What’s new in 2019

There’s even more terrain to find your freedom at The Remarkables in 2019, plus other nifty new developments at the popular Queenstown ski field including better snow cover and improved seating. Here are the details:

- A new 160-metre long conveyor lift will access a whole new learner’s area, easing the progression from novice skier/boarder to catching the Alta beginner chairlift.
- Modifications to Shadow main trail will ease this blue slope for a safer and more enjoyable ride.
- A new-era, fuel-efficient PB600 winch groomer fitted with V3 Snowsat will maximise snow cover and offer a closer “shave” of terrain.
  - The new era in groomer has a EU Stage 5 emissions control motor with diesel particulate filter for the latest in fuel efficiency and environmentally-friendly running.
- Reconfiguration of the kitchen better meet lunchtime demands including more efficient recycling of crockery, faster delivery of hot food and reconfigured seating areas.
- Another 20% change out of ski/board
- More ski racks to accommodate all those skis/boards during the lunch influx
- New rental gear to maintain the most up to date rental equipment for guest satisfaction.
- Exterior heating and shelter for the bus patrons departing the ski area on those cold July evenings
- General signage improvements bout the base lodge and more info out at lift stations
- New education panels for Kea conservation awareness as part of the mountain’s partnership with the Kea Conservation Trust

Still in consent process is the new Sugar Bowl high-speed 6-seater chairlift and trail development that will create an additional 2.5km of new trails, suited to all abilities right through to black runs. The new lift line will replace the current Sugar Bowl lift. It will take guests from the base area and drop them off at the top of the parks, offering skiers/riders repeatable faster runs through The Stash, Serpentine, Cross fall and below.

Other key features

- Member of IKON PASS, a group of the world’s 38 ski destinations
- A member of NZSki offering discounts across Mt Hutt, The Remarkables and Coronet Peak.
- New base lodge (opened 2015) features decks on three sides, indoor seating for up to 644 people, even more outdoor seating, a wide variety of grab ‘n go foods, healthy options and hearty meals on offer, and convenient direct access to the purpose-built beginners slope (three surface conveyor lifts) and to the Curvey Basin express chair lift
- Capacity for 940 vehicles
- Extensive freestyle features across three dedicated terrain parks including the Burton Stash, one of only 6 in the world.
- Huge big mountain off piste terrain with superb natural chutes and big open bowls
- Free day lift passes for children aged 5 years and under
The Vital Statistics

Targeted opening date: Saturday 8 June, 2019 TBC
Anticipated Closing Date: Sunday 6 October, 2019 TBC
Elevation: 1943m, 468m vertical drop
Skiable Area: 385 hectares PLUS in 2019 xxxx
Lifts: 1 high-speed six-seater chair, 3 quad chairs, 4 surface conveyor lifts including a double covered conveyor
Terrain: 30% beginner, 40% intermediate, 30% advanced
Average Snowfall: 3.67m per annum (excl. snowmaking)
Snowmaking: Extensive automated system comprising 100 guns covering beginners’ area, Alta Green, Casterway, Gotham City, Curve, Turquoise, Waterfall, and terrain parks
Access: 28km, 40min from Queenstown (10k sealed and 3 km unsealed access road)
Children’s program: Kea Club from 4-17 years of age
Shuttles: Multiple daily services on the Snowbus from the Snow Centre with pick up en route and hotel pick-up service available
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About The ‘Remarks’

The famous Remarkables mountain range, located in the adventure capital of Queenstown in New Zealand, is where you’ll find your freedom. Three sun-drenched, north-facing snow-filled bowls, three terrain parks including The Burton Stash, plus heaps of off-piste black runs and wide open learner slopes makes The Remarkables a welcoming, adventurous ski field. This is also the home of The North Face Frontier – a Freeride World Qualifier event, and a number of progression programs.

The Remarkables has 385 ha of skiable terrain, a 1943m elevation with a 468m vertical drop, and extensive state of the art snow-making to top up snow. In 2019, new trail development will include a new high-speed six seater chairlift taking guests to the parks and all-ability terrain.

It is a member of NZSki, alongside Coronet Peak and Mt Hutt, which regularly invests in technology, snow-making and trail development, and which is a platinum partner of The Kea Conservation Trust. The Remarkables is also on the IKON Pass, the global multi-resort snow pass.