

Why ski resorts close when there's still snow



Even with plenty of snow, Heavenly will be closing this month.
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The end of ski season is always a bummer.

But it stings even more when the season ends while there's still tons of snow on your favorite ski area.

The West Coast winter of 2016-17 delivered historic levels of

snow throughout the Lake Tahoe area and the Sierra Nevada. And much of that snow is still slathered several feet deep over the slopes of west coast ski resorts from Mammoth to Truckee and between.

So that means we'll spend our mornings skiing and afternoons drinking beers on the deck of our favorite lodge well into the summer, right? Well, not exactly.

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