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Latest snow report

Updated: 6pm Monday 10 April 2017

The weather in the Alps remains on the warm side, with spring snow conditions in all but the highest ski areas. Weak weather fronts will bring a little new snow to some north-eastern parts of the Alps (i.e. Austria) over the next few days, though quantities will be extremely modest and much of the Alps will stay dry.

Generally speaking, free-thaw cycles will be the order of the day, with snow only remaining wintry all day long on the highest north-facing slopes (above about 2600m).

Austria

Snow cover in most low Austrian resorts is either extremely patchy or non-existent, with many areas (e.g. Ski Welt) now closed for the season.

Glaciers aside, the two best remaining options are **Ischgl** (0/90cm) and **Obergurgl** (18/69cm), though even here you should expect some slush later in the day.



Extensive skiing still possible in Ischgl – 10 April 2017 – Photo: ischgl.com

France

France continues to offer some good spring skiing in its higher resorts. **Weathertoski** is currently in **Val Cenis** where snow cover may be patchy close to resort level, but with 2.5m up top there is still some excellent skiing to be had, particularly if you time your runs to follow the sun.

Other good options right now include **Val d'Isère** (59/168cm) and **Val Thorens** (105/160cm).

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Lots of good snow still at altitude in Val Cenis – 10 April 2017 – Photo: weathertoski.co.uk

Italy

Many low Italian resorts have now closed for the season but there is still some good skiing to be had, especially (but not exclusively) in the higher resorts of the west, such as **Cervinia** (0/195cm) and **Alagna** (0/180cm).

Even here, however, expect plenty of slush on the lower slopes later in the day.



Lots of snow still at altitude in the Monte Rosa region – 10 April 2017 – Photo: monterosa-ski.com

Switzerland

Like everywhere else in the Alps, snow cover in Switzerland is now very patchy low down with most resorts in full spring-mode. As is normally the case at this time of year, **Zermatt** (0/180cm) and **Saas-Fee** (20/270cm) can offer the most consistent snow conditions due to their superior top height.

Lower down you can still find some enjoyable skiing in the likes of **Wengen** (0/60cm), but the window of opportunity for reasonable snow quality is growing narrower each day.



Spring snow conditions in the Swiss Portes du Soleil. This is a north-facing slope in Les Crosets – 10 April 2017 – Photo: tele-champéry.ch

Rest of Europe

There is plenty of skiing still going on in Norway, with the best conditions in **Voss** (75/125cm), where there was a little fresh snow yesterday.

There is also plenty of snow left in the higher parts of the Pyrenees even if conditions are spring-like, with 40/130cm in Andorra's **Soldeu**, for example.



Still plenty of snow at altitude in the Pyrenees. This is Cauterets – 10 April 2017 – Photo: cauterets.com

USA

Fresh snow has been falling in many western US resorts – with 65cm falling in California's **Mammoth**, for example, where the upper base remains well over 8m.

Elsewhere, Utah's **Alta** also offers some superb skiing at the moment, with 20cm of fresh and a mid-mountain base of 353cm.

Canada

Whistler is continuing its excellent season with a further 48cm of snow in the last week and upper mountain depths of 356cm.

Further inland there has been less in the way of fresh snow, but you can still find some good spring skiing in the **Lake Louise/Banff** area where base depths are 158/230cm depending on altitude.



Snowing again in Whistler – 10 April 2017 – Photo: whistlerblackcomb.com

**Next full snow report will be on Thursday 13 April 2017,
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