



White Mountain Hotel & Resort in New Hampshire is among the properties in the state reaching out to Canadians with discounts on visits. WHITE MOUNTAIN HOTEL & RESORT

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# NEW HAMPSHIRE RESORTS OFFER DISCOUNT FOR CANADIANS



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Hands across the border is a real thing. The Canada-U.S. land border reopened toward the end of 2021 after a historic closure, and some of New Hampshire's Mt. Washington Valley getaways are reaching out with discounts, perfect for skiing and tax-free shopping.

Attitash Mountain Village and the White Mountain Hotel & Resort are offering Canadians 22 per cent off regular rates for Sunday-to-Thursday visits, for a limited time.

The magnificent Mt. Washington Valley is superlative for all snow sports. There is downhill at seven distinctive areas, as well as cross-country skiing, sleigh rides and snowshoeing. For the truly rugged, the Mt. Washington Backcountry Ski Festival will test the limits of adventurers from Feb. 24 to 27.

In summer, the region is about

IF YOU GO

Bartlett and North Conway, N.H., are around a four-hour drive from Montreal.

**Mt. Washington Valley Chamber of Commerce:** 877-948-6867, visitmwv.com. Downhill at Cranmore Mountain Resort, Black Mountain Ski Area, Bretton Woods, King Pine Ski Area, Wildcat Mountain, Attitash Mountain Resort and Shawnee Peak.

**Attitash Mountain Village:** 833-STAY-AMV (833-782-9268), attitashmtvillage.com; 1 River Run Dr., Bartlett, N.H. For 22 per cent discount, valid during March on two nights or more (Sunday-Thursday), use promo code "Canada." Canadian proof of residence is required. Regular rates start at US\$129 for a standard room including indoor pool and hot tubs (year-round), fitness centre. Summer: outdoor pool, barbecues.

hiking and exceptional attractions such as the Cog Railway, which is an awesome ride upward through four climate zones to the towering summit of Mt. Washington; and Story Land, an amusement park with

Condos and chalets cost more.

**Attitash Mountain Resort (a Vail Resort):** 800-223-SNOW (800-223-7669), attitash.com; 775 Route 302, Bartlett, N.H. Epic Pass and EpicMix app.

**White Mountain Hotel & Resort:** 800-533-6301, whitemountainhotel.com; 87 Fairway Dr., North Conway, N.H. Canadian residents (ID required) get 22 per cent off regular prices Sunday-Thursday through April; use code CAN22 (not valid Feb. 20-24). Regular rates for standard rooms start at US\$149; suites cost more. Included: breakfast, firepit, fitness centre, beverage pantry, game room, New York Times digest. Summer: pool, lawn games, pickleball; with a fee, Hale's Location nine-hole golf course. Pets, with reservations. Accessible facilities.

the themes of Cinderella, Mother Goose and Alice in Wonderland.

Here is a peek at two resorts, both in demand year-round.

**North Conway:** The White Mountain Hotel & Resort has the soul of a fine country inn, but the

scope of a well-equipped resort and spa. Its unique factor is a breathtaking setting, surrounded by forests and at the foot of a massive granite cliff, known as Whitehorse Ledge.

The White Mountain is traditional in style, but recently completed a major update. It has 80 rooms and suites — all fully renovated — plus the Balance Spa, Ledges Restaurant, Tullamore Tavern, an outdoor year-round heated pool and hot tub, and men's and women's saunas.

The newly redone guest rooms are mellow escapes with a refined residential look of white oak furniture made by Meubles St-Damase in Quebec, and walls painted in Benjamin Moore's fawn and cloud white. Comforts abound, including Serta pillow-top beds and Aveda toiletries in the all-new bathrooms.

The Balance Spa uses vegan lotions and CBD oil, and has a full roster of massages, mud wraps, facial care and reflexology.

Ledges and Tullamore Tavern share the same menu, but have different vibes. The Friday night Seafood Fest and Sunday brunch draw crowds. Dinner, served nightly, features such starters as

chowder, chili or Buffalo wings, plus hearty pulled pork sandwiches and main courses of tuna, salmon, lamb, crab cakes and lobster mac 'n' cheese.

Skiers and snowboarders head for Cranmore Mountain Resort (cranmore.com), which has exciting downhill activities, including night skiing, snow tubing and terrain parks, as well as après-ski with live music at Zip's Pub.

**Attitash:** Practical and convenient, Attitash Mountain Village is a condo-and-chalet complex at the base of Attitash Mountain Resort.

It's family-friendly to the max, with an indoor pool, outdoor hot tubs and kitchens in most units, so "dining at home" is handy — although Matty B's, a folksy après-ski spot on site, offers casual suppers and kids' menus.

Attitash Mountain Resort, a super ski-snowboard area, is across the street. It combines traditional New England runs, challenging glades and steep, wide-open cruisers and three terrain parks.

This exhilarating White Mountains getaway also features sleigh rides, a skating rink, and snowshoeing and cross-country trails. Keen Nordic skiers can tackle a larger network at the adjacent Bear Notch Ski Touring Center.

Attitash is affiliated with nearby Wildcat Mountain, another excellent downhill experience, with an impressive vertical drop and spectacular views of Mt. Washington. Both mountains are part of Vail Resorts, so the Epic Pass is valid.

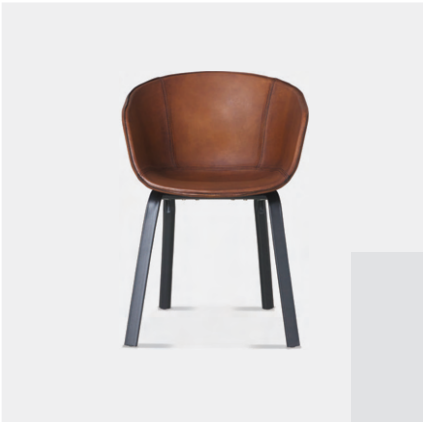
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