Pamporovo ski resort

The ski area Mechi Chal, Chepelare is a part of the ski area of Pamporovo. The new name of the resort is Pamporovo-Mechi Chal.

Both ski areas are connected by shuttle buses that connect the main ski centers Pamporovo /Malina Ski Center 1/ and Mechi Chal ski center.

The buses run on schedule with an interval of 15 minutes.

All customers who bought ski pass and ski packages in Pamporovo for the next winter season will get a bonus riding in the ski area of Mechi Chal.

One lift pass will be used in both resorts and all ski packages purchased in Pamporovo will be valid for the ski area Mechi Chal.

**Open:** December – April  
**Downhill:** 37km

**Location**

Pamporovo ski resort is located 85 km from Plovdiv and 240 km from Sofia. The resort is situated on 1650 m above the sea level in the Rhodopi mountain at the foot of Snejanka peak (1926 m).

**Resort information**

Pamporovo is the sunniest Bulgarian mountain resort. The winter here is soft with 120 sunny days. The ski pistes are covered with snow throughout the whole skiing season that lasts from December till April. The average air temperature is - 3 °C.

The rounded mountain slopes and summits are suitable for skiing and snowboarding for beginners. For advanced skiers there are difficult ski runs like "the Wall".
Medical and dental services

Ambulance, first aid on the ski slopes and clinic as well as 24 h a day emergency ski patrol service are available. Fully equipped hospitals, pharmacies and dentists are available in the town of Smolyan and in Chepelare resort.

All dental services and some medical services must be paid in cash to the doctors or clinics. They should provide the necessary receipts, bills and invoices describing the cost and the service, so that you can claim back the expense to your insurance company. In case of injury you should inform your insurance company and follow its instructions.

How to reach Pamporovo ski resort

Pamporovo is situated around 260 km away from Sofia, 85 km south of Plovdiv, 15 km north of the town of Smolyan and 10 km south of Chepelare resort.

By plane

From Sofia Airport to Pamporovo you can reach:

- via highway Trakia/A1/E80 and Route 86 approximately for 3 hours. The distance is 227 km.
- via highway Trakia/A1/E80 approximately for 5 hours. The distance is 285 km.

From Plovdiv Airport to Pamporovo you can reach:

- via Route 86 for 1 h 30 min. The distance is 74 km.

Book a ticket at the best rate for charter or regular flight to Bulgaria: [http://bulgariaflights.com](http://bulgariaflights.com)

By car/ private transfer

The most comfortable, reliable and quickest way to reach Pamporovo is by car or private transfer.

Book a private transfer at a reasonable price here: [Private transfer to Pamporovo](http://www.private-transfer.com) or [rent a car](http://www.rentacar.com).

The driver will wait you at the airport and will a private vehicle will take you to Pamporovo.
By bus

There are buses to Pamporovo from Sofia, Plovdiv and Smolyan.

The ski slopes in Pamporovo

All ski slopes in Pamporovo are safeguarded and maintained in a very good condition. More than 100 highly qualified ski instructors fluent in different languages are here to teach both beginners and intermediate skiers and snowboarders.

Ski rentals are available near the ski runs and the lift stations, you can book ski equipment rental, ski school, lift pass with us.

There are 17 pistes in Pamporovo with total length of 37 km. They are located between 1926 and 1450 m above the sea level on the northern, eastern and western slopes of the Snejanka peak, where the TV tower is located.

There are ski tracks for all categories of skiers and boarders – Beginners, Intermediates and Advanced.

Pamporovo is popular with its best conditions for beginner skiers on the Balkans with its green trails with long and easy slopes.

The most difficult ski piste is "The Wall" that is for professionals. It is opened and lightened till 10 pm.

Pamporovo is especially appropriate for cross-country skiing in the forests of the Rodopi mountain. There are 3 cross-country runs with more than 30 km of trails in total.

9 ski tow lines and 6 ski chair-lifts serve the pistes.

Great off-piste skiing and snowboarding is available in this resort, however we recommend using a local guide when going off-piste.

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