

Big Sky Shuttle Marks 20 Years of Transportation Service in Montana and the Greater Yellowstone Region

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Big Sky Shuttle, Inc., the parent company of Discovery Yellowstone Tours, is commemorating its 20th year in operation, marking two decades of continuous service in passenger transportation and guided travel throughout Montana and the Greater Yellowstone region.

Founded in 2006, Big Sky Shuttle has grown from a regional airport shuttle provider into a multi-service transportation company offering scheduled airport shuttles, private transportation, charter services, and guided tours. Over the course of its operations, the company reports a perfect safety record across millions of miles traveled. Big Sky Shuttle is licensed by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, regulated by the Montana Department of Transportation, and maintains interstate operating authority.

As a Big Sky transportation service provider, the company offers a wide range of travel solutions, including airport transfers, hourly transportation, chauffeur-driven services, corporate group travel, weddings, and special events such as concerts and sporting functions. In addition, Big Sky Shuttle provides multi-day

chauffeur services and private Yellowstone tours through its Discovery Yellowstone Tours division.

Big Sky Shuttle?s service area includes Bozeman, Big Sky, West Yellowstone, Gardiner, Livingston, Emigrant, Missoula, Jackson, Montana, and Cody, Wyoming. A significant portion of operations centers on transportation to and from Bozeman Yellowstone International Airport, with service extending to Big Sky Resort and other destinations throughout Montana and neighboring states.

According to the company, its operational focus has remained consistent over the past two decades, with emphasis placed on safety, reliability, and professional standards. Drivers and tour guides are selected for their experience navigating Montana?s terrain and variable weather conditions. Many guides are longtime residents of the region and have extensive familiarity with Yellowstone National Park and the surrounding public lands.

Discovery Yellowstone Tours was developed to provide small-group and private guided tours that emphasize regional knowledge and adaptability. Tours are structured to accommodate individual interests, seasonal conditions, and time constraints, with itineraries adjusted accordingly. Rather than operating from a fixed schedule alone, guides are encouraged to respond to wildlife movement, weather patterns, and road conditions.

Big Sky Shuttle?s transportation fleet supports a range of travel formats, including black car service, luxury coaches, and group charters. Vehicles are used for both short-distance airport transfers and longer intercity or multi-day travel. The company also provides transportation coordination for corporate clients and event planners requiring scheduled logistics for larger groups.

Founder Tracie Pabst established Big Sky Shuttle after relocating to Big Sky, where she has lived for more than 20 years. Her background and long-term residency influenced the company?s emphasis on local familiarity and operational continuity. Pabst remains actively involved in the business and in the outdoor activities that are closely associated with the region, including skiing, cycling, fly fishing, and hiking.

Over time, Big Sky Shuttle has maintained a focus on discretionary service and logistical coordination, particularly for visitors unfamiliar with Montana?s geography or winter travel conditions. Chauffeurs are trained to manage long-distance travel, rural roadways, and seasonal hazards while maintaining schedules for time-sensitive airport and event transportation.

The company notes that guest requests often include travel planning assistance, customized pickup and drop-off locations, and coordination with lodging, venues, and tour schedules. These services are incorporated into standard operations when feasible, depending on route planning and regulatory requirements.

As part of its anniversary milestone, Big Sky Shuttle is reflecting on changes in regional travel patterns over the past two decades, including increased visitation to Yellowstone National Park, expanded air service into Bozeman, and growing demand for private and charter transportation options. The company continues to operate year-round, supporting both peak tourism seasons and off-season travel.

Looking ahead, Big Sky Shuttle states that it plans to continue offering transportation and tour services consistent with its existing operational model, with attention to safety standards, driver training, and regulatory compliance. No expansion plans were announced in connection with the anniversary.

Big Sky Shuttle?s anniversary marks a period of sustained operation within a transportation sector that has seen significant change over the past 20 years. The company attributes its longevity to regulatory adherence, staff retention, and ongoing demand for ground transportation in southwest Montana and the Greater Yellowstone area.

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