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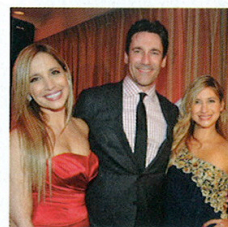
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A HELI-SKIING VALHALLA

At **Bighorn Revelstoke** in British Columbia, extreme skiing meets extreme luxury.

➔ In the hierarchy of heli-skiing, British Columbia is justifiably at the apex, a land of 100-mile views and waist-deep champagne powder unblemished by other skiers, lift lines, regulations, or subdivisions. The apex of the apex: Revelstoke, the heli-skiing capital of the world. While most outfitters stash their guests at rustic lodges or motels in sleepy “Revv,” a new, world-class option opened in December, Bighorn Revelstoke, instantly creating the ultimate heli house party.

Bighorn is the brainchild of two young English brothers, Michael, 31, and Chris Kirkland, 29, sons of Robert Kirkland, of the Bowmer & Kirkland Group,

one of the largest privately owned construction companies in the United Kingdom. Their target audience includes the kind of well-heeled English families who preceded my stay at Bighorn, shifting their heli-skiing holidays from Méribel and Val d’Isère for a taste of the Canadian Rockies, and the Russian billionaire whose family trooped in immediately after my departure.

“Chris and I have been skiing for 25 years,” says Michael, explaining his passion over breakfast one morning. (He indeed skis like a jackrabbit who’s had a few Red Bulls.) “We loved the idea of bringing a great European-style luxury chalet to Canada.”

Bighorn is best appreciated après-ski, when a hot-stone massage and a long soak in the pool-size outdoor Jacuzzi leave you in a blissful state, wandering the 15,000-square-foot timber chalet purpose-built for heli-skiing. All of this—the vast living rooms; the state-of-the-art screening room; the indoor current pool; the *Downton Abbey*-ish service from attendants in starched livery; the dazzling meals from chef Peter Hughes, formerly in service to the Christiansens, the Danish family that owns Lego—is for the benefit of one group of guests at a time, 16 people maximum in the eight understated suites. (Says Michael, “We designed the bedroom configuration around the number of skiers using an AStar helicopter.”)

You can ski the massive but embryonic Revelstoke resort, go snowcat skiing, or devote time to soaking and the spa. But for the big dogs who crave the scent of powder, it’s all about the stash of the gods on the peaks above and the whirlybird that comes straight to your doorstep. —EVERETT POTTER

BIGHORN'S APRES-SKI SPECIALTIES

COSMOHORN
1 liter cranberry juice
Juice and zest of 1 lime
5 drops pure lime oil
3 drops pure orange oil
3 cups ice
200 ml vodka
50 ml Cointreau
3 mint leaves

BIG WHITE RUSSIAN
500 ml
almond milk, unsweetened
500 ml 2% milk
150 ml ice-cold vodka
Seeds from 2 vanilla pods
2 shots espresso
5 cups ice

Blend until each reaches a smoothie consistency. Serve at once



JUST DROPPING IN: BIGHORN OFFERS AN INTIME HELI-SKIING EXPERIENCE.



MAGNAN MCCLELLAND (TOP)