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## Brunch and happy hour on the menu at Altitude

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The Resort at The Mountain has benefited from nearly \$17 million in upgrades and improvements, but two changes will likely be even more well received by customers: brunch and happy hour at the resort's restaurant, Altitude.

"The desire from the guests and the local community definitely was there," said Anna Linder, recreation events manager. "We're bringing (them) back at new heights."

Brunch will be served from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sundays starting Sunday, Nov. 16, at a cost of \$26.95 for adults and \$12.95 for children ages 12 and younger. The menu will change each week, but offerings will include an omelet station, a carving station with prime rib, and traditional and variations on eggs Benedict and game stew, based on availability. Local residents from the Hoodland and Sandy areas will also receive 10 percent off as a way to encourage locals to try out the restaurant.



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Executive Chef Paul Bosch prepares a dish in the kitchen at The Altitude Restaurant.

Many of the ingredients used in the dishes, such as mushrooms and meat, will be purchased from area vendors, making the menu a little more environmentally friendly.

"We want it to represent fresh ingredients we get locally," said Daniel Krucke, food and beverage director. "We're trying to become very green; the carbon footprint of food is important to us."

"The money stays here; it doesn't go off to Seattle."

Happy hour will be in the Altitude lounge daily from 5 to 7 p.m. starting Monday, Nov. 17, and will include drink specials and a special menu, with items ranging from mini Reuben sandwiches for \$4 to fish and chips for \$7.

Krucke noted that a special part of happy hour will be a glass of wine for \$3. The wine, however, will range into the nicer varieties the resort offers, even including bottles that cost \$70 or more.

"We have a lot of great wines we want to showcase," Krucke said. "What better time to do that than happy hour?"

General Manager Frank Casarez noted that most renovations at the resort should be complete by February, but visitors can expect more changes in the future. The resort is considering taking out the women's croquet area and installing a mini-golf course and bocce ball courts.

He also said they could start a "local resident day" at Altitude, when they will offer area residents a discount off the entrée price.

"We want the local community to come up and use this facility," Casarez said. "It's important for us, and I'm sure it's important for them. We want them to be proud of what we're doing here."

Altitude is at 68010 East Fairway Ave. in Welches. For more information, visit [www.altituderestaurant.com](http://www.altituderestaurant.com) or [www.theresort.com](http://www.theresort.com).

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