



Now Open:
Salish Lodge & Spa and Snoqualmie Tribe Welcome
Guests to Snoqualmie Falls sduk^walbix^w Gift Shop & Visitor
Center

Just in time for the busy summer travel season in the Pacific Northwest, the Visitor Center is now open to the public, highlighting the cultural significance of Snoqualmie Falls

SNOQUALMIE, Wash. (April 20, 2023) – The Snoqualmie Tribe, in partnership with [Salish Lodge & Spa](#), the iconic resort located atop Snoqualmie Falls managed and operated by Columbia Hospitality, announced today that the newly renovated Snoqualmie Falls sduk^walbix^w Gift Shop and Visitor Center is now open to the public.

The new center will highlight the significance of the site for the Snoqualmie Tribe and teach visitors about the Tribe’s history and ancestral land, using educational and cultural resources and artwork by Snoqualmie artists. A main focal point will be an informational installation featuring a timeline wall and a miniature theater that will share the story of the Tribe’s history and origin. The space is also decorated with artwork and photographs that celebrate the Tribe’s ancestral land, history, culture and people.

“This is our ancestral territory, and the reopening of the Visitor Center is an opportunity to provide awareness and a deeper historical, cultural understanding of the meaning of the Snoqualmie Falls to the Snoqualmie people,” said Robert de los Angeles, Tribal Chairman for the Snoqualmie Indian Tribe. “This means so much for the Tribal members and our future generations. We need to make sure that we continue to make this space sacred for visitors and we hope each of the 2.5 million visitors per year that visit the mystical powers of Snoqualmie Falls understand that there is a Snoqualmie Tribe, and an understanding of our people – the people of moon.”

In addition to educational features and local artwork highlighting the Tribe's history and culture, the Visitor Center includes a gift shop with works by local artists and goods from minority- and women-owned companies. Visitors can also purchase freshly baked pastries like croissants, scones, galettes and cookies as well as ice cream by the scoop that can be savored at the renovated outdoor space steps away from the Snoqualmie Falls viewing area.

"We truly value and celebrate our relationship with the Snoqualmie Tribe and are honored to assist in educating visitors on the rich and important heritage of this region," said Alan Stephens, general manager at Salish Lodge & Spa. "It is important that our guests understand the cultural significance of the Falls to the Tribe, and the Visitor Center highlights this fact in a meaningful way, while providing another space for our guests to explore and enjoy."

The Snoqualmie Falls sduk^walbix^w Gift Shop and Visitor Center is open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily, expanding to 9:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m. during peak season. For more information, please visit www.salishlodge.com.

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About Salish Lodge & Spa

Consistently ranked among the best small resorts in the world, Salish Lodge & Spa overlooks the 268-foot Snoqualmie Falls. Nestled in the foothills of the Cascade Mountains, every guest experience is inspired by its surroundings. Honey and herbs from the Lodge's own apiary and garden appear in treatments at the world-renowned spa, as well as the locally sourced Northwest fare and libations in The Dining Room and The Attic. Each of its 86 newly renovated guestrooms has a fireplace, comfortable seating and an oversized soaking tub or an oversized shower with dual showerheads. A stunning destination for weddings, special occasions or meetings, Salish Lodge & Spa offers an array of indoor and outdoor spaces for a truly unique event. The resort is located 30 minutes east of downtown Seattle and within 40 minutes from Seattle-Tacoma International Airport. Salish Lodge & Spa is owned by the Snoqualmie Indian Tribe and managed by Seattle-based Columbia Hospitality, Inc. For more information or reservations, please call 800-2-SALISH or visit www.salishlodge.com.

About the Snoqualmie Indian Tribe

The Snoqualmie Indian Tribe is a federally recognized tribe in King County of Washington State. Known as the People of the Moon, Snoqualmie were signatories to the Treaty of Point Elliott in 1855. For more information visit www.snoqualmietribe.us

About Columbia Hospitality, Inc.

Columbia Hospitality (Columbia) is a North American management and consulting company established in 1995 by founder and CEO John Oppenheimer. Their growing portfolio includes award-winning hotels and resorts, premier residential communities, restaurants and bars, private and public golf clubs, conference centers, and distinctive venues. Columbia creates exceptional experiences for guests and team members while achieving phenomenal results for property owners. Columbia has also consulted on hundreds of hospitality projects worldwide, delivering a high level of customized service to partners and investors. For more information about Columbia and to view the entire portfolio, visit <https://www.columbiahospitality.com>.

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