

Top 13 Restaurants for Après-Ski Wine Bliss

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Ski season is in full swing, and whether you favor Nordic or Alpine, an essential component of the wintry pastime is the post-ski meal—the big respite after a long day in the snow. For those with a passion for wining and dining, this moment is not complete without a glass—or bottle—of something special to cap off the evening.

We've selected 13 restaurants from top ski regions across the United States and Canada whose wine lists provide plenty of tipples for a cozy cool-down after a day hitting the slopes. These Grand Award– and Best of Award of Excellence–winning restaurants offer wine lists with excellent breadth and depth across many regions, styles and vintages. For more options in all kinds of climes, see *Wine Spectator's* more than 3,600 Restaurant Award–winning restaurants, including our 81 Grand Award recipients.

Boasting one of the very best wine lists in all of Canada, **Post Hotel Dining Room** makes its home in the hamlet of Lake Louise in the Rockies. After a long day on the slopes, skiers can stretch out with wine director and owner George Schwarz's 2,550-selection list, which showcases wines from California, Burgundy and Bordeaux, with plenty of values and western Canadian selections in the mix as well. Chef Hans Sauter's hearty fare spotlights Canadian meats and fish in dishes such as a Quebec foie gras torchon, sautéed Atlantic lobster in Chardonnay beurre blanc, Alberta rabbit and whole-roasted caribou strip loin. For those with a sweet tooth, the dessert wine list highlights over three-dozen choices of Vintage Port, as well as a substantial vertical of Château d'Yquem.

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