



Our first trip to kick-off the 2023 season is **Copper Mountain, Colorado**. We return to Copper after a 12 year hiatus; actually, a baker's dozen since we have graced Copper's slopes. Copper has a deep history that goes back to the 1850's before becoming a ski resort officially in 1972. Through many expansions, including a 6-pack high speed chair (Super Bee), the American Eagle Gondola and a \$100 million expansion from 2019-2021, Copper has been a favorite of skiers near & far. Speaking of near, at approx. 70 miles from Denver, Copper is an easy bus ride from the airport (we all love short bus rides!).

Our Hotel: Our accommodations will be at the spanking-new Element 29 Hotel. Element 29 features roof top hot pools (larger than hot tubs), a great bar that starts as a coffee bar in the morning and a rockin' apres ski bar featuring apps & discounted drinks.

Check out this review on-line from earlier this year:

I had not skied at Copper in nearly 25 years, oh boy has it changed! The base of the mountain is now an entire village filled with restaurants, shops and lodging. The mountain has a few newer trails and lifts I didn't remember from my last trip nearly 25 years ago. A few very positive things are this, the base village is very convenient, there is everything you could need here and never have to leave the mountain. A vast array of dining option from quick service to sit down fine dining and bars. Lots of shops, ski shops, clothing, gifts and decor, etc. There are free shuttle buses that can take you from East, Central and West Village amenities and ski lifts. The skiing itself is great. Cooper has much more usable and ski able acreage, especially for advanced skiers IMO. That being said Copper also has a bunch of beginner green trails over on the west side which I checked out.

The trip runs Jan 14th thru Jan 21st, 2023. Cost is \$2,200 before August 17th or \$2,275 after. Here are the details:

7 nights lodging at Element 29, with two queen beds. 5-day Copper lift pass. Welcome pizza party. Meals are NOT included...however breakfast can be added for TBD.

Ikon Passholders deduct \$411.

I hope you will join me in returning to Copper to start to the 2023 Ski Season!

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P.S. Wanna run this trip? 50% discount for the Trip Leader!

Element 29 Hotel – lovely, eh?

