



Snow trip information pack

What to wear & where to get it!

As a minimum you will need snow pants, some good thermals and socks, jacket and beanie. Our accommodation loans snow boots and also has a drying room for when we return from a day out. You can purchase these prior or hire snow gear from both Mt Selwyn and also Cooma on the way to the holiday. Helmets are recommended for children and adults. Check out the Aldi Sales or Declathon in St Peters has a good range of gear.

Another option is to hire from Cooma on the way to Mt Selwyn at Rhythym Snow Sports. You can order online in advance and save a bit too (but you don't get your money back if no snow). They have good reviews on Trip Advisor and a family used them last year and recommend them. They're also open 24 hrs and on the main road. This saves you from lining up in the morning at the ski field, which can be a rush if you have a class to get to.

<https://hire.rhythmsnowsports.com.au/>

Meals, treats and drinks

For lodge guests the breakfast and dinners are included as part of the accommodation charge. It includes a hot breakfast and a 2 course dinner. You will need to bring your own snacks and special drinks.



BYO lunch will be in the snowfields. There is a single kiosk in Mt Selwyn that offers pies, chips, sandwiches and soft drinks. It's basic. If you want a healthier option consider bringing your own food. There are no food shops once you reach the lodge, or at Mt Selwyn.

Children & Adult Classes

There are morning and day group classes available for adults and children. Group lessons for children are \$45 (\$50 for parents) and can be cheaper when combined with lift and equipment hire. Check out the full range of lessons here <http://www.selwynsnow.com.au/lessons>

Tobogganing pass is \$15 per day and they provide free toboggans. This is a fun activity for younger children who are not yet ready or confident to ski or able to go for a group lesson.

Lift Pass – they are \$80 for adults and \$50 for children with a discount for multiple days, or when hiring skiing equipment. This will be cheaper if combined with equipment hire and lesson.



Renting Ski Equipment

You can rent at Mt Selwyn Snow Resort or Cooma as detailed above. Here is the link for Mt Selwyn <http://www.selwynshop.com.au/lift-pass-gateway>.

Driving in Snow

Chains for your car are recommended. You can also get these in Cooma. If you haven't arranged it before getting to the Lodge, it's too late. Not everyone hired chains but it is tricky terrain without it.

Lodge Layout

Most years Rainbow Families book out the whole main lodge. Play in the snow during the day, and unwind in the lounge by the log fire with your old and new friends before moving into the dining room for a 2



course dinner. All rooms are under the one roof giving you access to the lounge, TV room, dining room and drying room without having to battle the elements. All rooms and common rooms are centrally heated for your comfort. All rooms have ensuite facilities.

With the altitude at 1250 metres above sea level, we often have snow at the Lodge. It is a magical experience to wake up in the morning and see the landscape transformed into a winter wonderland with everything covered in snow.

There is a guest refrigerator in the Ski Lounge where we can store wine, soft drinks or other snacks.

We will make the TV room a child space for the weekend. Note that there is very limited phone reception at Mt Selwyn Lodge.

Friday Welcome & Activities

Please come and introduce yourself and join in the Friday welcome drinks! Meet your snow trip organisers and other families. It is a social weekend with opportunities for you and your children to make new friends.

Your social hosts this year are Mark & John.

Please bring some nibbles and drinks to share for this occasion!

Friday night dinner is included in the cost. Please contact the lodge if you want us to keep your meal for a late arrival. We will arrange some child activities in the evening. Please feel free to bring any board games or favourite DVDs for movie night on Saturday.

