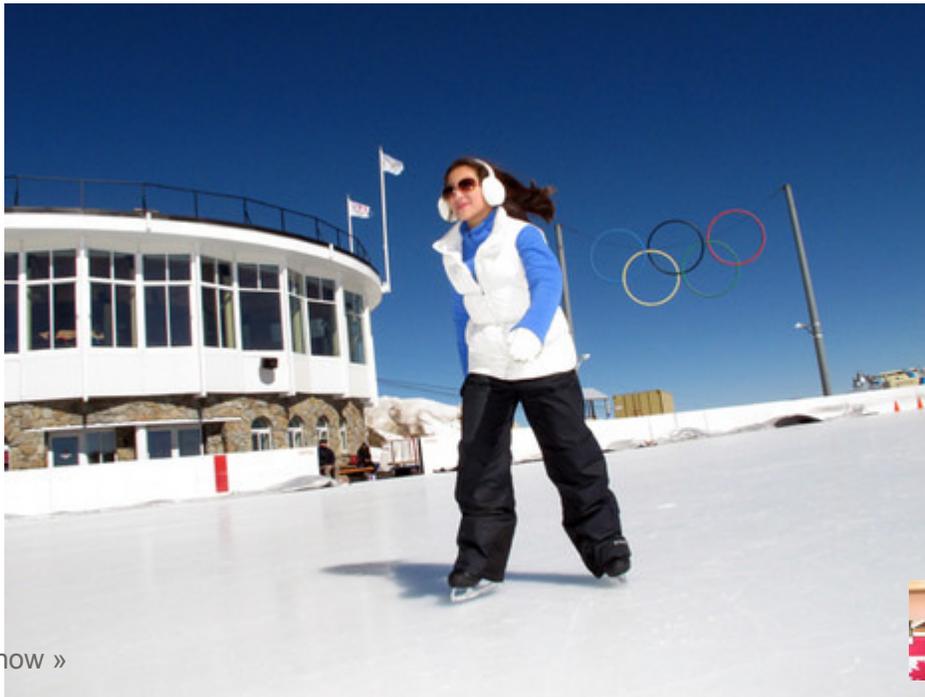


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Sierra Spin: High Elevation Skating at Squaw's High Camp

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The snow is finally falling in the Sierra and San Franciscans are flocking to revel in the fluffy stuff on the slopes. So pack up the SUV and head to Squaw Valley USA, where a new super resort beckons skiers and riders to access Squaw Valley and Alpine Meadows' combined 6,000 acres, 44 lifts and over 270 trails (your lift ticket now gets you access to both Squaw and Alpine Meadows.)

Host of the 1960 Winter Olympics, Squaw Valley is internationally renowned for its extensive terrain that spans over 3,600 skiable acres, six peaks and 30 lifts. From the expansive mountaintop beginner area to unrivaled expert steeps, trees and bowls, the resort offers terrain for all abilities. Off the mountain, families relax around the cozy village fire pits or stroll the pedestrian-friendly streets to enjoy a host of restaurants, boutiques, specialty wine shops and art galleries. This winter, guests can enjoy new dining experiences, a new day lodge, vastly improved facilities at the base and on mountain, and a new snowsports school as part of the resort's \$50 million renaissance.

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Once you get your fill of skiing, a favorite non-ski (or apres-ski) activity at Squaw is ice skating at the resort's expansive mid-mountain complex, High Camp. Ride the scenic aerial tram to the world's highest open-air ice rink, an open-air oval located just below the building's Olympic Museum. Don a pair of rental skates (figure or hockey-style) and hit the ice for high elevation spins and tremendous panoramic views of the Squaw Valley Meadow, gorgeous Lake Tahoe and the surrounding Sierra Nevada peaks.

Olympic Ice Pavilion, Squaw Valley USA

1960 Squaw Valley Road

Olympic Valley, CA 96146

www.squaw.com (<http://www.squaw.com>)

Hours: Open daily from 11am-4pm

Rates: Adults \$12, Children \$6 (includes skate rentals & 1 hr of skate time. Does not include aerial tram ticket)

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