



Hemiplegia and Snowboarding in Ischgl for Calvin from Australia

“Thank you again for the information you provided us to support Calvin's snowboarding. I think we underestimate how much people with disabilities can do when they are given the opportunity to challenge themselves, we will definitely be looking into disabled winter sports in Australia.” Calvin's mother



“We would definitely go back to Ischgl again based on the experience we had on the mountain. We stayed at the Aspen Rose hotel in Galtur and they were so accommodating for Calvin and his food avoidance they made him a special meal everyday. The Aspen Rose has an elevator so he didn't have to tackle the big stairs although we did still have 1-2 stairs to get to the family room but I am sure there are other rooms that a wheelchair

would be able to access if required. They do have a bus that comes through Galtur and takes you down to Ischgl however this was very busy and we were lucky enough to have our own transport.

The only difficulty we faced with Calvin's snow-board school was that it operated at different times to his sisters ski school. This would be one thing if other families are travelling with more than 1 child to be mindful of. But they do offer a creche facility for younger children to be looked after whilst the rest of the group can ski which we did utilize also.

I am more than happy for you to share our images/ videos.

Yes this was our first ski/snowboard holiday travelling with someone with a disability and yes you did recommend the Ischgl ski school to us. We phoned them and they asked us to make sure that skiing wasn't an option for him before going to the snowboard. We

were lucky to have a set of skis that we could borrow and drove to a local mountain to try. It was very clear straight away that he would not be able to ski due to his left foot not having enough strength to control the ski. The ski school was happy after this to put him straight into private snowboard lessons and had a lot of times available just not with the same instructor. Also the beginner snowboard school starts on certain days so Calvin was not able to join a snowboard school until Wednesday which meant we had to do private lessons for 2 days. This was fine but an expense that we were not prepared for so it would be best for other families to ring and find out when the beginner classes start and book the dates that work in with them.

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General Feedback on Ischgl and Inclusive Winter Ski and Snowboard Holiday
Ski 2 Freedom @ski_2_freedom would like to thank @skischuleischgl for all their help in making this accessible and inclusive dream snowboarding holiday become a reality for Calvin and his family.

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