

## New Skiing and Snowboarding Game for iPhone

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Video game publisher Namco Networks has announced the availability of Alpine Racer through Apple's App Store for iPhone and iPod touch for £3.49. Alpine Racer Lite is available for free

Alpine Racer brings skiing and snowboarding to life with 3D graphics as players pull off aerial tricks and fly down the alpine and try to win the King of the Mountain challenge. Players are presented with two game modes: conquer Story Mode to unlock a secret character, or take on Time Attack and race against your toughest competition, a "ghost" image replay of your best timed run.

Players tilt the iPhone or touch the screen to control their racer. The game features two characters, plus two unlockable characters. Players have the opportunity to earn points to upgrade top speed, acceleration, power and outfits. Preferences allow the user to adjust the control, power, acceleration and max speed.

“Alpine Racer takes full advantage of the iPhone’s accelerometer and touchscreen controls to give players full control of the race,” said Scott Rubin, vice president of sales and marketing for Namco Networks. “Between the controls and the high resolution graphics, skiing and snowboarding fans are going to feel like they are truly on the slopes.”

At the moment the descriptions of the Lite and Full version could do with expanding, as users have commented, there is nothing to indicate what extra you get for buying the full version.

Of the 2 current reviews of the full version, not a one has anything good to say.

Let me know what you think, if you decide to try it.

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