



HELI-SKIING

Embark on a unique ski adventure this winter **BY SHERI RADFORD**



Crowded lift line-ups, screaming children, clumsy beginners holding up the advanced runs—who needs it?

Hop on a helicopter and escape to the serenity of untracked powder and endless terrain with Whistler Heli-Skiing. Intermediate to expert skiers have more than 175,000 hectares (432,000 acres) of possibilities in the mountains and glaciers surrounding Whistler, and a day of heli-skiing involves around 10 runs varying from 400 to 1,500 vertical metres (1,400 to 5,000 vertical feet). It's a wilderness adventure, but with the advantage of a return to civilization immediately after.

The best heli-skiing is in Feb. and Mar., and the season ends Apr. 21. Call 1-888-435-4754 or visit www.whistlerheliskiing.com for more info. 