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The Alps have seen several big storms in recent weeks and, at high altitude, the snow has started to pile up. Lower down, however, any snow has not lasted long - entirely normal for the time of year when most skiing is still on the glaciers. At altitude, the weather is glorious this week with plenty of sunshine and freezing levels above 3000m! Looking further ahead, a little more cloud is possible next week, but a return to winter is not on the cards anytime soon.

Austria

Austria has the greatest variety of skiing in Europe right now. Leading the way is **Sölden** where 16 lifts serve 76km of pistes - not all of which are confined to the glacier. There was fresh snow last weekend and up top the base is 87cm deep. Two other decent options are **Stubai** and **Hintertux**, both of which offer about 60km of runs and have over 1 metre of snow on the glacier. You can also ski on the glaciers at **Mölltal**, **Pitztal**, **Kaunertal** (pictured) and **Kitzsteinhorn**, as well as on three entirely non-glacial runs in **Schladming**.



Fabulous conditions on the Austrian glaciers this week - www.kaunertal-gletscher.at

France

There is excellent skiing on the Grand Motte glacier above **Tignes** where the snow is 60cm deep and 7 lifts are in operation. As of last weekend, it is also possible to ski down to resort (Val Claret) via the long Double M piste. The next resort scheduled to open in France is **Val Thorens** on 24 November.

Italy

Skiing options are still limited in the Italian Alps but high up the conditions are great. The glacier above **Val Senales** has 90cm of snow and is running 8 lifts. **Cervinia** is another option but, despite plenty of new snow, much of the action is still confined to the Swiss side above Zermatt. On the Italian side, you can only ski from Plateau Rosa to Laghi Cime Bianche, but the runs to the mid-station at Plan Maison are expected to open this weekend.

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Colder with some snow in the far eastern Alps. Mostly fine elsewhere.

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Many resorts in the western US were looking a bit threadbare last week. However, the landscape has now been transformed by a major winter storm called "Brutus" that dumped over 50" (127cm) in **Snowbird** (Utah) where they expect to open their first lifts before the weekend. California also did well and half a dozen lifts are already running in **Mammoth**. In Colorado, **Breckenridge** has joined a growing list of options but, generally speaking, the skiing is still limited for the time being despite some fresh snow.

Canada

The **Banff/Lake Louise** area opened in style last weekend with upper level snow depths of around 75cm and near perfect pistes.



Great start for Sunshine Village, Banff - www.skibanff.com