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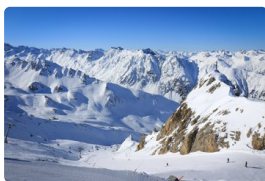
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Latest snow report

Updated: 8pm Thursday 8 February 2018

Snow conditions in both the Alps and the Pyrenees are generally excellent as we approach the busiest week of the season, with no real weak points anywhere, at least on-piste. Conditions are more variable off-piste but there is still some excellent skiing to be had, even some powder, especially in the Pyrenees.

The weather in the Alps will be quite mixed over the next few days with a little snow here and there but generally not in any huge quantity. It will stay quite cold though, which means that any snow will fall to low altitudes. There will also be plenty of dry and bright weather, with the best of any sunshine this weekend and early next week in the southern Alps.

Across the pond, fresh snow has improved conditions in Colorado and Utah but the best skiing remains further north, particularly in Canada...

Austria

Snow conditions are excellent across just about all parts of Austria. In the south, recent snow has boosted snow depths in **Nassfeld** (60/165cm) where there is some superb skiing on offer both on and off piste.

Further north, the snow-pack exceeds 3m at altitude in a number of resorts including **St Anton** (130/360cm) and **Bad Gastein** (240/370cm).

Although there isn't a huge amount of new snow expected over the next few days, it will stay cold, which will help keep all resorts in good shape.



Great conditions in Austria's Carinthia region – 8 February 2018 – Photo: mallnitz.at

France

Snow conditions are excellent right across the French Alps with good cover at all levels and even some fresh snow in places, particularly in the south.

Right now the deepest snow cover remains at high altitude and in the north, where **Avoriaz** has 255/340cm and **La Rosière** has 250/440cm. The newest snow is in the far south, however, where **Isola 2000** had 20cm earlier in the week, and base depths are now 120/200cm depending on altitude.

Expect cool temperatures and some snow showers in the French Alps over the next few days, especially in the north, but also some drier and brighter weather.



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Sunny with great snow in the far southern French Alps today. This is Isola 2000 – 8 February 2018 – Photo: [isola2000.com](#)

Italy

Snow conditions are excellent across all Italian resorts. The deepest snow-pack remains at altitude in the west, where base depths are 250/405cm in **Cervinia** and 160/260cm in **Courmayeur**.

Further east there is also some fabulous skiing on offer, with depths of 125/154cm in the Dolomite resort of **Arabba** and 103/123cm in **Livigno**.

The forecast over the next few days is a little mixed but it should stay cold with some decent sunny breaks.



Superb snow conditions in the Dolomites. This is Kronplatz – 8 February 2018 – Photo: [kronplatz.com](#)

Switzerland

Snow conditions are very favourable across the Swiss Alps right now with upper base depths still in excess of 4m in a number of resorts, including **Saas-Fee** (105/445cm) and **Laax** (58/450cm), and even 6m in **Engelberg** (35/644cm).

Lower down the figures may not be as extreme, but on-piste at least the skiing is still fantastic in **Villars** (40/210cm) and **Gstaad** (20/200cm).

Over the next few days the weather is forecast to stay relatively cold with a few snow showers, but there will also be some drier and brighter interludes.



Massive snow depths in Bettmeralp – 8 February 2018 – Photo: [bettmeralp.ch](#)

Rest of Europe

There has been lots of new snow in Pyrenees in recent days, with 60cm in Andorra's **Arcalis**, for example, where base depths are 110/195cm depending on altitude. Spain's **Baqueira Beret** (130/210cm) has also seen significant snow and is in great shape in the run up to the busy half term week.

Most Norwegian resorts continue to offer excellent snow conditions, especially on-piste, with 155cm up top in **Hemsedal** and 120cm in **Geilo**.

All Scottish ski areas are also in good shape thanks to recent snow, with base depths of 30/80cm in **Cairngorm** and 110/150cm in **Glencoe**.



Plenty of fresh snow in the French Pyrenees. This is Piau Engaly – 8 February 2018 – Photo: snoweye.com

USA

Snow conditions in Colorado and Utah are much improved, even if base depths remain below par. **Vail** has 112cm packed down on its upper mountain, while **Snowbird** has 155cm.

The best conditions are still further north where Wyoming's **Jackson Hole** has 165/236cm and Montana's **Big Sky** has 147/223cm.

Still snowiest of all though is Washington State's **Mt Baker**, which has over 5m of settled snow on its upper slopes.

Canada

Snow conditions remain excellent in the **Banff/Lake Louise** area (114/204cm), where there has been around 70cm of new snow in the last week and further snow is falling today.

Good skiing can also be found closer to the coast in **Whistler** (295cm upper base), but the off-piste here is more variable thanks to recent mild temperatures. It will turn cooler over the weekend though.



Plenty of snow in Kicking Horse – 8 February 2018 – Photo: kickinghorseresort.com

Our next full snow report will be on Monday 12th February 2018, but see [Today in the Alps](#) for regular updates