



The Ski Suite at the Pitcher Inn in Warren, Vt., is a rustic-luxe reflection of mountain life. THE PITCHER INN

# Vermont’s relaxing Pitcher Inn offers a Canadian-at-par deal



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Warren, Vt. has been on the map since 1789, but it is the posh Pitcher Inn that has put the hamlet in the tourism spotlight for the past 25 years. It’s shining particularly brightly at the moment, with its new Canadian-at-par special for the month of February. The Pitcher Inn is a quintessential Vermont country inn, with a twist. It is a white clapboard classic surrounded by snowy mountains, dense forests and rushing waters, but the textbook style ends there. The authentic, one-of-a-kind establishment is filled with handsome antiques, whimsical curios and rare craftsmanship. Featuring vintage walls of stone and brick, plus 13 wood-burning fireplaces and stoves located

throughout, the Pitcher Inn positively glows with warmth. With luxurious interiors, personal service and gourmet dining, it’s a great place for sporty getaways, special occasions or romance. “Guests have said they feel as though they are enjoying a friend’s country home,” said Tracy Kelly, the maitresse de maison. “It is a wonderful place to relax and unwind.” **What to do:** I am fascinated by the Town of Warren, which is tiny but totally fulfilling. Main Street is home to only four select enterprises. In addition to the sublime Pitcher Inn, they’re all must-stops: hearty soups and sandwiches and yummy pastries at the Warren Store, a dash of culture at Art in the Village, and treasure hunting at Someday resale boutique. If you are compelled to swim or have a workout, guests can use the very complete Sugarbush Health and Racquet Club. I wanted to spend all day lounging at the Pitcher Inn, but it’s hard to pass up Vermont’s exceptional

sports. Sugarbush Resort is an Alterra Mountain Company area affiliated with Tremblant through the Ikon Pass. With 111 trails and 16 lifts on two towering peaks, it’s one of New England’s biggest and most adventurous ski areas. I set out on a bluebird day (that’s ski-speak for sunny with vivid blue skies) and happily tackled cruisers, glades and bumps. **Interiors:** The Pitcher Inn is filled with fine collectibles, including vintage oils and photographs, and modern works curated by Edge-water Gallery of Middlebury, Vt., which also presents exhibitions and lectures. The inn has nine spacious guest rooms (no children) and a couple of two-bedroom suites in an adjacent building (children welcome). Each has a Vermont theme, such as Trout, Mallard, Ski or Hayloft, with exceptionally detailed decor to match. You’ll find fishing flies, duck decoys and old ski maps, all turned into objets d’art. Two rooms are named for former U.S. presidents Calvin Coolidge and Chester Arthur, both Vermonters.

“One of my favourite rooms is School,” said George Dorsey, who recently bought the Pitcher Inn with his wife, Gale. “It has a beautiful porch and nostalgic elements of a rural schoolhouse. “But throughout the building, the history is precious.” The accommodations have deeply comfortable beds and down pillows. Some have fireplaces, or balconies overlooking a branch of the Mad River. The bathrooms are thoroughly modernized, and stocked with natural toiletries from Whisper Hill of Quechee, Vt. All have soaking tubs with jets, and many have high-tech steam showers. **Cuisine:** Executive chef Jacob Ennis brings extensive experience from the Vanderbilt Grace in Newport, R.I. and several Relais & Châteaux properties, including the White Barn Inn in Kennebunkport and the Wauwinet in Nantucket. The stately 275 Main is an elegant country dining room with fine landscape paintings, candles atop white tablecloths, elegant Windsor chairs and large windows. The menus change, but you might luck into steaks done on a wood-fired grill or meat roasted on a spit in the open fireplace. Other choices might be an elk burger, porchetta with chestnut stuffing or seared tuna. Tracks is a woodsy tavern with massive stone walls, rustic

## IF YOU GO

**The Pitcher Inn:** 802-496-6350, [pitcherinn.com](http://pitcherinn.com); 275 Main St., Warren, Vt. Limited accessibility. Suites are pet-friendly, US\$75 per night. **Price:** Canadians pay at par during February, subject to availability. Deluxe rooms start at approximately US\$530 for two; two-bedroom Stable and Hayloft suites start at US\$960 for four. All include full breakfast, in-room Nespresso, bathrobes, snowshoes, walking poles, game room/pool table, summer bicycles, Sugarbush Health and Racquet Club. Massages on request. **Dining:** 275 Main, dinner Wed.-Sun., breakfast daily, open to hotel guests. Private dining available. Tracks tavern, daily from 5 p.m. Warren Store, daily until 5 p.m. **Vermont tourism:** 800-VERMONT (800-837-6668), 802-828-3237, [vermontvacation.com](http://vermontvacation.com), [thinkvermont.com](http://thinkvermont.com), [vermontpartners.com](http://vermontpartners.com). **Sugarbush Resort:** [sugarbush.com](http://sugarbush.com).

furniture and a taxidermy zoo of snarling bobcats and wolverines. The casual menu might include a Cuban sandwich, a platter of smoked meat (prepared in house), cheese or charcuterie. The ingredients are sourced from Vermont farms. Ennis tends bees and raises chickens, and his suppliers include foragers who stop by with surprises like forest mushrooms, sarsaparilla, ginger or ramps. The Pitcher Inn will have a Valentine’s evening on Feb. 14.

TV TIMES TONIGHT - SATURDAY, JANUARY 28												MOVIES	SPORTS	TALK
	B	W	E	V	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30		
2	SRC	10	4	4	2	En direct de l'univers (N)	Il était une forêt La forêt nourricière (N)	Ridley Road (N)	48 Hours	48 Hours	Le téléjournal (N)	Doc humanité (N)		
3	CBS	282	21	21	87	4:30 PGA Tour Golf	NCIS: Los Angeles	Dateline NBC	Saturday Night Live	NHL Hockey	After the Storm: A River in the Sky (N)			
5	NBC	280	23	18	84	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	The Wall	Saturday Night Live	NHL Hockey	After the Storm: A River in the Sky (N)			
6	CBC	206	13	13	6	NHL Hockey Montreal Canadiens at Ottawa Senators (N)	W5 (N)	More Bitter Than Death: An Emma Fielding Mystery ('18) Courtney Thorne-Smith.	After the Storm: A River in the Sky (N)					
8	CJOH	229	-	-	10	W5 (N)	Mon île, mon	Le temps	Mieux comprendre	Endorphine	Fierté d'ici	Paroles d'auteurs		
9	MATV	-	9	9	9	Cap sur 2030	Mon île, mon	Le temps	Mieux comprendre	Endorphine	Fierté d'ici	Paroles d'auteurs		
10	TVA	115	7	7	4	6:30 *** Bataille navale ('12, Sci-Fi) Alexander Skarsgård, Taylor Kitsch.	More Bitter Than Death: An Emma Fielding Mystery ('18) Courtney Thorne-Smith.	Ligne d'attaque ('19, Act) Giancarlo Esposito, Dina Meyer.						
12	CTV	70	11	11	7	W5 (N)	More Bitter Than Death: An Emma Fielding Mystery ('18) Courtney Thorne-Smith.	After the Storm: A River in the Sky (N)						
17	QTC	138	8	8	3	6:00 Les enquêtes de Morse	Cette année-là (N)	Belle et Bum (N)	:05 *** Basic Instinct ('92)					
22	ABC	281	22	22	86	5:30 NBA Basketball	NBA Countdown (N)	NBA Basketball Los Angeles Lakers at Boston Celtics (N)						
33	PBS	-	57	-	88	Still Open All Hours	My Hero	Father Brown	Death in Paradise	Jamaica Inn				
35	Noovo	114	5	5	5	6:30 *** Commotion ('15, Dra) Alec Baldwin, Will Smith. (P)	:45 *** Double condamnation ('99, Act) Ashley Judd, Tommy Lee Jones. (P)	:40 *** Casino						
44	FOX	283	46	36	85	5:30 Basketball	College Hoops (N)	College Basketball Ohio State at Indiana (N)	FOX44 News at 10	Big Bang				
48	GBL	234	3	3	8	The New Reality (N)	Border Security	Private Eyes	Nurses	Salvage Kings				
57	PBS	-	24	40	89	Mountain Lake	New York Now	Midsomer Murders	Lucy Worsley Investigates	Silent Witness				
62	CITY	207	14	14	14	NHL Hockey Philadelphia Flyers at Winnipeg Jets (N)			Hudson & Rex					
A&E	615	39	-	90	5:30 *** San Andreas ('15) The Rock.	*** White House Down ('13, Act) Jamie Foxx, Channing Tatum.								
AMC	293	-	-	209	5:45 *** Red Dawn ('84, Act) C. Thomas Howell, Patrick Swayze.	*** Days of Thunder ('90, Act) Robert Duvall, Tom Cruise.								
APTN	23	10	58	16	Yukon Harvest	Merchants-Wild	Nations at War	Bears' Lair	*** Field of Dreams ('89, Fant) Amy Madigan, Kevin Costner.					
CBCNN	502	48	48	18	The Fifth Estate	The Nature of Things Curb Your Carbon	CBC News Live (N)	Marketplace	The Nature of Things Curb Your Carbon					
CD	129	20	20	36	Accro: trouble de dépendances	Les trésors de la WWE (N)	Raid Qc	CNN Special Report	Stanley Tucci: Searching for Italy					
CNN	500	36	27	81	CNN Newsroom With Pamela Brown (N)	CNN Newsroom With Pamela Brown (N)								
CRVM1	300	-	-	211	*** News of the World ('20, West) Helena Zengel, Tom Hanks.	Official Competition ('21, Com) Antonio Banderas, Penélope Cruz. (P)								
CTVDR	30	34	-	92	Bones	Bones	Bones	East New York						
CTVSc	90	32	-	101	6:00 *** Rampage ('18) The Rock.	*** Godzilla: King of the Monsters ('19, Sci-Fi) Vera Farmiga, Kyle Chandler.	:45 *** Primeval							
CV	135	44	35	44	Appelez l'experte	Tous pour un chalet	J'ai dit oui à la robe	17 ans et maman 2						
DISC	636	37	37	102	6:00 BattleBots	BattleBots								
FAM	556	-	-	64	Life With Derek	Life With Derek	Domino Masters	Max 2: White House Hero ('17, Child) Carrie Genzel, Zane Austin.						
HBO1	306	-	-	215	:20 *** Dinner With Friends ('01, Dra) Andie MacDowell, Dennis Quaid.	Gossip Girl (N)	:05 Velma (N)	:35 Velma (N)						
HGTV	83	29	-	97	House Hunters	House Hunters	Home Town	Rico to the Rescue						
HIST	84	47	-	107	NCIS: Los Angeles	NCIS: Los Angeles	Shadowland It's Demonic (N)	Shadowland Chopping These Children Up						
MAX	142	48	32	32	6:00 *** Régression ('15) Ethan Hawke.	*** L'espion d'à côté ('10, Jeune) Amber Valletta, Jackie Chan.								
MUCH	570	35	-	112	6:45 *** Big Mommas: Like Father, Like Son ('11) Brandon T. Jackson, Martin Lawrence.	The Simpsons	The Simpsons	The Simpsons	The Simpsons					
OWN	526	-	-	94	The Oprah Winfrey Show	Love & Marriage: Huntsville	Family or Fiancé	The Oprah Winfrey Show						
PEACH	294	-	-	218	Atlanta Eats	Big Bang	Atlanta News First Saturday at 9pm (N)	Atlanta News First Saturday at 10pm (N)						
RDI	126	19	19	19	6:30 Découverte (N)	Le national (N)	G. reportages Au-delà des médailles: la vie	Le téléjournal (N)	La facture (N)	Le téléjournal (N)	Le national (N)			
RDS	123	33	33	25	4:30 Golf PGA	30 sur 30 John Daly	Contre toutes	Sports 30 (N) / :45 L'antichambre (N)	:45 Sports 30 (N)					
SC	73	205	205	205	:05 *** Edge of the World ('21, Adv) Josie Ho, Jonathan Rhys Meyers.	*** The Boathouse ('21) Alan Van Sprang, Michaela Kurimsky. (P)	:35 *** Saint Frances							
SE	180	-	-	201	:55 *** Kaamelott: premier volet ('21, Com) Lionnel Astier, Alexandre Astier.	*** IUP ('22, Com) Taylor Zakhar Perez, Paris Berelc. (P)	:45 *** La fine fleur							
SHOW	616	40	-	105	6:00 *** Batman Returns ('92, Act) Danny DeVito, Michael Keaton.	*** Superman Returns ('06, Adv) Kate Bosworth, Brandon Routh.								
SLICE	27	-	-	99	Movie	*** Out of Sight ('98) Jennifer Lopez, George Clooney.								
SNI	418	-	-	184	5:30 Soccer	FA Cup Soccer Manchester City vs. Arsenal	Toronto Raptors (N)	NBA Basketball						
SNE	406	38	38	179	NHL Hockey Montreal Canadiens at Ottawa Senators (N)			NHL Hockey						
STARZ1	304	55	-	216	5:55 *** Shrek 2	*** Mr. Bean's Holiday ('07) Rowan Atkinson.	*** The Host ('13, Sci-Fi) Jake Abel, Saoirse Ronan.							
TCM	292	-	-	219	6:00 *** The Three Musketeers ('35)	*** The Black Swan ('42, Adv) Maureen O'Hara, Tyrone Power. / :45 *** The Black Rose ('50, Adv) Orson Welles, Tyrone Power.								
TLC	521	27	39	91	Dr. Pimple Popper	1000-Lb. Best Friends	1000-Lb. Best Friends	1000-Lb. Best Friends						
TLN	700	-	-	250	Cook Like an Italian	Mexican	David Rocco's	Mangia Quebec	*** The Trip to Italy ('14, Com) Rob Brydon, Steve Coogan.					
TOONE	85	49	-	57	*** LEGO DC: Batman: Family Matters ('19, Ani)	:45 Transylvania	Batman: Animated	Superman: The	Justice League	Young Justice				
TOONF	87	45	34	53	Teen / :15 Teen	Teen / :45 Teen	American Dad	Family Guy	American Dad	Family Guy				
TSN2	401	-	-	187	6:00 College Basketball Texas at Tennessee	College Basketball Kansas at Kentucky (N)			SC	SC				
TSN5	404	28	28	190	5:30 NBA Basketball	NBA Countdown (N)	NBA Basketball Los Angeles Lakers at Boston Celtics (N)							
TV5	145	15	15	29	Sam (N)	Mon petit restaurant (N)			:55 Basique, le concert (N)					
TVAS	193	-	-	23	Hockey LNH Canadiens de Montréal c. Sénateurs d'Ottawa (N)	:45 L'après-match LNH (N)	:45 Coupe du mo							
TVO	22	-	-	71	Into the Blue (N)	:55 Ontario	World's Most	:45 TVO Arts	Beautiful Scars ('22)					
VISN	65	-	-	159	6:00 Endeavour	Sardari	Aikam		Journey of Healing	Waqt 4 U				
WGN	295	-	-	222	Paid Programming	Car Repair Secrets!	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	WGN Weekend News at Nine (N)			
WSBK	296	-	-	223	Big Bang	Big Bang	*** Skyfire ('19, Act) Hannah Quinlivan, Jason Isaacs.		CBS News Boston Now on TV38 (N)					
YTV	25	-	-	65	6:00 *** Hotel Transylvania ('12, Ani)	*** Hotel Transylvania ('12, Ani)			The Hardy Boys					