill Drive provides beautiful nighttime views of the city, gardens and quick access to the Wasatch Mountains.

EAT & DRINK

More than 30,000 students make the University area one of the city's most vibrant neighborhoods, and there's

no shortage of solid eats here. For the college experience, go underground to U staple **The Pie Pizzeria** (thepie.com). **Aristo's** (aristosslc.com) is the spot for upscale Greek dishes, and **Red Butte Café** (theredbuttecafe.com) is perfect for lunchtime sandwiches. **Taqueria 27** (taqueria27.com) offers an extensive tequila menu for an evening margarita break. Iconic brunch spot **Ruth's Diner** (ruthsdiner.com) is a good excuse for a drive, as it sits about a mile up scenic Emigration Canyon.

PLAY

On gamedays, **Rice-Eccles Stadium** (stadium.utah.edu) becomes a sea of red as Utah Utes fans cheer on their favorite Pac-12 team. Not far away are more than 100 miles of maintained mountain ways to the **Bonneville Shoreline Trail** (bonnevilleshorelinetrail.org), a mixed-use trail for bikers, runners and dog walkers. One of the coolest city hikes is to **The Living Room** (trailhead.at.383.Colorado.Dr), which gets its name from the many hand-fashioned

boulder couches and chairs perfect for enjoying the city view. Another favorite (and shorter) hike is to the **hilltop "U"** (accessed off Virginia Street, about 1400 East).

SEE

Visit the **University of Utah** (utah.edu), home of the Utes, the state's flagship institution. Walk through **Red Butte Garden and Arboretum** (redbuttegarden.org) with its' displays of native plants and flowers in a unique deseret ecosystem. Then catch some culture by taking in a play at **Pioneer Theatre** (pioneertheatre.org) or a musical performance at **Kingsbury Hall** (kingsbury-hall.utah.edu). Family fun can be found at **Hogle Zoo** (hoglezoo.org) and **This is the Place Heritage Park** (thisistheplace.org) bringing to life pioneer and American-Indian history.

WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW

Baby Tuah, a teen-aged orangutan raised by the animal keepers at Hogle Zoo, predicts Super Bowl winners.



NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM

A kid and adult fav, this architectural marvel is filled with dinosaur bones and other scientific wonders.

301 Wakara Way,
801-581-6927, nhmu.utah.edu



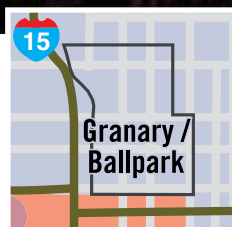
GRANARY DISTRICT/BALLPARK

The **Granary District/Ballpark Area** is part industrial, part commerce and part artists' neighborhood. **The Bees**, a triple-A baseball team, can be found here in season, along with many of the city's hidden urban gems.

EAT & DRINK

Enjoy some smoky, meaty goodness at the city's best barbecue joint **R&R BBQ** (randrbbq.net) or take on the enormous, world-famous burger at **Lucky 13** (lucky13slc.com), which also boasts a killer bloody Mary. Colorful and

way cool, **Rico's Cocina & Tequila Bar** (545 W. 700 South) is located on the edge of the new Granary District. Besides the expected tamales and tacos, check out the Mexico City-style specialties. **Publik Coffee Roasters** (publikcoffee.com) is a minimalist space where you can hang with the neighborhood and check your email. **Epic Brewing** (epicbrewing.com) on State Street sells a large selection of craft beers you can drink or carry out and **Mamachari Kombucha Taproom** (mamachari.cc) sells its fermented, healthy beverage from its brewhouse. For an eclectic bar crawl, start at **The Bayou** (utahbayou.com), which offers a massive beer selection, before you head to **The Proper Burger Co.** (properbrewingco.com) for a matching hand-made brew and burger. Then veer to **The Republican** (801-595-1916) for international soccer on TV, and **Piper Down** (piperdownpub.com) meeting every criteria you'd have for a pub. Off of State, **Club Try-Angles** (clubtryangles.com) is a buzzy LGBTQ bar and club.



PLAY

Take yourself out to the ballgame, sip a beer and enjoy the alpenglow on the Wasatch Range while watching the minor-league **Bees** (slbees.com). Drop in at **The Front Climbing Gym** (frontslc.com) to boulder and generally hook up. The Ballpark District also has several family-friendly haunted houses, such as **Fear Factory** (fearfactory.com) and **Nightmare on 13th** (nightmareon13th.com) during the Halloween season.

SEE

The State Room (thestateroom.com) is considered by many locals to be Salt Lake City's best live-music venue.

WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW

The **Liberty Wells** neighborhood gets its name from the fresh springs in the neighborhood. American Indians came here for water, and it's where the pioneers made their first encampment.



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Salt Lake International Airport

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AIRPORT/FAIRGROUNDS

This is the first neighborhood many visitors will experience upon arrival in the home of the Greatest Snow on Earth. It boasts the highest concentration of hotels, making it a great place to find a good deal, and

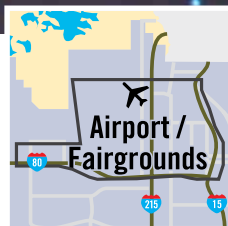
it's a great jumping-off point for exploring the heart of the city and the Great Salt Lake.

EAT

Chunga's (chungasmexican.com) dishes up inexpensive Mexican fare with Cancun flair—try the pineapple salsa and the fruit milkshakes.

PLAY

The orientation of this neighborhood means the parks have spectacular views of the city against the Wasatch Mountains. Visit **Rosewood Park**, **Westpointe Park**, **Riverside Park** and **Steenblik Park**, which is worth a stop for the giant cat sculptures—information at (slccity.com). The **Albert Fisher Mansion and Carriage House** (1206 W. 200 South), more than a century old, was built by a Salt Lake beer baron. In



the fall, the big to-do in the 'hood is the annual **Utah State Fair** (utahstatefair.com).

SHOP

For more than 30 years, **SkiTrucks** (skitrucks.com) has put people "on the slopes for less!" In winter, the shop sells closeout ski packages. In summer, outdoor clothing and equipment.

WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW

The neighborhood is home to Salt Lake City's "Radio Free Utah," **KRCL 90.9**, a progressive voice that plays indie and heritage rock you won't find on corporate airwaves. Tune in.



RED IGUANA

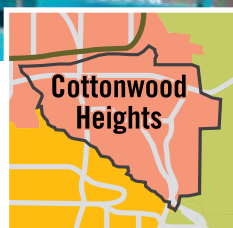
"Killer Mexican food worth the wait," says it all. Red Iguana is more than a Mex fix. Their magnificent moles explain the lines at both locations.

736 W. North Temple and 866 W. South Temple, rediguana.com



Lone Star Taqueria

COTTONWOOD HEIGHTS



This slower-paced 'hood offers the best of both worlds: quick access to downtown and its' adjacent neighborhoods plus quick access to the mountain resorts and their wonderful, magical snow.

EAT

From the fancy to the funky, you'll find the eats you're craving in Cottonwood Heights. **Cafe Trio** (*triodining*).



THE HOG WALLOW PUB

Enjoy the outdoor patio and live music at The Hog Wallow Pub.

3200 E. Big Cottonwood Canyon Rd.

com) serves up contemporary Italian cuisine, while **Market Street Grill** (*marketstreetgrill.com*) is a Salt Lake mainstay that makes its' name with fresh fish. At the base of Big Cottonwood Canyon, folks flock to **Porcupine Pub & Grille** (*porcupinepub.com*) for drinks, burgers and appetizers. **Carmine's** (*carmines.restaurant*) is the domain of Chef Carmine, from Naples who authentic Neopolitan cuisine in a refined atmosphere with a full bar and wine list of Italian varietals. Try **Blue Lemon** (*bluelemon.com*) for pastries, sandwiches and the beloved sweet potato fries. Two sushi restaurants, **Sushi Yah** (*sushiyah.com*) and **Happy Sumo** (*happysumosushi.com*) will satisfy your raw passion. **It's Tofu** (*801-566-9103*) goes beyond tofu to a full menu of Korean dishes.

PLAY

Beyond the skiing, **Big and Little Cottonwood Canyons**

and their respective resorts offer skiing, sledding, tubing and snow shoeing and other activities all winter long.

SHOP

Because of its proximity to the canyons, the area is dense with purveyors of outdoor equipment. **Arcs Ski & Board** (*skinsee.com*) is known for excellent service and top-notch gear. Or dig for gems in the pre-owned-equipment at **Play it Again Sports** (*playitagainsports.com*).

WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW

Consider taking a more homey route to your vacation. House and condo rentals—especially in Cottonwood Heights, with easy mountain and town access—are a cheap way to get more space, usually with off-season specials. Check out **vacasa.com**.



Top Golf

BEN AND KELLY PHOTOGRAPHY

MIDVALE

Midvale has its own identity. It grew up separately from Salt Lake City with an economy, industries, culture and history all its own. And the town still takes its gritty independence seriously, offering shopping and entertainment that reflect an understated urban vibe.

EAT

If you're looking for fine dining you can't do better than **Epic** (epiccasualdining.com)



BOHEMIAN BREWERY & GRILL

Besides potato pancakes, pierogies and goulash, Bohemian offers lighter fare, including burgers and salad. Still the best reason to hit Bohemia is the lager, including the Viennese and the Üsseldorfer Altbier.

94 East Fort Union Blvd, Midvale
bohemianbrewery.com, 801-566-5474

which serves contemporary American cuisine including tenderloin of beef, seared ahi tuna and brick-oven flatbreads. It also features an extensive wine list and full bar. For a hearty breakfast, you can't go wrong with **Midvale Mining Company Cafe** (801-255-5511) where the guys at the grill make hash browns like they mean it.

PLAY

The whole family can compete and polish golf skills at **Topgolf**, an entertainment facility that doubles as a neighborhood hangout with a full dining and drink menu (www.topgolf.com). At the **Midvale Museum** (midvalecity.org) explore how the discovery of silver in nearby canyons in the 1800s created a boomtown. But if living history is your thing, duck into **Old Towne Tavern** (801-566-3172), a venerable bar with pool tables, cheap beer, tequila shots, karaoke and a horseshoe pitch. If retro bowling is more your style, **Big City Bowl** (bigcitybowling.com) remains a classic



for a burger and beer and even Cosmic Bowling nights.

SHOP

If you've got an outdoor adventure or big-game hunt planned, gear up at Salt Lake-based **Sportsman's Warehouse** (sportsmanswarehouse.com). The Warehouse is basically a big box full of boys' toys, from Carhartt to the highest quality smokers to awe-inspiring firearms. In a wonderful collision of shopping and education, **Natur** (natur-showroom.com) is your destination for deceased wildlife wonders, including fossils, framed insects and skulls. The kids will love it.

WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW

Any cult film fan can tell you, **The Sandlot**, the greatest coming-of-age baseball movie ever, was filmed in Midvale. Stephen King's **The Stand** used the town for creepy small town-Americana scenes.



Salt Lake
Chinatown

MARNIE WEINTZ

SOUTH SALT LAKE

South Salt Lake is a neighborhood of bungalows, ethnic eateries and easy access to the major thoroughfares in town. Lovingly referred to as SoSaLa by residents, the area has its share of hidden gems.

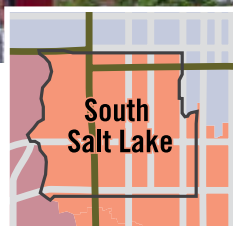
EAT

A staple of the SLC barbecue scene, **Pat's BBQ** (patsbbq.com) has been doing it longer and better than most. Host to live

music on the weekends and succulent ribs every day, Pat's is a worthy dinner or lunch spot. On the other side of the dietary spectrum, vegan mainstay **Vertical Diner** (verticaldiner.com) serves up grub that's satisfying and delicious. For Peruvian perfection, head to **Del Mar al Lago** (801-467-2890) where you can nibble on traditional ceviche. One of the tastiest options in the city, **Oh Mai** (ohmaisandwich.com) offers delicious Vietnamese bahn mi. And there are plenty of places to wash it all down. Island-themed **Bad Ass Coffee** (badasscoffee.com) is great for java. **Sugar House Distillery** (sugarhousedistillery.net) makes vodka and whiskey that you can buy at the distillery.

PLAY

South Salt Lake offers the unique opportunity to hike or bike in the canyons and have time left over to make it down to the city, or stay in SoSaLa and catch some live music at **The Commonwealth Room** (thecommonwealthroom.com).



SHOP

Gear up at **Kirkham's Outdoor Products** (kirkhams.com) for your next adventure. Known nationwide for its springbar canvas tents that set the benchmark in the industry, they also maintain a huge selection of outdoor apparel and goods. Need an inexpensive bike, for mountains or road? Or maybe some bike-mechanic know-how? Non-profit **Salt Lake City Bicycle Collective** (bicyclecollective.org) is your place for all of the above.

WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW

Enter through the colorful, gold-roofed Chinatown gate and be transported to another time and place. **Salt Lake Chinatown** (saltlakechinatown.com) is a little complex on State Street, where you'll find the spacious Chinatown Supermarket, the city's largest Asian market, and plenty of places to chow down.



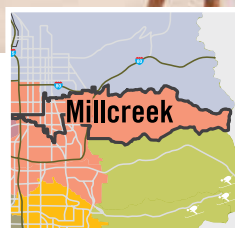
BONWOOD BOWL

Beers and a seven-ten split your idea of fun? Bonwood Bowl has Dude-worthy classic lanes.

2500 Main St., 801-487-7758,
bonwoodbowl.com



MILLCREEK



Nestled right at the base of the Wasatch Mountains, Millcreek is something of an outdoor-gear mecca. Not only can you shop for gear in this neighborhood, you can climb at a state of the art gym, hike with your dog and fine dine in the canyon.

EAT

Start your day with a hearty breakfast at **Roots Café**



PROVISIONS

This bistro specializes in locally sourced contemporary eats, thin-crust pizza and craft cocktails.

3364 S. 2300 East,
801-410-4046, slcprovisions.com

(rootscafeslc.com). Tucked away in Millcreek Canyon, the iconic **Log Haven** (log-haven.com) awaits with award-winning menus and wine lists. **Citris Grill** (citrisgrill.com) is a neighborhood staple, and **The Kathmandu** (thekathmandu.net) has some of the best Indian-Nepalese in the city. **Tres Hombres** (treshombresutah.com) dishes up massive portions of traditional Mexican and Tex-Mex.

PLAY

Salt Lake City's newest, shiniest climbing gym, **Momentum Indoor Climbing Millcreek** (momentumclimbing.com) features world-class routes, where you'll crimp and jug 'til your arms give out. Another indoor option but with less athletic prowess needed: **Olympus Hills Bowling Lanes** (olympushillslanes.com). Winter activities abound up **Millcreek Canyon** (slco.org/parks/millcreek-canyon), opportunities to cross country ski, snowshoe or hike (yes, even in the winter) are plentiful.

SHOP

Millcreek is the neighborhood to gear up for any of your outdoor adventures. **Black Diamond Equipment's** retail shop (blackdiamondequipment.com) has gear and advice from an athletic staff, and **IME**, aka International Mountain Equipment (801-484-8073) is a rock climbers' paradise. Get your bike fine tuned at **2nd Tracks Sports** (2ndtracks.com). And for one-stop gear shopping **REI** (rei.com) awaits. For fashionistas, **Name Droppers** (shop-namedroppers.com) sells designer clothes on consignment.

WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW

For one of the most spectacular views of the valley, drive up Millcreek Canyon to **Rattlesnake Gulch**. You'll climb to the Pipeline Trail, then head back west till you reach the point to the mountain. Take in the vista or a sunset.



Historic Wheeler Farm

HOLLADAY/MURRAY

This family-friendly neighborhood is quickly becoming a dining hub in its own right, with exciting new establishments opening up regularly. You can also enjoy quick access to great hiking and some of Salt Lake Valley's unique historic attractions.

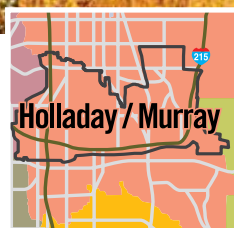
EAT & DRINK

We probably shouldn't say it—because it's a closely held secret—but **Tea Rose Diner** (asooksri.com) has the best

Thai in the valley. If you're hankering for dolmatoes and hummus, head to **Couscous Mediterranean Grill** (couscousgrill.com). At the renovated intersection of 2300 East and Murray Holladay Blvd, **Caputo's Market & Deli** (caputosdeli.com) has taken root, as well as bakery/coffeeshop **Three Cups** (385-237-3091). Another excellent option at the intersection is **Layla Mediterranean Grill** (laylagrill.com). Just off the 6200 South I-215 exit, two of the valley's esteemed culinary dining experiences reside: **Tuscany Restaurant** (tuscanyslc.com) and **Franck's Restaurant** (francsfood.com). Which is the best garlic burger in Utah? Locals will heatedly argue that **Cotton Bottom Inn** (cottonbottominn.com) has it. Hidden to the north of the Fashion Place Mall, seek out **Prohibition** (prohibitionutah.com) a '20s-era speakeasy behind a secret door.

PLAY

Wheeler Historic Farm (slco.org/wheeler-farm) is a restoration of the turn-of-the-century dairy farm of Henry



J. Wheeler. The farm offers a tour of historic houses. And on the farm you can milk a cow, visit farm animals and go on a wagon ride.

SHOP

Shopping is one of the biggest sports in Murray. **Fashion Place Mall** (fashionplace.com) houses all the mall staples plus some more unusual shops like **Lolli & Pops** (lolliandpops.com). And over at the hip, up-and-coming 'hood at the corner of 2300 East and Murray Holladay Blvd., a number of new, eclectic, local businesses are sprouting up seemingly every day.

WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW

The **Desert Star Playhouse** (desertstar.biz) wins for silly, family-friendly dinner theater with spoofs and campy shows with names like "Nutcracker: Men in Tights" that poke fun at local culture.



SOHO FOOD TRUCK PARK

With stalls for six trucks, this ever changing food court on wheels offers a festival feel and something for everybody.

4747 S Holladay Blvd. Facebook: [SOHOfoodpark](https://www.facebook.com/SOHOfoodpark)



Hale Center Theatre

SANDY

The South Valley area is a perfect place to stay if you plan on spending most of your time near the resorts, but want to enjoy urban amenities. Sandy, the ultimate basecamp, is 20 minutes from all the hiking, mountain biking and mountain scenery you can handle, but is also home to great hotels, restaurants and bars.

EAT & DRINK

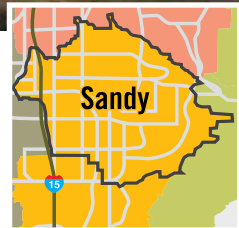
Sandy is dotted with pockets

of dining hubs, and there is far too much savory charm to list everything, but here are highlights. Off of 11400 South and I-15, you'll run into a wonderland of tasty and healthy dining choices. Or meander down 700 East and you'll find some surprising delectable treasures.

Order the finest handcrafted cheesecake you've ever had at **Tin Roof Grill** (tinroofgrill.net) as featured on "Diners, Drive Ins, and Dives." Enjoy a variety of specialty entrees coupled with a finale of homemade sorbet at **Tiburon Fine Dining** (tiburonfinedining.com). Visit the subcontinent at **Royal India** (royalindiautah.com) for delectable curries, lamb korma and carb-loaded nan bread.

PLAY

Sandy offers movies and restaurants from urban hubs like **Jordan Commons** (megaplextheatres.com) and **Union Heights** (cinemark.com) to the horse and walking trails of



Dimple Dell (slco.org/recreation).

The **Hale Centre Theatre** (hct.org) is a state-of-the-art venue producing the family friendly classics of American Theater.

SHOP

Mega sporting store **Scheels**, (scheels.com) isn't just about shopping. The massive store doubles as an amusement park, with a 65-foot operating Ferris wheel, mini bowling, a nostalgic shooting gallery and several sport simulators.

The Shops at South Town (shopsatsouthtown.com) offers mall shopping with 121 stores.

WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW

Food, superheroes, brides, babies, guns—**Mountain America Expo Center** (MountainAmericaExpoCenter.com) has a convention for it. The five-hall center hosts hundreds of shows annually.



REAL SALT LAKE

Rio Tinto Stadium is home to Major League Soccer's Real Salt Lake and the affiliated Utah Royals FC.

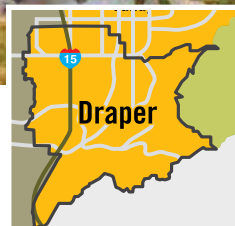
9256 State St., 801-727-2700, realsaltlake.com



Loveland Living Planet Aquarium

COURTESY OF LOVELAND LIVING PLANET AQUARIUM

DRAPER



A family-friendly neighborhood with a rapidly growing hi-tech community, Draper is warm and welcoming with down-to-earth dining and lodging options. Also appealing are its 90 miles of hiking and biking trails and a natural climbing wall that can be accessed most of the year.

EAT & DRINK

Known for its incredible 180-degree views of the Salt Lake Valley, **Cliff House Dining Pub** (cliffdiningpub.com) hits all the right notes with its

selection of sushi, artisanal beers and craft cocktails. An inexpensive option is the Mexican food and fresh salsa at **Donkey Tails Cantina** (guadalajahonkys.com). Despite its name, **Pirate O's** (pirate-os.com) isn't a specialty store selling eye patches and parrots. It's an importer of fine and artisanal foods. If you want a stick-to-your-ribs breakfast, try **Penny Ann's Cafe's** (pennyannscfe.com) legendary flap jacks.

PLAY

Draper offers a smorgasbord of options to keep the little ones entertained. **The Loveland Living Planet Aquarium** (thelivingplanet.com) is home to thousands of undersea creatures. **Boondocks** (boondocks.com) is the place for mini golf, bumper boats, go-karts, batting cages and a driving range. The real treat here is more than 90 miles of cycling, hiking, and equestrian trails. Some iconic destinations include **Corner Canyon** and **Bell Canyon**. When conditions are right at the **Point of the Mountain** you can try hang

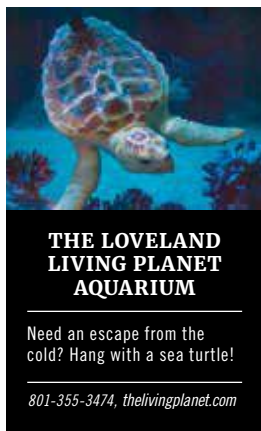
gliding or paragliding. Give the kids some airtime at **Airborne Trampoline Arena**. (www.airbornesports.com)

SHOP

Cactus & Tropicals (cactusand-tropicals.com) has an incredible assortment of heirloom succulents, as well as exotic and traditional plants for home and garden. **Camping World** (campingworld.com) has all the RV supplies, accessories, and parts to keep you going on your Mighty 5 (Utah's five national parks) adventure. Get lost in the Swedish wonderland of home goods at **IKEA** (ikea.com) or find an assortment of shops at **Bangerter Crossing**, including local top-shelf grocer **Harmon's** (harmonsgrocery.com).

WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW

The climbing crag known as **Red Rock** (wasatchmountainclub.org) was established by a dentist, hence routes named "Dry Socket" and "Bad Case of Gingivitis."



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Gardner Village

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SOUTHWEST VALLEY

Against the foothills of the Oquirrh Mountains, West Jordan, South Jordan, Bluffdale and Herriman are doorways to outdoor activities.

EAT & DRINK

Pop by **The Wild Rose** (wildrose-district.com) for brunch or stop into **The Break** (the-breakgrill.com) to catch a game, a drink and some food after a day out in Southwest Valley. Craving sushi? **Tsunami** (tsunamiutah.com) offers a tasty

happy-hour menu, delicious rolls and a full bar.

PLAY

Singletrack trails of all levels cover **Yellow Fork Canyon County Park** (stco.org/recreation), making it an ideal mountain biking or cross country destination. Multi-use trails are enjoyed in season on foot or horseback, and wind in and out of scrub oak and aspen filled with wild turkeys and deer. **Butterfield Canyon**, west of Herriman, is a great starting point for hikes to a number of peaks, namely Butterfield Peak (the easiest summit), Kelsey Peak, White Pine Peak and Lowe Peak. The drive to Butterfield Canyon Pass will take you to the trailhead. **The Rad Canyon BMX Park** (radcanyonbmx.com) accommodates riders of all skill levels and ages. Visitors are welcome to bring their own bikes or grab a loaner, and clinics are available for newbies. Indoor and outdoor tracks mean racing is available year-round.



SHOP

If you need a bike, visit **eSpokes** (espokes.com) to test ride a variety of bicycles. If biking's not your thing, pop into one of **SoDa Row's** (daybreakutah.com/soda-row-south-station-village) many other shops, like **Painter's Palette** (painterspaletteutah.com) or **Nest Boutique** (shopnestboutique.com). You can also swing by **Guy's Barbershop** (801-302-9347) or **Lucienne Salon Spa Boutique** (801-280-9990) to get spruced up before hitting the town. **Gardner Village** (gardnervillage.com) is a lovely spot for window (or actual) shopping, with 22 locally-owned specialty shops.

WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW

The three-quarter-mile-deep, two-and-a-half-mile-wide **Bingham Canyon Mine** is visible from space. A 2013 landslide closed the mine to the public, but you can take a virtual tour (kenneccott.com).



THE PORCH

Experience artisanal home cooking, including fried chicken and crawfish, on Daybreak's SoDa Row.

11274 Kestrel Rise Rd.,
801-679-1066, porchutah.com



Cultural Celebration Center

WEST VALLEY

Utah's second-largest city, **West Valley City**, joins **Kearns** and **Taylorsville**, to create the most ethnically diverse area in Utah. That means it's the go-to place for diverse culinary experiences, unique shopping, plus theater, concert and sports entertainment year round.

EAT

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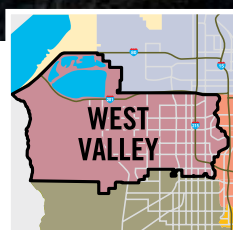
You can follow in the blade marks of 2002 Winter Games' speed-skating great Apolo Ohno for a \$4 admission.

utaholympiclegacy.org/oval

the Maverik Center, **Myung Ga** (801-953-0478) is widely agreed to be the best Korean BBQ in the valley. **Copper-creek Pub & Grub** (copper-creekpub.com) is famous for the Chubby Melt, a ground chuck patty smashed between two grilled cheese sandwiches. Some of the most diverse international food along the Wasatch Front can be found in West Valley, including **Jugos y Tortas El Morelense** (elmorelense.com), which specializes in al pastor (pork roasted on a vertical spit).

PLAY

Check out a big-name concert or take in some hockey when the **Utah Grizzlies** take the ice at **Maverik Center** (maverikcenter.com) which was the official venue for men's and women's ice hockey during the 2002 Olympic Winter Games. The **Utah Cultural Celebration Center** (culturalcelebration.org) offers world-class programs and concerts.



SHOP

Swing by the **Backcountry.com Retail Store** (backcountry.com), pick from the online retailer's catalog, and runners will fetch your gear from the connected warehouse. Visit the **Overstock.com Warehouse Outlet** (overstock.com) on the select days the outlet is open (check the website). If you can't find what you need there, you'll probably find it at **Valley Fair Mall** (shopvalleyfairmall.com) with its 120 shops, including local favorite **Hammond Toys & Hobby** (hammondtoy.com).

WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW

What do Hillary Clinton and Axl Rose have in common? They've both been awarded the key to West Valley City.

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Big Cottonwood Canyon

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BIG COTTONWOOD CANYON

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EAT & DRINK

Dining at **Brighton Ski Resort** (brightonresort.com) is back to the basics: burgers grilling on a deck outside the lodge, a pitcher of beer in the sun. **Molly Green's** offers a cozy fireplace with a magnificent view. Outdoor patios at **Millicent Chalet** or the **Alpine Rose Cafeteria** are the spots for end-of-day beers. At **Solitude Mountain Resort** (skisolitude.com) locals decompress at the **Thirsty Squirrel**, a bar with a menu of small bites. If you like to get a bit dressier, try the **Library Bar's** vast wine and whiskey list. Snowshoe down a lantern-lit trail to **The Yurt**, where you'll be among only 24 guests for a five-course epicurean experience. Down canyon from the resorts, **Silver Fork Lodge** (silverforklodge.com) offers classic house-cooked meals, fantastic sour-dough pancakes, breathtaking views and a venerable bar.

PLAY

A Utah mainstay, **Brighton** provides perfect powder, three terrain parks, an outstanding ski school and superb grooming, which add up to maximum ski and snowboard fun. The aptly named **Solitude** is known for its peaceful setting—think cozy lodges, heaps of pristine powder and diverse terrain. If you want to get a taste of mountain snow the old fashion way, snowshoe to Lake Blanche in the Twin Peaks Wilderness. Or hit the crosscountry track or snowshoe trails at Solitude Nordic Center, (skisolitude.com).

GETTING THERE

Big Cottonwood Canyon is served by the I-215 Belt Route. Ski buses pick up at the canyon-entrance park-and-ride—a great meet-up spot and avoids parking hassles at the top. Shuttle service runs between Solitude and Brighton that offer a two-resort pass.



WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW

The Ski City Super Pass is your golden ticket to access Alta, Brighton, Snowbird, and Solitude. The Super Pass includes a ride on TRAX light rail and UTA ski buses, plus rental discounts (visitsaltlake.com/skitcity/super-pass).



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Snowbird Tram, Little Cottonwood Canyon

LITTLE COTTONWOOD CANYON

Little Cottonwood is your access route to two of Salt Lake's iconic ski resorts known for their steep runs and deep powder.

EAT & DRINK

Alta (alta.com) offers standard ski-hill fare and fine-dining options. The menu at **Shallow Shaft** (shallowshaft.com), independently owned for 47 years, features locally sourced ingredients and an award-winning wine list. **Alta Lodge** (altalodge.com) houses the **Sitzmark Club**,



LA CAILLE

At the base of the canyons enjoy upscale farm-to-table dining in a French chateau.

9565 Wasatch Blvd.,
801-942-1751, lacaille.com

which gets its "cheeky" German idiom for the mark your hind end makes in the snow when you fall down. The sprawling lodge at **Snowbird Ski & Summer Resort** (snowbird.com) offers everything from dinner fare at the **Forklift** restaurant to the grab-and-go **Bird Feeder**. The two fine-dining experiences are the elegant **Aerie**, offering eclectic fare from local game to freshly flown-in sashimi, and the rough-hewn **Steak Pit's** menu of top-grade beef. The rowdy **Tram Club**, where the action is after any given day on Snowbird's slopes, features a heated patio with amazing sunset views. At the mouth of the Canyon, upscale dining destination **La Caille** (lacaille.com) ups the fairy tale ante with its French-chateau theme and three-acre vineyard.

PLAY

Pure, unspoiled skiing and **Alta** are synonymous. World-renowned for classic powder, challenging terrain and spectacular views, Alta is a throwback resort with modern



trimmings (high-speed lifts). Spend an afternoon on groomed cross-country trails for \$10. Down the hill, **Snowbird** thrills with acres of steep chutes, wide-open bowls and long runs. Take a guided snowshoe tour or enjoy the 80-mile vistas from a snowmobile tour at the top of the 11,000-foot tram. (loftypeaks.com).

GETTING THERE

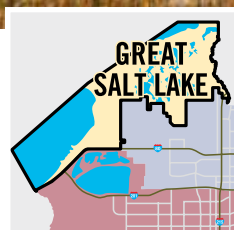
The mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon is accessed from the I-215 Belt Route. Ski buses leave (or stop at, if you're riding the bus from Salt Lake) the park-and-ride en route to Alta and Snowbird. Shuttle service is offered between Alta and Snowbird, which share a boundary.

WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW

Dick Bass, the co-founder of Snowbird, was the first person to climb the highest point on each of the seven continents.



GREAT SALT LAKE & SURROUNDING AREA



The Great Salt Lake is what's left of prehistoric Lake Bonneville, which covered most of what is now Utah. At 1,700 square miles, the great lake is still the largest salt water lake in the Western Hemisphere and a haven for hundreds of bird and mammal species.

EAT

Best to hit one of Salt Lake City's great breakfast stops for fuel before heading out to the great lake. **Penny Ann's Café** (pennyannscfe.com) is a popular spot for "heavenly hotcakes" and omelets, and **Pig & a Jelly Jar** (pigandajellyjar.com) serves up PBR mimosas alongside comfort food like fried chicken

and waffles. Want to make it fast? Hit **The Bagel Project**, (bagelproject.com) for back-East bagels and bialys.

PLAY

The best way to experience the Great Salt Lake is at **Antelope Island State Park** (stateparks.utah.gov). To reach the island, drive north on I-15 to exit 332 in Layton. Follow the signs west to the causeway. Besides the amazing views and a historic cattle ranch, you'll find bison, raptors, coyotes and antelope. The quickest way is a 15-minute drive to the marina at **Great Salt Lake State Park**, 16 miles west of Salt Lake City on Interstate 80, exit 104.



SALT AIR

Saltair, once known as the cursed Coney Island of the West, now hosts all-ages rock concerts.

Off I-80 (I-80 west if coming from Salt Lake City area) it is Exit 104 Saltair Drive.
thesaltair.com



Hundreds of bison roam Antelope Island State Park.

PHOTO: SUSAN MAXFIELD



Sun Tunnels

SEE

On the northern arm of the Great Salt Lake lies Robert Smithson's **Spiral Jetty**, a 45-minute drive south of Golden Spike National Monument, about 32 miles west

of Brigham City, (spiraljetty.org) a 1,500-foot basalt rock sculpture unwinding into the lake at **Rozel Point**. West of the Jetty, visit Nancy Holt's **Sun Tunnels** (about 200 miles northwest of Salt Lake City, near the ghost town of Lucin), an installation of concrete culverts that tracks the winter and summer solstice. The works are remote, so check the weather before making either trip. Check condi-

tions at the **Great Salt Lake Institute** (westminstercollege.edu/great_salt_lake_institute).

WHAT THE LOCALS KNOW

A drive along the shore of the country's largest salt lake will confirm that it is anything but "America's Dead Sea." Between two and five million birds depend on the lake, its billions of brine shrimp and minerals.



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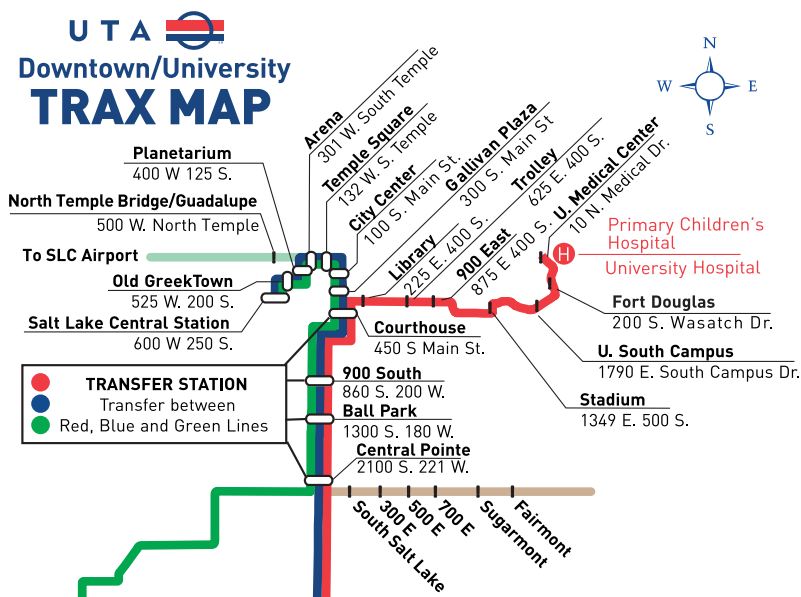
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Getting Around

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Urban eccentricities

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ORANGE FLAGS?

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CHIRPING SIGNS?

Our downtown crosswalks chirp with two different signals indicating it's safe to cross and in which direction. We also give you a handy countdown to aid you in crossing our unusually wide streets.

GREEN BIKES?

A great way to tour SLC's downtown is on a snazzy bike with a basket for your shopping treasures. When

you're done, just return to one of the convenient Bike Share stations. Just \$7 for 24 hours or \$15 for four days (greenbikeslc.org).

DOCKLESS SCOOTERS?

Pick one up where you find it, or download one of many scooter apps to locate one. Unlock with an app (apps vary with scooter company), pay via credit card per minute of ride, and leave it anywhere you'd

like. No docks required.

BLUE PARKING

ROBOTS? Just key in the number in front of your car, swipe your credit card, hit a couple buttons and be on your way. It's even easier using a free parking app on your smart phone. The machines also accept coins (no currency) if you're committed to the quarter-and-dime route (parkingslc.com).

Plugged in Downtown

Whether you're socializing with the folks at the Salt Lake Visitors Center or getting to know the lay of the land via Facebook and Twitter, there are plenty of options to get the 411 on the Beehive State.

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Salt Lake Visitors Center

We'll assist you in building the perfect vacation in Salt Lake City and beyond. Free maps, brochures and guidance will help you craft your itinerary, whether you're interested in tours, outdoor activities, concert and attraction tickets or regional travel. Free WiFi, Internet café and device-charging stations are available, and the friendly staff is at your service seven days a week.

90 S. W. Temple, 801-534-4900
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Utah Office of Tourism

For even more information on exploring state parks, monuments and our Mighty Five national parks.

300 N. State St., 800-200-1160
Mon.–Fri. 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

General Information

Population

Salt Lake City.....	193,000
Salt Lake Area.....	1.1 MILLION
Wasatch Front.....	2.4 MILLION
State of Utah	3.1 MILLION
Elevation (SLC)	4,330 FT (1,320 METERS)

Elevation (Nearby Mountains)

Snowbird Base	8,100 FT (2,469 METERS)
Snowbird Hidden Peak . .	11,000 FT (3,353 METERS)

Getting Around

Salt Lake City International Airport

The airport is 10 minutes from downtown SLC and shuttles, buses and taxis offer service to the resorts as well as anywhere in the valley. For information about specific accommodations, head to Visit Salt Lake's website. (visitsaltlake.com)

Public Transportation

Utah Transit Authority (UTA) provides bus, TRAX and FrontRunner connections throughout the valley and to the airport. UTA offers a free-fare zone downtown Salt Lake City. (www.rideuta.com)



Now Playing Utah Need an arts and entertainment fix?

With an ever-changing mix of live music, sporting events, festivals, stage plays and art exhibits, Salt Lake has a perpetually changing calendar of things to do and see. Relax. Finding and getting to these events is easy because dependable info is no farther away than your laptop or smart phone. Now Playing Utah has up-to-the-minute information and links for it all. nowplayingutah.com

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Visit Salt Lake's blog is the source for everything you need to know about the city (and beyond). Find an in-depth insiders guide to food, fun, shopping, Salt Lake secrets and more.

THINGS TO DO

- Visit Temple Square
- Art galleries
- Concerts
- Museums



OUTDOORS

- Sledding
- Snowshowing
- Local festivals



RESTAURANTS AND BARS

- Beer in the Beehive
- Food Trucks
- SLC's Best Burgers
- SLC's Coffee Scene



Temple Square Events and more

Temple Square is both the cartographic center of Salt Lake City and the heart of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. On July 22, 1847, after being driven well beyond the U.S. boundaries for their religious beliefs, pioneers arrived in what is now known as the Salt Lake Valley.

Upon the arrival of the Latter-day Saints in Utah, Church president Brigham Young famously declared, "This is the place." The pioneers called their new state Deseret, meaning "industry." Within four days Young had chosen the site for the Temple—it took 40 years to complete.

Now Temple Square is beautifully landscaped and is the No. 1 tourist attraction in Utah. Three of the buildings on the square were built by the pioneers: the magnificent six-spired granite **Salt Lake Temple**; the acoustically perfect domed **Tabernacle**, the original home of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir and the famous Tabernacle organ; and the **Assembly Hall** with its white spires and stained glass windows. Outside the Assembly Hall, you'll find the Seagull Monument, a commemoration of the "Miracle of the Gulls" a local bit of lore that holds that a massive flock of seagulls arrived in the valley and saved the settlers crops from a plague of insects. Two visitor's centers offer art galleries, interactive exhibits and an 11-foot replica of Thorvaldsen's **Christus**. Private tours of all of Temple Square's attractions are offered in more than 40 languages.

The **Family History Library** (35 N. West Temple, 801-240-2584, familysearch.org) is the largest repository of genealogical records the world, and is free to the public. On the Main Street Plaza on the ground floor of the Joseph Smith Memorial Building, you'll find the **FamilySearch Center** (15 N. South Temple, 801-240-2584, familysearch.org). Take a selfie on a replica of the Ellis Island Pier. North of Temple Square massive is the 21,000-seat **Conference Center** with a waterfall on the south façade and a four-acre garden on the roof (50 W. North Temple, 801-240-0075, templesquare.com). The building, completed in 2000, to host the LDS Church's semi-annual conference and musical performances, is an engineering marvel. The auditorium is large enough to fit two Boeing 747s inside its acoustically perfect performance hall.



Thorvaldsen's **Christus** (left) in the Visitors Center and the **LDS Conference Center** (below) are all musts on your SLC visit.



What's all the...Singing about?

It's a great season for musical performances on Temple Square. The world-famous **Mormon Tabernacle Choir** presents its annual concert celebrating Christmas. Performances are free to the public, but you must register for tickets at mormontabernaclechoir.org. As for ongoing events, check out the Tabernacle Organ Recitals that occur Monday through Saturday at noon and Sunday at 2 p.m. Sundays also provide chances to catch the Mormon Tabernacle Choir during the **Music and the Spoken Word** broadcast, which starts at 9:30 a.m. in the Conference Center. Thursday's evening rehearsals are open to the public (60 W. North Temple, 801-240-0075). For updated concert info, visit mormontabernaclechoir.org



Family History Library

Climbing YOUR Family Tree

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is serious about preserving its genealogy records. All Family History Library record originals are kept at the Granite Records Vault in the mountains near the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon, but the digital information is available to everyone.

In 1894, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints started gathering genealogical records to help members trace their family histories. The church's **Family History Library** (35 N. West Temple, 801-240-2584, familysearch.org) is now the largest of its kind in the world. In the library, you'll find the **Discovery Experiences**, an interactive display that allows you to explore and learn about your family history.

Use of the Family History Library is not limited to church members. Anyone can enter the library and use any of the resources to trace their family tree, free of charge. More than 300 computers are avail-

able for use in the five-floor, 145,000-square-foot library. Resources here include vital records like birth and death certificates, marriage licenses, census returns, property, probate and cemetery records, among many others. The only catch is that the Family History Library's collection focuses on persons who lived before 1930—meaning you need to have at least immediate information about your family. This is not the place to look up people you've lost touch with in this lifetime.

For novice family history researchers, visit the **FamilySearch Center** in the lower floor of the nearby Joseph Smith Memorial Building (15 E. South Temple, 801-240-4085, familysearch.org). The smaller, less-exhaustive center is home to 100 specially-designed terminals that allow visitors to perform basic searches and dip a toe into the deep waters of genealogical research.

More than 4,500 Family History Centers—branches of the Family History Library—operate. Find one of these centers at (familysearch.org).



Discovery Experiences



The Lion House

The Lion House



LION HOUSE

PANTRY fare is

homespun and uncomplicated.

Favorites include the turkey pot pie, Coca-Cola pork loin and famous rolls. Sit in the Victorian dining room or on the patio. It's not the food that makes the Lion House so interesting but the building's past. Brigham Young, who led the pioneers across the Great Plains to Utah and founded Salt Lake City, lived in both the Lion House and Beehive House next door with 27 wives and 56 children. Young died in the Lion House in 1877. It's been a designated National Historic Landmark since 1964. (63 E. South Temple, 801-539-3257, templesquare.com)

Using the Library

Casual genealogists will want to use the **FamilySearch Center** in the **Joseph Smith Memorial Building** (familysearch.org) where they can get one-on-one help from family history experts. It's free, has a relaxed atmosphere and offers hands-on activities for kids and teens. Have your photo taken in front of a backdrop of the wharf at Ellis Island with the Statue of Liberty in the harbor.

For serious researchers, **The Family History Library** is open Mondays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday to Friday 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturdays

from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Hours may change during holidays. For a full schedule, visit familysearch.org.

Start by finding as much information as you can about your ancestors. The library focuses on records before 1930 because of privacy restrictions. Ask for a library worksheet and bring a big flash drive to save your family history info.

You can't check out books, but you can make copies. The library doesn't have its own parking lot, but you can park at nearby garages or pay for on-street parking at the blue meters (parkingslc.com).

See, Do and Play!

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Makes It Easy.

The list of cool stuff to do in Salt Lake includes museums, art galleries, theatre and shopping as well as spectacular scenery. Our Wild-West-meets-cosmopolitan sophistication is ideal for a vacation that's anything but ordinary. The Salt Lake Connect Pass is the best way to start—it gives you admission to 16 different attractions. visitsaltlake.com



Utah's Hogle Zoo

A World of Animals

More than 800 animals reside east of downtown at the updated Hogle Zoo, including red pandas, an Amur leopard, giraffes and a Siberian tiger. New at the zoo is Rocky Shores, a multi-million-dollar ecosystem of sea lions, seals, a polar bear and other denizens of the deep. But also swing by to meet Zuri, the African elephant born at the zoo in 2009, who basically runs the place. The Hogle Zoo is open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. everyday. 2600 E. Sunnyside Ave., 801-584-1700, hoglezoo.org

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The Leonardo*Where Science Collides with Art*

"The Leo" museum of science, art and innovation is sometimes difficult to describe in a word or two. Though it offers hands-on exhibits, The Leo is anything but a kids' museum. Think of Leonardo Da Vinci himself—artist, scientist and inventor—and you'll begin to understand The Leo experience. The Leonardo is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 209 E. 500 South, 801-531-9800, theleonardo.org



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Clark Planetarium and IMAX Theater*The Universe and Beyond*

The planetarium has been reimagined and its exhibits expanded, including Orbital ATK's space launch system that will take humans beyond Earth's orbit. Take in a laser light show or IMAX movie, shop the Planet Fun Store or check out one of the planetarium's free exhibits, including the Foucault Pendulum, Moon and Mars-scapes, Weight on Other Worlds or the International Space Station. Special presentations on black holes, the Hubble telescope and cosmic light shows entertain in the 360-degree Hansen Dome Theatre, along with IMAX blockbusters. The planetarium opens daily (except Thanksgiving and Christmas Days) at 10:30 a.m. Closing time depends on the show schedule. 110 S. 400 West, 385-468-7827, clarkplanetarium.org



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Thanksgiving Point

Back to the Land

Gardens, a barnyard, cooking classes, restaurants, movie theaters and one of the world's largest collections of dinosaur fossils can all be found at Thanksgiving Point. Some of the coolest stuff to do here: explore the ancient ruins and chambers, crawl inside the 45-foot-tall monkey head, pretend to fly the Piper Cub, explore the town of Kidopolis, where you'll discover secret passageways, and perform tricks at the magic shop. Open Mon-Fri 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sat 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., closed on holidays. 2935 N. Thanksgiving Way, Lehi, 801-768-2300, thanksgivingpoint.org



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Natural History Museum of Utah

Your Own Jurassic Park

Utah is home to one of the highest concentrations of dinosaur fossils in the world, many of which were discovered by Natural History Museum of Utah paleontologists. The museum's collection of natural wonders and cultural artifacts is on spectacular display in a museum built (literally) into the hillside above the University of Utah, offering stunning views of the valley below. Open daily, except holidays, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.; Wednesdays until 9 p.m.

301 Wakara Way, 801-581-6927,
NHMU.utah.edu



Discovery Gateway

No ordinary museum

From a kid-sized neighborhood, complete with supermarkets and service stations, to an interactive television studio, Discovery Gateway is a fully-interactive and fully-immersive experience for kids of all ages. No need to keep your hands to yourself here—touching exhibitions is definitely encouraged. Be sure to check the calendar on the website for special STEM and arts-based programming and workshops. *Mon-Thu 10-6, Fri-Sat 10-7, Sun 12-6, 444 W. 100 South, 801-456-5437, discoverygateway.org*

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Utah Museum of Fine Arts

See What's New

On the University of Utah campus, Utah's foremost museum of fine art recently re-opened after a lengthy renovation and the results are an eye-ful. Permanent collections include over 17,000 works of art representing African, Oceanic and New World cultures, as well as Asian, European, American and the Ancient and Classical World. Check the website for events and workshops. *400 Campus Center Drive, 801-328-4201 umfa.utah.edu*



Family Friendly Stuff To Do

Any parent will tell you: If the kids aren't happy, then nobody's happy. Make your Utah visit fun for everybody, toddlers to teens, with this Salt Lake-area list of kid-friendly things to do.

Sporty

Let them climb the walls like monkeys at **Momentum's** indoor climbing wall. 3173 E. 3300 South, Millcreek, 801-906-2132 or 220 W. 10600 South, Sandy, 801-990-6890, momentumclimbing.com. With a seasoned bobsled pilot, experience the official 2002 Olympic Sliding Track including speeds over 60 mph and notable g-forces. **Utah Olympic Park**, 3419 Olympic Parkway, Park City, 435-658-4200, utaholympiclegacy.org.

Channel some of that excessive energy into a bow at **Easton Archery Center**, 575 John Glenn Rd., 801-523-5232, esdf.org.

Let 'em bounce off the walls—literally— at The **Wairhouse Trampoline Park**. There's an indoor mini-golf course, too. 3653 S. 500 West, North Salt Lake, 801-268-5867, thewairhouse.com

Artsy

Watch stories like **Pinkalicious** and **Treasure Island** come to life on the intimate, black box style stage at **Utah Children's Theatre**, a theater dedicated to presenting only kid-targeted plays. 3605 S. State St., 801-532-6000, utctheatre.org.

Get your family art on at the **Utah Museum of Contemporary Art**, which hosts free drop-in family art projects every second Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m. 20 S. West Temple, 801-328-4201, utahmoca.org.

Nature

Open your kids' eyes to where milk really comes from, feed the ducks and take a tractor-pulled hayride at **Wheeler Farm**, a demonstration rural farm and park. 6351 S. 900 East, 385-468-1755, wheelerfarm.com.

Climb the walls for real at Momentum. Kids can explore at the **Natural History Museum of Utah** (right).





Sledding

Sugar House Park (1300 E. 2100 South), West (little kid slope) or east side.

Mountain Dell Golf Course (Parley's Canyon), steep and great for toboggans.

Donut Falls (9 miles up Big Cottonwood Canyon) Salt Lake's favorite sledding hill.

The 400 birds residing in **Tracy Aviary** don't migrate in winter. Many of them are rare or endangered. At the south end of Liberty Park, the aviary is open year-round. 589 E. 1300 South, 801-596-8500, tracyaviary.org.

Being in a desert doesn't mean kids can't learn about the oceans. Several hundred species are on exhibit at **Loveland Living Planet Aquarium**: 12033 S. Lone Peak Pkwy., Draper, 801-355-3474, thelivingplanet.com

Parks

Sugar House Park may just be a park but it feels like a destination. Depending on weather it offers jogging, playgrounds or sledding and cross-country skiing. 1330 E. 2100 South, sugarhousepark.org, 801-972-7800, internationalpeacegardens.org.

Museums

Touch a dino bone or walk through a silver mine at the **Natural History Museum of Utah**. 301 Wakara Way, 801-581-6927, nhmu.utah.gov. Whether your kid aspires to build a

home, fly a helicopter or anchor the evening news, he or she can start the job early at the **Discovery Gateway Children's Museum**. 444 W. 100 South, 801-456-5437, discoverygateway.org. **The Leonardo** explores the nexus of art and science. 209 E. 500 South, 801-531-9800, theleonardo.org



Loveland Living Planet Aquarium

Free or Super Cheap Things to Do

Ride the rails within **TRAX'S FREE FARE ZONE** from Salt Lake Central Station to the Main Library. (rideuta.com). Then check out the Salt Lake City skyline from the spectacular **MAIN LIBRARY'S** rooftop garden, before going inside

to hang out in the library's huge juvenile section (210 E. 400 South, 801-524-8200, slcpl.org). Further south, **SHEELS** has many low-cost family-friendly activities—a ferris wheel, mini-bowling and a shooting range, among them. (11282 S. State

St., Sandy, 801-948-7080, sheels.com). Visit **SWEET'S** candy factory's visitor's center to learn about the magic behind those chocolate orange sticks, by appointment only. (3780 W. Directors Row, 801-866-1444, sweetcandy.com).

Take the Olympic ski
jump into a pool!



Olympic Legacy Attractions

Utah cherishes its role as host of one of the most spectacular Olympic Winter Games in history. You can still experience the “thrill of victory and agony of defeat” at several of the 2002 competition venues.

B. CROSBY

Salt Lake, as the 2002 host of a successful and memorable Olympic Winter Games, joined an exalted club of former Olympic cities around the world. Visitors to Utah will encounter plaques and pylons that welcomed the world's athletes and are preserved as tributes to their competitive spirit. You can even ski, sled and skate at venues where Olympic medals were won.

The Utah Olympic Park

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Likely Utah's most complete Olympic legacy attraction, this park is home to the bobsled, luge and skeleton track; the K90 and K120 Nordic jumps; the **Alf Engen Ski**

Museum; 2002 Eccles Olympic

Museum, with extensive photographs and a film. Take a chairlift ride to the top of the K120 Ski Jump or get an adrenaline fix with a bobsled ride down the park's track.
3419 Olympic Parkway, Park City, 435-658-4240,
engensemuseum.org

The Utah Olympic Oval

Home to the "Fastest Ice on Earth," this huge facility may appear imposing from the outside, but inside it feels like a small town ice rink. Skaters of all levels can glide



Utah Olympic Oval

around the Oval's two international-size ice sheets or watch the athletes train on the 400-meter skating oval. You can also take a swim or work out at the **Kearns Oquirrh Park Fitness Center** located right next to the Oval. 5624 S. Cougar Lane, Kearns, 801-966-5555, utaholympiclegacy.org

Soldier Hollow Resort

Just outside of Midway (an uber-cute, Euro-inspired burg on the Wasatch Back) is **Soldier Hollow Resort**. Cross-country

skiing and biathlon competitions took place here in 2002. The list of activities at this outdoor recreation center includes beginner-to-Olympic-level cross-country skiing courses, snow tubing, snow shoeing, the Olympic Biathlon Experience and sleigh rides. 2002 Soldier Hollow Ln., Midway, 435-654-2002, utaholympiclegacy.org/Soldier-Hollow



Nordic Jumping at Utah Olympic Park

Break a Leg

From grand Broadway-style productions to locally-written and produced plays, there's no shortage of theater in Salt Lake



The Janet Quinney Lawson
Capitol Theatre

The George S. and Dolores Doré Eccles Theater (131 S. Main St.) is located in downtown Salt Lake and features touring Broadway plays, live musical acts and other entertainment events in its 2,500 seat theater, designed with Utah's red rock canyons in mind. An on-site black box theater serves local theater groups and community events. arttix.org

The Janet Quinney Lawson Capitol Theatre (50 W. 200 South) has been at the center of the Salt Lake arts community since 1913. Its rich architectural features and more than 100 years of exceptional theater, dance, opera, music, vaudeville and film performances have made the Capitol Theatre a treasured historic landmark. It is currently the home of the Utah Opera, Ballet West and a variety of touring shows. arttix.org

Billed as "Utah's Professional Family Theater," **Hale Center Theatre** (9900 S. Monroe St., Sandy) has been delighting audiences of all ages for nearly 40 years. They've recently moved into a state-of-the-art space in Sandy, and locals count on them to deliver crowd-pleasing family-friendly plays, season after season. hct.org

Pioneer Theater Company (300 S. 1400 East) is professional theatre-in-residence at the

University of Utah. Each year's seven-play season includes a mixture of classics, large-scale musicals and contemporary dramas and comedies. pioneertheater.org

Salt Lake Acting Company (168 W. 500 North), or SLAC as it's locally-known, has the unique distinction of playing in a church—an early LDS Wardhouse it now rents from the city. SLAC produces both world-premier plays by local and national playwrights and award-winning plays with it's local casts and crews. saltlakeactingcompany.org



Hale Center Theatre's
performance of *Tuck
Everlasting*

Become a local fan

Game Time

Like most American cities, sports are a vital part of life in Salt Lake. Rare is a weekend when the pros (or semi-pros) aren't tossing or kicking the ball around a court or field. And, because Salt Lake has a much smaller population, tickets are pretty easy to come by.

The Utes

Salt Lake City is really just a big college town and the home proud home to the University of Utah (known by locals as simply "The U") and its various teams. Before home football games every foot of space on—and around—campus is full of tailgating PAC-12 Conference fans before they fill Rice-Eccles Stadium. But, it's not just football. The University of Utah Red Rocks, the women's gymnastics team, consistently impresses spectators and will host the NCAA Regional Tournament in April 2019. Men's and Women's basketball teams join the Red Rocks in playing at the John M. Huntsman Center on campus. August-December (451 S. 1400 East, Salt Lake City, utahutes.com).

Utah Jazz

Though Utah residents are split on their allegiance to college-level sports teams, one thing is for sure: Everybody loves the Jazz. The NBA team plays in the heart of downtown Salt Lake at the newly-remodeled Vivint Smart Home Arena and has made the playoffs for the last two years. The team's slogan, "Take Note," is a tip of



the hat to both their name and their up-and-coming status as a league-dominating team. October-April (301 W. South Temple, Salt Lake City, nba.com/jazz).

The Grizzlies

Get close to the ice and all the action at a minor league hockey game. The Utah Grizzlies (utahgrizzlies.com), minor league affiliate of the Colorado Avalanche, call the Maverik Center in West Valley City home. In true minor league fashion, the in-game entertainment is just as focused on the sport as it is audience participation. October-April, (3200 Decker Lake Dr, West Valley City).

Real Salt Lake

Real Salt Lake emerged from

obscurity in November 2009 when they became the Major League Soccer champions. RSL was the 2013 MLS Western Conference Champion, and its star players compete on the US National Team. March-October. RSL plays at Rio Tinto Stadium, (9256 S. State St., Sandy, rsl.com) just south of Salt Lake (a 15-minute walk from the 9000 S. 200 East TRAX station).

Utah Royals

Utah Royals FC is a new American women's professional soccer club that plays in the National Women's Soccer League, the premiere level of American women's professional soccer. March-October, Rio Tinto Stadium in Sandy (9256 S. State St., Sandy, utahroyalsfc.com).

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Great Dining Salt Lake Style

Salt Lake has gained fame as a dining destination because of its unique definition of good eating: deep ties with local farms and growers who provide fresh food to the kitchens, passionate chefs who care more about their craft and pleasing their customers than fame. Plus, a warm Western sense of casual hospitality. Fine dining is never formal—here, food is another way to have fun.

Alamexo was selected as one of Utah's 25 Best Restaurants by *Salt Lake* magazine in 2018.



J. Wong's offers (right) more than just typical Chinese fare. Below, **Takashi** takes sushi to the sublime.



Takashi

18 W. Market St., 801-519-9595

Chef-owner **Takashi Gibo** earned his deserved acclaim by purchasing the freshest fish and serving it in eye-popping presentations. Check the chalkboard for daily specials. And don't worry about the wait—pop into their bar, Post Office Place, next door and the time will fly.

Pallet

237 S. 400 West, 801-935-4431, eatpallet.com

This cozy bistro in a repurposed dairy dock boasts high hipster style while the imaginative kitchen turns out small plates and full meals and **Bijan Ghiai's** cocktails are a menu unto themselves.

The Paris

1500 S. 1500 East, 801-486-5585, theparis.net

True to the soul of Paris and bounty of local farms, **Eric Debonis'** bistro serves duck, daube and steak frites in a charmingly Gallic atmosphere. Great wine list; enjoy a glass at the Zinc Bar.

Pago

878 S. 900 East, 801-532-0777, pagosl.com

Tiny, dynamic and food-driven, Pago's ingredients are locally sourced by owner **Scott Evans** and the menu is reimaged regularly.

The great list of wines by the glass and an original craft cocktail menu are also treats.

Copper Kitchen

4640 S. 2300 East #102, Holladay, 385-237-3159, copperkitchenslc.com

Ryan Lowder, chef and owner, uses high-quality ingredients, and full American flavors are the hallmark of this food prepared with enthusiasm and perfect for a casual nosh or a celebratory dinner. Copper Kitchen in Holladay is the spiffy sibling to downtown's Copper Onion.

J. Wong's Asian Bistro

163 W. 200 South, 801-350-0888, jwongs.com

The combo Thai/Chinese fare comes from the Wong family's two heritages, and the kitchen turns out both cuisines with great flair.

Current Fish & Oyster

279 E. 300 South, 801-326-3474, currentfishandoyster.com

Current offers fresh seafood in all kinds of regional preparations, plus a great cocktail and wine list in an industrial-chic setting. Check out the sister bar, UnderCurrent, right next door.



Martine serves small plates as well as full meals from a charming brownstone (left), At **Mazza**, (above) go for Mediterranean-mezzes.

Log Haven

6451 E. Millcreek Canyon Rd., 801-272-8255, log-haven.com
Recognized as the most romantic restaurant in SLC, Log Haven's vintage log lodge in the crisp air of scenic Millcreek Canyon offers suave service and sophisticated mountain American fare. Don't miss it.

Mazza

912 E. 900 South, 801-521-4572 and 1515 S. 1500 East, 801-484-9259, mazzacafe.com

Ali Sabbah's Lebanese menu features kebabs, falafel and hummus, plus exotica like muhamara—a dip of walnuts, pomegranate, molasses and spices, delights of vegetarianism.

Rico's Cocina & Tequila Bar

545 W. 700 South, 801-983-6692, fridabistro.com

Jorge Fierro hit the big time with his Rico's line of high-quality Mexican foods, sold in local groceries. His restaurant flaunts the same cuisine plus unusual specials in a space filled with bright colors and a terrific menu of margaritas.

The Tin Angel Cafe

365 W. 400 South, 801-328-4155, thetinangel.com

Everything about the Angel is full of personal-

ity—from the ever-changing local art on the walls to the ever-changing cuisine turned out by the genially unconventional chef and co-owner **Jerry Liedtke**.

Alamexo

268 S. State St., 801-779-4747, alamexo.com

In the heart of downtown, **Chef Matthew Lake's** top-tier Mexican restaurant is based on years of experience. This is the opposite of street Mexican food, with tableside guacamole, ever-changing salsas and carefully selected ingredients like Niman Ranch beef.

Table X

1457 E. 3350 South, 385-528-3712, tablexrestaurant.com

Three cutting-edge chefs are in charge of the modern kitchen here—let yourself be surprised by dishes you never imagined.

La Caille

9565 Wasatch Blvd., Sandy, 801-942-1751, lacaille.com

Utah's grande dame of dining—the long entrance road, the peacocks, the fairy-tale French chateau with its luxurious dining rooms—the whole experience is magical.

Valter's Osteria

173 W. Broadway, 801-521-4563, valtersosteria.com

Hand-waving, air-kissing **Valter Nassi** has been Salt Lake's most famous host for years. Tableside preparations, Old World service and general conviviality make this a local fave for Italian cuisine.

Martine Cafe

22 E. 100 South, 801-363-9328, martinecafe.com

A New York brownstone tucked into a Salt Lake City block. Lunch is good, but dinner is when the kitchen really shines, with small plates showcasing vivid global flavors and an excellent wine list.

Shallow Shaft

10199 E. Hwy. 210, Alta, 801-742-2177, shallowshaft.com

In fabled Alta lies a hidden gem. The setting recalls the rusticity of early ski lodges, but the fare and the wine list are pure 21st century.

Finca

327 W. 200 South, 801-487-0699, fincaslc.com

Enjoy Spanish tapas and Spanish-inspired entrees made with locally sourced food from one of Utah's culinary pioneers. A unique restaurant with a cozy bar in a rehabbed building—it's unique in SLC.

Specials from three SLC favorites: **La Caille** (below): **Rico's** (bottom); **HSL** (right).



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Provisions

3364 S. 2300 East, 801-410-4046, slcprovisions.com

Modern American cuisine using regional ingredients and a melting pot of inspiration, the menu ranges from pizza to elegant and the decor is chic and cheerful.

HSL

418 E. 700 South, 801-539-9999, hslrestaurant.com

Much-lauded chef-owner **Briar Handly** is one of the most innovative chefs in town. In a comfortably stylish setting, expect modern combinations of grains and vegetables on small plates as well as a beef-cheek burger.

Zest

275 S. 200 West, SLC, 801-433-0589, zestslc.com

Zest's is dedicated to vegan, vegetarian and gluten-free, all locally sourced. Try a portobello steak with lemon risotto and pair it with a vegetable-based cocktail, like the Zest Sugar Snap. This is the 21st century, folks.

For a complete listing of these and other great local restaurants, go to:
VISITSALTLAKE.COM/RESTAURANTS



Beer Elevated

Since Greg Schirf founded Utah's first microbrewery in 1986, Beehive brewers have gotten better and best. Just about every brewery in Utah has a wall covered with awards. And brew's rising popularity means that beer lists get the same kind of attention as wine lists. Here's where to find Salt Lake's finest.



Squatters head brewer Jason
Stock testing his beer.

Squatters Pub Brewery/ Wasatch Brewery

147 W. Broadway, 801-363-2739,
squatters.com, 2110 Highland Drive,
801-783-1127, wasatchbeers.com

Greg Schirf's Wasatch Beers and Brewpub merged with Jeff Polychronis and Peter Cole's Squatters Pubs and Beers, forming Utah Brewers Cooperative, Squatters is one of the most popular watering holes in Salt Lake, and Wasatch Brew Pub in Sugar House is catching up fast.

Desert Edge Brewery at the Pub

273 Trolley Square, 801-521-8917,
desertedgebrewery.com

The constantly changing variety and Beer School set Desert Edge apart from all the others. Along with their famous onion soup.

Red Rock Brewery

254 S. 200 West, SLC, 801-521-7446,
redrockbrewing.com

Brewmaster **Kevin Templin** is an admitted perfectionist. "Every beer has to be world-class," he says. For a German pilsner, he doesn't just brew



The Beerhive Pub

AUSTEN DIAMOND PHOTOGRAPHY

in the German style, he uses German malt, hops and yeast. The pub draws on 45 recipes for its rotating selection.

Uinta Brewing Company

1722 Fremont Dr., SLC, 801-467-0909, uintabrewing.com

"What sets us apart from most other local brewers is simple," says Uinta Brewing Company founder **Will Hamill**. "We make beer. Period." Uinta's facility produces certified organic beers and beer in corked bottles with artist-designed labels.

The Beerhive Pub

128 S. Main St., 801-364-4268

The Beerhive attracts a crowd ranging from hipster kids to Happy Hour suits. An impressive selection of craft beers is served at the unique ice bar, literally a strip of ice that runs the length of the bar to keep your brew at the right temperature.

Bohemian Brewery

94 E. 7200 South, Midvale, 801-566-5474, bohemianbrewery.com

Specializing in the lagers beloved by Bohemian's owners' Czech forebears, beer here follows the ancient Reinheitsgbot or German Purity Law.

Epic Brewing Company

825 S. State St., SLC, 801-906-0123, epicbrewing.com

The first Utah brewery since Prohibition to brew exclusively high-alcohol content Epic has moved its HQ to Colorado but you can still buy cold beer to-go at the taproom.

Shades of Pale Brewing

2160 S. West Temple, SLC, 435-200-3009, shadesofpale.com

Small mom-and-pop brewery supplies many local restaurants—check the website for places that carry Shades of

Pale and stop by their tap room for a taste.

Proper Brewery and Proper Burger

865 Main St., SLC, 801-906-8604, properbugerslc.com

From the same proper folks who brought you the Public House, Proper Brewery and Burgers hugely expands the brewing capacity of the original and adds a burger emporium.

Fisher Brewing Company

320 W. 800 South, SLC, 801-487-2337

Fisher takes its name from a brewery originally founded in 1884, but the brews and low-key atmosphere are strictly right now. One of the few in town that has cask ale occasionally.

Roha

30 E. Kensington Ave., SLC, 385-227-8982, rohabrewing.com

The name of Salt Lake's newest brewery comes from the owners two names: Rob Phillips and Chris Haas, former brewer for Red Rock Brewery.

Kiitos Brewing

emple608 W. 700 South, SLC, 801-215-9165 A rising star, Kiitos brews are on several menus around town. But if you stop by the brewery to taste, you can play pinball, too.

Brewery Tour Pass

There is no better way to explore a city and meet its people than to hop from one craft brewery to another. With the Salt Lake Brewery Tour Pass, that's exactly what you'll do, enjoying tasty suds at any of our 12 included breweries. So raise a glass, tip your tender and meet your neighbors with the Salt Lake Brewery Tour Pass. saltlakebrewtour.com

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Local Spirits

Explore these locally made liquors from Utah's micro-distilleries in select restaurants, by the bottle in state liquor stores and at the distilleries. You can visit the distilleries to purchase products, but many also offer tours and tastings.

Call ahead for schedules and availability.

Salt City Vodka

6786 S. Clermonts Dr., Midvale, saltcityvodka.com

Their handmade vodka is made for sipping, not just mixing.

Kid Curry Vodka

2080 W. 2200 South, SLC, rmdistilling.com

Harvey Alexander Logan, first known as Kid Curry, became Butch Cassidy's second in command, the Sundance Kid—they called him the wildest of the wild bunch. That's his sepia-toned mug on the bottle.

Sugar House Distillery

2212 S. West Temple, SLC, 801-726-0403, sugarhousedistillery.net

They started out making vodka from wheat, barley, corn and spring water from the Wasatch Mountains, but now produce small-batch gold and silver rum, malt whiskey, rye and bourbon as well.

Mountain West Hard Cider

425 N. 400 West, SLC, 801-935-4147, mountainwestcider.com

The hard cider trend inspired locals to develop Ruby, a European-style apple cider.

High West Distillery & Saloon

703 Park Ave., Park City, 435-649-8300, highwest.com

Founded in 2007, Utah's first distillery since Prohibition makes several unique whiskeys.

Outlaw Distillery

552 W. 8360 South, Midvale, 801-706-1428, outlawdistillery.com

This husband-wife team makes rum, spiced rum, white whiskey and whiskey.



Beehive Distilling

1745 S. Milestone (3000 West), SLC, beehivedistilling.com

Beehive's Jack Rabbit Gin, based on a unique herbal blend, is made in small batches; the Barrel Reserve Gin is aged in charred chardonnay barrels.

Dented Brick Distillery

3100 S. Washington St., SLC, 801-883-9837, dentedbrick.com

Specializing in clear spirits, including one of Utah's only rums, Dented Brick was built on the site of a historic Artesian well that is used in the distilling process.

Distillery 36

2374 S. Redwood Rd., West Valley City, 801-983-7303, distillery36.com

Utah was the 36th and final state to vote for the end of Prohibition—hence the name of this new distillery. Brigham's Rum is just the first product; expect many more.



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Bar Scene

Believe it: Salt Lake has a vibrant drinking culture with creative mixologists, craft beers and ciders, local distilleries and artisanal bar menus. Cheers!

BTG Wine Bar

404 S. West Temple, SLC, 801-359-2814, btgwinebar.com

BTG, "By the Glass," has craft cocktails, specialty beer and great food, but the stars are the wines by the glass. Order a tasting portion or a full glass, and sample vintages you might not buy by the bottle.

Bar-X

155 E. 200 South, SLC, 801-355-2287

A survivor through the ups and downs of Utah liquor laws, this venerable beer bar was updated to become the leader of Salt Lake's new cocktail movement, serving classics and inventions behind the best electric sign in the city.

Under Current

279 S. 300 East, 801-574-2556, undercurrent.com

This sibling of the adjoining seafood restaurant is hip but comfortable, congenial but not loud, classy but unpretentious.

Water Witch

163 W. 900 South, SLC, 801-462-0967

Owned and tended by three of the best bartenders in town, this tiny bar is the true heart of SLC's cocktail scene. Drop in for beer, a classic or a blackboard special. You'll be surprised.

Porcupine Pub & Grill

258 S. 1300 East, 801-582-5555; 3698 Fort Union Blvd., 801-942-5555, porcupinepub.com

Two locations, beloved by hungry students and hikers, for burgers, alpine fare and plenty of beer. Brunch is famous.



Water Witch

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Lake Effect

155 W. 200 South, SLC, 801-532-2068, lakeeffectslc.com

Dressed to the nines and furnished with tiny two-tops, booths and lounge chairs, Lake Effect features food and live music in addition to craft cocktails.

Beer Bar

161 E. 200 South, SLC, 801-355-3618, beerbarslc.com

Beer-X's next door neighbor is a serious beer-food emporium. The brainchild of TV star Ty Burrell, Beer Bar takes beer and food to a new level with more than 140 brew options and locally made wurst.

The Hog Wallow Pub

3200 E. Big Cottonwood Canyon Rd, 801-733-5567

thehogwallow.com

The Wallow is an incarnation of a bar founded in 1947. The converted Conservation Corp building offers a funky and comfortable atmosphere. Live music, a bar menu, beer, spirits and even some wine.

Garage on Beck

1199 Beck St., 801-521-3904, garageonbeck.com

The old garage in the shadow of the refinery lights is a beloved Salt Lake hangout. Play cornhole on the patio, listen to live music inside and enjoy the famous fried funeral potatoes anytime.

Whiskey Street

323 S. Main St., SLC, 801-433-1371, whiskeystreet.com

Before it was Main Street, this road was dubbed "Whiskey Street" because it was lined with bars. Anchored by a 42-foot long cherry wood bar and centered with a stand-up table, Whiskey Street serves food too.

Copper Common

111 E. Broadway, SLC, 801-355-0543, coppercommon.com

Chef Ryan Lowder wanted a classic bar—instead he created a cutting-edge tavern complete with artisan cocktails and top-notch food.

Cliff Dining Pub

12234 Draper Gate Drive, Draper, 801-523-2053, cliffdiningpub.com

A spectacular elevated location with a view of



Porcupine Pub and Grill

the Oquirrh Mountains, Cliff House is a combo night club, sushi bar and restaurant with a patio.

A Bar Named Sue

8136 State St., Midvale, 801-566-3222.

Bar games and live music add to the friendly ambiance of this thoroughly neighborhood establishment.

The Ruin

1215 Wilmington Ave. #120, SLC, 801-869-3730, ruinslc.com

Artisanal cocktails, downtown vibes, concrete walls and music you can talk over in Sugar House.

Tinwell

837 S. Main St., SLC, 953-1769, tinwellbar.com

Hip new bar on the Main Street drag serves craft cocktails in a friendly party atmosphere.

White Horse Spirits & Kitchen

325 St., SLC, 801-433-1371, whitehorseslc.com

This distillery-pub has big plans for making liqueurs and other spirits. Right now, try the rum.

Post Office Place

16 W. Market St., SLC, 801-519-9595

From the owners of Takashi, next door, POP, as it's known, is one of the most stylish spots in town with some of the best Asian inspired noshes.

Go on a Downtown PUB CRAWL

Check out these watering holes from the top to the bottom of downtown Salt Lake.

1. The Beerhive Pub

128 S. Main St., 801-364-4268

This Main Street hotspot is all the buzz.

What you're drinking: Epic's Spiral Jetty or any number of craft microbrews from the extensive list.

What's so special: The ice bar, literally a strip of ice that runs the length of the bar to keep your brew at the right temperature.

Who's there: Downtowners and conventioners who like it Old World style. One of the newer hotspots in downtown SLC, Beerhive attracts a crowd ranging from hipster kids to Happy Hour suits.



2. O'Shucks Bar & Grill

22 E. 100 South, 801-596-8600

Gritty dive bar or sushi bar? You decide.

What you're drinking: Schooner of brew.

What's so special: The crazy-cheap deals on giant beers and rolls from the in-house Ahh Sushi restaurant every Wednesday.

Who's there: Any and all types: suits,

college kids, hipsters—everyone who feels comfortable throwing peanut shells on the floor, then ordering sashimi. And a few pool players.



3. The Red Door

57 W. 200 South, 801-363-6030, behindthereddoor.com

So you say you want a revolution?

What you're drinking: Sapphire martini, dirty.

What's so special: The giant Che Guevara mural, red walls and candlelit dimness.

Who's there: Communists and conventioners. A cozy hideaway that feels like somewhere else—sophisticated and elegant, perfect for a sneering discussion of *laissez-faire* economics, or just *les affaires*.

4. Bourbon House

19 E. 200 South, SLC, 801-746-1005

Go down into Salt Lake's Underground.

What you're drinking: Bourbon.

What's so special: A dark haven with knowledgeable bar tenders who have access to an extensive whiskey library.

Who's there: After work, it's the business crowd, guys in suits in town on an expense account and a nose for good whiskey. As the evening progresses, the bar gets more clubby with DJs spinning vinyl and, often, a line out the door.



Bourbon House

5. Keys on Main

242 S. Main St., 801-363-3638, keysonmain.com

Sing-along and drink-along with the piano man.

What you're drinking: Anything shaken, stirred or on tap.

What's so special: Salt Lake has plenty of live music stops, but Keys on Main's dueling pianos are all about interactive entertainment.

Who's there: From bachelorette parties to birthdays, there is always a celebration taking place at Keys. Celebrate with the best dressed and most beautiful folks in the city. Come for the dueling pianos, stay for the people watching.

6. Murphy's

160 S. Main St., 801-359-7271, murphysbarandgrillut.com

This so-called "step down in social clubs" is a consistent good time.

What you're drinking: Murphy's Irish stout, Jameson chaser.

What's so special: There are no games, no live music, no karaoke, but Murphy's clientele provides all the entertainment you need.

Who's there: Downtown bar-hoppers of all stripes, hard core boozers, hipsters and happy-hour business types. Murphy's has gussied up its appearance in recent years, but it's still a bare-bones drinking establishment, and that's why we like it. Forget the bells and whistles—just give us attentive service and more-fair-than-most prices and we'll gladly belly up any day of the week.

7. Quarters Arcade Bar

5 E. 400 South, SLC, quartersslc.com,

Oh, it's on like Donkey Kong.

What you're drinking: A LaCroix with a shot of gin.

What's so special: So many games. Old-school stand up arcade games, pinball skeeball.

Who's there: You know that guy on your IT team who doesn't look people in the eye, he's there. Along with nostalgic Gen-Xers and gamer geeks of all ages (over 21, of course).

Keys on Main



Best Burger

We have Five For You

Utah is a burger-loving state, and though there are many new and notable restaurants serving cutting-edge cuisine in the city, you shouldn't leave town without a taste of our burger culture. We have national faves, from D.C.'s Five Guys to California's In-N-Out, and local chains like Hires Big H and Crown Burgers. Pretty much every restaurant has its own special burger. These are five of the best.

The Bar Burger

Lucky 13 won first place for burgers in the World Food Championships in Las Vegas last year with its specially concocted Spicy Candied Cajun Burger. You can choose from the regular menu of 11 burgers, ranging from the foot-tall "Big Benny" with its 28 ounces of ground chuck to the "Ring of Fire," topped with jalapeños and habaneros to the Fungus Amongus, featuring mushrooms sautéed in red wine.

With so many choices, you're bound to find one you like—finishing it is another matter. Of course, you'll eat it with a local brew or High West Whiskey. 135 W. 1300 South, SLC, 801-487-4418, lucky13slc.com



Lucky 13



Pago

The Artisan Burger

Scott Evans' little cafe, **Pago**, has been at the forefront of Salt Lake's local and artisanal food movement. That doesn't mean the menu is full of esoterica. In fact, its burger is one of the restaurant's most famous dishes. This intensely planned sandwich holds a patty of fresh Niman Ranch beef topped with white Cheddar, black garlic aioli, local bacon and house-pickled red onion. Wine expert Evans will be happy to find the perfect pairing from his list or by the glass from his Cruvinet. 878 S. 900 East, SLC, 801-532-0777, pagoslc.com



Crown Burgers

Utah's Own Pastrami Burger

The state's signature burger—a beef patty topped with an inch of thin-sliced pastrami—has obscure origins, but it's available at many of the local burger chains, including **Crown Burgers** (crown-burgers.com) and **Hires Big H** (hiresbigh.com).



Tonyburgers

The Family Burger

Three beef cuts—sirloin, chuck and brisket—are ground together and patted into several size burgers, depending on your appetite, from 1/3 pound to the "tiny" Tony for tots. **Tonyburgers** is also the place for a full-on American burger meal: Milkshakes here are made to order with real scoops of ice cream and the award-winning french fries are hand-cut and twice fried. 613 E. 400 South, SLC, 801-419-0531, 4675 S. 2300 East, Holladay, 801-676-9686; 1695 Towne Center Dr., South Jordan, 801-679-1194. tonyburgers.com

The Gourmet Burger

Parisiennes are eating as many burgers as baguette sandwiches. And here in Salt Lake one of our best burgers comes from a French restaurant. The burger at **The Paris Bistro** is perfect: toasted bun, 8 oz. of Utah grass-fed open range sirloin cooked medium rare, topped with Gruyere, fresh lettuce and tomato and comes with genuine pommes frites. Ooh lala. 1500 S 15th E St., SLC, 801-486-5585, theparis.net

The Garlic Burger

Garlic burgers are a Salt Lake institution, and **The Cotton Bottom Inn** is the most authentic place to taste it. A venerable dive with an upscale outdoorsy clientele, Cotton Bottom offers a glimpse into Utah's classic outdoors lifestyle—great jukebox, cold beer and lots of garlic and tall tales from those who've been around on two feet or two wheels. 2820 E. 6200 South, Holladay, 801-273-9830. cottonbottominn.com



The burger at The Paris Bistro

Pizza

The Best Pies Around

Whether you like it thick or thin, appreciate traditional Sicilian or American new wave, you're guaranteed to find a pie you like in Utah.



Settebello

Settebello Pizzeria Napoletana

260 S. 200 West, SLC,
801-322-3556, settebello.net
Pizza here is made according to the Naples tradition—a soft dough that cooks fast and is eaten with a knife and fork. Most of the ingredients in these Utah pies are imported from Italy.

Pie Hole

344 State St., SLC,
801-359-4653, pieholeutah.com
It comes on a paper plate, but it's a great pie and you can get a beer. What's special is that the Hole is open until 3 a.m. on weekends.

Este Pizza Co.

156 E. 200 South, SLC, 801-363-2366; 2148 S. 900 East, SLC, 801-485-3699, estepizzaco.com.
Three locations in SLC, all serving a version of New York-style pizza, plus salads and calzones.

Stoneground Italian Kitchen

249 E. 400 South, 801-364-1368, stonegroundslc.com
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Este Pizza



Fireside

menu, interesting wine list and a cool upstairs location make this a hip option for pizza.

The Pie Pizzeria

1320 E. 200 South, SLC, 801-582-5700; 7186 S. Union Park Ave, Midvale, 801-233-1999; 10627 S. Redwood Rd., South Jordan, 801-495-4095. thepie.com

This favorite haunt of U of U students has expanded to other neighborhoods but the mammoth pies and the funky atmosphere are staples at every location.

Fireside on Regent

126 S. Regent St., SLC, 801-359-4011.
firesideonregent.com

Gourmet wood-fired pizza in a neighborhood with a good wine list. Try the pie topped with sunchoke chips.

Pizza Nono

925 E. 900 South, SLC, 801-359-401
No frills, just great pizza in a super casual atmosphere.



The German Pancake
at Oasis Cafe

Brunch is the Best

Brunch is back in vogue—here's a guide to a few of the best morning spreads in Salt Lake.

Market Street Oyster Bar

Breakfast (and brunch) at the Oyster Bar has been a Salt Lake favorite for generations—it's a meal where deals are sealed, visitors are welcomed, before-work meetings are held. And everyone enjoys the seafood omelettes and variations on Eggs Benedict. 54 Market St., SLC, 801-531-6044. marketstreetoysterbar.com

Grand America Hotel

The queen of SLC brunch buffets—call it the grandest. With cooking stations, seafood displays, kid-friendly finger foods and desserts and pastries from the hotel's stellar bakery, brunch here is an occasion. Dress accordingly. The Grand America Hotel, 555 S. Main St., SLC, 801-258-6000. grandamericahotel.com

Copper Kitchen

The Holladay sister to downtown's Copper Onion, the Kitchen's menu is similar in style. Think breakfast poutine, shrimp and grits, croque madame and corned beef hash. 4640 S. 2300 East, SLC, 385-237-3159. copperkitchenslc.com

Oasis Cafe

Known for its veggie, vegan and gluten-free options, Oasis also turns out traditional brunch dishes—like their famous German pancake—served in a mellow, California-style dining room around a courtyard. 151 S. 500 East, SLC, 801-322-0404. oasiscafeslc.com

Trio Cottonwood

There are three Trio locations but Cottonwood is the one with the most applauded brunch. The Italian-flavored menu features poached eggs with local sausage and polenta and a breakfast pizza topped with a locally laid egg, 6405 S. 3000 East, SLC, 801-944-8746. triodining.com

Publik Big Ed's

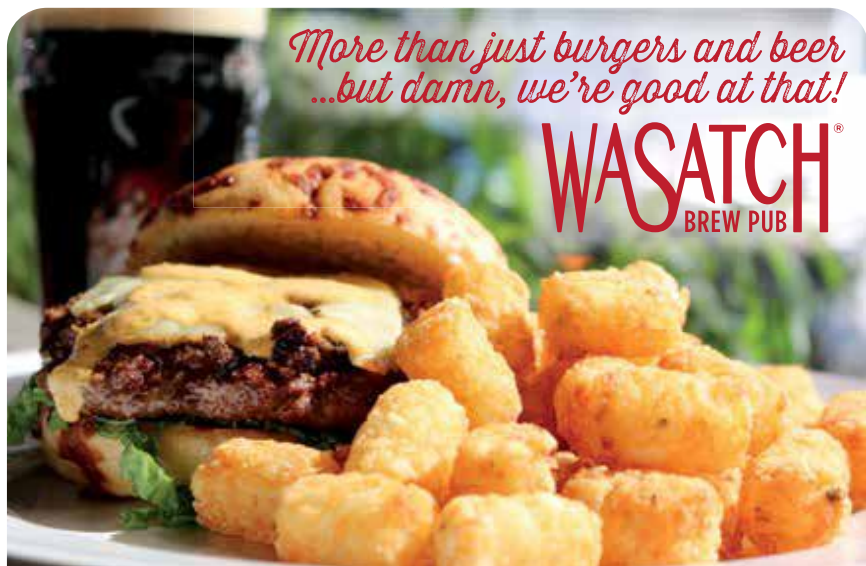
A beloved old-school greasy spoon enters the modern age with a redo by local coffee house Publik. The expanded and up to date includes traditional dishes as well as, you know, avocado toast. 975 S. West Temple, SLC, 801-355-3161. publikcoffee.com



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local favorite **Blue Lemon**. Across the street from Brio you'll find a SLC classic **Martine**. Down Regent Street is the new Nashville-style hot chicken spot **Pretty Bird**. City Creek also offers a grocery store, **Harmons**, offering everything from the basics to gourmet takeout and fresh-baked breads.

9th and 9th

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900 E. at 900 South, 9thand9th.com
An eclectic community of shops and

restaurants in the middle of a quaint residential area, 9th and 9th is hip and urban. You'll find all the literary classics for wee ones at **The Children's Hour**, along with dolls and stuffed animals, shoes and clothes for babies, children and women. Load up on funny, absurd and downright risqué cards and gifts at **Cahoots**. **Hip & Humble** is a gift-givers paradise. **Zurick** makes and sells the hippest shoes for men and women. **The Stockist** is a treasure trove of cool for men and women.

The Gateway

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18 N. Rio Grande St., 801-456-0000, shopthegateway.com

Welcome to a mall that feels like small-town Main Street. Think wide walkways, friendly storefronts and sidewalk cafés. The Gateway offers the best of national stores like **Abercrombie & Fitch** and **Sur La Table**, along with Utah-based stores. The Gateway is also a public plaza. Families gather around the fountain, a stone version of the 2002 Winter Olympics snowflake logo that shoots musical water



ADAM BARKER



The Gateway



Trolley Square

jets every half-hour. Nearby, the Olympic Wall of Honor pays tribute to thousands of volunteers from the 2002 Games. **Clark Planetarium** features 10,000 square feet of stunning imagery in the **ATK 3D IMAX Theatre** or **Hansen Dome Theatre**, and the **Discovery Gateway Children's Museum** offers interactive educational exhibits for the whole family. The historic **Union Pacific Depot**, built in 1908, serves as the gateway to The Gateway.

East Broadway

THE HIPPEST STRIP

300 South (Broadway) between 200 and 400 East East Broadway offers hip, locally owned shops. At **Jitterbug Antiques, Toys & Collectibles** you can unearth a classic Lincoln Logs set, model cars and Pez dispensers. Mid-century modern furniture fills **The Green Ant**. **Now & Again** offers a selection of second-hand furniture. **Antoinette's** specializes in antique jewelry. Fuel yourself at **Este Pizzeria** (try the Pink

Pie). Then hit **Bar X**, **Copper Common** or dueling piano bar **The Tavernacle**.

Sugar House

SHOPPING AT ITS SWEETEST

1100 East and 2100 South, onlyinsaltlake.com
It's the small shops that give quirky Sugar House (named for the sugar beet) character—spots like **Sugar House Coffee Co.** with its dependably listenable live music. **Home Again** features a shifting selection of consignment décor. **Unhinged** stocks both new and vintage items with a focus on hip clothing and accessories. **Sundance Catalog Outlet** (sundancecatalog.com) offers deep discounts on trendy western clothing and jewelry. Hungry? Stop at **Kimi's** for steak and oysters.

Trolley Square

OLD MEETS NEW

Between 500 and 600 South at 700 East, 801-521-9877, trolleysquare.com
Salt Lake's old trolley barns were remod-

eled as a shopping mall years ago, and a major revamp brought in **Whole Foods** market and **Weller Book Works**, Salt Lake's iconic book store since 1929. You'll find high-end mall mainstays like **Pottery Barn** and **Williams-Sonoma** and unique local boutiques like stationery store **Tabula Rasa**, home design firm **Alice Lane** and the high-fashion eyewear outlet **The Spectacle**. Trolley also houses quirky gift shop **Cabin Fever** (a great spot for self-mocking Salt Lake gifts like Temple Square shot glasses) and brew pub **Desert Edge at the Pub**.

Fashion Place Mall

A MALL TO LOVE

6191 S. State St., Murray, 801-262-9448,
fashionplace.com

Dillard's anchors the mall with **Nordstrom**, the city's largest high fashion emporium. But there's still room for small yet high-style boutiques like **Bohme**, big-name shops like **H&M** and **Crate & Barrel**, **Sephora**, **Urban Outfitters** and **J. Crew** and eateries like The **Cheesecake Factory** and **Brio Tuscan Grille**.

Foothill Village

SLC SHOPPING CENTRAL

1400 S. Foothill Dr., 801-487-6670, foothillvillage.com

Shop it end to end: Start at **Bella Forté Boutique**; down the walk, find toys that teach from **Tutoring Toy**, and pick up booties at **Babinski's Baby**. Lace up at **Salt Lake Running Company**. **Bloomingsales** offers fresh flowers and unusual trinkets. **New Orientation** features tabletop decor from the European and American creators.

Gardner Village

SHOPPING FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

1100 W. 7800 South, West Jordan, 801-566-8903,
gardnervillage.com

Restored cabins, vintage houses and buildings and a duck pond nestled around historic Gardner Mill make a charming shopping and dining experience. The old flour mill, on the National Historic Register, houses locally-owned **Archibald's Restaurant** and **CF Home Furniture & Design**. **Georgell Doll Shop** sells collectibles like Madame Alexander.



Fashion Place Mall



The Children's Hour

Uniquely Salt Lake Top Shops

Visitors to SLC will find shops that are defined by their owners' personalities and passions.

Lanny Barnard Gallery

An outpost of the Park City favorite, the Lanny Barnard Gallery, this curated collection features gorgeous artisan and antique jewelry and accessories. In historic Trolley Square. 602 E. 500 South, 801-364-4482

Signed & Numbered

Local artist Leia Bell started out designing striking prints and posters for rock bands—Signed & Numbered features her work as well as the work of other, mostly local, artists. The gallery also offers custom framing, using water-based finishes on "cutoffs" from lumber stores or reclaimed wood. 2320 S. West Temple, 801-596-2093

The King's English

Over 35 years ago, bibliophiles Betsy Burton, Ann Berman and Barbara Hoagland created a space where books are discussed and cherished and authors honored. In the digital age, King's English offers room after rambling room of print on paper—not just bestsellers but also autographed books, books by local authors and a complete children's section. This is an old-fashioned bookstore that encourages browsing. 1511 S. 1500 East, 801-484-9100, kingsenglish.com

Sundance Catalog Outlet Store

Sundance is synonymous with Utah,

thanks to the Kid himself, Robert Redford. Subtly western-style clothes, furnishings and artisanal jewelry that have made the Sundance Catalog a fashion icon are available here at bargain prices. 2201 Highland Dr., 801-487-3400, sundancecatalog.com

Ken Sanders Rare Books

The real treasure here is Ken himself, a walking—and talking—compendium of knowledge, trivia, myth and history about books in general and his native state in particular. You may have seen Utah's bearded sage on PBS's *"Antiques Roadshow."* His store contains a mesmerizing collection of historic maps and prints, classic and rare books and vintage postcards. 268 S. 200 East, 801-521-3819, kensandersbooks.com



Ken Sanders

The Children's Hour

From the name, you might expect charming melange of exquisite children's clothes, books and toys, but the curated collection of women's fashion (including great shoes), jewelry, accessories and a selection of unusual books and gifts may come as a surprise. 898 S. 900 East, 801-359-4150, childrenshourbookstore.com

O.C. Tanner Jewelers

The architectural gem that houses Obert Clark Tanner's flagship store was originally the city library, built in 1905. The company renovated the building, putting \$24 million into a home for the presentation of sparkling jewels (think Roberto Coin and Penny Preville) and fine watches. 15 S. State St., 801-532-3222, octannerjewelers.com



O.C. Tanner Jewelers



Ward & Child — The Garden Store

The Oxford Shop

A shop for the gentleman and the gentleman's gentleman, The Oxford Shop is a full service store offering brand-name men's footwear and accessories. 65 W. 100 South, SLC, 801-355-8636, oxfordshop.biz

Ward & Child The Garden Store

Behind those ivy-covered walls lies a wonderland of garden accessories, furniture and household objets d'art, baskets, birdbaths, planters and fountains. The gardens in back are filled with treasures. 678 S. 700 East, 801-595-6622

The Spectacle and The Machine Age

This eyeglass shop has made glasses for spectacleking Elton John's eyewear for the film *Bladerunner*. The Machine Age, downstairs from his eyeglass shop, creates steampunk lamps, rayguns and other objects from found materials. The Spectacle:

Trolley Square, 801-359-2020. thespectacle.com; Machine Age, 602 S. 700 East, 801-521-9878

Modern West Fine Art Gallery

A gorgeous gallery showcasing the best in modern Western art—from fine-art paintings, crafts and sculpture by local and Indian artists, to traditional arts. 177 E. 200 South, 801-355-3383, modernwestfineart.com

Unhinged Boutique

A funky eclectic selection of clothes and accessories including vintage and rehabbed fashion and creations from local and small designers. 2165 S. Highland Dr., 801-467-6588. unhingedslc.com

Got Beauty

Locally owned salon has a full display of high-end cosmetics and hair products, plus all kinds of girlie gifts—leopard flasks, pink martini shakers, yoga mats, you name it. 904 E., 2100 South, SLC, 801-474-2090. gotbeauty.com

The Green Ant

Mid-century modern chairs, lamps, sofas, art, accessories and oddments, all at affordable prices from a friendly knowledgeable staff—need we say more? 179 E. Broadway, SLC, 801-595-1818. thegreenant.com



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Food Shops

Utah is fast becoming an epicurean center with a growing community of local cheese-makers, bakers, chocolatiers, butchers and salumi makers, plus renowned gourmet retailers. Take home an edible Salt Lake souvenir. Many shops also sell their goods at the Downtown Farmers Market: slcfarmers-market.org

Liberty Heights Fresh

CEO (Chief Eating Officer) Steve Rosenberg started this charming food boutique in 1993 and it's grown right along with the local food scene. Check out Amour jams and spreads made from local fruit. "Artisan" and "local" are the buzzwords here. Shop around lunchtime and enjoy one of their great sandwiches. 1290 S. 1100 East, SLC, 801-583-7374, libertyheightsfresh.com

Caputo's Deli & Market

Starting with his father's Italian sandwich business, Matt Caputo has grown this into one of the top food specialty shops in the nation, with its own cheese cave, a renowned selection of artisan chocolate and locally made cheese and salumi. If you have time, check out the excellent classes. 314 W. 300 South, SLC, 801-531-8669; 1516 S. 1500 East, SLC, 801-486-6615; 4673 S. 2300 East, SLC, 801-272-0821, caputosdeli.com



Beltex Meats

Longtime chef Philip Grubisa left the kitchen to open his own artisanal butcher shop, where he offers a full charcuterie selection as well as fresh cuts of locally produced, organic meat and the occasional butchering class. 511 E. 900 South, SLC, 801-532-2641, beltexmeats.com

Salt Lake Chinatown

Grab a boba milk tea and browse the cluster of gift shops and eateries behind the auspicious gateway. You'll find gifts, exotic groceries, including fresh produce, and great Chinese food in Salt Lake's own little Chinatown. 3370 S. State St., 801-809-3229

Utah Chocolate

Local gourmet chocolate makes a great take-home memento of your visit to the Beehive State. Utah has gained a national reputation for artisan chocolate making, with several local chocolatiers winning national and international awards. Here are some of the best—most are available at Salt Lake gourmet shops.

MILLCREEK CACAO ROASTERS, Millcreek took silver and bronze medals

in the 2015 International Chocolate Awards; besides bars, their offerings include chocolate covered espresso beans (a branch of the company roasts coffee) and cacao tea. millcreekcacao.com

AMANO ARTISAN CHOCOLATE, Utah's first and most award-winning (over 150 first place medals) artisan chocolate maker, Amano specializes in single origin bars. amanochocolate.com

CHOCOLATE CONSPIRACY, Raw, non-GMO, certified organic, fair trade

and kosher, the chocolate made by Conspiracy is sweetened with honey and flavored with organic spices and essential oils. As natural as chocolate gets. eachocolateconspiracy.com

SOLSTICE CHOCOLATE, Small-batch chocolate made from rare organic cacao beans, organic cane sugar and organic cacao butter. solsticechocolate.com

RITUAL CHOCOLATE, Besides high-percentage bars, Ritual offers hot and iced chocolate in their cafe, ritualchocolate.com



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Inn on the Hill

Just down the hill from Utah's Capitol Building, **Inn on the Hill** (225 N. State St., 801-328-1466, inn-on-the-hill.com) has become the classic Utah bed and breakfast. Its 13 rooms are themed to celebrate Utah's iconic landmarks, including Arches, Escalante, Sundance and Zion. The different patterns, colors and textures of Utah's natural landscapes are incorporated in the red-vein black stone, travertine tile, marble vanities and hardwood floors

found throughout. Continental and hot breakfasts are available to accommodate guests hitting the slopes early or those just enjoying city life. And don't forget the view. Whether gazing north to the Capitol Building, south to the city, west to the lake or east to the mountains, this inn encompasses everything Utah.

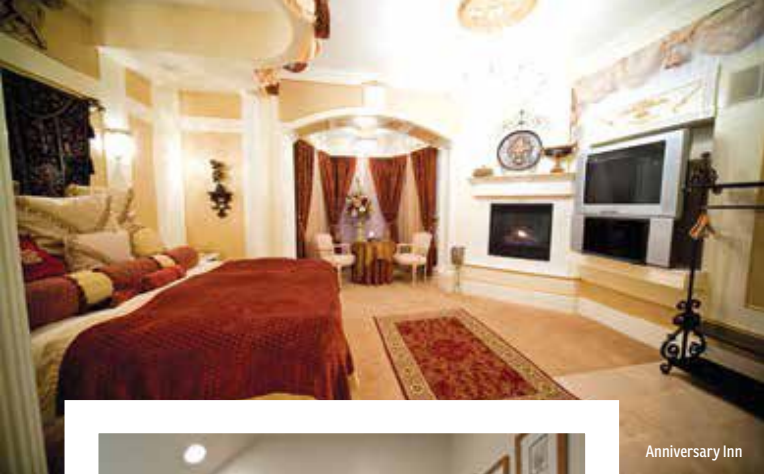
Haxton Manor

English charm characterizes **Haxton Manor** (943 E. South Temple, 801-363-4646,

haxtonmanor.com) just minutes away from downtown. Enjoy room service or breakfast in bed while lounging on luxurious fabrics in seven rooms reminiscent of medieval England. Stay in the Cambridge, Sussex, Windsor or Hampton rooms, or surround yourself with the ambience of a traditional English library in the Bristol suite. Natural color palettes and decor resemble the subtle impression of an old countryside castle. The charm would not be complete without the manor's traditional Boar's Head Pub Room. The pub has no liquor license, but guests are welcome to bring beverages.

Inn on the Hill





Anniversary Inn



Haxton Manner

Anniversary Inn

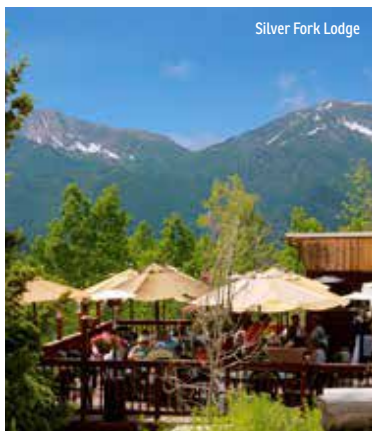
Whether it's off to a new place in the world or the imagination, **Anniversary Inn** (678 E. South Temple, 801-363-4950 and 460 S. 1000 East, 801-363-4900, anniversaryinn.com)—in two Salt Lake locations—takes you there. At the second location on the hill east of downtown, 36 designed rooms open the door to real and imaginary destinations. Travel to Venice, Egypt, Cape Cod, Hawaii or Tuscany, or try living out classic novels by staying in the Phantom of the Opera's chamber, The Swiss Family Robinson's tree house or a meadow scene from Twilight. If you can't decide, the inn offers a sneak peek into rooms with 30 minute tours, 1–3 p.m. daily. Whether it's romance, adventure or something in between, another room is always waiting to be explored. So take a vacation within your vacation. No extra airfare required.

Silver Fork Lodge

Leave the city and lose track of time entirely by staying at the historic **Silver Fork Lodge** (11332 E. Big Cottonwood

Canyon Rd., 801-533-9977, silverforklodge.com) up Big Cottonwood Canyon. The lodge stands in the original general store location with the 100-year-old homestead wall still in place. Even the famous

sourdough pancakes are made from a 50-year-old starter. Modern mountain men and women can explore Guardsman Pass or Sunset Peak by day and recount their adventures at night in the rustic and charming full-service restaurant. Adventure comes to the door here, with moose frequenting the lodge's deck. Hit the sack in old-fashioned comfort and wake up to stunning mountain views.



Silver Fork Lodge

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Zion National Park (5-HOUR DRIVE)

From the top of the towering West Temple plateau to the banks of the **Virgin River**, the red and white sandstone cliffs of **Zion National Park** (nps.gov/zion, 435-772-3256) provide sanctuary to life found there. Whether gazing up or looking down, the quiet grandeur of Zion is rejuvenating. Visitors can traverse the high country like desert bighorn sheep, ascend cliffs like peregrine falcons or browse the valley floor like mule deer. In winter, the shuttle buses are gone with the crowds and the main canyon, along with **Kolob Canyon** to the west and Zion's east side, are open to traffic. Several sites remain open in **Watchman campground** (reserveamerica.com,

877-444-6777) or you can stay at historic **Zion Lodge** (zionlodge.com, 435-772-7700).

TOP ATTRACTIONS

Angels Landing Hike: A strenuous and somewhat perilous hike to a perch above the birds.

The Narrows: Slish, in appropriate footwear, along the Virgin River between sheer cliffs of red rock.

Kodachrome Basin State Park's multi-colored pipes and layers inspired the name.

Bryce Canyon National Park (5-HOUR DRIVE)

The distinct world of **Bryce Canyon National Park** (nps.gov/bcrca, 435-834-5322) features unique hoodoos and natural rock

amphitheaters. Vantage points are accessible by car or foot, ensuring views of stunning sunrises and sunsets. The glowing red color competes with the winter ice and snow that sculpted the rock into the unworldly shapes. Pitch a tent or park your RV in **Sunset Campground** (reserveamerica.com, 877-444-6777) or stay at cozy **Ruby's Inn** (26 S. Main St., Bryce Canyon City, UT 84764, rubysinn.com, 866-866-6616).

TOP ATTRACTIONS

Yovimpa Point Overlook: A panoramic vista at 9,000 feet.



Wall Street in the Narrows,
Zion National Park



Arches National Park

Goblin Valley State Park, a less-visited site, is a hoodoo valley (stateparks.utah.gov).

Arches National Park (4-HOUR DRIVE)

Arches National Park (nps.gov/arch, 435-719-2299) is a visual delight that boasts the greatest density of natural arches in the world. Sweeping vistas of delicate arches, fins and spires team up with the fragile soil to give the park its unique appearance. The elegance of **Arches** can be explored at **Devils Garden**, **Balanced Rock** and Utah's iconic **Delicate Arch**. Arrange tours for the **Fiery Furnace** at the visitor center. You'll have **Devils Garden campground** (reserveamerica.com, 877-444-6777) to yourself or stay just minutes away in **Moab** (discovermoab.com, 800-635-6622).

TOP ATTRACTIONS

Delicate Arch Hike: It's 2.5 miles to Utah's most famous arch. (Yes, the one on the license plates.)

Dead Horse Point State Park has stunning views of the river and canyon below. (stateparks.utah.gov)

Canyonlands National Park (4-HOUR DRIVE)

Canyonlands National Park (nps.gov/cany, 435-719-2313) is primitive and elemental with natural puzzles of canyons, cliffs and mesas divided by the rushing **Colorado** and **Green Rivers**. Explore the maze-like landscapes for a mosaic of color, form and

curve. Petroglyphs show evidence of past human civilizations. The **Island in the Sky District** provides a bird's eye-view of the canyon labyrinth, while the **Needles District** takes you into its' depths. Snag a first-come, first-serve campsite in either district or return to civilization in **Moab** (discovermoab.com, 800-635-6622) or **Monticello** (monticelloutah.org, 435-4587-2271).

TOP ATTRACTIONS:

Mesa Arch Hike: A quick 1/4-mile walk to an iconic arch.

Dead Horse Point State Park offers yurts and stunning sunsets, sunrises and star-filled nights. (stateparks.utah.gov).

Capitol Reef National Park (4-HOUR DRIVE)

Capitol Reef (nps.gov/care, 435-425-3791), with the gorges and wrinkled bulges of the **Waterpocket Fold**, is the loneliest and perhaps most stunning of the Mighty 5. Torrey's **Broken Spur Inn** (435-425-3775) is one of several options for lodging. A family-run lodge offering Zane Grey novels and a hearty western breakfast.

TOP ATTRACTIONS

Hickman Bridge and Grand Wash: An easy stroll to view Anasazi petroglyphs.

Cathedral Valley gives a hint of the geologic forces that shaped the park.

Gooseheads State Park offers a view of an entrenched river meander—the San Juan Rivers curves expands 1 1/2 miles into 6 miles (stateparks.utah.gov).



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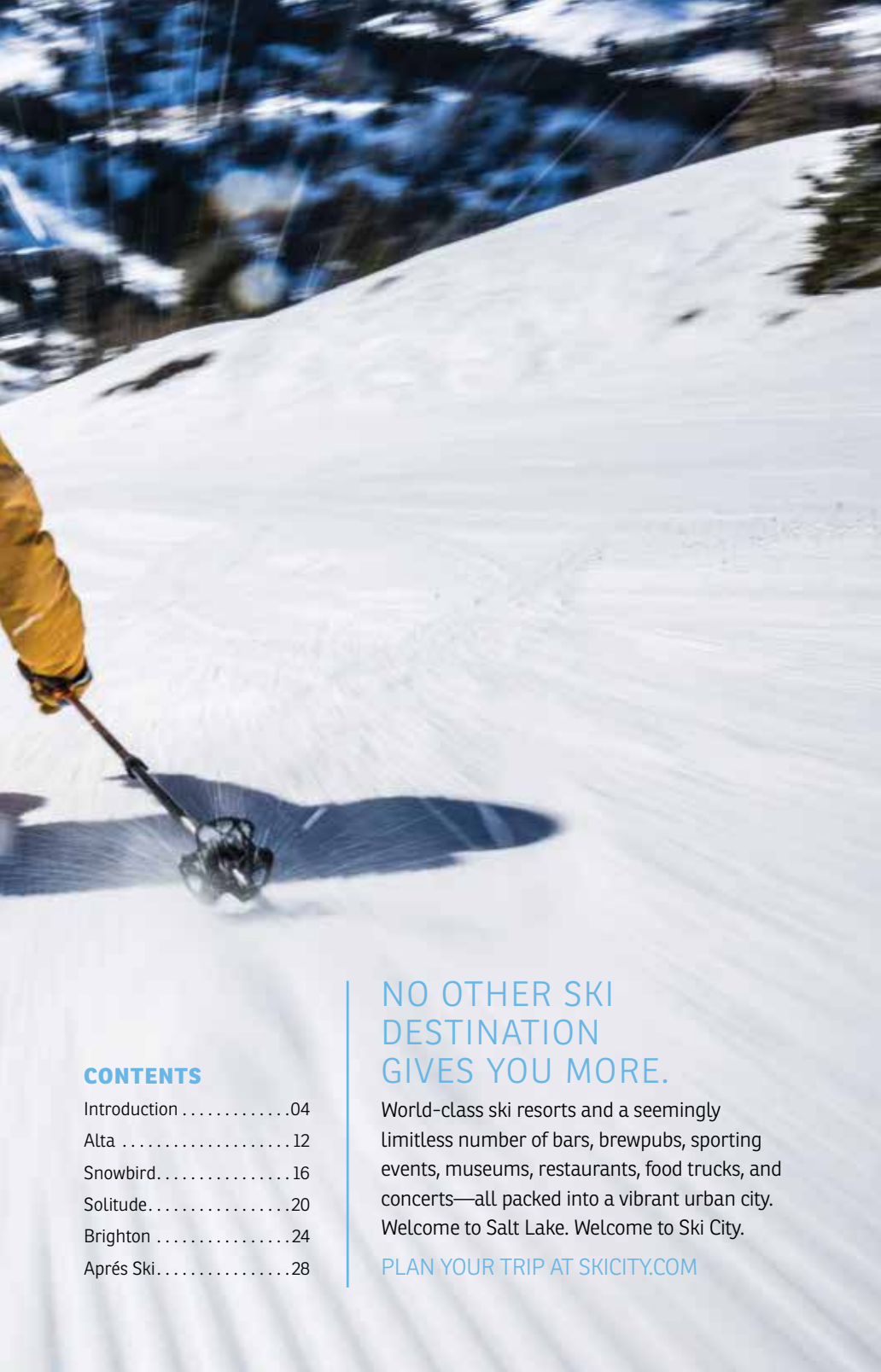
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As winter's late afternoon light chases you down to the base, you begin to compile a plan for the perfect evening to match your perfect day.

Meticulously crafted cocktails perhaps? An amuse bouche and sip of an exquisite pinot? Dining afterwards? Maybe the ballet? A touring Broadway show? The Utah Jazz are tipping off at 8. The symphony is performing Beethoven's Ninth. In 35 minutes, you're off the mountain and in the city, the world's only Ski City where a night out after a day on the slopes isn't limited to a mediocre cover band in the corner, limp fries, PBR and an overdone cheeseburger.

This is Salt Lake, home to the biggest base area in the world and a cosmopolitan scene that will add a whole new dimension to your ski trip, leaving you wondering why you thought musty chalets,

grim locals, plaid shirts and wood paneling were anything other than unpleasantly ironic.

FIRST, LET'S TALK FOOD.

Ski towns are folksy affairs where you can finally don that goofy Icelandic sweater and enjoy a soggy pile of nachos, a wilted iceberg lettuce salad, an overdone steak and, yay! molten lava cake. In Ski City, we hop on our phones and hungrily sift through restaurant reviews and listings on the way down Little Cottonwood Canyon. Want a roaring fireplace and a big glass of red wine? Try **Log Haven**. Seafood? Oysters on the half shell at **Current Fish & Oyster**. Beer and a locally made bratwurst? **Beer Bar**. Wagyu Stroganoff? **The Copper Onion**. And the list goes on.

Then there's music. In a ski town, there's that band in the corner rolling through another



rendition of "Rocky Mountain High" as you pass around a pitcher of PBR. In Ski City, you check your coat at the **State Room**, an acoustically designed 300-seat hall that attracts the bands you probably saw at South by Southwest last year. Larger venues like the 1,200 capacity **Depot** up the ante with bigger bands and stadiums like the **Maverik Center** and **Energy Solutions** bring in the headliners.

For a dose of the cutting edge, venture to **Kilby Court**, a grass-roots all-ages spot that has helped launch the careers of countless indie and alternative acts.

HOW ABOUT CULTURE?

In Ski City, you can combine mountain air with putting on airs. Salt Lake boasts a resident symphony, opera, and ballet company, museums and galleries that dwarf any ski town's Norman Rockwell prints on the wall at the visitors' center. Both the symphony and opera perform throughout the

winter season and the world-renowned **Mormon Tabernacle Choir** performs every Sunday morning at iconic Temple Square.

AND FINALLY, DRINKS.

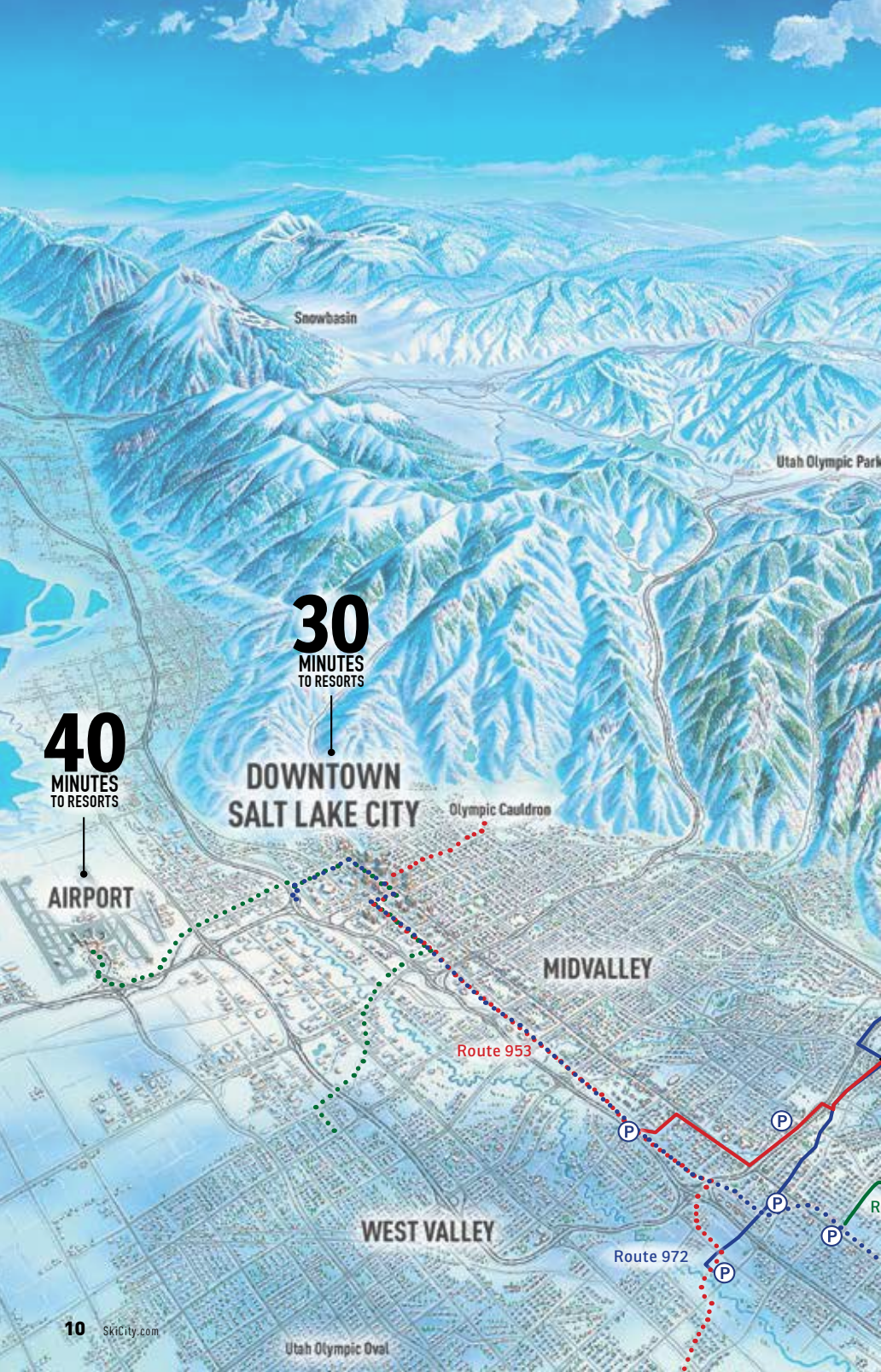
Salt Lake's night life is bumping. Revisions of Utah's liquor laws over the last decade have created a boisterous urban playground for a convivial end to your evening. From secluded wine bars like **BTG**, where you can enjoy an adventurous wine list, to the thumping five-story nightclub **Soundwell**, Salt Lake's urban center sets the stage for a winter-time bar crawl where you can enjoy beer (**Beer Bar**), whiskey (**Whiskey Street**) or hand-crafted cocktails (**Bar X** or **Copper Common**).

So peel out of those boots and get the gear stowed. It's time to go out and play in the night. Forget only two kinds of beer, lights out at midnight and the raccoons in the trash out back. Get out into the city. Ski City.



PHOTOS: LEFT, KEVIN WINZLER; RIGHT, MIKE BROWN





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Little Cottonwood Canyon

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Station

Big Cottonwood Canyon

Route 972 7200 South TRAX Station

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ALTA

THE GRANDDADDY OF UTAH SKI RESORTS BOASTS ALTA-TUDE

THERE ARE SKI LOCKERS at Alta that can be rented for the season. The waiting list for these lockers is 50 years long and getting one is like pulling a rafting permit through the Grand Canyon. Utah has a lot of hardcore skiers. And at Alta, if you have a locker, you are the hardest of the hardest core. You have what the breed likes to call "Alta-tude."

Alta-tude is the manifestation of a complicated pleasure-pain principle. The resort is one of America's oldest and is home to some of Salt Lake's most spectacular terrain, much of which cannot be accessed by a lift. And the lift-accessed stuff is steep, challenging terrain. Alta will push the beginning skier, but the payoff is worth it. For Salt Lakers who learned to turn at Alta, the saying goes "If you can ski here, you can ski anywhere."

But don't get turned off. Alta skiers are a welcoming bunch (to everyone but snowboarders—it's skiers only at Alta) eager to share their

arcane knowledge of hidden powder stashes, down-mountain strategies and the history and lore of this classic American resort.

There are precious few places in the world like Alta. The resort and its small town at the base grew organically around a shared love of thrills on snow (which it has aplenty). Despite welcome upgrades to higher-speed lifts and digital lift passes, Alta remains proudly rooted in its past, an icon of a time when skiing was less of a business and more of a way of life. Its soul is from a different era: of wooden skis and the daredevil explorers in soggy woolen gear who practically invented the sport.

All four of Salt Lake's resorts have their devotees, fanatics and worshippers. But Alta breeds Alta-tude. Watch for its practitioners as you head up Little Cottonwood Canyon. Seek the lone Alta symbol in the center back window of the car in front of you and ye shall find them.

PHOTOS: LEFT, LEE COHEN; RIGHT, PHOTO JOHN



JUST THE FACTS

Base elevation
8,530 feet

Top elevation
10,550 feet

Skiable acres
2,200

Runs
116

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snowfall**
545 inches

Lifts
11

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LEE COHEN



THE REST OF THE STORY

If you were to trace Utah skiing back to its roots, long before the 2002 Olympic Winter Games put Utah on the world map, you'd likely end up at Alta. "Old school" is how the faithful lovingly describe this Little Cottonwood Canyon resort. But along with maintaining policies in place since its 1938 opening, including skiing only, Alta's been busy over the last several years quietly making improvements.

In 2013, Alta's exciting addition and effort to sustainable development came with the completion of its first LEED Silver building. The "Buckhorn" is the first and only LEED ski area building in Utah; the primary purpose of this construction was to include an outstanding Lift Maintenance Shop and improved skier services area. As a member of the Climate Challenge, Alta recognized early on the importance of continuing with its environmental commitment to reduce its carbon footprint, so high energy efficiency became an additional requirement for this project. Overall this building is the most energy efficient building out of all of Alta's structures and has shown on average about a 10% decrease in energy use.

Summer is always a busy time for Alta's mountain crews. For example, mountain grooming on Alta's well-known Corkscrew run makes it possible for intermediates to have a wide-open descent from the top of Collins down to Alta's Wildcat Base—as well as give more expert skiers a chance to ski Alf's High Rustler top to bottom after early snow fills in the run.

Alta still maintains its purist gestalt, keeping the focus on what people come from far and wide for—the skiing.

THE VIBE

Altaholics, as they fondly refer to themselves, know no age or gender limitations. The mountain is divided by glacier activity thousands of years ago almost equally into beginner, intermediate and expert terrain. The après ski scene is lively at most of Alta's lodges, particularly at the Alta Peruvian, Goldminer's Daughter, Alta's Rustler Lodge, Alta Lodge and Snowpine Lodge. But after about 10 p.m. sleepy Alta retires for the night to rest up for the next ski day.

FOR KIDS: SKIING FOR ALL AGES

The fully licensed child care center, Alta Children's Center, which is run by Redwood Pre-school, Inc., cares for babies as young as six weeks old and offers age-appropriate care for children preschool to 12 years old. The Center's Pre-Ski program, for kids 2-3 years old, is not a ski lesson, but an introduction to skis and snow. For children 4 years and up, the Center works closely with the Alf Engen Ski School offering beginners level ski instruction. altachildrenscntr.com, 801-742-3042

Alta Lodge's Kids' Club is suited to kids ages 4 to 12, but children of all ages are welcome, as long as one-on-one supervision is not required. Activities include ski school and apres-ski activities until 8:15 p.m., including a special kids' dinner.

The Alf Engen Ski School, also at Alta Lodge, offers a variety of classes and private lessons for children. The Children's Ski Adventures program is for children ages 4-12 of all skill levels. Two-hour sessions or all-day packages including lunch are offered along with a Mountain Explorers Package for better skiers in good physical condition ages 7-12.

THE RUN

Look up once as you pull into Alta's parking lot. That straight, perfect fall-line run high above is Alf's High Rustler, dropping 1,200 vertical feet from top to bottom. This advanced run is accessible from the top of the Collins lift and has a 38- to 45- degree slope. It's named after the legendary Alf Engen, director of the Alf Engen Ski School at Alta for 40 years and recognized as the "father of modern powder skiing."

EAT

Buying locally and thoughtfully is mission numero uno for Alta. At Collins Grill in Watson Shelter, you can find daily chef specials. At the base at Albion Grill, treat yourself to a craft beer at the end of the day paired with local cheese and meats.





SNOWBIRD

FLYING INTO THE FUTURE AT THE 'BIRD

IF SNOWBIRD'S NEIGHBOR Alta is a nostalgic throwback, Snowbird is all about the future. A sprawling resort served by an impressive array of high-speed chairs and its iconic tram, Snowbird is a playground for those who like it fast, steep and deep.

The experience of skiing and snowboarding at Snowbird is thrilling. Crowding into your first tram is an energetic, frenetic moment that recalls finding space on a New York subway during rush hour. The 100-capacity tram drops you off atop Hidden Peak at 11,000 feet above sea level and below is one of the most jaw-dropping panoramas of high-alpine wonder. To your left is Mineral Basin, a wide-open mix of blues and cliff-hucking black diamonds served by the Mineral Basin Express and Mount Baldy Lifts. To your right is the Gad Valley, topped with an imposing cirque that rolls out beneath the jagged peaks of the American Fork Twins. Behind you is the Peruvian Gulch, accessed from the base by the Peruvian Lift and, from where you are on Hidden Peak, by North America's only ski tunnel, a 600-foot hole in the mountain

below wherein you ride a rubbery conveyer belt between the two sides. The Summit, Snowbird's newest year-round guest facility, located atop Hidden Peak now offers easy access to skiers, snowboarders, or Aerial Tram foot passengers. Inside The Summit guests enjoy a heart-healthy menu of French-Rôtisserie inspired meals, local Utah craft beers and amazing 360-degree views of the Wasatch Mountains.

Both Alta and Snowbird have the highest snow base counts among Utah resorts, and their north-facing slopes mean that the snow stays around longer. Snowbird will stay open as long as it has snow; some years this has extended its season to the Fourth of July.

Find your groove in any of Snowbird's three main areas. Mineral Basin has a lovely range of cruisers and groomers. Once you've picked your way down from the cirque into Gad Valley, the mid-Gad runs are a great mix for beginners and experts alike. The newly renovated Creekside Lodge in Gad Valley now offers new dining and ticketing options. The new Creekside Lodge is now home to Snowbird's famed Mountain School



for beginning skiers and snowboarders. A new magic carpet located just outside the doors of the lodge helps students reach beginner terrain serviced by the Baby Thunder lift. For your back to base closeout, Chips Run is an 7.5 mile blue run that gives you a great ride.

While the thrills on-mountain will fill up your day, the Bird's vibe is most apparent on the sunny tram deck, an energetic and convivial central plaza where everyone gathers for mid-day breaks and post last-tram boasting. Locals bring their own hot toddy components and you'll see the camp stoves cooking on the deck. It's a clubby atmosphere but by no means exclusive.

THE REST OF THE STORY

Skiers and snowboarders from around the world flock to experience the Bird's steep powder slopes, but beginner and intermediates will find plenty of terrain. The Aerial Tram, Snowbird's crowning jewel, whisks skiers up 2,900 feet in just 10 minutes to Hidden Peak the top of Utah's longest vertical rise.

Ted Johnson and Texas oilman Dick Bass opened Snowbird in December 1971 with the dream to create a year-round resort for the "enhancement of body, mind and spirit." More than just a ski destination, Snowbird also provides an equally impressive experience off the slopes. The Cliff Lodge, Snowbird's flagship hotel, alone offers easy ski-out/ski-in access, a world-class spa, heated swimming pools, three restaurants and two lounges.

Two new lifts have cut ride times in half to some of the Bird's best terrain.

THE VIBE

Mind-blowing bowls, chutes and glades have always attracted the expert skiers and riders to Snowbird, but the mountain scene has grown to become a more diverse crowd. There's a slice of paradise for everyone, whether you are the dedicated local or a family vacationing at the resort. From steepes that never stop to family-friendly skiing areas, Snowbird makes it easy for everyone to enjoy time on the mountain.

THE RUN

For some of the best of the Wasatch, head to the top of Little Cloud Quad via the scenic Aerial Tram and over to Road to Provo. This traverse brings you to a gold mine of options. Intermediates can follow the traverse to Mark Malu Fork, a blue groomer bringing you down to the bottom of Little Cloud with the option to continue to lower parts of the mountain. For the more adventurous, continue to Last Choice and to Knucklehead Traverse. On a powder day, keep going across to find some untracked stashes.

EAT

Whether it's a burrito to fuel up before the first morning tram or a sandwich for lunch, the General Gritts Deli (Snowbird Center, Level 1) is a local favorite. Grab a snack or hearty lunch at the on-mountain Mid-Gad Restaurant. And for visitors looking to stay for dinner, be sure to check out The Aerie (The Cliff Lodge, 10th Floor), which serves modern-American gastropub cuisine.

FOR KIDS: EVERYBODY SKI

Snowbird's options for children start at the beginning: Camp Snowbird is a state-licensed childcare facility. Children from six weeks to 24 months of age may be cared for in the Nursery, where the staff-to-child ratio never exceeds 1 to 4. If you need evening babysitting, that can be arranged, too. Day Camp, for kids age 2 to 12 years, includes outdoor and indoor activities including arts and crafts, games, free play,

hot lunches and morning and afternoon snacks.

For the kids who are ready to ride, there are a multitude of options—lessons geared for literally every age starting at age 3.

Pre-teens and teens who are already skiing black can up their skills in a three-day course where they will learn the big mountain tactics and safe mountain exploration. They learn about using transceivers and about avalanche safety. Specially trained coaches

provide technical and tactical coaching. Visiting experts and ski patrol participation are part of the camp and indoor sessions cover more on mountain safety.

Or, sign your girls up for a girls-only learning experience with expert female coaches who will guide your pre-teen and teen-aged daughters to new levels of expertise on the mountain—focusing on equipment, dressing for success, and all-mountain tactics. snowbird.com.

JUST THE FACTS

Base elevation

7,760 feet

Top elevation

11,000 feet

Skiable acres

2,500

Runs

168

**Average annual
snowfall**

500 inches

Lifts

13

Night skiing

Yes

Twofer

The AltaBird Pass allows skiers access to Snowbird and all of neighboring Alta, Tram included.

Freebies

Children ages 6 and under ride the Snowbird chairs for free. (Upgrade to the Tram for \$15.) Snowbird-lodging guests can night ski for free on the Chickadee lift on Friday and Saturday nights.

Contact

801-933-2222,
snowbird.com

Get the Gear

For information on gear and outfitting, go to skicity.com.





SOLITUDE

THE NAME SAYS IT ALL

JUST 34 MILES from the Salt Lake City International Airport, Solitude has something to offer skiers and riders of all abilities and features more than 1,200 acres of terrain, ranging from groomed runs to powder glades in one of North America's snowiest canyons.

Solitude features two cozy and bustling base areas: Moonbeam offers day visitors easy access to a full range of services and amenities while Solitude Village is home to the resort's lodging, fine dining and spa. Moonbeam services day skiers and riders while the village area is home to the resort's lodging guests. From the Moonbeam base you'll have easy access to the Moonbeam and Eagle Express chairlifts and, from there, Solitude's expansive and varied terrain, on-mountain dining and Solitude Village. Moonbeam Express serves much of Solitude's beginner terrain, and you'll find packs of ski schoolers playing follow the leader. Eagle Express chairlift runs above a number of solid-blue runs, some groomed and some left as natural, as well as a few expert options.

From Solitude Village, the Apex Express chairlift provides easy access to the realigned and upgraded Summit Express chairlift, which takes you to the top of the mountain. Summit Express opens up Solitude's most daunting and rugged terrain, the famed Honeycomb Canyon. On a powder day, Honeycomb's steep chutes and glorious tree runs feel more like backcountry than in-bound resort skiing. Sunrise chairlift also runs out of the village base area and its easier blues and greens are a great place for learners to work out the kinks.

Seeking an alternative to alpine skiing or snowboarding? Solitude's Nordic Center offers nearly 20 kilometers of groomed Nordic trails in addition to 10 kilometers of snowshoeing trails.

THE REST OF THE STORY

Maybe it's by design or maybe it's a self-fulfilling prophecy, but no other Utah resort is more aptly named than Solitude, where lift lines are scarce and elbow room on even the main runs is plentiful. Lack of crowds, a trail mix of 10 percent beginner, 40 percent

JUST THE FACTS

Base elevation
8,005 feet

Top elevation
10,035 feet

Skiable acres
1,200

Runs
77

**Average annual
snowfall**
500 inches

Lifts
8

Night skiing
No

Twofer

The SolBright Day Pass allows skiers and snowboarders to access both Brighton and Solitude via the groomed SolBright trail.

Contact

801.534.1400, solitudemountain.com

Get the Gear

For information on rental equipment, visit solitudemountain.com or skicity.com.





intermediate and 50 percent advanced/expert, along with a wide variety of comfortable lodging, dining and après options make Solitude one of the most family-friendly resorts in the state.

Solitude was first developed for skiing by Utah uranium tycoon Robert M. Barrett in 1957. Legend has it that Barrett decided to start his own ski resort after being kicked out of the bathrooms at Alta Ski Resort, which were reserved for Alta guests only, at the time. The DeSeelhorst family purchased Solitude in 1977, added Utah's first high-speed, detachable quad chairlift and upgraded the base areas. In 2015, Deer Valley Resort purchased Solitude Mountain Resort and continues to upgrade the resort each year.

Solitude's quaint, European-style village offers a variety of hotel rooms, individual condominiums, townhomes and private homes. All homes and condominiums feature full kitchens, comfortable living areas, bell and concierge services and complimentary parking. Lodging guests can enjoy Club Solitude's heated swimming pool, hot tubs, saunas, family-friendly game room and more. Beginning in the 2018/19 season, Solitude offers unlimited access to Ikon Pass holders, joining some of the most iconic destinations in the world.

THE VIBE

Don't be fooled by Solitude's Currier-and-Ives vibe with a quaint, European-style base village. You'll likely have Honeycomb Canyon's bowls and chutes to yourself. For backcountry skiers, Solitude's summit gates

have some of the best access—to stadium-sized cirques and closet-tight chutes—in the Wasatch Range.

THE RUN

The longest (and most scenic) slope is Dynamite from the top of Summit Express to Solitude Village.

EAT

Moonbeam Lodge's hot breakfasts, hearty lunches and après fare is a great spot to begin or end your day. The Argenta Pub offers a selection of cold beer and tasty appetizers. Up the mountain, the Roundhouse serves Himalayan- and Wasatch-inspired food. Last Chance Southwest Grill features a taco bar, Southwest-inspired salads, chilies, soups and nachos. In Solitude Village, enjoy mountain views while savoring Honeycomb Grill's contemporary cuisine, including wood-oven flatbreads, hand-made pastas, hand-cut steaks and housemade desserts. For a quick meal, there's the Stone Haus Pizzeria & Creamery. Thirsty Squirrel pub offers craft beers along with wine, cocktails and appetizers for your après enjoyment. St. Bernard's at The Inn at Solitude is open for dinner Wednesday through Sunday evenings and features a selection of mountain family favorites in a buffet-style setting and the Library Bar offers fine wine, beer, a full bar. For a memorable dining experience that begins with a snowshoe trek through a moonlit forest, be sure to visit The Yurt at Solitude where chefs prepare a four-course dinner right before your eyes. Reservations are required; please call 801.536.5765 or book online at solitudemountain.com.

FOR KIDS: THE ALL-FAMILY OUTING

The heart of the Snowsports Academy is the Moonbeam Kids' Program. Offering children a fun and exciting learning experience, the Academy features skilled instructors who utilize small, age-appropriate

group sizes, games and fun to help children develop confidence on the snow and improve their technique. A secure, licensed day care is available on site for half-day and full-day programs for kids aged 2

months to 12 years. Adult Snowsports offerings include group lessons, specialty clinics, and Hidden Tracks, a unique guided tour to explore the "nooks and crannies" of Solitude's world-class terrain.





BRIGHTON

A SKI RESORT FOR THE YOUNG AND THE BRASH.

BRIGHTON is Salt Lake's most charmingly scruffy ski hill. Unpretentious and friendly, its sprawling runs attract a young crowd, a large contingent of cocky snowboarders and has a well-deserved distinction of being the resort where most Salt Laker's learn to ride the snow on skis and boards.

Why? A combination of lower lift-ticket prices, free skiing for kids ages 10 and under, an appealing mix of beginner and expert terrain, wide, forgiving runs, Ski City's only terrain park, and mellow attitude like a snowboarder with low-slung pants and bearded grin who says, "check this out, bro."

Brighton is a family affair. Those free tickets for the youngest kids mean generations of Utah natives have grown up bombing down

Brighton's tree-lined runs. The resort offers its "ski in three or its free" ski school program, which guarantees beginners will learn to ski in three sessions or the classes are, yes, free. And after ski school is out, Mom, Dad and the big kids can tackle the expert terrain off of Clayton Peak while the little ones hone their skills on the greens and blues below the Majestic and Milly Express lifts. As another bonus, Brighton shares a boundary with Solitude and offers a pass that allows you to access both resorts. It's also home to Ski City's only night skiing without a resort stay—more than 200 acres of lighted runs to extend your day on the mountain.

Brighton's laid back vibe is most evident in its base area, which is a no-frills mix of a



JUST THE FACTS

Base elevation
8,755 feet

Top elevation
10,500 feet

Skiable acres
1,050

Runs
66

**Average annual
snowfall**
500 inches

Lifts
7

Night skiing
Yes

The Deal
The SolBright Pass allows skiers and snowboarders to access both Brighton and Solitude

Freebies
Children ages 10 and under ski or ride Brighton for free with a paying adult.

Contact
801-532-4731, brightonresort.com

Get the Gear
For information on gear and outfitting, go to skicity.com.



family cabins in full-on alpine A-frame style and its friendly watering hole, Molly Green's Tavern. Brighton keeps it simple—burger, beer, nachos on a sunny patio for your midday reprieve. Because, after all, you came here to ski, board and have fun, why make it complicated?

THE REST OF THE STORY

What's probably most impressive about Brighton is what it's not. The base area is more about function than aesthetics, and don't expect someone to take your skis or snowboard off your car here. You won't see a lot of ads touting Utah's oldest resort either. This is all by design. Brighton's focus is on snow, terrain and value.

The upside of Brighton's no-frills operation is its no-nonsense access to the goods. One hundred percent of the mountain can be accessed by a high-speed quad. It's one of the few mountains in the country where friends and families can ride together on the same lift and then peel off onto different trails—beginner, intermediate or expert—and all meet at the bottom to ride the lift together again. Most skiers and riders stick to Brighton's expertly-groomed trails, but you'll also find plenty of trees, chutes, cliffs and natural terrain parks all within bounds for those who like to white-knuckle it a bit.

Night skiing is another advantage of visiting Brighton. More than 200 acres, three lifts and the main mountain terrain park are open six nights a week from early December through March. And if you ask anyone in Salt Lake where the best place to learn to snowboard is, chances are they'll say Brighton. The Brighton Ski & Snowboard School has been teaching people to ride for 20 years. The school is also a Burton Learn to Ride Center, and they use specially designed snowboards and bindings which make learning easier.

THE VIBE

Everyone at Brighton is there because of the snow and terrain—you won't find fancy champagne or Zumba classes, but you will

FOR KIDS: WHERE SALT LAKERS LEARN TO SKI

Because of its proximity to the city and its abundance of beginner and intermediate runs, Brighton is especially welcoming to beginners. The staff is trained to work with kids and teens—the latter group loves the terrain park. Choose from daily group lessons, individual instruction and multi-week programs. Just for Kids is designed for skiers and boarders ages 4 to 12. A learner lift pass is included. Classes are divided by ability and age groups 4 to 7 and 8 to 12. Classes are limited to six per instructor for ages 4 to 7 and eight per instructor for ages 8 to 12. Children must be 4 years old to participate in group lessons. For 3 year olds the resort offers private, semi private or a parent/child private lesson. For kids age 8 to 12, lessons come with a Learner Lift Pass, which accesses the Explorer and Majestic Chairlifts. brightonresort.com/snowsportsschool

find a huge passion for skiing and snowboarding with a local feel.

THE RUN

On the far north side of the resort you'll find the Millicent (aka Milly) and Evergreen lifts, both accessing several fun runs which resemble one big natural terrain park. Beware of the Killer Run in the area, though, located right under the Milly lift as it approaches the top. Killer is a 20- to 45-foot drop off a sheer cliff.

EAT

Like the rest of the mountain, dining at Brighton is frills-free. Hearty breakfasts come standard at the base area's Alpine Rose cafeteria. Get your après ski fix at Molly Green's, where the pizza is hot and the beer is ice cold.



DINING & APRÉS SKI

**SKI CITY OFFERS GREAT DINING,
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YES, THE POWDER is unparalleled, but it's après-ski that the "city" part of Salt Lake's nickname Ski City really kicks in. Instead of your evenings and off-mountain time being confined to a small town or a single resort's offerings, a full urban array of pleasures and pastimes is just a short drive away at the foot of the mountains.

LITTLE COTTONWOOD CANYON

The traditionalists who ski at legendary Alta have an equally long-time preference for a post-powder fireside beer or margarita at

Alta Lodge's Sitzmark Club (800-707-2582, altalodge.com). It's in the old part of the Lodge, which dates back to 1939. **Shallow Shaft Restaurant** (10199 E. Hwy. 210, Alta, 801-742-2177, shallowshaft.com) just down the street, is also a favorite of the low-key crowd which values authenticity above all. The stairs are ski boot-friendly, the wine list is top-notch and so is the food.

Down the hill in the same canyon, restaurants at renowned Snowbird Ski & Summer Resort tend to have a little more polish—especially the

Aerie





beautiful flagship **Aerie** at the top of Cliff Lodge. The Western-style **Steak Pit** serves up prime beef and seafood and **El Chanate** offers classic but chic Mexican food (9385 S. Snowbird Center, Snowbird, 801-933-2160, snowbird.com).

BIG COTTONWOOD CANYON

Solitude Mountain Resort, up Big Cottonwood Canyon, also boasts a number of restaurants on-site (12000 Big Cottonwood Canyon Rd., Solitude, 801-535-4120, skisolitude.com) where cozy firelit elegance is the perfect place to sip a selection from a *Wine Spectator* award-winning wine list. But the unique experience of dining on the mountainside in **The Yurt** (801-536-5709)—reached on snowshoes—is not to be missed.

Brighton, on the other hand, is solely about the snow—you'll get your after-ski experience someplace else: **Silver Fork Lodge** (11332 E. Big Cottonwood Canyon Rd, 888-649-9551, silverforklodge.com), for instance, is a couple of minutes down the canyon. The old log building located between Solitude and Brighton has a destination dining room that dates back to the 1800s. The menu runs the gamut from burgers to house-smoked trout.

AT THE BASE

The most venerable place for post-ski elbow-lifting in Salt Lake City is undoubtedly the legendary **Cotton Bottom Inn** (2829 E. 6200 South, Holladay, 801-273-9830, cottonbottominn.com), famous for its garlic burgers and its jukebox. Grizzled old-timers gather here as well as

youngsters who want to gain some cred by rubbing elbows with the real thing. Holladay is also home to **Taqueria 27** (4670 Holladay Village Plaza, Holladay, 801-676-9706, taqueria27.com), which serves tequilas and inventive Mexican food (duck confit tacos!) that made the original location (1615 S. Foothill Dr., SLC, 801-259-0712) so popular. In the same center, **Copper Kitchen** (4640 S. 2300 East, Holladay, 385-237-3159, copperkitchenslc.com) offers hearty chef-driven dishes like brick chicken and boeuf bourguignon. For terrific pastry, coffee and gelato, stop in **Three Cups** (4670 S. 2300 East, Holladay, 385-237-3091, 3cups.coffee.)

The grand dame of Salt Lake fine dining, **La Caille**, offers country-French style and a fresh, modern menu in a chateau on 20 acres of vineyards and gardens. (9565 Wasatch Blvd., Sandy, 801-942-1715, lacaille.com). For some white-tablecloth Italian fare in a farmhouse to match, try **Tuscany** (2832 E. 6200 South, SLC, 801-277-9919, tuscanyslc.com), one of the oldest Italian restaurants in the valley.

Porcupine Pub and Grille (3698 E. Fort Union Blvd., SLC, 801-942-5555, porcupinepub.com) is a favorite after ski spot with the sudsy set—beer (24 on tap) and burgers are the order of the day, although many people swear by the Porcupine's pizza. For purely pilsner fans, make your way to **Bohemian Brewery** (94 E. 7200 South, Midvale, 801-566-5474, bohemianbrewery.com) and beer-friendly daily Czech specials to fuel another downhill day.

Remember, this is Ski City—downtown is barely a half hour from the canyons and home to dozens of great restaurants, leading *Wine Enthusiast* to call it "one of America's top five new food cities." Go to skicity.com for more information about Salt Lake City restaurants.





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