

# **Smart Phone & Tablet Apps:**

**ISki USA** & **On The Snow** & **Liftopia**: let you pick favorite resorts to get updated info on conditions; you can check what resorts got the most recent and most snowfall; look at resort specific trail maps

**AlpineReplay** & **SkiTracks** are tracking apps that will track your day on the slopes by measuring speed, distance, vertical, calories, airtime, jumps, time

Resort Specific Apps: current conditions; maps; web cams; event calendar; track your runs for altitude, descents, max speed, distance(Big Sky, Powder Mountain, Breckenridge, Vail....**Epic Mix** (covers 10 resorts like Vail, Beaver Creek, Keystone)

**Trip Advisor**: looking for an activity or restaurant recommendation? Reviews are generally given by everyday folks.

GPS Apps: Waze (also tells you gas prices and road conditions)

Other notable ski apps or useful apps are:

## Find My Friends or Life360

No matter how hard groups try to stay together on the mountain, inevitably, at some point during the day, somebody's going to get lost. After all, it can be hard to keep up with quick friends who fancy themselves racers, foggy conditions make it hard to see, and sometimes, people just want to ski different trails. These two apps uses GPS tracking so you can locate friends and family on a user-friendly map.

#### **REALSKI 2.1**

REALSKI is an "augmented reality" app that uses your phone's camera to show you where you are and what ski runs are before you, helping you navigate the slopes. The app is linked to over 100 North American ski resorts, including Park City Mountain, Aspen, Breckenridge, Squaw Valley USA, and <a href="mailto:marrive">many more</a>. The newest version of the app allows you to geotag important points - for example, your parked car, favorite run, or a pole dropped off the chair - and also integrates Twitter and Facebook sharing. The app costs 99 cents to link to your chosen ski resort.

**Download the App** 

#### **SkiTracks**

Using your phone's map and GPS tracking abilities, this 99-cent app shows you exactly where you've skied on a satellite map, while also tracking distance, speed, altitude, duration, and more. Plus, it uses a minimal amount of battery life, so you can keep it running and still attend to your texts and calls, without worrying about running out of juice.

Download the App

#### **Ski and Snow Report**

Recently updated for the 2012-2013 season, this top-rated app is free and delivers up-to-the-minute ski and snow conditions from your favorite ski resorts. You can track multiple resorts at once, and the app will provide with you details such as recent snowfall, temperature, snow depth, wind gusts, as well as a weekly forecast. This app comes in very useful when you're planning a ski weekend or trying to decide which resort to go to.

**Download the App** 

#### SnoWhere

This app is \$9.99, but consider it a good investment: SnoWhere functions as a beacon-type receiver, helping your friends locate you should you get caught up in an avalanche. The newest version uses iPhone-to-iPhone connectivity, so that signal strength of the app's beacon increases as two iPhones get closer. Additionally, the app works even in remote areas, where there's no cell phone service. Keep in mind that if you're skiing in avalanche-risky terrain, you should always keep a real beacon on you, but this app is a good addition to have on your phone, too.

**Download the App** 

## **SkiTips** (free)

The SkiTips iPhone App offer a new standard of skiing instruction, enabling skiers to take their skiing lessons on the slopes with them. SkiTips1 contains 30 lessons that teach all fundamentals of skiing as well as carved turns & unweighting turns. SkiTips2 contains 20 lessons that teach all the advanced techniques, including high speed carving, control turns, bumps, ice and powder.

# **SkiVactionDeals** (fee)

The SkiVacationDeals iPhone app gives you the latest deals added weekly during the ski season, let you find deals to your favorite ski resort, e-mail deals to your friends, email the travel company with questions, and get more deal info from the website.

## iTrail Map 3D

The \$4.99 iTrail Map 3D app accesses maps for more than 750 <u>resorts</u> worldwide. When you select a trail map, the app downloads it to your phone or iPad, so you don't need a data connection to use the map when you're on the mountain. With iTrail Map 3D you may pan, zoom, and rotate trail maps. The app shows your GPS location on the slopes and records and stores your stats, including vertical feet, and total distance skied. If you want the GPS and skiing stats features, be sure to get the "3D" version. The free, non-3D version only provides you with the trip maps.

Travel Apps for Skiers from SKI Magazine:

#### **Packing Pro**

For: iPhone, iPad

**Why:** The only thing worse than spending \$200 on a pair of ugly snowpants because you left yours at home is arriving at the airport without your passport. Snuff these possibilities by creating a packing list with the Packing Pro app. Customizable lists based on destination, activity, travel buddies, and any other specifics you add will keep track of what's in your bag and what's not.

**Plus:** Lists created in Microsoft Excel, Numbers and Google Docs can be accessed and edited with Packing Pro.

**Tip:** Create "To Do" lists within your packing list—purchase lift tickets, make dinner reservations, print e-Ticket, etc.

Cost: \$2.99

## OpenTable

For: iPhone, iPad, Android, Blackberry, Windows smartphones, Kindle

Why: Ski towns are full of great places to eat but finding a reservation last minute can be tricky. Open

Table allows you to surf local eateries for available reservations and secure a table.

**Plus:** View menus, specials and user reviews of nearby restaurants.

**Tip:** Narrow your options by price, cuisine type, and location.

Cost: Free

## Liftopia

For: iPhone, iPhone Touch

**Why:** Be a savvy shopper and find the best deals on lift tickets, equipment rentals and lessons from major ski resorts throughout North America. The app sends exclusive up-to-date offers and allows you to book with just a few taps of the finger. Browse deals based on resort, location, or best offers.

**Plus:** View trail maps, mountain stats, and snow reports from each resort. **Tip:** Use the map feature to compare discounts based on your location.

Cost: Free

#### **SATSKI**

For: iPhone, iPad, iPod Touch, Android, and BlackBerry

**Why:** Are you a ski nerd who needs all your stats up-todate and handy? This app is for you. Download trail maps from ski resorts in 12 countries, and Satski will keep note of your speed, distance, and vert in addition to tracking the locations of you and your friends so everyone is easy to find.

**Plus:** Satski also geotags photos, provides resort information, and gives snow and weather reports. **Tip:** Join the Satski Online Community to connect to other skiers: Upload and replay your ski days, track

your stats, and generally geek out over max speed, elevation, and airtime.

Cost: \$4.99

Road Condition Apps: Road Conditions; State DOT apps like <u>UDot</u> & **CDot** 

Have a great little camera and video built in your phone too

Smart Phone Tips: put on airplane mode if you need a faster charge

Mini back up chargers like Morphie juice packs great to carry in your pack

# YouTube:

Videos on how to improve your skiing, how to get in shape, how to tune your equipment, how to buy ski equipment

## My Subscriptions and links to them

- o PSIA-AASI (skiing lessons)
- Woodward at Copper (freestyle & jibbing lessons)
- o <u>Jonathan Ballou</u> (skiing lessons)
- o elatemedia 4 (skiing lessons)
- o OnTheSnow (skiing lessons)
- skitelevision (skiing lessons)
- Section 8 Snowsport Institute (skiing lessons)
- o SKISkiMagUSA (skiing lessons)
- WarrenSmith SkiAcademy 2 (skiing lessons)
- SkiingAddiction (freestyle & jibbing lessons)
- o <u>CSIAAMSC</u> (skiing lessons)
- BASS Network (snowsport schools)

# **Ski Blogs & Facebook Pages:**

#### BraveSkiMom.com

Fun page from a mother of a skiing family. Writes a lot about traveling and equipment.

## TheSkiDiva.com

Page for women who love to ski. Has a directory or women's ski resources, blog and forum where you can chat with other women about ski related questions

## Backcountrybabes.com

Offer elite training clinics for women all year in Colorado and Alaska. Avalanche; backcountry skier basics; Deep in the Steeps; Hut Trip; Ski Mountaineering; Kayak Salmon River

## Adventurechix.net & https://www.facebook.com/AdventureChix

My site and facebook page. My intent it to bring like minded women who love the outdoors together throughout the year and also promote making a difference in this world.

# GoPro

Great tough outdoor camera that you can use to film pretty much anything. Easy to use and takes great movies. For editing try this free app **CuteCut**.