

## 50 best ski holidays to book now

From chic hotels to great budget resorts, the top places to stay on the mountain

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Hitting the slopes in the glitzy Alpine resort of St Moritz, Switzerland CHRISTOF SONDEREGGER/SWISS IMAGE

### **Coollest new hotels**

#### **1 Four Seasons**

##### **Megève, France**

The winter's biggest hotel opening in the French Alps, this slope-side Four Seasons will feature Le 1920, the two-starred Michelin restaurant run by Julien Gatillon that is relocating from another site in Megève. There is also a spa with an indoor-outdoor pool, a stylish cocktail bar and snazzy cigar room. It's a great one for oenophiles too: the wine cellar is to be stocked with more than 10,000

bottles. The 55 rooms are five-star standard and the hotel is offering 20 per cent off to those who book before November 30. It opens on December 15.

**Details** A room-only double room costs from £550, including the 20 per cent discount ([fourseasons.com](http://fourseasons.com))

## 2 Hyatt Centric

### La Rosière, France

Expect funky, contemporary design at this hip new 71-room hotel, due to open in December in the small, quiet resort of La Rosière, which is linked with La Thuile in Italy. Hyatt's Centric brand has a fresh modern look, offering a "cosmopolitan vibe" in the otherwise traditional-looking village, where most skiers stay in chalets. There's also a spa with a pool, steam room, sauna and treatment rooms. La Rosière is south-facing and usually enjoys good snow; the village is at 1,850m.

**Details** Doubles cost from €293 (£257), half-board ([larosierehotel.com](http://larosierehotel.com))

## 3 Grand Massif Samoëns

### Morillon, France

This is a giant new Club Med resort in Samoëns, opening in December, with marvellous valley views. The 400-plus rooms are bright and breezy. It's very family friendly, with crèches and kids' clubs. There's also an indoor-outdoor pool. Samoëns is within the Grand Massif ski area, with 265km (165 miles) of slopes to explore.

**Details** A week's all-inclusive costs from £1,828pp, including Gatwick, Glasgow or Manchester flights, six-day lift passes, five-day group ski lessons and transfers ([clubmed.co.uk](http://clubmed.co.uk))



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#### **4 Terminal Neige**

##### **Chamonix, France**

After the successful launch of the Terminal Neige Totem in Flaine, this sister hotel in the former Montanvers refuge, which dates from 1880. It's part of the Maisons & Hôtels Sibuet group, which has established a strong following among fans of design hotels. The sleek, arty interiors of this 19-bedroom property have been designed by Jocelyne Sibuet. There will be a choice of dorms or suites, as well as a restaurant serving fondues. The hotel opens in December.

**Details** Half-board doubles cost from €150 (£133), while half-board dorm stays are from €80 (£71) ([refuge.terminal-neige.com](http://refuge.terminal-neige.com))

#### **5 Aman Le Mélézin**

##### **Courchevel 1850, France**

Aman Le Mélézin isn't new — it is celebrating its 25th anniversary this winter — but it's marking the occasion by opening a huge spa and a new restaurant called Nama, serving dishes overseen by the Japanese master chef Keiji Matoba. The spa, to be ready by December 15, is over two floors, with a hammam, sauna, hot tubs, 14m pool and treatment rooms offering hot-stone massages.

**Details** Doubles cost from €1,100 half-board, hot-tub rooms cost from €2,600 half-board ([aman.com](http://aman.com))

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