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TANNER HALL

The Park City–based free-skier and X Games star has seven gold medals — and a nasty taco habit.

My Powder Stash

When you're a pro skier you decide where you're skiing at the last minute, depending on where the snow is falling. I follow the storms and ski wherever the snow is good. Sometimes that's Utah or St. Anton, Austria. But my favorite place is a cat-skiing lodge in Nelson, British Columbia, called **Retallack (1)**, where I became an investor. The best run is named Big Woody. It's a thick-tree-skiing shot behind the lodge. It's never sunny there; it snows every day. You can jump from pillow to pillow and never have to worry about hitting bottom.

My Taco

The best taco I've ever eaten is the carne asada **Fatty Taco at Chronic Cantina (2)** in Costa Mesa, California. The place is right off the Pacific Coast Highway in Orange County. The seasoning they put on the meat is a ridiculous habanero chile flavor, and the salsa is a mild pico de gallo with tomato, onions, and chile. It's not too spicy, which is how I like it.

My Portrait

My older brother Tyson, who helps run Armada Skis, did this small black-and-white **charcoal painting of Bob Marley (3)** when he was in the eighth grade. My mom framed it for me. I have it hanging up in the

hallway going into my room so you get a nice, mellow vibe before bed.

My Music

I was in Las Vegas last January for the biggest ski industry trade show, and I got up onstage with rapper Lil Jon. I'm all about reggae dancehall music. My favorite album is **Cali P.'s *Lyrical Faya* (4)**. I'll play it really loud to get pumped up before skiing.

My Blender

The coolest thing in my kitchen is my **KitchenAid Ultra Power 5-Speed blender**. In the summertime I make tasty smoothies with bananas, blueberries, yogurt, and orange juice. I can whip up breakfast in two minutes. I try to be really healthy in the summer. It's hard in the wintertime because I'm always on the road.

My Motivator

In eighth grade in Kalispell, Montana, I was always missing school for skiing, so I became good friends with the school's attendance counselor. The day I left to go to the Park City Winter Sports School in Utah, my counselor gave me a **piece of calligraphy (5)** she'd handwritten and framed with a picture of me on it. It said, "If you can imagine it, you can achieve it." The saying is kind of lame, I but it made me stoked to follow my goals.

My Web Addiction

I'm always checking **Newschoolers.com (6)** — that's a free-skiing website. Recently there was a post titled, "Do you think Tanner Hall should have a baby with [free-skier] Sarah Burke to help the progression of skiing long term?" That was fucking funny.

My High-Tops

I don't give a shit about style. I just put on what's comfortable. I wear the same pair of shoes every day with a pair of extra-large sweatpants and a hoodie, no matter where I'm going. Right now I'm wearing some yellow, white, gray, and **tweed Nike 6.0 (7)** old school-looking high-tops — actually, I've got some nice fucking shoes on right now!

My Memento

When I was 15 I met snowboarder Mikey Peterson at a ski camp in Montana. He was in the opening segment of my film *Believe*. At the premiere, he gave me a **dog tag (8)** with TAN imprinted on it. That's what Mikey called me. Two months later, he was killed in a car accident. The tag became that much more special. —AS TOLD TO MEGAN MICHELSON



GUTTEN; LOWER CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: BLAKE JOHNSON; COURTESY CHRONIC TACOS; ALEXA MILLER; NATHAN BLOWUP PHOTO; COURTESY EVERETT COLLECTION; ALEXA MILLER; (2); FELIX INDUX; MICHAEL PIRROCCO