



Austria Hotel Collection: The Best Hotels for a Skiing Break

Skiing holiday or leisurely mountain winter break – a nice hotel to stretch your legs after an adventure-filled outdoorsy day is an essential part of every holiday. Therefore, it comes with little surprise that choosing the right accommodation takes up a great part of many travellers' pre-trip planning. After all, some even choose their destination based on a hotel they fancy.

To make things a little easier, let us introduce you to the <u>Austria Hotel Collection</u>, a curated group of premier hotels perfect for a ski getaway. Every hotel on this list is unique, but they all exemplify the best in Austrian hospitality.

Winter Hotels in Tirol

Austria is a leading destination for winter sports escapes – who wouldn't love to wake up in the heart of the snow-covered Alps after all? Ski-in/ski-out from your doorstop, relax your muscles at a dreamy hotel spa after whisking down the slopes, and end your day in style over a traditional Austrian dinner next to a crackling fireplace. Tirol, SalzburgerLand and Carinthia are your go-to places for a fairy tale-style winter stay.

Five-star Das Central in Sölden is surrounded by more than 250 three-thousanders. The resort welcomes guests with 125 luxurious rooms and suites, award-winning dining, and their own wine cellar. There's equipment rental for skiers, shuttles to the lifts, and sports massages. Wellness fans will love the hotel's Summit Spa, overlooking the rooftops of Sölden, with a 17-metre-long outdoor infinity pool (17 m above the ground) and a terrace with a whirlpool. saunas, massages, beauty treatments, and a gym with personal trainer. Das Central is perfect for holidaymakers wanting to combine slopes and spas.

Tirol's Ötztal is a popular skiing destination and <u>Aqua Dome – Tirol Therme Längenfeld</u> is the perfect fit for holidaymakers wanting to combine their snowy adventures with some spa time. The resort sports Tirol's largest spa with a whooping 12 pools filled with thermal waters, 14 saunas, and tons of spa treatment options. Relax in a heated pool while marveling at the snow-covered mountains, then enjoy Austrian dishes with a modern twist! Aqua Dome has more than 200 state-of-the-art rooms and suites and is suitable for sporty winter breaks as well as relaxed family holidays.

<u>Stanglwirt Green Spa Resort</u> in Kitzbühel is an organic farm and luxury hotel for winter sports fans both in one. Having welcomed guests for over 400 years, the was transformed from a rustic inn into a five-star complex but has kept its Tyrolean charm over time. Stanglwirt runs its very own ski school (for both children and adults) as well as free shuttles to the nearby lifts and slopes. Its signature spa features a saltwater, rock and sports pool, a

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waterfall grotto, a natural swimming lake, saunas, steam baths, and a kid's area. The hotel also has its own Lipizzaner stud and a riding school.

At <u>A-ROSA</u>, also in Kitzbühel, guests enjoy Alpine tradition and modern amenities just a stone's throw away from the pistes in a castle-like environment. Breathtaking views of the Streif, the Hahnenkamm, and the Wilder Kaiser are included. Holidaymakers can choose between the Sissi and Franz Suite (with a private terrace and a fireplace), the Spa Suite (private sauna and massage area included), or the Eagle Suite (all of the above, plus XXL living and dining areas), and enjoy the 3,000 m² / 32,000 sqft spa area, two top-notch restaurants, a sushi lounge, and a cocktail bar.

Winter Hotels in SalzburgerLand

Experience luxury and relaxation after a long day on the slopes at <u>DAS EDELWEISS</u> <u>Salzburg Mountain Resort</u>, a 5-star ski in/ski out haven right next to the lifts. Guests can rent their equipment and book a ski instructor at the reception. The 7000 m2 / 7.500 sq-ft Mountain Spa, featuring several saunas, indoor and outdoor pools, and treatment options, offers the ultimate wellness experience. Food lovers will be spoiled for choice, with diverse culinary adventures from around the world and a focus on local ingredients. DAS EDELWEISS is run by no less than 13 members of the same family.

Forsthofgut in Leogang, SalzburgerLand, a sustainable farm-turned luxury hotel, is another ski and spa resort not to be missed! It has direct access to the surrounding slopes and features Europe's first forest spa, with an adults-only area (old-wood sauna, herbal and steam baths, 25-m-long sports pool with mountain views, onsen-style pool), as well as a separate kids water wonderland. Guests can rent skies and other equipment right on site, book a ski course, and end their skiing day by carving right down to the hotel's door before indulging in an Austrian foodie fest at their in-house restaurant.

Winter Hotels in Vorarlberg

Nestled right amid the mountains, <u>Burghotel Oberlech</u> in Lech am Arlberg is a popular ski in/ski out hotel for winter sports fans of all ages. Guests can start their sporty adventures right from their doorstep (there's also a ski school a stone's throw away) and cap the day in the hotel's spa world and award-winning restaurants. The "Burg" also has one of the largest wine cellars in Western Austria! The owners, the Lucian family, started out with a small milk bar offering refreshments to skiers before transforming into an inn and eventually a luxury retreat. Three generations are working side by side.

Steeped in history and family traditions, four-star <u>Hotel Gotthard</u>, also in Lech, and just a few minutes from the mountain railway Rüfikopf, combines luxury with authenticity, and cosiness



with modernity. Run in the third generation of the Walchs, every guest is treated like a member of the extended family. The hotel opened in 1931 and has since become a topnotch home away from home with comfy rooms, a restaurant serving Tyrolean and international cuisine, and a spacious wellness area, think indoor and outdoor pools, saunas, relaxation spaces with waterbeds and loungers, massages, and treatments.

Winter Hotels in Carinthia

<u>Trattlerhof</u> can be found in Bad Kleinkirchheim in the Nockberge mountains, in Austria's Southern-most province Carinthia, and is a cosy and family winter hideaway currently run by the fifth generation. Guests have quick access to the slopes, with the closest lift only 150 m away, and Bad Kleinkirchheim's traditional Christmas. In-house amenities include a forest spa, wine tasting weekends and horse-drawn carriage rides. The hotel also offers various deals, ranging from romantic winter getaways to ski and thermal spa packages, special family packages, and even pet-friendly holidays.

Mountain Resort Feuerberg is a four-star ski in/ski out hotel on Carinthia's Gerlitzen Alpe perfect for solo travellers, couples, and everyone arriving with kids. The family-run retreat features spacious, rooms and chalets, and a spa area with eleven pools, saunas and yoga sessions. Mountain Resort Feuerberg has its own on-site ski rental, ski school, and professional guides taking guests on snowshoeing and winter hiking tours in the region. Families will love the kids club, babysitters and children's buffet, while dogs are welcome to join their two-legged family in designated chalet suites.

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