**SPRING – 5 DAY ITINERARY**

Visiting North Lake Tahoe in the spring means fewer crowds, warming temperatures and more choices outside of skiing or snowshoeing for recreation. Skis, paddles and pedals are where it’s at!

***Day 1***

Nothing beats the experience of a bluebird spring day on Lake Tahoe’s calm, crystal clear waters from the deck of a kayak or stand-up paddle board. First, swing by the *Old Post Office* in Carnelian Bay for some of the best breakfast in North Tahoe. Rent your stand-up paddle board or kayak from *Adrift* in Kings Beach and paddle towards Sand Harbor. The lake's amazing clarity allows you to see with incredible sharpness the smooth, sandy lake-bottom peppered with house-sized boulders. Just up the hill from Incline Village is the Mt. Rose Hwy overlook, where you can capture a photo of the entire lake. Dinner is back down to Incline Village for tapas at *Bite*!

***Day 2***

Squaw Valley is the legendary capital of spring skiing! Spring snow isn’t best until 10am, so no need to rush to the mountain. Grab a hearty breakfast at *Fire Sign Café* in Tahoe City. Don’t forget your swim suit so you can join the pool party at Squaw Valley’s *High Camp*. Even if you’re not skiing, a scenic aerial tram ride will take you directly to the pool. Enjoy lunch at *High Camp* or back in the village at *Rocker*. After a few spring laps on the mountain it’s time to get back to the beach for a stroll at sunset during the golden hour. A lakeside dinner awaits at *West Shore Café*.

***Day 3***

Take the day to relax. Consider a stroll along the lake at Sand Harbor or the shops of Tahoe City and *The Village* *at Northstar California*. Book a spa appointment at the *Hyatt Regency* or *The Ritz-Carlton*. Enjoy a leisurely lunch at *Manzanita* in The Ritz-Carlton or *Lone Eagle Grille* in the Hyatt Regency. Craft breweries and wineries like *Tahoe Mountain Brewing* and *Uncorked* welcome tastings from Incline Village to Truckee.

***Day 4***

If you’re not too tired from skiing and paddling a bike ride would complement your multi-sport stay in North Lake Tahoe. One of the best paths is the Truckee River Bike Path which takes you from Tahoe City to Squaw Valley as it meanders along and over the Truckee River. Drop into *Olympic Bike Shop* in Tahoe City to pick up a rental bike. The distance from Tahoe City to Squaw Valley is flat but just over 10 miles, so you’ll likely be hungry for lunch. *PlumpJack* at Squaw Valley is a favorite or head back to Tahoe City and grab a bite at the *Jakes on the Lake*.

***Day 5***

Back to the slopes for more spring corn snow! *Diamond Peak* and *Homewood* both are smaller off the beaten path resorts with great views of Lake Tahoe. For your final day in Tahoe you really can’t beat alternating laps on the mountain with relaxing at a patio overlooking the lake.