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## Solitude Mountain Resort

The magical quality of Utah's snow country has attracted many dedicated snow enthusiasts. Bob Barrett, having made his money as a hard-rock uranium miner in Moab, in a quest to pursue his passion for skiing, saw the potential for this exceptional geographic location, began the initial acquisition of land, and opened Solitude in 1957 with two lifts. The name Solitude was given to this area in the 1800's by miners experiencing the peaceful lack of winds.

The DeSeelhorst family, owners of the Resort, became involved in the late 1970's. They brought needed planning, vision and financing to make the most of this gem, creating a sensitive, intimate and small European-style alpine four-season resort village to complement the incredibly beautiful mountains in Big Cottonwood Canyon.

The Creekside condominiums and Inn at Solitude were built in 1996. The Village was completed in 2001. Solitude grew steadily into a world-class four season destination resort. It was purchased by Deer Valley in 2015, then by Alterra in 2018.

The winter snow average is 500 inches of fresh powder, and the highest elevation is 10,035 ft. at the Summit lift. Services include 6 restaurants, 8 lifts, a Nordic Center, retail shops, equipment rental and repair shops, condominium rental management services, grocery store, private clubs, Club Solitude recreation center, two large day lodges and event center, and a variety of four-star overnight accommodations. Solitude is also open for summer dining and special events. The Sunrise lift offers summer rides for hiking, mountain scooters, biking, and disc golf. Rental equipment is available.