



THANKSGIVING FEASTS & FESTIVITIES DRAW FAMILIES TO WINTERGREEN RESORT IN VIRGINIA'S BLUE RIDGE MOUNTAINS

WINTERGREEN, Va. (Oct. 26, 2017) — Thanksgiving at Wintergreen Resort is a celebrated family tradition and favorite fall gathering in Virginia's Blue Ridge Mountains. The holiday presents a cornucopia of festive meals, entertainment, seasonal activities, plus accommodations suitable for every size family. Best of all are the bountiful opportunities to make memories, November 22-26.

This year, Wintergreen entices guests with four different Thanksgiving meal options at one of the resort's four restaurants on Thursday, November 23. Thanksgiving at The Edge will be offered from 11 a.m.-9:30 p.m., no reservations required. The Copper Mine Bistro, Devils Grill, and Stoney Creek Bar & Grill will each spread a hearty buffet feast, reservations required, between noon and 6 p.m.

The holiday weekend is packed with fun activities for all ages. From live greenery wreath making, creative holiday crafting to aromatic gingerbread house workshops. Discovery Ridge Adventure Center will welcome families with fun indoor adventures with Kinect Systems, video games, Nintendo Wiis, a theater showing sporting events and videos, foosball, pool table, air hockey, shuffleboard, Bounce Bot, and mechanical bull.

Friday morning, Wintergreen's annual Ski Swap will get skiers and riders ready for the upcoming ski season. The swap provides the venue to buy or sell used skis, boots, snowboards, and ski clothing, and supports the Wintergreen Ski Patrol. Doors open at 9 a.m. to receive consignments at the Discovery Ridge Adventure Center. Swapping starts at 10 a.m.

Friday evening, Grand Illumination officially launches Wintergreen's winter holiday season with caroling, mugs of hot chocolate, T'was the Night Before Christmas reading, and the tree lighting on the outdoor Blue Ridge Terrace at the Mountain Inn.

Saturday morning's "Be Thankful" 5K run offers the ideal opportunity to work off the Thanksgiving feast. The race starts at 9 a.m. from Bold Rock Cidery located in the Rockfish Valley. Proceeds from the entry fees benefit the Nelson County Community Fund. Prizes will be awarded and registration packets will be available ahead of time.

Kid's handmade ornament workshops, holiday candy bingo, and other family-friendly fun will take place Saturday and Sunday.

If the weather is cold enough to make snow, skiing and tubing at Wintergreen is a possibility!

Wintergreen Spa and Aquatics & Fitness Center will be open throughout the long weekend. The spa menu includes pampering facials, wraps, and salon treatments, plus there's an indoor pool, high-tech fitness equipment, and outdoor Jacuzzi hot tubs with mountain backdrop.

Golfers will be thankful that the Stoney Creek Golf Course is open year-round, weather permitting.

Accommodations at Wintergreen Resort include 230 villa-style condominiums and rental units from studio suites to nine-bedroom homes, each offering a fully equipped kitchen and comfortable living area, most featuring fireplaces and a balcony or deck. For complete information, access the Web site at www.wintergreenresort.com.

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About Wintergreen Resort: Wintergreen Resort is an 11,000-acre, four-season resort located in the Blue Ridge Mountains southwest of Charlottesville, Va. This beautiful hideaway is the ultimate vacation and conference spot, nearly 230 condominium-style accommodations; 45 holes of championship golf; snow skiing, snowboarding and snow tubing; an award-winning tennis program; a full-service, destination spa; 40,000 square feet of meeting and event space; and savory dining options. The resort is located adjacent to the Blue Ridge Parkway in beautiful central Virginia near Charlottesville, just 90 minutes from Richmond, Va., three hours from Washington, D.C. and Raleigh, N.C., five and a half hours from Philadelphia, and eight hours from Atlanta. For more information, guests can call (434) 325-2200 or visit the resort's web site at www.wintergreenresort.com.

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