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WOMEN & MEN DOWNHILL COURSES



WHISTLER BLACKCOMB will be the site of Olympic and Paralympic alpine skiing events in 2010. The Dave Murray Downhill (red mark on the left) is where the men's races will occur and has been used to host World Cup-level races since the 1970s. The Dave Murray Downhill drops more than one vertical kilometre in just over 3 kilometres and is the second longest downhill course in the world.

In 2010, the ladies will race on the newly contoured Franz's Run (right) which actually starts on the run Wild Card, transitions to Jimmy's Joker and then finishes on Lower Franz's. In 2010, the ladies' alpine ski teams will be the first racers to experience this course.

BY THE NUMBERS

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| → 3.158 kilometres (1.962 miles) – the length of the Dave Murray Downhill. | → 30 kilometres (18.64 miles) – the amount of safety netting needed for both race courses. | → 1,662 metres – the elevation of the men's downhill course start. |
| → 33 – the number of turns on the men's downhill. | → 28 per cent – the average slope gradient on the race courses. | → 1,545 metres – the elevation of the ladies' downhill course start. |
| → 29 – the number of turns on the ladies' downhill. | → 120-130 kilometres per hour (75-81 mph) – the average speed of racers, though 148 km/h (92 mph) is the top clocked speed. | → 810 metres – the elevation of the finish area for all 2010 Winter Games alpine skiing events on Whistler Mountain. |

*All stats are approximate figures.

OLYMPIC WINTER GAMES EVENTS HELD ON WHISTLER MOUNTAIN – FEBRUARY 12 TO 28, 2010

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| → Downhill – men's and ladies' | → Slalom – men's and ladies' |
| → Super-G – men's and ladies' | → Super Combined – men's and ladies' |
| → Giant Slalom – men's and ladies' | |

PARALYMPIC WINTER GAMES EVENTS ALSO HELD ON WHISTLER MOUNTAIN – MARCH 12 TO 21, 2010

There are a total of 15 events in three classes: standing, sitting and visually impaired

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| → Downhill – men's and women's | → Slalom – men's and women's |
| → Super-G – men's and women's | → Super Combined – men's and women's |
| → Giant Slalom – men's and women's | |

FUN FACTS

- The alpine skiing courses were completed for the 2008 season – the first time in Winter Games history that all mountain venues were completed two years prior to the Games.
- During the 2010 Winter Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games, taking place in February and March 2010, 90 per cent of Whistler Blackcomb terrain will be open for public skiing and riding.
- At Games time, Whistler Mountain will have a 7,600-seat stadium at the finish line. Non-ticket holders can watch the races for free at six different Live Site locations throughout Whistler Village.
- The total cost of the improvements to the venue, which include snow-making equipment and slope grading, was \$27.6 million, providing a legacy for visitors and locals to enjoy for years after the 2010 Winter Games.