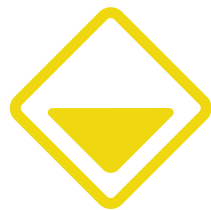
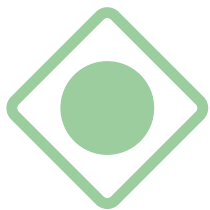




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CLINIC DIFFICULTY GRADING & PREREQUISITES



INBOUNDS CLINICS

Our inbounds clinic options are designed for intermediate to advanced resort skiers and snowboarders. For specific requirements, please refer to the prerequisites below in the **SKIING/RIDING ABILITIES** as your guideline and disregard the rest of the backcountry specific information.

MOUNTAINEERING CLINICS

While possessing basic technical rope skills or training can be advantageous, it is not a mandatory requirement for attending a ski mountaineering clinic. Nonetheless, we do insist that you come prepared with all the necessary equipment as specified in the ski mountaineering gear list, which includes a harness, two locking carabiners, one rappel device, and one 120cm sling.



BEGINNER

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FITNESS

Ability to actively hike uphill for 2-3 hours.

SKIING / RIDING ABILITIES

Comfortable skiing/riding the equivalent of a black diamond ski run at a North American resort.

Consistent experience skiing/riding a variety of terrain and snow conditions, including powder.

GEAR FAMILIARITY

Basic understanding of ski touring / splitboarding equipment.

Familiarity with proper layering for winter conditions.

PREVIOUS TRAINING

AST 1, AIARE 1 – Level 1 Avalanche training or equivalent required. AIARE or any other A3 approved Level 1 curriculum is equivalent to AST 1.



INTERMEDIATE

FITNESS

Ability to tour (skin) uphill 3300+ vertical feet.

Ability to actively hike uphill for 3-4 hours.

SKIING / RIDING ABILITIES

Minimum one year backcountry skiing / splitboarding experience.

20+ days skiing/riding a variety of terrain and snow conditions, including powder, as well as variable & marginal conditions.

GEAR FAMILIARITY

Very comfortable with ski touring / splitboarding equipment.

Confident with using avalanche safety equipment.

PREVIOUS TRAINING

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INTERMEDIATE/ADVANCED

FITNESS

Ability to tour (skin) uphill 4900+ vertical feet.

Ability to actively hike uphill for 3-6 hours.

SKIING / RIDING ABILITIES

Minimum one year of backcountry skiing / splitboarding experience.

20+ days skiing/riding a variety of terrain and snow conditions, including powder, as well as variable & marginal conditions.

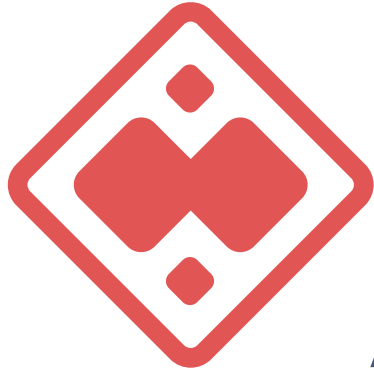
GEAR FAMILIARITY

Confidence with ski touring/splitboarding equipment.

Confident with using avalanche safety equipment.

PREVIOUS TRAINING

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ADVANCED

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FITNESS

Ability to tour (skin) uphill 6600+ vertical feet.

Ability to actively hike uphill for 4-6 hours.

SKIING / RIDING ABILITIES

Longterm experience (50+ days) skiing/riding a variety of terrain and snow conditions, including powder, as well as variable & marginal conditions.

Minimum two years of backcountry skiing/ splitboarding experience.

GEAR FAMILIARITY

Extensive experience with ski touring/ splitboarding equipment.

High confidence with using avalanche safety equipment.

PREVIOUS TRAINING

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SAFETY SKILLS

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Each safety course may have unique requirements. Please check our clinics information page or reach out if you have further questions.

FITNESS

Ability to tour (skin) uphill 4900+ vertical feet.

Ability to actively hike uphill for 3-6 hours.

SKIING / RIDING ABILITIES

20+ days skiing/riding a variety of terrain and snow conditions, including powder as well as variable & marginal conditions.

Minimum one year of backcountry skiing/splitboarding experience.

GEAR FAMILIARITY

Confidence with ski touring/splitboarding equipment.

Confidence with using avalanche safety equipment.

PREVIOUS TRAINING

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