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At Granby Ranch, a 'boutique' ski mountain draws a family crowd to ski-in/ski-out condos, priced 40% off

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When Tony and Lisa Nolan of Highlands Ranch took off skiing in Winter Park over the holidays, they had no idea that they would end up captivated by an entirely different mountain...or that they'd put down a deposit on a new ski-in, ski-out condo...one with a price tag about \$150,000 less than when the project opened last year.

Last week the Nolans were back with their young kids to see their place at Base Camp One, by the lifts at Sol Vista in Granby Ranch, 15 miles beyond Winter Park. "I had no idea this was here," Lisa Nolan said, spending their first weekend skiing at Sol Vista, where the condo is set to close this week. "It just makes so much sense."

Skiers know Sol Vista as a 'boutique' ski area; but they may NOT know how appealing this looks to families, after a total makeover: new terrain park with jumps and rails to keep teens advancing in the sport; a top-rated ski school; and remodeled base lodge. "If the kids are happy, everybody's happy," says Greg Finch, president of Dundee Resort Development, as we lunched in Seven Trails Grille...a popular spot in the evening, too, while kids gather outdoors for 'disco tubing.'

Next door, is Base Camp One, with architecture to match anything you'll see in Summit County; big hearth room...attractive units priced impossibly low. ...Starting with a 2-bedroom/2-bath condo, a short glide from the lifts--lavish kitchen, fireplace, around 1,100 sq. ft. It was \$404,000 when the project opened for pre-sales; but you can have it in time to ski this year from \$242,000...16 ski day-passes included.

You can see a choice of 1-to-3 bedroom units, 40% off to the next six buyers. What you WON'T see are features that will lure you back to Granby Ranch in summer: three miles of private trout lease; and Headwaters Golf Course (with a Jack Nicklaus makeover). "You buy somewhere else, and that's all you have, a ski-condo," said Tony Nolan. His wife is the golfer; he prefers mountain biking...and gets a trail park here that drew the U.S. National Downhill Championship in 2009.

One-bedrooms start under \$200,000. A 3-bedroom at \$407,000 is \$270,000 off...with 16 rounds of golf and 30% off the trout lease, plus access to a guest condo (stop in for wine-n-cheese Saturday afternoon). This is a laid-back mountain with a laid-back sales approach. "They're low key," said Tony Nolan. "If it's right for your family, you'll know it." You can experience the entire package now...finished condos and all. Call or email sales@granbyranch.com for info or to arrange an overnight; or drop in, 15 miles past Winter Park to Village Road.

If you go...

WHERE:

Base Camp One at Granby Ranch, 40% off next 6 purchases of 1-to-3-bed ski-in/out condos beside Sol Vista; ski/golf/fishing membership included. 300 Base Camp Cir., Granby; take U.S. 40 west from I-70 43 mi. (15 mi. past Winter Park) to Village Rd., right 2 mi. to ski area, Mountain Preview Cntr on left

PRICE: From under \$200,000

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Watching the kids ski at Sol Vista, homeowners gather for wine-n-cheese at Base Camp One; including Tony and Lisa Nolan, left; developer Greg Finch, center, and his daughter Amy and wife Sharon to the right.