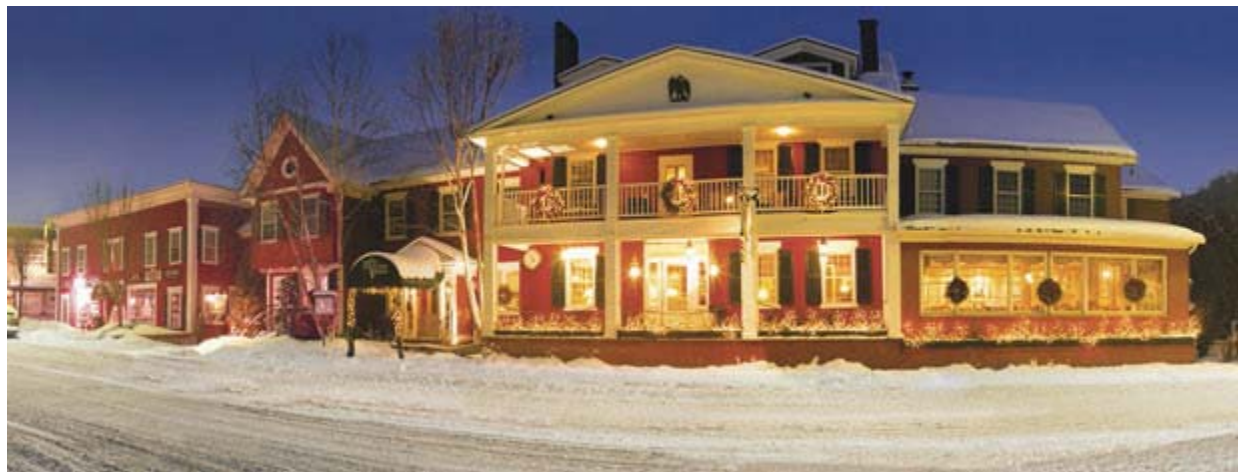


## Luxurious inn true to its historic roots

### Green Mountain Inn was built in 1834 but has since turned to a contemporary mini-resort with a quaint feel

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The Green Mountain Inn is an 1830s landmark on Main Street in Stowe, Vt. The historic hotel is modern, down to equipping suites with the latest pod coffee machines, whirlpool tubs and fireplaces. Still, the place maintains a cozy atmosphere.

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The 177-year-old Green Mountain Inn in Stowe, Vt., is a classic that keeps getting younger and prettier.

Owned by the Gameroff family of Montreal for the past 25 years, this New England treasure stands out among Stowe's 50 lodges for its dedication to quality, good value and its terrific bistro, The Whip.

From the exterior, the Green Mountain Inn looks as quaint as it was when stagecoaches transported the swell folks from Boston and New York City to the mountains of Vermont. Along with the Stowe Community Church and the Vermont Ski Museum, the Green Mountain Inn is a landmark on Main Street. It is No. 13 on the U.S. National Register of Historic Places, which lists more than 85,000 properties, and it has been host to such luminaries as Thomas Edison and U.S. president Gerald Ford.

The elegant inn seems timeless: it was all the rage in the 1830s, and about 170 years later, in 2010, TripAdvisor.com ranked it No. 1 in Stowe.

Under the careful hand of innkeeper Patti Clark, the historic federal-style beauty has evolved into a compact, convenient mini-resort with good food, a health club and an inviting outdoor pool that is heated in winter and summer.

Its 108 accommodations range from cozy hideaways to luxurious, contemporary suites and apartments, drawing a varied clientele -- families on vacation, couples on a romantic getaway and Stowe's diehard skiers and snowboarders.

In 2010, brothers Simon and David Gameroff marked their milestone year with an update to the Green Mountain Inn's health club and to several guest rooms in the main inn.

