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Latest snow report

Updated: 8pm Monday 5 February 2018

Snow conditions remain favourable across all Alpine areas as we approach the busy half-term week, with few (if any) real weak spots.

The best of the fresh is now in the far south-west where resorts such as Isola 2000, Auron and Prato Nevoso have all seen a significant snowfall today.

Elsewhere in the Alps there is lots of good piste skiing to be had, though the off-piste is quite mixed thanks to the variety of weather that we have seen over the last week.

Over the next few days there will be further snow across the southern Alps at times, perhaps extending into Austria mid-week. The northern Alps will generally stay dry. Temperatures will remain on the cool side but never excessively cold.

Across the pond, the best snow conditions are currently to be found in Alberta...

Austria

Austria has missed out on today's storm but the far south was hit hard late last week with over 1m of new snow at altitude in **Nassfeld** where settled depths are now 60/165cm.

That said, the snow pack is deepest further north and west where successive January storms have contributed to the giant snow-packs in **St Anton** (135/360cm), **Neustift/Stubai** glacier (120/400cm).

Lower resorts such as **Söll** (75/170cm) also have plenty of snow and are offering fantastic piste skiing right now.



Great skiing in the Austrian Vorarlberg. This is Damüls – 5 February 2018 – Photo: damuels.at

France

The southern French Alps saw the lion's share of snow from the latest storm. **Auron** (near Isola 200) saw at least 30cm of fresh and now has 100/170cm depending on altitude. Conditions here are excellent both on and off-piste.

Further north there has been little or no new snow but depths remain impressive, especially at altitude, and on-piste at least there is some fantastic skiing to be had in both **Courchevel** (197/292cm) and **Flaine** (170/430cm).

Tweets by @weathertoski



Head to head... #Ischgl vs #StAnton
Which has the better snow?
tinyurl.com/y56wuy9l



16m



#Cervinia unexpectedly closed again tomorrow following new decree. No further details at this time.
<https://twitter.com/CerviniaValt/status/1320372177292623872>

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New snow today in the southern French Alps – 5 February 2018 – Photo: auron.com

Italy

Snow conditions remain excellent across the Italian Alps with new snow today in the southern Piedmont, where base depths are 70/220cm in **Sestriere** and 130/240cm in **Prato Nevoso**.

Areas further north and east have largely missed out today but the Dolomites did see significant snow last week, with 40cm in **Cortina** (40/120cm), for example.

The greatest base depths remain in the high resorts of the Aosta, however, where **Cervinia** now has 250/395cm.



Heavy snow today in Prato Nevoso in the south-western Italian Alps – 5 February 2018 – Photo: facebook.com/PratoNevososki

Switzerland

Snow conditions are excellent across most Swiss reports, especially on-piste, with no real weaknesses anywhere.

Generally speaking the deepest bases are at altitude in the south-west, where **Zermatt** has 135/340cm and **Saas-Fee** has 105/445cm. However, there is also excellent skiing on offer in the lower resorts in the north, including **Villars** (40/210cm) and **Wengen** (33/146cm).



Excellent on-piste snow conditions on the Swiss side of the Portes du Soleil – 5 February 2018 – Photo: champéry.com

Rest of Europe

Many Pyrenean resorts have seen significant recent snow in recent days, especially across the northern half of the chain where Andorra's **Pas de la Casa** has over 50cm of fresh and base depths of 125/155cm.

All five main Scottish resorts are up and running thanks to recent snowfall, with the deepest snow-pack in **Glencoe** where base depths are 110/150cm depending on altitude.

Not surprisingly there is some excellent skiing to be had in Scandinavia right now. The deepest bases are currently in Norway, where **Voss** has 90/195cm depending on altitude and **Hemsedal** has 155cm on its upper mountain.



Fresh snow in the French Pyrenees – 5 February 2018 – Photo: cauterets.com

USA

It's snowing at last in many Colorado resorts! This should greatly improve conditions in the likes of **Vail** (80cm upper base), which has had a very disappointing season to date.

It's also snowing in Wyoming's **Jackson Hole** (230cm upper base) where conditions were already pretty good.

Generally speaking, the further north you go the deeper the snow pack gets, with a mighty 396/513cm in **Mt Baker** in Washington State.

Canada

The **Banff/Lake Louise** area is offering fantastic snow conditions right now with 70cm of new snow in the last seven days and base depths now 159/200cm.

Further west, it has been milder in **Whistler** which means that snow conditions are quite mixed depending on altitude. Snow cover remains very impressive, however, with upper base depths of around 3m.



Fabulous snow conditions in the Banff/Lake Louise area right now – 5 February 2018 – Photo: skilouise.com

Our next full snow report will be on Thursday 8 February 2018, but see [Today in the Alps](#) for regular updates