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Winter Wonderland: Mann About Winter in Aspen

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Aspen, with its breathtaking mountain vistas, is a winter haven renowned for skiing and snow-filled adventures. But beyond the snowy slopes, it also offers a blend of signature activities, picturesque views and gourmet dining experiences. Having called Aspen my part-time home for years, I've gathered an insider's knowledge of the must-visit spots in this winter wonderland.

Where to Savor the Season

Fine Creek Cookhouse: Enjoy a journey to Aspen's legendary restaurant at the base of the Elk Mountains. Reserve a round-trip on the horse-drawn sleigh for lunch or dinner, which winds its way past serene snowy fields under a starry night. Once there, savor an international alpine cuisine amidst the stunning views. This experience is unforgettable! [Finecreekcookhouse.com](https://www.finecreekcookhouse.com)

Mawa's Kitchen: Celebrate the holiday season with Mawa's impeccable brunch or order from a selection of appetizers, including exquisite caviar, paired with a curated wine menu. Perfect for festive gatherings! [Mawaskitchen.com](https://www.mawaskitchen.com)

Caribou Club: As Aspen's most prestigious members-only club, the Caribou Club offers an in-

dulgent New Year's Eve five-course degustation menu. Experience an exquisite dining experience informed by the management team's global dining explorations. Reservations for members can be made through [caribouclub.com](https://www.caribouclub.com).

Cloud Nine Alpine Bistro: Located on Aspen Highlands, this European-style cabin is a favorite for its hearty raclette and fondue, not to mention the exceptional views. It's especially renowned for its lively après-ski scene. Reservations are a must in Winter. [aspenmass.com/visit/dining/aspen-highlands/cloud-nine-alpine-bistro](https://www.aspenmass.com/visit/dining/aspen-highlands/cloud-nine-alpine-bistro)

Matsuhisa: Located in a historic Victorian house in downtown Aspen, Matsuhisa offers Chef Nobu Matsuhisa's renowned Japanese cuisine. It's a warm and chic spot to enjoy sushi after a day on the slopes. [matsuhisarestaurants.com/aspen](https://www.matsuhisarestaurants.com/aspen)

Apax Tavern: Located at the base of Aspen Mountain, this upscale bistro is perfect for lunch or an après-ski drink. Its sun-soaked patio is a hotspot, especially in the winter months. thelittlehell.com/dine/apax-tavern

Winter Retreats for Snowy Days

The Gant: Experience a "home away from home" ambiance at The Gant. Its proximity to the slopes makes it ideal for winter enthusiasts. After a day on the mountain, cozy up in your condominium or indulge in gourmet winter delights at the on-site Pepperjack's Cafe. [gantapen.com](https://www.gantapen.com)

Limelight Hotel: Limelight Hotel shines bright in Aspen's winter scene. Located in the heart of town, it offers spacious suites, ski storage and a revitalized lounge perfect for après-ski relaxation. [limelighthotels.com/aspen](https://www.limelighthotels.com/aspen)

The St. Regis Aspen Resort: Positioned at the foot of Aspen Mountain, The St. Regis is a skier's paradise. Beyond the slopes, luxuriate with winter spa treatments at Remède Spa or bask in the warmth of custom Ralph Lauren furnishings. [st-regis.marriott.com](https://www.st-regis.marriott.com)

Hotel Jerome: Hotel Jerome marries historic charm with winter wonder. This iconic luxury landmark since 1889 offers ski valet services, ensuring seamless mountain adventures. Warm up later in their elegantly appointed rooms and suites.



[Hoteljerome.aspengresorts.com](https://www.hoteljerome.aspengresorts.com)

The Little Nell: Elevate your winter experience at The Little Nell. The only resort in Aspen to offer ski-in/ski-out access, it's a winter sports enthusiast's dream. Post-ski, savor gourmet meals at their world-class restaurants or unwind with their curated wine selection. thelittlehell.com

W Aspen & WET® DECK: Immerse yourself in the vibrant ambiance of W Aspen. This boutique hotel boasts unparalleled mountain access and a rooftop - the WET® DECK - where you can sip hot cocoa by the firepits and enjoy panoramic views of Aspen Mountain. The WET® DECK is the heart of Aspen's outdoor scene, featuring a pool, a hot tub, multiple fire pits and 360-degree views of the mountains. marriott.com/en-us/hotels/aspen-w-aspen

Events & Activities to Light Up Your Stay

Annual Tree Lighting at The Little Nell: Start your holiday season at The Little Nell with their tree lighting event. It's a festive gathering for locals and visitors. thelittlehell.com

Hanukkah Menorah Lighting at Aspen Meadows: Join the community for the Hanukkah Menorah lighting at Aspen Meadows. A great way to mark the Festival of Lights. [aspenmeadows.com](https://www.aspenmeadows.com)

Hotel Jerome Christmas Celebration: Celebrate Christmas with festive holiday pairings in Hotel Jerome's Grand Ballroom. Indulge in a Yuletide extravaganza with breathtaking mountain views and heartwarming carols. [hoteljerome.aspengresorts.com](https://www.hoteljerome.aspengresorts.com)

The Little Nell - The Dom Pérignon Party: Welcome 2024 with the extravagant Dom Pérignon Party! Immerse yourself in an indulgent night of endless Dom Pérignon, delectable bites, cocktails and mesmerizing entertainment. Be sure to look for the fireworks over Aspen Mountain at midnight. Reservations are required. thelittlehell.com

Winterskiöl™: Experience Winterskiöl™, Aspen's annual winter festival scheduled for January 12-15, 2024. Anticipate snow sculptures, music and a vibrant atmosphere. [aspenmass.com/visit/events/winterskiol](https://www.aspenmass.com/visit/events/winterskiol)

Aspen Gay Ski Week: Aspen Gay Ski Week takes place January 14-21, 2024 and is all about skiing and inclusivity. A week of skiing and events for everyone to enjoy. [gaysskiweek.com](https://www.gaysskiweek.com)

Winter X Games Aspen: Get ready for some action at the Winter X Games on January 26-28, 2024. Watch top athletes perform incredible feats on snow. [aspenmass.com/visit/events/x-games-aspen](https://www.aspenmass.com/visit/events/x-games-aspen)



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