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The season may be all but over, but there is still some decent skiing to be had if you know where to look – there's even some fresh snow at altitude.

This weekend sees the curtain come down on another wave of resorts - including **Val d'Isère** in France and **Ischgl** in Austria. If you still require your fix beyond that, rest assured there remain plenty of options available deep into May – see our blog - [Top 5 places to ski in the Alps in May](#).

As for conditions in the Alps, there have been bits and pieces of snow at altitude over the last few days with some more substantial falls to finish this week, albeit mostly above 2500m and in the western Alps (e.g. on the glaciers of **Tignes**, **Val Thorens** and **Zermatt**).

This means that some excellent skiing is still possible if you can time your outing with a break in the weather.

Austria

Very few entirely non-glacial resorts are still open in Austria, the best of these being **Ischgl** (0/150cm) and **Obertauern** (100/150cm), both of which are due to close this weekend.

Beyond that, Austria will still be offering half a dozen or so glacial options, including **Hintertux** (50/280cm), **Stubai** (5/260cm) and the **Kitzsteinhorn** (90/380cm) near Kaprun.

Expect further snow here over the next few days which should keep conditions fresh at high altitude.





Still plenty of snow at altitude in Ischgl - Photo: ischgl.at

France

Only four resorts in the French Alps remain open – **Val d'Isère** (22/134cm), **Argentière** (0/120cm), **Tignes** (22/134cm) and **Val Thorens** (70/180cm). The first two of these close this weekend, while the latter two will continue operating until 10 May.

Conditions are likely to be very mixed over the next two or three days, with significant fresh snow above 2500m but rain lower down.


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Great conditions on the Grande Motte glacier above Tignes, with further snow in the forecast - Photo: tignes.net

Italy

Only a handful of Italian resorts are still open, by far the best being **Cervinia** (5/210cm) which officially closes on Sunday, but will remain open at weekends throughout the month of May.

Further east, **Livigno** (0/155cm) will soldier on with a limited number of lifts until 10 May, with the glacier at **Val Senales** (35/320cm) an alternative option.

The weather will remain changeable over the next few days with showers and some snow at high altitude.



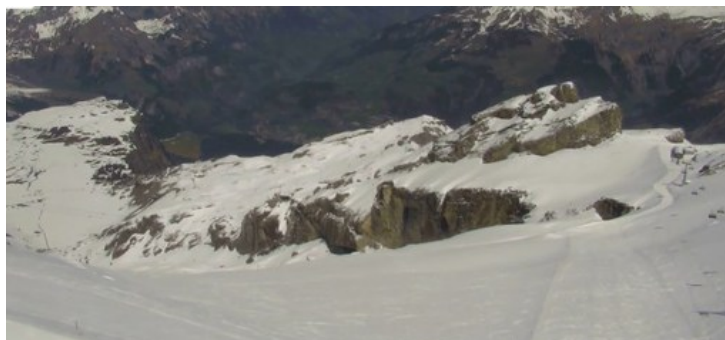
Combined with Zermatt, Cervinia offers the greatest scope in Italy right now - Photo: cervinia.it

Switzerland

Around half a dozen resorts can still offer skiing in Switzerland, with the most extensive terrain (by far) in **Zermatt** (0/230cm) where, weather permitting, over 100km of pistes (shared with Cervinia) are open.

Other decent (albeit more limited) options include **Engelberg** (0/350cm) and the **Corvatsch** (0/150cm) near St Moritz - though the latter is due to close this weekend.

The weather is forecast to remain unsettled over the next couple of days with further snow at high altitude.



Plenty of snow still on the upper half of the ski area in Engelberg - Photo: titlis.ch

Rest of Europe

To the best of our knowledge all resorts in the Pyrenees and Bulgaria are now closed.

Scandinavia still has a number of options - with an 80cm mid-mountain base in **Hemsedal**, Norway and 43cm in **Åre**, Sweden - both of which report spring

snow conditions.

By contrast, **Glencoe** (40/180cm) in Scotland has seen huge snowfalls in recent days and is in astonishing condition for late April.



Unusually good snow conditions for the time of year in Glencoe - Photo: winterhighland.com

USA

Most US resorts are now closed, but among the better exceptions are **Snowbird** in Utah (193cm mid-mountain base) and **Arapahoe Basin** in Colorado (132cm mid-mountain base).

Canada

Whistler Mountain (172cm mid-mountain base) will continue into May despite a disappointing season. Here there has been a dusting of snow, with some reasonable skiing on the upper half of the mountain.

Further east, cover is still ok in the **Banff/Lake Louise** area (170cm upper base) though spring snow conditions are reported at most levels.



Lake Louise is one of only a handful of resorts still open in western Canada - Photo: skilouise.com

Next full snow report will be on Thursday 7 May 2015, but see [Today in the Alps](#) for regular updates