



Ski Resorts in Europe 2012/13

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1 Introduction

In many European countries winter sports are among the most popular leisure-activities, especially skiing. Alpine skiing has a long tradition in the Alpine regions of Austria, Switzerland, Italy, Slovenia, Germany and France. Therefore, in these countries there is a very large interest in skiing, which is only beaten by swimming or cycling.

During the decades skiing and snowboarding have become popular also in many other European countries, although the geographic or climatic conditions are not really good for these activities. The number of skiers has increased thanks to the growing number of high-tech cable cars and skilifts. Another reason for the growth of skisports are the new technological aspects of the skis themselves. Carving-skis make it easier to learn how to ski and therefore the number of people that want to go to the mountains on vacation is rising steadily. In addition to this the “Freestyle-Skis” (Twin-Tips) attract more and more people, especially youngsters. Therefore, the number of people snowboarding has decreased in the last years.

But Europeans are not only into alpine skiing and snowboarding, also cross-country skiing is very popular in winter. Most people connect this sport with relaxation and prefer rhythmic movement in a silent scenic winter landscape in the fresh air. Also, most of the time, cross-country runs are also offered free of charge.

Some countries have built indoor facilities for winter sport fanatics, so it is possible to practice this sport all year, without being dependend on the weather.

Especially for younger children and teenagers, winter is one of the most exciting seasons. Also, activities outside in the snow are highly recommended by health experts. Nevertheless it is necessary to consider the financial burden of such activities, especially for families.

Survey of 26 countries

The aim of this present pan-European market survey on winter sport resorts is to support consumers when choosing the most suitable ski resort for their personal winter vacation.

Especially families can save a lot of money, if they are informed in advance about the prices and the availability of any special offers and family reductions. Well structured information about custom-made options or alternatives can make snow activities much more accessible.

The European Consumer Centres Network

Comparing offers is very time consuming, especially if this involves comparing ski resorts in different countries. Therefore, this survey has been realized by the

European Consumer Centres Network (ECC-Net). The aim is to give an overview of the various skiing possibilities across Europe.

The ECC-Net (European Consumer Centres Network) is a European network consisting of 29 European Consumer Centres, representing all EU Member States and also Iceland and Norway. The network is co-funded by the European Commission (Health and Consumer Protection Directorate-General), the EU Member States, Iceland and Norway. The mission of the ECC-Net is to provide information on consumer rights under EU legislation and on opportunities offered by the Internal Market, in order to create consumer confidence and trust in cross-order transactions. This is achieved by providing advice and support to individual consumers in defending their rights when dealing with business entities based in different Member States. It also aims at assisting consumers to reach an amicable solution of cross-border disputes in case of need.

The ECC-Net collects information and analyzes trends on selected topics at national and EU level, thanks to its practical experience in dealing with consumers. Thus, the ECC-Net provides a highly relevant input for campaigns that are designed to inform and educate consumers on various subjects. The ECC-Net publishes information material and every ECC has its own website. Access to all ECCs websites is available via http://ec.europa.eu/consumers/ecc/index_en.htm .

In addition, members of the ECC-Net engage in joint projects in order to investigate specific business sectors. This report has to be seen in this context. The report “Ski Resorts in Europe 2012/2013” is the result of the second pan-european survey on ski resorts conducted by the ECC-Net and focuses on the price range and infrastructure of ski, cross-country and indoor resorts all over Europe.

1.1 Skiing

Compared to other sport activities skiing is one of the most expensive leisure sports.

In order to carry out skiing you need a very complex infrastructure: cable cars or skilifts are necessary to carry skiers uphill as quickly as possible, more and more slopes are maintained by snow guns and in any case slopes have to be very well primed. In addition, ski resorts need adequate access to roads, which have to be maintained and kept in good conditions during winter time. Furthermore, the increasing number of skiers is leading to the need for accommodation also in locations, which are not easily accessible.

Tourists are always asking for new attractions combined with high quality service every year, and it is up to the alpine region to keep their resorts attractive for the whole winter season.

Service has its price

The installation and maintaining of infrastructure in ski regions leads to very high costs, which usually have to be paid by the consumers themselves. Skiers that want to indulge their passion in a well developed ski resort have to pay between 35 and 50 Euros per day (one day ticket for an adult). For one week skiing in a top region you have to budget for approximately 250 Euro or more (6 day ski tickets for an adult). In

comparison cross-country skiing, climbing or hiking is generally free of costs or at least available at very moderate costs.

In addition to the costs mentioned above you have to consider the costs for accommodation and daily meals. It has to be stressed that the prices in very attractive ski resorts are high and families with children at school have to spend their vacation during the „expensive“ high season – and this usually leads to a high financial burden.

Example “family package”

A family (2 adults and 2 children) for example has to face costs of at least 2000 Euro for one ski week vacation in a 3-star-hotel (including breakfast and dinner) and for 6-day-ski-tickets for the whole family. Not included in this example are the costs for arrival and departure, for lunch (on the slope), costs for ski rentals or costs for learning how to ski in a ski school. This could lead to several hundred Euros and has to be considered in advance, when you are planning your financial budget for vacation.

For an average household a one week ski-vacation will cost more than an average monthly salary. Therefore, especially young parents, who usually have a rather small budget, have to plan their winter vacation very carefully, because they do not want to run into debt.

The “custom-made” ski resort

Of course top ski resorts offer brilliant service which leaves nothing to be desired. The main ski resorts within the Alps offer hundreds of slopes in top conditions, which are connected by the most modern skilifts as well as offering extensive freeride areas. Naturally this is very fascinating for real ski enthusiasts, but for parents with young children such resorts are often unnecessarily luxurious. For young families small ski resorts with few kilometres of slopes are often sufficient, because they have to tailor their activities to the needs of their children.

Also the wide range of spare time activities on offer can be redundant in some cases, especially since families often seek privacy and relaxation instead of action around the clock.

Access to a whole ski region – useful for families?

Needless to say that many ski resorts are connected to a whole ski region in order to raise their attractiveness. People who purchase a multi-day ski ticket get the possibility to use a huge ski region, which is in some cases a whole province, like the big ski area of Dolomiti Superski in the Italian Dolomites, which includes 1200km of slopes. A similar service is available at the top ski regions in Carinthia-Easttyrol (Kärnten-Osttirol), which includes 32 ski resorts and more than 1000 kilometres of slopes. Access to bigger ski areas is even often available if you purchase a one and a half or two day ticket, although sometimes you have to purchase a 7-day ticket for such a service.

One major set back about big ski regions is that getting from ski resort to another can take as long as a day.

So, a skier who can abandon the superlative, can save a lot of money, because the „custom-made ski resort for individual needs“ is often a really cheap alternative. Therefore, a comparison of offers and prices can be very profitable.

Different slopes

In general in Europe there are 3 different kinds of slopes, which are marked with a colour sign at the border of the piste:

- a blue slope, an “easy one” with a steepness of maximum 25%
- a red “intermediate” one, with 25-40%
- a black slope with more than 40% steepness

In some countries also a green sign does exist. These are learning or beginner slopes and can, for instance, be found in France (see chapter 16 France – *Val d’Isère*).

1.2 Cross-country skiing

Cross-country skiing has not had the same development as alpine skiing during the last years, but it is still popular, because of other values. Tourists mostly don’t book a winter vacation just for cross-country skiing. It is increasingly seen as an additional activity during the holiday. Some tourists just take a day off from alpine skiing for cross-country skiing, to enjoy the landscape in a different way. Others are not interested in alpine skiing and book a relaxing holiday for hiking, cross-country skiing and maybe a visit to a hot spring resort or a spa.

Therefore, compared to alpine skiing, cross-country skiing is better known for its calming and relaxing qualities. In addition to this it is also a lot cheaper, as the most cross-country runs are free of charge. All you need is the equipment, which can be hired in nearly every winter sport valley.

1.3 Indoor resorts

To offer the consumers the spirit of winter all year around several indoor resorts have been built all over Europe. Some of them offer artificial snow for alpine or cross-country skiing, others, requiring much less space, offer treadmill skiing. This is similar to a treadmill for running, but bigger. Here a mention must also be made, about the possibility of skiing on mats (dry ski). It is clear that this kind of resort can not be compared with the typical “real snow resorts” in the wintry Alps. This is not their intention. On the one hand it is a perfect opportunity for beginners to get used to the equipment. And on the other hand, advanced skiers can stay in shape and practice their technique. And where there is a funpark, freestylers have the chance to practice their tricks and learn new ones, all year around.

2 Market survey concerning almost 400 resorts

2.1 Scope

Such a report on ski resorts has already been published for the season 2010/2011 and it was of great value both for the resorts and the consumers. It provided relevant information about ski resorts in different European countries and in particular, information on the size of ski resorts, the availability of lifts and cable cars, the price ranges and special offers, the payment facilities, etc. In 2010 altogether more than 400 European ski resorts were contacted by 19 ECCs and 199 replies were registered and evaluated.

For the season 2012/2013 a new survey has been carried out and moreover the project has been extended. New questions for the alpine ski resorts have been added. In addition to the questions from the last report, regarding the size, the different lifts and the prices new inquiries have been made regarding issues such as season length and the availability of equipment for hire.

One other main aim of this survey is to illustrate the variety of different wintersports activities. Therefore, comprehensive questionnaires for cross-country skiing and indoor skiing were sent out to the relevant resorts in the respective countries. We are delighted that also ECC Belgium, ECC Denmark, ECC Latvia, ECC Luxembourg and ECC Netherlands took part in this project.

The main purpose of this report is to provide an overview and to help consumers to find “their custom-made” ski resort for the winter season 2012/2013.

Furthermore, for alpine skiing, the prices have been analyzed and compared using 6 categories. In addition a comment on the importance of skiing in different European countries has been included.

2.2 Methodology

This market survey was generated by 23 European Consumers Centres (ECCs).

ECC Austria, hosted by the Austrian Consumer Association VKI (Verein für Konsumenteninformation), lead this joint project within the ECC-Net. In addition, all the data collected from the French, German and Swiss ski resorts, was collected by ECC Austria in order to be able include information from all the main “ski-countries” within the Alps.

The European Consumer Centre Austria prepared 3 questionnaires, which were sent out to all participating ECCs. One questionnaire was prepared for alpine resorts, one for cross-country skiing and the other for indoor resorts. Staff of the respective ECCs translated the questionnaires into their mother tongue and sent the translated questionnaires back to ECC Austria.

It has to be noted that questionnaires sent to resorts in Cyprus and Finland were in English.

In each country the participating ECC made a selection of their national resorts, which should participate in this survey. The questionnaires, accompanied by instructions, were sent out from ECC Austria to all the resorts.

In total more than 1200 questionnaires were sent out electronically including a web-link to the respective questionnaire. 378 replies have been registered and evaluated.

Alpin resorts

More than 700 resorts were contacted in 24 different countries. The questionnaire consisted of 40 questions and was translated into 19 languages. We received 199 replies.

Chapters 8-33 (which give an overview of winter for each country reviewed) do not include all the information gleaned from the questionnaires. This information is only available online. There you will find, for instance, also information about what kind of equipment is available for hire, more facts about funparks, the number of the various lifts and the different slope km. For any information not covered by the questionnaire, the homepages of all contacted resorts are available in Appendix A.

You can find the table with all the information on:

<http://www.europakonsument.at/skiresorts2012>

Cross-Country resorts

More than 450 resorts were contacted in 20 different countries. The questionnaire consisted of 20 questions and was translated into 16 languages. We received 168 replies.

Chapters 8-33 (which give an overview of winter for each country reviewed) do not include all the information gleaned from the questionnaires. This information is only available online. There you will, find for instance, also information about the length of skating and classic cross-country runs, how many km have flood light, if you need a lift to reach the run and extra information about prices. For any information not covered by the questionnaire, the homepages of all contacted resorts are available in Appendix B.

You can find the table with all the information on:

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Indoor skiing resorts

More than 40 resorts were contacted in 10 different countries. The questionnaire consisted of 30 questions and was translated into 6 languages. We received 11 replies.

Chapters 8-33 (which give an overview of winter for each country reviewed) do not include all the information gleaned from the questionnaires. This information is only available online. There you will find for instance also information about the lifts, information concerning the steepness of the slopes, about price ranges, about the opening hours and about possible local leisure activities. For any information not covered by the questionnaire, the homepages of all contacted resorts are available in Appendix C.

You can find the table with all the information on:
<http://www.europakonsument.at/skiresorts2012>

A copy of the questionnaires is available in the appendix.

We received no replies from resorts in Greece, The Netherlands, Portugal or the United Kingdom. And therefore the information in the report regarding these countries is generic.

All registered costs are in Euros. For those countries that are not within the Euro-Zone we used the monthly exchange rates for August 2012:
<http://ec.europa.eu/budget/inforeuro/index.cfm>

Different level of participation

It has to be stressed that the willingness of ski resort operators to take part was not equal in all countries. In Austria, where the ski resorts are used to fill in such questionnaires, 68 participated, while in France for example only 3 alpine resorts did.

This is one reason why the results are not fully representative of each country.

However it is hoped that the report, if not always exhaustive, will still give a general idea of the range of possibilities each country offers.

2.3 Disclaimer

The selection of the ski resorts that participated in this survey was made by individual ECCs themselves. This survey only covers those ski resorts that answered to the online questionnaire. Any information regarding resorts was given by the resort operators themselves, the general information about skiing in each country was created by the respective ECCs themselves. All relevant information is available at:
<http://www.europakonsument.at/skiresorts2012>

3 Number of evaluated resorts

Altogether more than 1200 resorts from the 3 different categories were contacted and we received 378 replies.

Contacted resorts and replies

Country	Alpine		Cross-Country		Indoor	
	Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
Austria	115	68	129	90		
Belgium	8	2	44	12	12	2
Bulgaria	9	2	3	1		
Cyprus	1	1				
Czech Republic	196	38	48	10		
Denmark	7	2	5	0	3	2
Estonia	5	1	7	2		
Finland	15	7	24	6	5	3
France	15	3	16	3	1	0
Germany	17	7	24	9	6	3
Greece	10	0	6	0		
Italy	121	22	93	17		
Latvia	31	7	22	1		
Lithuania	4	1	2	0	1	1
Luxembourg			4	1		
The Netherlands					16	0
Norway	19	1				
Poland	25	4	1	0		
Portugal	3	0				
Romania	12	3	12	0		
Slovakia	48	14	17	4		
Slovenia	7	4	2	2		
Spain	10	3			1	0
Sweden	18	3	14	2	1	0
Switzerland	25	6	26	8		
United Kingdom	7	0			3	0
Total amount	728	199	499	168	49	11

3.1 Alpine resorts

Overall 199 alpine resorts were evaluated. In order to have comparable data the respective ski resorts have been structured into 6 different categories:

- 0-2 km
- 3-10 km
- 11-25 km
- 26-50 km
- 51-100 km
- more than 100 km

Please be aware that resorts in the middle of these categories (for example 2,4 slope km) were counted to the next higher category. Most of the replies belong to the categories 3-10 km and 11-25 km.

Number of participating alpine resorts

Country	0-2 km	3-10 km	11-25 km	26-50 km	51-100 km	100 km and more	Total amount
Austria	2	4	22	23	10	7	68
Belgium	2						2
Bulgaria			1		1		2
Cyprus	1						1
Czech Republic	15	20	3				38
Denmark	2						2
Estonia	1						1
Finland		3	2	2			7
France					1	2	3
Germany		2	1	2	1	1	7
Greece							
Italy			5	9	3	5	22
Latvia	6	1					7
Lithuania	1						1
Norway			1				1
Poland	3	1					4
Portugal							
Romania		2	1				3
Slovakia	2	8	3	1			14
Slovenia			3	1			4
Spain		1	1	1			3
Sweden		1		2			3
Switzerland					4	2	6
United Kingdom							
Total amount	35	43	43	41	20	17	199

3.2 Cross-country resorts

We contacted 499 resorts and received 168 replies. To give a better overview of the size, we split them up into 6 categories:

- 1-5 km
- 6-20 km
- 21-50 km
- 51-100 km
- 101-200 km
- more than 200 km

Most of the replies belong to the categories 6-20 km and 21-50 km.

Number of participating cross-country resorts

Country	1-5 km	6-20 km	21-50 km	51-100 km	101-200 km	200 km and more	Total amount
Austria	4	36	27	11	8	4	90
Belgium	1	3	7	1			12
Bulgaria			1				1
Czech Republic	2	1	5	2			10
Denmark							
Estonia			1	1			2
Finland		1			3	2	6
France	1	1	1				3
Germany			3	4	2		9
Greece							
Italy	2	7	2	3	2	1	17
Latvia		1					1
Lithuania							
Luxemburg		1					1
Poland							
Romania							
Slovakia		4					4
Slovenia			2				2
Sweden			1	1			2
Switzerland		1	4	1	1	1	8
Total amount	10	56	54	24	16	8	168

3.3 Indoor resorts

The response rate for the indoor resorts was low. Altogether we received 11 answers from 3 different kinds of indoor resorts. We have indoor alpine resorts, indoor cross-country resorts and resorts with a treadmill for skis where, depending on the size, one or more persons are able to ski at the same time.

Number of participating indoor resorts

Country	Answers
Belgium	2x ski treadmill
Denmark	2x ski treadmill
Finland	3x indoor cross-country
France	
Germany	3x indoor skiing
Lithuania	1x indoor skiing
The Netherlands	
Spain	
Sweden	
United Kingdom	
Total amount	11 answers

4 Costs for 1 day adult ski pass (alpine resorts)

In the table below we have included the five cheapest and five most expensive ski resorts for a one day ski ticket (adult) of each of the 6 categories (please keep in mind the relation between the price and the slope kilometre). All the prices collected in this questionnaire, are the costs for the peak season.

For the following tables it has to be mentioned, that we received the most answers from Austria, the Czech Republic and Italy. Therefore these countries might be over represented.

0 - 2 km	Nationality	Ski resort	Day Ski Pass Adult in €	Slope km
Cheapest				
1	Latvia	Rāmkalni	4,31	0,25
2	Czech Republic	Sportovní areál Výprachtice	6,93	0,36
3	Belgium	Wanyi Park	10,00	0,60
4	Czech Republic	Ski areál Dlouhoňovice	10,00	0,50
5	Latvia	Atpūtas komplekss "Gaiziņš"	11,40	2,00
Most expensive				
1	Latvia	Zviedru cepure	50,00	1,20
2	Austria	Silvretta-Bielerhöhe	34,20	2,00
3	Cyprus	Troodos Ski Resort	23,00	2,00
4	Poland	Olczań-ski	21,00	2,00
5	Austria	Wenigzell Schneeland	20,00	1,80

3 - 10 km	Nationality	Ski resort	Day Ski Pass Adult in €	Slope km
Cheapest				
1	Czech Republic	Sport areál Klíny	12,00	3,4
2	Czech Republic	Příchovice U Čápa	13,00	2,5
3	Czech Republic	Ski areál Troják	13,50	2,4
4	Czech Republic	Ski areál Kubova HUŤ	14,00	2,3
5	Czech Republic	Ski areál Synot Kyčerka	14,25	2,4
Most expensive				
1	Finland	Messilä	35,00	10
2	Finland	Sappee Ski Resort	34,50 *	10
3	Sweden	Hovfjället	33,55	4
4	Poland	Dwie Doliny Muszyna - Wierchomla	32,00	8
5	Austria	Kristberg	30,50	9

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11 - 25 km	Nationality	Ski resort	Day Ski Pass Adult in €	Slope km
Cheapest				
1	Slovakia	Šachtičky	20,00	10,5
2	Czech Republic	Lyžařský areál Bonera Ramzová	20,07	12
3	Bulgaria	Chepelare	22,00	18
4	Slovakia	Winter Park Martinky	22,00	13,29
5	Czech Republic	Ski areál Horní Domky a Skiareál Studenov	23,36	18,2
Most expensive				
1	Norway	Eikedalen skisenter	41,00	15
2	Austria	Biberwier-Marienberg	38,50	14
3	Spain	Valdesqui	37,00	22,13
4	Austria	Wurzeralm	36,00	22
5	Finland	Tahkonrinteet	36,00	16,5

26 - 50 km	Nationality	Ski resort	Day Ski Pass Adult in €	Slope km
Cheapest				
1	Sweden	Hemavan/Tärnaby	27,00	35
2	Germany	Skiparadies Sudelfeld	29,00	31
2	Italy	Mera Ski Srl	29,00	30
2	Slovenia	Rekreacijsko Turistični Centre Krvavec	29,00	30
3	Germany	Bad Hindelang/Oberjoch/Unterjoch	30,00	32
4	Austria	Laterns Gapfohl	31,00	27
5	Austria	Gaissau-Hintersee	31,90	40
Most expensive				
1	Austria	Shuttleberg Flauchauwinkel-Kleinarl	44,00	27
2	Austria	Golm	41,50	35
2	Austria	Bergbahnen Gargellen - Skigebiet Gargellen	41,50	40
3	Austria	Ankogel Hochgebirgsbahnen	41,00	35
3	Italy	Funivia Ghiacciai Val Senales	41,00	35
4	Austria	Turracher Höhe	40,00	38
4	Italy	Plose Ski	40,00	42
5	Austria	Fieberbrunn	39,00	43
5	Italy	Santa Caterina Valfurva	39,00	25
5	Italy	Bormioski	39,00	50

51 - 100 km	Nationality	Ski resort	Day Ski Pass Adult in €	Slope km
Cheapest				
1	Bulgaria	Ски център Банско (Bansko Ski)	28,00	75
2	Germany	Liftverbund Feldberg	29,00	55
3	France	Combloux	29,80	100
4	Italy	SkiArea Valchiavenna Madesimo Campodolcino	35,00	60
5	Austria	Reschenpass/Nauders	36,00	70
Most expensive				
1	Switzerland	Flumserberg	50,00	65
2	Switzerland	Motta Naluns, Scuol	45,79	80
3	Austria	Schmittenhöhe	44,50	77
4	Austria	Flachau (Snow Space Flachau) / Ski Amadé	44,00	56
4	Switzerland	Lauchernalp/Lötschental	44,00	55
5	Italy	Madonna di Campiglio	42,00	60
5	Italy	Trevalli - Moena/Lusia - Sn Pellegrino/Falcade	42,00	100

more than 100 km	Nationality	Ski resort	Day Ski Pass Adult in €	Slope km
Cheapest				
1	Italy	Breuil-Cervinia Valtouranche	39,00	150
1	Italy	Comprensorio Sciistico Monterosa Ski	39,00 *	180
2	Germany/Austria	Ski Oberstdorf - Kleinwalsertal	41,50	124
3	Austria	Nassfeld/Hermagor	42,00	110
4	Austria	Ischgl Silvretta Arena	42,50	238
4	Austria	SkiWelt Wilder Kaiser - Brixental	42,50	279
5	Austria	Silvretta Montafon	43,90	155
Most expensive				
1	Switzerland	Matterhorn ski paradise	62,00	360
2	Switzerland	Lenzerheide	54,00	155
3	Italy	Dolomiti Superski	50,00	1 200
4	Italy	Val Gardena Gröden	46,00	175
5	Austria	Kitzbühel	45,00	170
5	Austria	Serfaus-Fiss-Ladis	45,00	212
5	France	Val d'Isère	45,00	158
5	Italy	Cortina d'Ampezzo	45,00	120

* more expensive for christmas holidays

5 Results

5.1 Alpine resorts

We received the most replies from the Czech Republic, Italy and Austria. However in other countries, where winter sports have not the same importance, the rate of return was also high.

In the Czech Republic the small ski resorts are dominant. Only 3 of 38 resorts offers more than 10 kilometres of slopes, which is typical of countries with low mountain ranges.

Austria is the only country where information on ski resorts from all 6 different categories participated. The range of ski resorts is from very small resorts to really big ski areas offering more than 100 kilometres, on average most of the ski resorts are between 11 and 50 kilometres.

In Germany, resorts belonging to 5 categories took part in the survey whereas in Italy resorts belonging to 4 categories participated.

In Switzerland and France only big and well known ski resorts took part at our survey, such resorts being better known by foreign tourists. In general small resorts are rather frequented by domestic tourists.

We also received quite a lot of answers from Finland, Latvia and Slovakia. While the 7 participating resorts in Latvia offer between 0-10 slope km, the 7 resorts in Finland and 14 in Slovakia represent the categories from 0-50 km.

Resorts from Belgium, Bulgaria, Denmark, Estonia, Lithuania, Norway, Poland, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden took also part at the survey and we received between 1 and 4 replies.

It has to be noted that skiing is also possible in Cyprus.

Huge cost differences

Referring to the tables (see www.europakonsument.at/skiresorts2012) the price of a 6-day-adult-ski ticket ranges from 45 Euros in the Czech Republic (*Ski areál Troják*) to 309 Euros in Switzerland (*Matterhorn ski paradise*). Although the price difference is enormous but therefore you can enjoy much more slope km, while *Ski areál Troják* offers 2,4 *Matterhorn ski paradise* has 360 slope km.

The cheapest 1-day-adult ticket is available at *Rīgas rajonā* in Latvia which costs 4,31 Euros for 0,25 slope km. The most expensive adult ticket is, on the other hand, once more found in Switzerland at *Matterhorn ski paradise* for 62 Euros.

Smaller and cheaper resorts are suitable for beginners

For beginners a small resort might be the most interesting option. While they have to spend a lot of money in huge ski areas, the cheapest adult day tickets can be found between 4,31 and 15 Euros in resorts in Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Latvia, Lithuania, Slovakia.

Some resorts don't even offer day tickets for their lifts. They use, for instance, a point-fare system. Each lift ride is worth several points which are subtracted from your "point lift ticket". You can find such a resort for instance in the Czech Republic (*Lyžařský areál Čerřínek*). Other resorts, like *Skipiste Zosterbach* in Belgium, sell tickets for several lift rides. 12 rides cost 6 Euros.

Nearly 30 resorts which took part at the survey don't offer 6 day tickets. This maybe either because they have a different lift ticket system, or they are too small. Therefore a comparison in this category might not always be representative.

Most expensive resorts in the Alps

The most expensive resorts are to be found in the Alps of Austria, France, Italy and Switzerland. There you have to pay 45 – 62 Euros for an adult day ticket. For this price you get between 65 (*Flumsberg*, Switzerland) – 1200 (*Dolomiti Superski*, Italy) slope km (in the resort itself or in a connected ski-region). These resorts offer a wide range of services, for instance funparks, speed or mogule slopes, skating rings, and floodlit slopes. Also the nightlife and other local leisure activities at these resorts are more varied than at smaller resorts.

One expensive resort outside the alps is *Zviedru cepure* in Latvia, where an adult day ticket costs 50 Euros but the resort only offers 1,2 slope km.

It is important to know what consumers want. If they are just interested in skiing itself, a smaller or not that well equipped resort might be more appropriate and cheaper. If the purpose of the holiday is to have a wide range of amusement possibilities, a bigger resort with a lot of variety may be a better choice. But service also has its price.

Special case: Connected ski area

It has to be kept in mind that in several smaller ski regions, which are located within well developed ski areas, the 6-day-ticket is also valid in neighbouring resorts. In some you have the same option when you buy a 1,5 day ticket.

It makes sense to compare such ski resorts with bigger resorts as well. So skiers in the Austrian *Hochhäderich* can use 230 kilometres of slopes (if buying a ticket for more than 1 day) although this resort has only 10 local kilometres.

Therefore, you have to compare the prices for a 6-day-ticket with those of the biggest category (more than 100 kilometres). However in such cases possible long distances by car have to be taken into account. This applies for other ski resorts as well, in which 6-day-cards are valid for the whole region.

Various discounts and reductions

Several ski resorts offer various discounts, which are especially beneficial for families.

Discounts could be possible for families or for owners of a so called “guest-card” within the ski region. Furthermore, often small children can use the lifts for free, if they are accompanied by an adult (these reductions are manifold and therefore are NOT shown in the tables).

Please note, that some of the reductions or discounts are not very well advertised. Therefore, it is advisable to ask for such discount before you pay the standard price.

5.2 Cross-country resorts

A comparison of prices concerning cross-country resorts or runs is not provided (some are free of charge and some others simply ask for a free donation).

Also high altitude cross-country runs are exist, which can only be reached by a lift. So you have to purchase a lift ticket to reach it but the usage of the cross-country run itself might be free.

Therefore, another more representative and useful comparison is the question of the total length. In the following tables you can find the 10 shortest and longest cross-country runs of all resorts which participated to our survey. More information about them can be found at the chapters 8-33 or at the online table on <http://www.europakonsument.at/skiresorts2012>

	Nationality	Cross-country resort	Length in km
Shortest			
1	Austria	Bad Gastein Himmelwandloipe	3
1	Italy	Skigebiet Meran 2000 - Langlaufloipe Falzeben	3
1	Italy	Breuil Cervinia	3
2	Austria	Forstau	3,5
3	Austria	Planneralm	4
3	Belgium	B-Sports	4
4	Austria	Mariensee - Aspangberg - St. Peter	5
4	Czech Republic	Pěnkavčí vrch	5
4	Czech Republic	Sportovní areál Vesec	5
4	France	Combloux	5
5	Austria	Bad Gastein Böcksteinloipe	5,5
6	Austria	Kaiserau	6
7	Slovakia	Lyžiarske stredisko Jasenská dolina - bežecké trate A,B	6,5
8	Austria	Sonnenloipe Vorderweißenbach	7
8	Austria	Weyer - Langlaufarena Waldhütte	7
8	Austria	Andelsbuch	7
8	Finland	Lieksan Hiihtokeskus	7
8	Italy	Funivie Ghiacciai Val Senales	7
8	Luxembourg	Weiswampach	7 - 15 (depends on snow)
9	Italy	Pista di fondo del Comune di Gaby	7,5
10	Slovakia	Pezinská Baba	8
10	Slovakia	Snowparadise Veľká Rača Oščadnica	8

Longest			
1	Austria	Kitzbüheler Alpen St. Johann in Tirol	250
2	Switzerland	Engadin St. Moritz	247
3	Italy	Dolomiti Nordic Ski	236
4	Austria	Ramsau/Dachstein - Ski amade	234
5	Finland	Levi	230
6	Austria	Ferienregion Achensee	203,8
7	Austria	Pinzga-Loipe	203,1
8	Finland	Kiilopää	200
8	Italy	Hochpustertal - Ihre Ferienregion in Südtirol	200
9	Switzerland	Destination Davos Klosters	197
10	Austria	Olympiaregion Seefeld	154,3

5.3 Indoor resorts

Altogether we received 11 answers from indoor resorts. These answers have been divided into 3 categories. We have indoor skiing resorts, indoor cross-country resorts and resorts, which offer ski treadmills.

More information on the resorts in Belgium (2 treadmills), Denmark (2 treadmills), Finland (3 cross-country), Germany (3 indoor skiing) and Lithuania (1 indoor skiing) can be found in chapters 9, 13, 15, 17 and 21 respectively, as well as in the online table.

6 Useful information and tips

Insurance

Besides, the “custom-made” ski resort, the price ranges, the accommodation, the equipment etc. there is also another important aspect which you should consider while planning your next holiday – insurance in case of accidents.

This might not be everybody’s favourite topic while planning a relaxing and nice holiday, but its better to be safe than sorry.

All over Europe the legalities concerning the costs for a rescue and emergency medical operation are different. In some countries the national health insurance covers the costs whereas in other countries you have to pay it yourself. Consider that helicopter emergency transport in the mountains can cost between 4 000 - 8 000 Euros.

To prevent possible nightmare situations:

- Remember to take your national health insurance card with you
- Consider whether you want extra insurance for your winter holiday
- Remember the European wide emergency number is: 112

Tips from the ECC-Net

- **Consider what you really need:** Families with small children usually do not need a big fashionable ski resort. A small and cheap ski resort is normally sufficient for learners.
- **Take time when booking:** Take your time when planning your vacation. This price survey is an overview of the offers. To be on the safe side we recommend checking the websites of the ski resorts in charge.
- **Check for reductions:** Find out about the requirements for any reductions in advance. Do you need any proofs for a discount (e.g. student identity card, guest card, etc.)

The report “**Ski Resorts in Europe 2012/2013**” can be seen as a useful tool for consumers within the EU, because it provides relevant information about ski resorts in different European countries and in particular, information on the size of ski resorts, the availability of lifts and cable cars, prices and special offers, payment facilities, etc and last but not least the contact details of many European winter sport resorts.

7 Participating European Consumer Centres

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Notes to the tables at the national information pages:

- Table to the costs → green = cheapest / red = most expensive
- Table to additional information → X = service that is available in the ski resort

Appendix A – List of all contacted ski resorts

Appendix B – List of all contacted cross-country resorts

Appendix C – List of all contacted indoor resorts

Appendix D – Alpine questionnaire

Appendix E – Cross-country questionnaire

Appendix F – Indoor questionnaire

Appendix G – Contact details of all 29 ECCs

Appendix H – FIS Rules

8 Austria

Capital:	Vienna
Official Language(s):	German
Currency:	Euro
Calling Code:	0043
Official tourism:	www.austria.info

Alpine resorts		Cross-country resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
115	68	129	90

General information about winter in Austria

A huge part of Austria is covered by mountains. The west is dominated by the Alps, and also in most of the other provinces there are mountains of medium height. Only in the east are there wide-stretched lowland areas. The conditions for skiing are extraordinarily good. This and a long tradition as well as ongoing successes in competitions (Ski Worldcup) has made skiing an important part of Austrian culture. Ski courses at the secondary school are extremely common and most pupils are exposed to winter sports at a very early age. There is barely another country where Alpine skiing has such importance. Only in neighbouring Switzerland the situation is comparable.

Next to alpine skiing, cross-country skiing is one of the most favoured winter sport in Austria. In many resorts, cross-country runs are a basic infrastructure and therefore, it is easily possible to combine both types of winter sports.

The tourism and the ski industry started after the Second World War and has made remarkable progress in regions which were traditionally dominated by small farming. It is estimated that every 14th place of employment in Austria is directly or indirectly dependent on winter sport. And no other country has made as many glaciers accessible to skiers as Austria (8 of the 20 glacier ski resorts of the Alps are in Austria).

Austria is not only popular with domestic tourists, many Germans, Dutch, Swiss, British and Italians, and more and more Russians and Chinese tourists, come to ski every year to Austria.

Most winter tourists stay in Tyrol, Vorarlberg, Salzburg and Carinthia, where the largest ski resorts are to be found. The smaller ski resorts in the eastern regions are frequently visited by guests from the area of Vienna, Slovakia and Hungary, mostly just for a day trip.

FIS Alpine World Ski Championship

From the 4th to the 17th of February 2013 the holiday region Schladming-Dachstein, one of the premium winter regions in Styria, will be the host of the 42nd FIS Alpine World Ski Championships. Schladming was already the venue for the Championships in 1982, therefore, it is familiar with this role.

8.1 Evaluation of the participating ski resorts

Due to the high return rate to our questionnaire in Austria, the report provides information to 68 different ski resorts which represent a wide range of all different slope km categories. Most of the resorts are in a medium to high price level, and therefore, they offer a wide choice of extras on the slope or leisure activities. Nearly all resorts have a toboggan run, cross country ski trails or a skating ring.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Ankogel Hochgebirgsbahnen	35	1267-2636	15.12.2012 - 08.04.2013
Axamer Lizum	41	1560-2340	23.11.2012 - 07.04.2013
Bergbahnen Gargellen - Skigebiet Gargellen	40	1423-2300	07.12.2012 - 14.04.2013
Biberwier-Marienberg	14	1000-1880	14.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Brandnertal	55	900-2000	08.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Christlum/Hochalm lifte	27	950-1800	15.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Dachstein West	77	900-1650	01.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Emberger Alm	10	1650-2250	15.12.2012 - 08.04.2013
Falkert (Heidi Alm)	15	1700-2300	15.12.2012 - 06.04.2013
Fanningberg	30	1500-2150	01.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Feuerkogel	16	443-1625	15.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Fieberbrunn	43	830-2020	01.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Flachau (Snow Space Flachau) / Ski Amadé	56	885-1842	24.11.2012 - 14.04.2013
Forsteralm	18	720-1078	15.12.2012 - 17.03.2013
Gaissau-Hintersee	40	750-1567	15.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Galtür Silvapark	40	1600-2300	07.12.2012 - 14.04.2013
Gemeindealpe Mitterbach	7	804-1888	08.12.2012 - 17.03.2013
Golm	35	654-2124	07.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Golzentipp-Obertilliach	20	1430-2250	16.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Grossglockner/Heiligenblut	55	1301-2902	01.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Hinterstoder Höss	40	600-2000	07.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Hochficht	20	933-1338	07.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Hochkössen	30	600-1700	08.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Hochoetz	41	820-2300	14.12.2012 - 14.04.2013
Hochpustertal Skizentrum	55	1100-2400	08.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Hochzeiger/Pitztal	54	1450-2450	30.11.2012 - 14.04.2013
Ischgl Silvretta Arena	238	1400-3000	23.11.2012 - 01.05.2013
Kitzbühel	170	700-2000	28.10.2012 - 01.05.2013
Kreischberg/Murau	46	868-2118	30.11.2012 - 01.04.2013
Krippenstein Freesport Arena	14	608-2100	22.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Kristberg	9	889-1600	08.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Laterns Gapfohl	27	980-1700	24.11.2012 - 01.04.2013
Lermoos-Grubigstein	33	990-2060	01.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Lofer - Almenwelt	46	640-1700	20.12.2012 - 05.04.2013
Lofer/Altaussee	29	800-1800	01.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Mölltaler Gletscher	71	1200-3122	22.06.2012 - 12.05.2013
Mönichkirchen-Mariensee	13	870-1450	08.12.2012 - 24.03.2013
Muttereralp Bergbahnen	19	960-1806	21.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Nassfeld/Hermagor	110	610-2020	01.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Nordkette Innsbruck	13	860-2256	23.11.2012 - 07.04.2013
Patscherkofel	18	900-2000	08.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Planneralm	20	1600-2200	01.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Postalm Arena	20	1200-1500	15.12.2012 - 09.04.2013
Präbichl Bergbahnen	20	1116-1911	01.12.2012 - 01.04.2013

Rangger Köpfl / Oberperfuss	17	820-2000	08.12.2012 - 17.03.2013
Reschenpass/Nauders	70	1400-2850	15.12.2012 - 13.04.2013
Reutte-Vitales Land	13	914-1900	15.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Riesneralm-Donnersbachwald	30	980-1820	01.12.2012 - 17.04.2013
Schlick 2000 Schizentrum AG	25	1000-2230	08.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Schmittenhöhe	77	757-2000	24.11.2012 - 07.04.2013
Schneeberg/Salamander	7	810-1210	21.12.2012 - 10.03.2013
See/Paznauntal	33	1050-2450	15.12.2012 - 05.04.2013
Semmering Zauberg	14	997-1328	01.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Serfaus-Fiss-Ladis	212	1200-2850	07.12.2012 - 13.04.2013
Shuttleberg Flauchauwinkel-Kleinarl	27	1014-1980	08.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Silvretta Montafon	155	700-2430	07.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Silvretta-Bielerhöhe	2	1051-2100	24.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
SkiWelt Wilder Kaiser - Brixental	279	620-1957	08.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Sonnenkopf-Klostertal	32	1001-2300	30.11.2012 - 14.04.2013
Tauplitz	42	896-1965	01.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Turracher Höhe	38	1400-2205	01.12.2012 - 01.05.2013
Venet Bergbahnen	22	780-2212	22.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Weinebene	22	1580-1886	07.12.2012 - 10.04.2013
Wenigzell Schneeland	2	980-1150	01.12.2012 - 05.03.2013
Wildkogel-Arena	55	820-2150	15.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Wurzeralm	22	810-1870	15.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Zahmer Kaiser-Walchsee	20	680-1200	01.12.2012 - 31.03.2013
Zillertal Arena	169	570-2500	01.12.2012 - 14.04.2013

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Ankogel Hochgebirgsbahnen	21,00	103,50		21,00	103,50		41,00	207,00		41,00	207,00
Axamer Lizum	21,50	106,50		27,50	141,00		33,50	173,00		27,50	141,00
Bergbahnen Gargellen - Skigebiet Gargellen	24,90	132,50		24,90	132,50		41,50	203,50		37,00	183,50
Biberwier-Marienbergr	21,50	117,00		34,50	187,00		38,50	203,00		35,00	203,00
Brandnertal	24,50	112,00		24,50	112,00		39,00	176,00		37,50	152,00
Christlum/Hochalmlifte	18,00	85,00		36,00	148,00		36,00	148,00		36,00	148,00
Dachstein West	16,00	79,80		25,00	124,80		37,90	189,10		35,30	175,90
Emberger Alm	13,00	65,00		22,00	103,00		27,00	129,00		22,00	103,00
Falkert (Heidi Alm)	15,00	70,00		22,00	111,00		27,00	138,00		22,00	111,00
Fanningberg	19,50	95,50		31,50	148,50		38,50	190,50		36,00	181,00
Feuerkogel	16,00	80,00		24,10	120,30		32,10	160,40		29,70	148,30
Fieberbrunn	20,50	99,00		31,50	159,00		39,00	198,00		36,50	198,00
Flachau (Snow Space Flachau) / Ski Amadé	22,00	107,00		34,00	168,00		44,00	218,00		44,00	218,00
Forsteralm	12,00	52,00		18,00	74,00		24,00	107,00		19,00	77,00
Gaissau-Hintersee	12,00	53,60		24,00	100,00		31,90	133,90		28,00	117,70
Galtür Silvapark	21,00	98,00		21,00	98,00		35,00	171,50		30,00	142,50

Gemeindealpe Mitterbach	15,00	68,00		25,00	112,00		30,00	141,00		30,00	141,00
Golm	24,30	132,50		24,30	132,50		41,50	203,50		37,50	183,50
Golzentipp-Obertilliach	14,00	66,00		19,50	93,00		27,50	132,00		24,50	120,00
Grossglockner/Heiligenblut	1,00	6,00		31,00	150,50		38,50	188,00		31,00	150,50
Hinterstoder Höss	2 *	12 *		32,00	160,00		38,50	188,00		37,00	179,00
Hochficht	2 *	12 *		20,00	83,00		33,50	146,00		31,50	139,00
Hochkössen	2 *	2 *		29,00	117,50		36,00	146,00		29,00	117,50
Hochoetz	16,50	86,00		24,50	129,00		33,00	172,00		28,00	146,00
Hochpustertal Skizentrum	21,00	103,50		21,00	103,50		41,00	207,00		41,00	207,00
Hochzeiger/Pitztal	0 *	0 *		38,00	175,00		38,00	175,00		38,00	175,00
Ischgl Silvretta Arena	27,00	127,50		27,00	127,50		42,50	212,50		42,50	191,50
Kitzbühel	22,50	112,50		36,00	180,00		45,00	225,00		45,00	225,00
Kreischberg/Murau	21,00	96,50		30,50	138,00		38,00	172,50		38,00	172,5
Krippenstein Freesport Arena	16,00	79,80		25,00	124,80		34,60	172,70		31,90	159,20
Kristberg	19,90	86,00		19,90	86,00		30,50	131,50		27,40	118,00
Laterns Gapfohl	16,00	88,00		27,00	106,00		31,00	164,00		27,00	106,00
Lermoos-Grubigstein	21,50	117,00		34,50	187,00		38,50	203,00		35,00	203,00
Lofer - Almenwelt	18,00	89,50		29,00	143,50		36,00	179,00		32,00	161,50
Lofer/Altaussee	18,50	97,00		33,50	174,00		37,00	192,00		33,50	174,00
Mölltaler Gletscher	21,00	103,50		21,00	103,50		41,00	207,00		41,00	207,00
Mönichkirchen-Mariensee	16,00	71,00		28,00	122,50		31,00	136,00		28,00	122,50
Muttereralm Bergbahnen	15,00	69,00		23,50	109,00		29,50	138,00		26,50	124,00
Nassfeld/Hermagor	21,00	105,00		34,00	168,00		42,00	209,00		34,00	168,00
Nordkette Innsbruck	19,30	96,30		28,00	140,00		35,00	175,00		31,50	157,50
Patscherkofel	0,00	0,00		27,00	122,50		32,00	147,00		27,00	122,50
Planneralm	18,00	89,00		31,50	157,50		34,00	173,50		34,00	173,5
Postalm Arena	17,50	81,50		26,50	125,00		30,00	145,00		26,50	125,00
Präbichl Bergbahnen	16,50	73,50		30,00	132,50		33,00	147,00		30,00	132,50
Rangger Köpfl / Oberperfuss	12,50	66,00		19,00	101,00		24,50	130,00		21,50	113,50
Reschenpass/Nauders	23,50	102,50		34,50	168,00		36,00	186,50		34,50	168,00
Reutte-Vitales Land	18,50	94,50		25,00	126,00		31,00	157,50		29,50	149,50
Riesneralm-Donnersbachwald	18,00	97,00		33,50	174,00		36,00	192,00		33,50	174,00
Schlick 2000 Schizentrum AG	0 *	0 *		23,50	130,90		33,50	187,00		28,50	159,00
Schmittenhöhe	22,00	108,00		33,00	162,00		44,50	216,00		44,50	216,00
Schneeberg/Salamander	17,00	67,00		17,00	67,00		24,00	105,00		24,00	105,00
See/Paznauntal	20,50	98,50		20,50	98,50		35,50	173,00		25,00	130,00
Semmering Tauern:berg	17,00	80,00		30,00	139,00		32,50	162,50		30,00	139,00
Serfaus-Fiss-Ladis	26,50	132,00		45,00	228,00		45,00	228,00		43,00	216,50
Shuttleberg Flauchauwinkel-Kleinarl	22,00	107,00		34,00	168,00		44,00	218,00		44,00	218,00
Silvretta Montafon	25,00	132,50		25,00	132,50		43,90	203,50		39,00	183,50
Silvretta-Bielerhöhe	19,50	132,50		19,50	132,50		34,20	203,50		30,80	183,50
SkiWelt Wilder Kaiser - Brixental	21,50	105,00		34,00	167,50		42,50	209,50		42,50	209,50
Sonnenkopf-Klostertal	21,50	92,00		30,50	127,00		37,00	161,00		33,50	137,00
Tauplitz	18,50	97,00		33,50	174,00		37,00	192,00		37,00	192,00
Turracher Höhe	20,00	105,00		32,00	168,00		40,00	209,00		36,50	168,00
Venet Bergbahnen	17,00	99,00		26,00	148,50		29,00	165,00		26,00	148,50
Weinebene	15,50	76,00		22,50	116,00		26,50	140,00		22,50	116,00
Wengzell Schneeland	13,00	57,00		18,00	78,00		20,00	85,00		18,00	78,00
Wildkogel-Arena	20,00	96,00		31,50	155,00		39,50	193,50		39,50	193,50
Wurzeralm	2 *	12 *		30,00	160,00		36,00	188,00		34,50	179,00
Zahmer Kaiser-Walchsee	13,50	61,00		21,50	89,50		28,00	116,00		21,50	89,50
Zillertal Arena	20,00	97,00		35,60	172,00		44,50	215,00		44,50	215,00

* if accompanied by the parents

Additional information

	Slope - Extras								Local leisure activities								Possible to hire equipment	
	Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes	Permanent racing track	Track with time measurement	Mogul slope	Carving slope	Tubing course	Floodlight slope	Funpark	Halfpipe	Kicker	Rail	Box	Toboggan run	Cross country ski trails	Skating rink	Ice stick shooting		Sledge riding (with Huskies, horses, reindeers)
Ankogel Hochgebirgsbahnen	x							no					x	x	x	x		yes
Axamer Lizum	x	x	x	x				yes		4	2	2	x	x	x	x	x	yes
Bergbahnen Gargellen	x							yes					x	x	x	x	x	yes
Biberwier-Marienber	x			x	x			yes						x	x		x	yes
Brandnertal								yes		6	6	6	x	x	x		x	yes
Christlum/Hochalmlifte		x	x	x		x		no	1				x	x	x		x	yes
Dachstein West	x	x	x	x	x		x	yes	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	yes
Emberger Alm								no					x	x		x		yes
Falkert (Heidi Alm)	x	x	x	x	x		x	yes		x	x	x	x	x	x	x		yes
Fanningberg	x	x	x	x	x			yes		3	3		x	x	x	x	x	yes
Feuerkogel								no									x	yes
Fieberbrunn	x	x	x		x			yes	1	3	2	2	x	x		x	x	yes
Flachau (Snow Space Flachau)		x	x				x	no					x	x				yes
Forsteralm				x				no						x	x	x		yes
Gaissau-Hintersee						x		yes		4	2	2	x	x		x	x	yes
Galtür Silvapark	x	x	x	x		x	x	yes		3	3	3	x	x	x	x	x	yes
Gemeindealpe Mitterbach					x			no					x	x	x	x	x	yes
Golm	x							no					x	x	x	x	x	yes
Golzentipp-Obertilliach	x			x	x		x	yes		2	1	1	x	x	x	x		yes
Grossglockner/Heiligenblut	x			x				no					x	x	x	x	x	yes
Hinterstoder Höss	x	x	x	x	x			yes	1	1	1		x	x				yes
Hochficht					x		x	no					x	x				yes
Hochkössen								no						x		x	x	yes
Hochoetz		x	x					yes		5	2	4	x	x	x	x	x	yes
Hochpustertal Skizentrum	x				x			yes		2	1	1	x	x	x	x	x	yes
Hochzeiger/Pitztal		x	x	x				yes		2		6	x					yes
Ischgl Silvretta Arena	x	x	x	x	x			yes	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	yes
Kitzbühel	x	x	x				x	yes		14	5	13	x	x	x	x	x	yes
Kreischberg/Murau		x	x	x	x	x		yes	1	7	5	3	x	x	x	x	x	yes
Krippenstein Freesport Arena	x							no					x	x	x	x	x	yes
Kristberg	x							no					x	x		x		yes
Laterns Gapfohl	x			x	x			yes		1	2	1	x					yes
Lermoos-Grubigstein	x	x	x	x	x		x	no					x	x	x	x	x	yes
Lofer - Almenwelt	x			x	x			yes		10	2	2	x	x	x	x	x	yes
Lofer/Altaussee	x	x	x					yes	1	1		1	x	x	x	x	x	yes
Mölltaler Gletscher	x			x	x			yes		1	1		x	x	x	x		yes
Mönichkirchen-Mariensee					x			yes	1	1	1	1		x				yes

Muttereralm Bergbahnen				x				no						x					yes
Nassfeld/Hermagor	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	yes		x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	yes
Nordkette Innsbruck	x			x	x		x	yes	x	2	4	2		x	x	x	x	x	yes
Patscherkofel		x	x				x	yes		3	8	4		x		x	x		yes
Planneralm	x			x				yes		2	5	3		x	x				yes
Postalm Arena	x			x	x	x		yes		4		6		x	x				yes
Präbichl Bergbahnen	x			x	x			no						x	x	x			yes
Rangger Köpfl / Oberperfuss							x	yes		1	1			x					yes
Reschenpass/Nauders		x	x	x	x			yes	1	6	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	yes
Reutte-Vitales Land	x			x	x			yes		3					x				yes
Riesneralm-Donnersbachwald	x	x	x	x	x		x	no						x	x	x	x	x	yes
Schlick 2000 Schizentrum AG	x	x	x	x	x			yes	1	3	3	1		x	x	x	x	x	yes
Schmittenhöhe	x	x	x	x				yes	1	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	yes
Schneeberg/Salamander		x	x		x			no						x	x				yes
See/Paznauntal	x			x			x	yes		2	2			x		x	x		yes
Semmering Zauf[er]:g	x				x		x	yes		1	2	8		x	x		x	x	yes
Serfaus-Fiss-Ladis	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	yes		x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	yes
Shuttleberg Flauchauwinkel-Kleinarl	x							yes						x	x	x	x	x	yes
Silvretta Montafon	x	x	x		x			yes	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	yes
Silvretta-Bielerhöhe								no						x	x	x	x	x	yes
SkiWelt Wilder Kaiser - Brixental	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	yes	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	yes
Sonnenkopf-Klostertal	x							yes	x	x	x	x		x	x				yes
Tauplitz	x			x				no						x	x	x	x	x	yes
Turracher Höhe	x						x	yes		x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	yes
Venet Bergbahnen		x	x	x	x		x	yes		5	35	10		x	x	x	x		yes
Weinebene	x			x	x	x		yes	1	5	5	5		x	x				yes
Wenigzell Schneeland				x			x	no						x			x	x	yes
Wildkogel-Arena	x	x	x	x	x		x	no	1	1	1	1		x	x	x	x	x	yes
Wurzeralm	x	x	x		x	x		no						x	x		x		yes
Zahmer Kaiser-Walchsee							x	no						x	x	x	x	x	yes
Zillertal Arena	x	x	x	x	x			yes	x	x	x	x		x	x	x	x	x	yes

8.2 Evaluation of the participating cross-country resorts

In Austria 90 cross-country resorts completed our questionnaire, therefore, consumers can find information about a wide range of different resorts. Small resorts with 3 km up to big resorts with 250 km answered and most of them are free of charge. Some are situated in or next to the village, others are on the mountain and can only be reached by a lift.

Cross-country resorts	Number of runs	Total Length km	Do you have to pay for the use?	Sea level	Ski lift necessary to reach the run (or a part of it) ?	Does Flood light exist	Possible to hire equipment	School for cross-country skiing
Andelsbuch	2	7	no	600	no	no	yes	no
Annaberg	2	18	no	800-1100	no	no	yes	yes
Bad Aussee	3	25	no	700	no	no	yes	yes
Bad Gastein Himmelwandloipe	1	3	no	1070	no	no	yes	yes
Bad Gastein Bocksteinloipe	2	5,5	no	1100	no	yes	yes	yes
Bärnkopf – Naturschnee- und Langlaufparadies	16	140	yes	850-1000	no	yes	yes	yes
Bezau	4	9	no	650	no	no	yes	yes
Brixental	5	53,5	no	800-1200	yes	no	yes	yes
Damüls	2	11	no	1400-1500	no	no	yes	yes
Ebensee Langbathseeoipe	2	14	no	664	no	no	no	no
Erste Ferienregion - Zillertal	7	67	no	570-1450	yes	no	yes	yes
Ferienregion Achensee	36	203,8	partly	560	no	no	yes	yes
Ferienregion Alpbachtal & Seenland	14	77,3	no	540-1000	no	yes	yes	yes
Ferienregion Imst	9	48,5	no	730-1000	no	yes	yes	yes
Forstau	1	3,5	no	1200	no	no	no	no
Gaal - Hintertal	1	12	no	1100	no	no	no	no
Gaishorn am See	8	20	yes	760	no	no	no	no
Großarlal: Großarl- und Hüttschlag-Loipe	2	20	yes	920	no	yes	yes	yes
Grünau - Jagersimmerl	3	13	no	600	no	no	yes	yes
Hafning-Trofaiach	1	10	yes	695	no	yes	yes	yes
Haus im Ennstal-Aich-Gössenberg	3	43	no	770-870	no	no	yes	no
Hebalm	3	10	yes	1400-1450	no	no	yes	yes
Hellmonsödt	2	14	no	830	no	no	yes	no
Hochmoor-Panoramaloipe	1	22	no	1250	no	yes	yes	yes
Hochrindl	3	25	no	800-1600	no	no	yes	yes
Höhenloipe Katschberg / Pöllatal-Loipe	2	26	no	1300-1650	no	no	yes	yes
Jogllandloipe in St. Jakob im Walde	7	50	yes	1134	no	yes	yes	yes
Kaiserau	1	6	yes	1350	no	no	yes	yes
Kaiserwinkl	16	140	no	600	no	yes	yes	yes
Kals am Großglockner	7	20	no	1300	no	no	yes	yes
Karlstift - Nordwaldloipen - Aktivwelt Freiwald	9	98	yes	900	no	yes	yes	yes
Kaunertal	6	34	no	1287-1559	no	yes	yes	yes
Kirchbach	1	15	no	650	no	no	no	no
Kitzbüheler Alpen St. Johann in Tirol - Oberndorf - Kirchdorf - Erpfendorf	23	250	no	660-720	no	yes	yes	yes
Kleinwalsertal	4	42	no	1080	no	no	yes	yes
Kleinzell im Mühlkreis	4	15	no	550	no	no	yes	no
Lackenhof am Ötscher	6	21	yes	810	no	no	yes	yes
Langlaufregion Naturpark Almenland	3	15	yes	1100	no	no	yes	yes
Langlaufregion Neustift ob der Donau	3	30	no	600	no	no	no	no
Langlaufzentrum Hochreit	6	29	partly	870	no	yes	yes	no
Langlaufzentrum Natternbach- Tal	4	30	yes	550	no	no	yes	no

Langlaufzentrum Rabl-Kreuz (Waldbach-Hochwechsel)	3	20	yes	1350-1500	no	no	yes	no
Langschlag - Aktivwelt Freiwald	4	52	yes	830-986	no	no	yes	*
Loipen Naturpark Mürzer Oberland	6	39	no	670-870	no	no	yes	no
Maria Alm - Hochkönig	7	40	no	800	no	yes	yes	yes
Mariensee - Aspangberg - St. Peter	1	5	partly	800	no	no	yes	yes
Mellau	3	15,5	no	650-1400	no	no	yes	yes
Mieders-Fulpmes-Neustift	9	130	no	1000-1600	yes	yes	yes	yes
Moorbad Harbach	3	15	no	760-900	no	no	yes	yes
Mühlenloipe Hochneukirchen	1	10	no	592	no	no	yes	no
Murau-Kreischberg	8	38,5	no	830-1300	yes	no	yes	yes
Nassfeld / Hermagor	6	70	no	600-1590	yes	no	yes	yes
Naturpark Zirbitzkogel-Grebenzen	7	26	no	1000	no	no	yes	yes
Nordisches Zentrum Böhmerwald	19	109	yes	650-930	no	yes	yes	yes
Obertauern	5	67	no	1010-1740	no	no	yes	yes
Obertraun	1	20	no	511	no	no	yes	yes
Olympiaregion Seefeld	35	154,3	yes	1000-1350	no	yes	yes	yes
Ottenschlag	3	9,2	no	850	no	no	no	no
Piesendorf Niedersill	1	15	no	768	no	no	yes	yes
Pinzga-Loipe (Teilabschnitt Mittersill - Hollersbach - Stuhfelden)	3	203,1	no	700	no	yes	yes	yes
Planneralm	1	4	no	1600	no	no	yes	no
Praxmar-Lüsens/ Sellraintal	5	16	no	1600	no	no	no	yes
Raiffeisen Langlaufpark	11	50	no	600	no	no	no	no
Ramsau/Dachstein - Ski amade	20	234	yes	1100-2700	yes	yes	yes	yes
Rauris	3	30	no	950-1200	no	no	yes	yes
Salzburger Sonnenterrasse - St. Veit	5	27	partly	850	no	yes	yes	yes
Salzkammergutloipen	15	101,5	yes	800-1620	yes	no	yes	yes
Sankt Johann - Alpendorf - Ski amade	3	19	no	650-1500	yes	no	yes	yes
Schlick 2000	2	12,5	no	1000-1575	yes	no	yes	yes
Schruns-Tschagguns-Bartholomäberg-St.Anton	n.a.	18,55	no	700	no	no	yes	yes
Sillian - Hochpustertal	6	132,5	yes	1103-1980	no	no	yes	yes
Skiregion Lienzer Dolomiten	5	35	no	700	no	no	yes	yes
Sonnenloipe Vorderweißenbach	1	7	no	704	no	no	no	no
Sonnenplateau Mieming & Tirol Mitte	13	70	no	880	no	no	yes	yes
Spital am Pyhrn	4	48	yes	650-1350	yes	no	yes	yes
Sportgastein - Ski amade	5	12	no	1600	no	no	yes	yes
Tannheimer Tal	5	70	no	1100	no	yes	yes	yes
Tiroler Zugspitz Arena	21	110	no	1000-1500	yes	yes	yes	yes
Turracher Höhe	4	15	no	1763	no	no	yes	yes
Tux-Finkenberg - Zillertal	1	28	no	1300	no	yes	yes	yes
Virgen	3	21	no	1100	no	no	no	yes
Warth - Schröcken	4	18	no	1600-1750	no	no	yes	yes
Wechsel-Semmering	13	90	yes	1300	yes	no	yes	yes
Weinebene	1	15	no	1600	no	no	yes	yes
Werfenweng	4	28	yes	1000	no	no	yes	no
Weyer - Langlaufarena Waldhütte	1	7	no	460	no	no	no	no
Wilder Kaiser	18	80	no	750-820	no	yes	yes	no
Windischgarsten	6	36	yes	600	no	no	yes	yes
Zell am See - Kaprun	10	42	no	760-3000	yes	yes	yes	yes
Zöbern	4	15,7	partly	600-800	no	yes	no	no

n.a. = not applicable

* on request

9 Belgium

Capital:	Brussels
Official Language(s):	Dutch, French, German
Currency:	Euro
Calling Code:	0032
Official tourism:	http://www.belgiumtheplaceto.be/

Alpine resorts		Cross-country resorts		Indoor resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
8	2	44	12	12	2

General information about winter in Belgium

Since Belgium's highest point, the Signal de Botrange located in the Hautes Fagnes, is only 694 metres and the average minimum temperature during wintertime (December-February) is -4 degrees, it is a matter of course that Belgium is not a traditional winter sports destination. Nevertheless, it has 8 downhill skiing runs and 47 cross-country tracks. All these ski facilities are located in the Ardennes, the south-eastern part of Belgium.

This region of extensive forests, rolling hills and ridges is an attractive holiday destination especially for Belgians (6.124 in 2011), the Dutch (1.920 in 2011) and the French (1.211 in 2011). Therefore, tourist facilities such as restaurants, hotels, holiday rentals etc. are extensive in this area. The ski facilities are small and local and are suitable for families with young children as they offer plenty of beginner runs. They also offer great opportunities for novice skiers who want to get some experience before heading to more extended ski resorts in other European countries.

Baraque de Fraiture and Mont des Brumes are the best-known Belgian Skiing areas. The latter is considered to be the best and most difficult one in Belgium. However good skiing conditions are never guaranteed during winter time in Belgium. In general, January and February offer the highest likelihood for snow covered runs. Especially the north and east sides of the Ardennes have a greater chance of snow during these months. Depending on the area, the Ardennes have between 30 and 80 snow days a year. Before heading to the Ardennes for some winter merriment, you would be well –advised to check the weather forecast via the Ski and Snow Line: 084/41 19 82 (Centre d'Action Touristique des provinces Wallonnes).

Due to lack of snow, artificial ski slopes offer a great alternative for those who seek some skiing fun. Twelve outdoor and indoor artificial snow or dry-slope sport facilities have been designed to deliver the alpine conditions every skier dreams of. Most of them are located in the northern part of the country and offer dry run slopes (mat) or a treadmill. The slopes from Casablanca, Snow Mountain and Snow Valley however are covered with artificial snow.

9.1 Evaluation of the participating ski resorts

2 Belgian resorts completed our questionnaire. Both offer 1 piste and are rather small, but as Belgium is mostly a flat country, this reflects the situation well.

Nevertheless, *Wanyi Park* also have a funpark, so this resort might not only be attractive for beginners.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Skipiste Zosterbach	0,3	580-630	
Wanyi Park *	0,6	360-420	as soon as snow falls

* This resort serves as a mountainboard facility during the summer months

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Skipiste Zosterbach	€ 5 *	n.a.		€ 6 *	n.a.		€ 6 *	n.a.		€ 6 *	n.a.
Wanyi Park	10	n.a.		10	n.a.		10	n.a.		10	n.a.

* for 24 rides
n.a. = not applicable

Additional information

	Slope - Extras							Local leisure activities					Possibility to hire equipment						
	Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes	Permanent racing track	Track with time measurement	Mogul slope	Carving slope	Tubing course	Floodlight slope	Funpark	Halfpipe	Kicker	Rail	Box	Toboggan run	Cross country ski trails	Skating rink	Ice stick shooting	Sledge riding (with Huskies, horses, reindeers)	Snowmobile rentals / snowmobile tours	Possibility to hire equipment
Skipiste Zosterbach								no						x					yes
Wanyi Park		x						yes		12	6	1		x					yes

9.2 Evaluation of the participating cross-country resorts

As can be seen from the number of resorts contacted and from the replies obtained, Belgium is more a cross-country nation. 12 resorts participated and all have a length between 4 – 52 km. 7 of them charge a fee and at all of them it is possible to hire equipment.

Cross-country resorts	Number of runs	Total Length km	Do you have to pay for the use?	Sea level	Ski lift necessary to reach the run (or a part of it) ?	Does Flood light exist	Possible to hire equipment	School for cross-country skiing
Belgische Eifel (Scnee-eifel)	4	27,5	yes	650-692	no	no	yes	yes
B-Sorts	1	4	no	400	no	no	yes	no
Centre de ski nordique à Samrée	4	52	yes	560	no	no	yes	no
Centre Nature de Botrange	5	45	yes	650	no	no	yes	no
Location de ski de la baraque de fraiture	3	21	no	652	no	no	yes	no
Manderfeld An der Liebach	3	20	yes	600	no	no	yes	no
Ostbelgien - Ski Club Weywertz/Im Himmelchen	5	44	no	560	no	no	yes	no
Ravel-tour	5	30,5	no	540	no	no	yes	yes
Rocherath - weisser stein	3	22	yes	640-700	no	no	yes	no
Skiclub Manderfeld VoG	5	48	yes	550-658	no	no	yes	no
Sporthotel & Activ Kamp	4	20	no	600	no	no	yes	no
Sportzentrum Worriken	4	20	yes	576	no	no	yes	yes

9.3 Evaluation of the participating indoor resorts

Both the Belgian indoor resorts how participated offer a ski treadmill and therefore, no snow is available. It is possible to hire equipment and *Montblanc* has a ski-school.

Indoor resort	Kind of indoor activity	Number of runs	Total Length in meter	How long is the longest slope	Slope or a part for beginners?	Slope or a part for advanced?	Costs for an adult on the weekend in the summer	Possible to hire equipment	Does a ski-school exist?	Does a funpark exist?
Albrecht Skicenter	treadmill	1	9	9	yes	yes	not applicable	yes	no	no
Montblanc	treadmill	1	12	12	no	no	not applicable	yes	yes	no

10 Bulgaria

Capital:	Sofia
Official Language(s):	Bulgarian
Currency:	Lev (at the official <u>conversion rate</u> from the European Commission from the 01.08.2012: 1,9558)
Calling Code:	00359
Official tourism:	http://www.bulgariatravel.org

Alpine resorts		Cross-country resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
9	2	3	1

General information about winter in Bulgaria

Over 30 % of Bulgaria is made up of mountains. The beauty of its landscapes and the combination of mild winters, abundant snow, and a snow cover that lasts till late spring offer marvelous opportunities for the development of ski and mountain tourism in Bulgaria. During the past few years the Bulgarian ski resorts have developed and modernized fast and are now offering a high class service. Among the best and most charming resorts:

Borovets <http://www.borovets-bg.com/>

Situated at 1350m above sea level, on the northern slopes of Mount Rila, the Borovets resort is located at the foot of peak Moussala - the highest in the Balkans. It is an alpine resort, providing excellent opportunities for a whole range of winter sports. Its biathlon track is claimed to be one of the best in the world. The highest skiing area is 2560m. The total length of runs is 58 km and the longest one - 12km. Cross country tracks length: 35 km long.

Bansko <http://bansko.bg/index.php/en> // <http://www.banskoski.com/en/> // <http://bansko.org/>

The well-known ski resort of Bansko is situated in the foothills of one of the most beautiful mountains in Bulgaria – Pirin and has the best snow record and the longest ski season (15 Dec - 15 May) of all Bulgarian ski resorts. It is known as one of the crown jewels of Bulgarian tourism because it offers a unique combination of excellent conditions for winter sports, preserved Bulgarian traditions and culture, and a rich cultural and historic legacy. There are runs and tracks for all levels of skiers and Bansko is the resort with the best hotels.

Pamporovo <http://winter.pamporovoresort.com/>

The modern ski resort of Pamporovo is situated in the heart of the Rhodopi mountains - the place at 1650 sea level is named after the mythical singer Orpheus. It is amongst the southern most skiing resorts in Europe and the sunniest Bulgarian mountain resort with about 120 sunny days. It is a ski-centre for all categories of skiers and has excellent ski runs even including a racing run for giant slalom.

Chepelare <http://www.chepelare.com/>

The town of Chepelare is situated 10 km away from Pamporovo and has its own ski centre with the longest ski run in Bulgaria. The skiing infrastructure is basic, but very well maintained.

Vitosha

Aleko resort on Mount Vitosha is one of Bulgaria's highest ski resorts, at 1800 m above sea level. Vitosha is only half an hour from the capital. The highest peak of Vitosha is Cherni Vruh (2290 m).

Panichishte

The Panichishte resort offers optimal conditions for all varieties of sport (1300m - 1600m altitude.) It lies on the border with Rila National Park in Rila Mountain, near the town of Separeva Banya (also a spa resort). Some of the most varied and inexpensive ski facilities can be found here!

Dobrinishte <http://www.dobrinishteclub.com/town-dobrinishte>
<http://bezbog.com/indexeng.html>

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Dobrinishte whose name comes from “The good things”, is a mountain resort with the typical atmosphere of a Bulgarian village. Situated at the foot of the Pirin Mountain in the south- eastern part of the Razlog valley Dobrinishte is at 810 meters above sea level.

Beklemeto - Troyan

Beklemeto is a mountain resort centre situated 20 km south-west of the town of Troyan (near the Troyan Pass, 1360 km above sea level). The resort offers excellent facilities for winter tourism.

Uzana – Gabrovo <http://www.uzana-tourism.com/index.php>

The resort area “Uzana” is huddled among venerable oak forests, known as the geographic centre of Bulgaria situated 22 kilometers away from the town of Gabrovo. Uzana is situated 1300-1400 meters above sea level.

Semkovo

The resort site of Semkovo is situated at 1750 meters above the sea level over the southern slope of Rila and the awesome Pirin.

Useful links:

General information about tourism in Bulgaria, on-line booking, accomodation, transport and rent a car:

<http://www.bulgariaski.com>
<http://www.visitbulgaria.net/en/>
<http://www.tmbulgaria.com/en/index.html>
<http://www.bulgaria-hotels.com/en/>
<http://bg-tourism.com/>
<http://www.guide-bulgaria.com/>

10.1 Evaluation of the participating alpine resorts

In Bulgaria 8 ski resorts were contacted and 2 of them filled in our questionnaire. One ski-resort is of medium size and the other one is quite big. Neither of them is expensive. In *Bansko* you can also choose from a variety of different local leisure activities and slope extras whereas in *Chepelare* not so many options are available.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Ски център Банско (Bansko Ski)	75	990-2600	01.12.2012 - 20.04.2013
Ски център Мечи чал - Чепеларе (Chepelare)	18	1155-1873	15.12.2012 - 07.04.2012

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Ски център Банско (Bansko Ski)	18	104		24	135		28	159		28,00	159,00
Ски център Мечи чал - Чепеларе (Chepelare)	15	81		22	118		22	118		22,00	118,00

Additional information

	Slope - Extras							Local leisure activities							Possible to hire equipment				
	Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes	Permanent racing track	Track with time measurement	Mogul slope	Carving slope	Tubing course	Floodlight slope	Funpark	Halfpipe	Kicker	Rail	Box	Toboggan run	Cross country ski trails	Skating rink	Ice stick shooting	Sledge riding (with Huskies, horses, reindeers)	Snowmobile rentals / snowmobile tours	
Bansko Ski	x	x	x		x			yes	1				x	x	x			x	yes
Chepelare		x			x			no						x				x	yes

10.2 Evaluation of the participating cross-country resort

From 3 contacted cross-country resorts we received 1 answer. The 2 cross-country runs in Pamporovo are 25 km long, are free of charge and are situated 1660 metres above sea level.

Cross-country resorts	Number of runs	Total Length km	Do you have to pay for the use?	Sea level	Ski lift necessary to reach the run (or a part of it) ?	Does Flood light exist	Possible to hire equipment	School for cross-country skiing
Пампорово (Pamporovo)	2	25	no	1660	no	no	yes	yes

11 Cyprus

Capital:	Nicosia
Official Language(s):	Greek
Currency:	Euro
Calling Code:	00357
Official tourism:	www.visitcyprus.com

Alpine resorts	
Contacted	Answers
1	1

General information about winter in Cyprus

The impressive Troodos mountain range with its idyllic forests stretches across most of the western side of Cyprus offering a cool sanctuary in the summer and the opportunity for sports in the winter. At the top of the Troodos Mountains one can also find the only Skiing Center in Cyprus. Here, one can take advantage of the pleasures of winter sports under the beautiful Mediterranean blue sky.

Skiing can be enjoyed on the slopes of Mount Olympus (1951 metres a.s.l.), usually from the beginning of January until the end of March. Mount Olympus is only 2 km, from Troodos mountain resort, 12 km from Platres mountain resort, and about an hour's drive from the seaside town of Limassol and the Capital, Nicosia.

An International F.I.S. Skiing Competition is organized every year by the Cyprus Ski Federation and takes place at the ZEUS Slalom Homologated Piste.

The Cyprus Ski Club operates four ski lifts at the Troodos ski centre:

- a. A chairlift on the FIS homologated slope of Zeus (380 Meters)
- b. A 350m T-bar type ski lift on the Hera slope
- c. A 150m T-bar ski-lift on the Sun Valley area leading to the Aphrodite slope.
- d. A 150m T-bar ski lift on Sun Valley leading to the Hermes slope.

The ski lifts operate from 09.00. All runs are suitable for beginners, intermediate and advanced skiers.

For Cross Country skiing there are two tracks of 4 and 8 km.

For further information, please contact:

The Cyprus Ski Club
Amfipoleos 21
2025 Strovolos
Nicosia, Cyprus

E-mail: csf@cyprusski.com
Web-site: www.cyprusski.com

Nicosia
Troodos Ski Shop
Troodos Zeus Lift
Troodos Sun Valley Lift

Tel: + 357-22 44 98 37 // Fax: +357-22 44 98 38
Tel: +357-25 420 104
Tel: +357-25420105
Tel: +357-25420165

11.1 Evaluation of the participating alpine resort

Cyprus might not be the thought of a typical ski nation at first, nevertheless there is the possibility of going skiing at *Troodos Ski Resort*, but, because of its location, the ski resort is quite small.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Troodos Ski Resort	2	1800-1850	Usually from January to the end of March

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Troodos Ski Resort	23	n.a.		23	n.a.		23	n.a.		23	n.a.

n.a. = not applicable

Additional information

	Slope - Extras	Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes	Permanent racing track	Track with time measurement	Mogul slope	Carving slope	Tubing course	Floodlight slope	Funpark	Halfpipe	Kicker	Rail	Box	Local leisure activities	Toboggan run	Cross country ski trails	Skating rink	Ice stick shooting	Sledge riding (with Huskies, horses, reindeers)	Snowmobile rentals / snowmobile tours	Possible to hire equipment
Troodos Ski Resort									no							x					yes

12 Czech Republic

Capital:	Prague
Official Language(s):	Czech
Currency:	Czech Koruna (at the official <u>conversion rate</u> from the European Commission from the 01.08.2012: 25,258)
Calling Code:	00420
Official tourism:	www.czechtourism.com

Alpine resorts		Cross-country resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
196	38	48	10

General information about winter in the Czech Republic

Skiing is very popular in the Czech Republic. People go alpine skiing and cross country skiing a lot and in fact there are many slopes and tracks in the Czech mountains. Conditions are very good as the Czech Republic is surrounded by mountain ranges and highlands and these get large amounts of snow each winter. The main season is generally from mid-December to mid-March.

People do all kinds of winter sports, but especially alpine skiing, snowboarding and cross country skiing. Many families go skiing several times each winter. In primary schools children at the age of 13 go for ski training courses organized by their schools, and many secondary schools also organize ski training courses for their 16-years-old students.

There are more than two hundred both large and small ski resorts in the Czech Republic. There are also a number of small resorts with ski slopes suitable for families with children while the larger ski resorts usually offer a variety of slopes and funparks for advanced skiers. There are also many very scenic cross country-skiing tracks all around the country. The most popular area with tourists is the Krkonoše ("Giant") Mountains in the north which is also famous for its ski jumping competitions in Harrachov. This area also has the highest number of ski resorts.

Skiing is a huge business as not only many Czechs, but also Polish, Austrians, Germans, Dutch, Slovaks and other Europeans use the resorts' services. Ski resorts operators all over the Czech mountain areas continuously work on keeping their services and equipments updated, and take good care of their ski slopes. Also, when there is not enough snow, most of the resorts use snow guns to provide good conditions for skiers.

In each ski resort there are many restaurants, refreshment facilities, ski and snowboard rental services, ski schools for children, and in big ski resorts there are ski buses, too. On long distance cross-country ski runs there are a number of refreshment areas including chalet restaurants. A wide range of accommodation services, from hotels and guesthouses to rooms in private houses, is on offer in all the skiing areas.

In case of accidents, there is a network of rescue services called "Horská služba" and phone details of the local teams can be found in all ski resorts, and at chalets in

higher locations. Before leaving for trips to higher locations, it is advisable to follow weather forecasts and warnings concerning snow storms and areas of potential avalanches.

General information about all the mountains areas, including links to ski resorts and accommodation facilities are available at www.ceskehory.cz. General information about tourism in the Czech Republic can be found in a number of languages on www.czechtourism.com.

12.1 Evaluation of the participating alpine resorts

The Czech Republic is a big skiing nation and 196 ski resorts were contacted. 38 of them filled in our questionnaire and most belong to the categories from 0-2 and 3-10 km. As can be seen below, the costs are quite moderate and every resort offers some extras or additional activities apart from skiing. For instance nearly every resort provides a “flood lit” slope.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Areál Nella Bartošovice v Orlických horách, Orlické hory	1,20	560-630	26.12.2012 - 15.03.2012
Benecko	5,00	650-1000	15.11.2012 - 31.03.2013
Biocel Zlatník	0,80	650-740	15.12.2012 - 15.03.2012
Horské středisko Soláň-Karolinka	7,70	500-861	10.12.2012 - 31.03.2013
Jonas Park Ostružná	2,00	730-835	
Klepáčov	1,50	750-850	15.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Lyžařské středisko Kempalands Bukovec	1,00	450-570	15.12.2012 - 31.03.2013
Lyžařský areál Bonera Ramzová	12,00	600-1300	01.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Lyžařský areál Čeřínek	0,60	660-750	
Lyžařský areál Paseky nad Jizerou	10,00	620-860	20.12.2012 - 20.3.2013
Němčíčky	0,70	180-180	02.12.2012 - 31.03.2013
Příchovice U Čápa	2,50	700-800	25.12.2012 - 25.03.2013
Ski areál Aldrov Vítkovice v Krkonoších	5,30	615-733	05.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Ski areál Avalanche	2,00	610-705	15.12.2012 - 15.03.2013
Ski areál Bedřichov	5,40	710-802	
Ski areál Bílá	5,60	550-774	10.12.2012 - 15.04.2013
Ski areál Boží Dar - Neklid	5,20	850-1135	08.12.2012 - 20.03.2012
Ski areál Čenkovice	4,50	737-958	15.12.2012 - 31.03.2013
Ski areál Dlouhoňovice	0,50	420-470	20.12.2012 - 28.02.2013
Ski areál Horní Domky and Skiareál Studenov	14,7 and 3,5 km	557-1315	01.12.2012 - 01.04.2012
Ski areál Ještěd	9,20	536-944	15.12.2012 - 24.03.2012
Ski areál Kraličák	7,10	680-1000	17.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Ski areál Kubova HUŤ	2,30	995-1100	20.12.2012 - 19.03.2012
Ski areál Luž	1,56	550-670	01.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Ski areál Rališks Horní Bečva	1,85	605-729	30.11.2012 - 30.04.2013
Ski areál RS Tnava Luhy	0,95	500-580	20.12.2012
Ski areál Severák	5,20	730-785	
Ski areál Špindlerův Mlýn	25,00	702-1235	01.12.2012 - 21.04.2013
Ski areál Synot Kyčerka	2,40	550-710	
Ski areál Tanvaldský Špičák	6,60	545-820	
Ski areál Troják	2,40	500-600	31.03.2012
Ski centrum Zdobnice	2,10	605-730	22.12.2012 - 31.03.2013
Ski Lucifer	0,75	600-750	01.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Skipark Červená Voda	2,30	600-1000	13.12.2012 - 10.04.2013
Skipark Filipovice	2,60	675-890	15.12.2012 - 31.3.2013
Sport areál Klíny	3,40	590-722	15.12.2012 - 15.03.2013

Sportovní areál Výprachtice, Luboš Merta-Ovaz	0,36	698,8-767,7	16.12.2012 - 31.03.2013
Žacléř - Prkenný Důl	5,00	580-830	approx. 15.12.2012 - 31.03.2013

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Areál Nella Bartošovice v Orlických horách	12,00	n.a		12,00	n.a		12,00	n.a		12,00	n.a
Benecko	14,00	61,00		18,00	82,00		18,00	82,00		14,00	61,00
Biocel Zlatník	8,00	n.a		12,00	n.a		12,00	n.a		8,00	n.a
Horské středisko Soláň-Karolinka	12,27	59,40		12,27	59,40		15,44	73,24		12,27	59,40
Jonas Park Ostružná	10,00	45,00		13,00	57,00		13,00	57,00		10,00	45,00
Klepáčov	9,10	36,00		13,86	53,44		13,86	53,44		9,10	36,00
Lyžařské středisko Kempalands Bukovec	10,00	n.a		10,00	n.a		15,00	n.a		10,00	n.a
Lyžařský areál Bonera Ramzová	14,45	92,30		20,07	128,42		20,07	128,42		14,45	92,30
Lyžařský areál Čeřínek	n.a ¹	n.a ¹		n.a ¹	n.a ¹		n.a ¹	n.a ¹		n.a ¹	n.a ¹
Lyžařský areál Paseky nad Jizerou	12,27	67,30		17,42	96,20		17,42	96,20		15,68	86,85
Němčičky	€ 3,36 ²	n.a		€ 3,96 ²	n.a		€ 3,96 ²	n.a		€ 3,96 ²	n.a
Příchovice U Čápa	11,00	36,00		13,00	46,00		13,00	46,00		13,00	46,00
Ski areál Aldrov Vítkovice v Krkonoších	14,80	69,60		18,00	69,60		18,00	87,20		14,80	69,60
Ski areál Avalanche	12,00	60,00		18,00	80,00		18,00	80,00		18,00	80,00
Ski areál Bedřichov	11,48	54,64		11,48	54,64		15,84	74,04		11,48	74,04
Ski areál Bílá	13,80	43,50		17,80	61,40		17,80	61,40		13,80	43,50
Ski areál Boží Dar - Neklid	12,70	55,40		12,70	55,40		18,20	84,70		16,40	76,25
Ski areál Čenkovice	12,67	57,40		14,25	65,30		17,00	76,40		14,25	65,30
Ski areál Dlouhoňovice	8,00	n.a		8,00	n.a		10,00	n.a		8,00	n.a
Ski areál Horní Domky/Skiareál Studenov	15,04	79,18		20,98	109,27		23,36	121,55		19,80	103,33
Ski areál Ještěd	12,81	54,06		20,00	94,11		23,62	110,12		20,00	94,11
Ski areál Kraličák	12,03	58,19		16,05	78,25		16,05	78,25		12,03	58,19
Ski areál Kubova HUŤ	10,00	44,00		12,00	53,00		14,00	62,00		12,00	53,00
Ski areál Luž	€ 3,96 ³	n.a		€ 3,96 ³	n.a		€ 3,96 ³	n.a		€ 3,96 ³	n.a
Ski areál Rališks Horní Bečva	10,00	52,00		10,00	52,00		13,00	64,00		10,00	52,00
Ski areál RS Trnava Luhy	9,00	45,00		10,00	48,00		12,00	60,00		9,00	45,00
Ski areál Severák	11,48	54,64		11,48	54,64		15,84	74,04		11,48	74,04
Ski areál Špindlerův Mlýn	20,00	86,00		24,00	106,00		30,00	132,00		24,00	106,00
Ski areál Synot Kyčerka	10,30	51,10		14,25	68,50		14,25	68,50		10,30	51,10
Ski areál Tanvaldský Špičák	15,84	77,60		15,84	77,60		19,80	97,40		16,63	97,40
Ski areál Troják	10,50	33,00		13,50	45,00		13,50	45,00		10,50	33,00
Ski centrum Zdobnice	12,70	59,40		12,70	59,40		12,70	59,40		12,70	59,40
Ski Lucifer	12,00	n.a		12,00	n.a		12 to 15	n.a		12,00	n.a
Skipark Červená Voda	14,25	74,82		17,42	75,22		22,14	108,08		17,42	75,22
Skipark Filipovice	11,90	n.a		15,00	n.a		16,60	n.a		15,00	n.a
Sport areál Klíny	10,4	46,5		12,00	68,2		12,00	68,2		12,00	68,2
Sportovní areál Výprachtice	5,54	n.a		6,93	n.a		6,93	n.a		6,93	n.a
Žacléř - Prkenný Důl	14,00	60,00		14,00	60,00		17,50	81,00		16,00	71,00

¹They use a ticket system with points - one lift ride is worth 10-12 points

² for 11 rides

³ for 10 rides

n.a. = not applicable

Additional information

	Slope - Extras											Local leisure activities							
	Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes	Permanent racing track	Track with time measurement	Mogul slope	Carving slope	Tubing course	Floodlight slope	Funpark	Halfpipe	Kicker	Rail	Box	Toboggan run	Cross country ski trails	Skating rink	Ice stick shooting	Sledge riding (with Huskies, horses, reindeers)	Snowmobile rentals / snowmobile tours	Possible to hire equipment
Areál Nella Bartošovice v Orlických horách	x					x	x	yes	1		1	1							yes
Benecko	x	x	x			x	x	yes		4	9	3		x	x		x		yes
Biocel Zlatník								no											no
Horské středisko Soláň-Karolinka	x				x		x	yes		2	7	5		x					yes
Jonas Park Ostružná								no						x	x		x		yes
Klepáčov							x	no						x			x	x	yes
Lyžařské středisko Kempalands Bukovec							x	no						x			x		yes
Lyžařský areál Bonera Ramzová								no						x					yes
Lyžařský areál Čeřínek							x	no						x					no
Lyžařský areál Paseky nad Jizerou								no						x					yes
Němčičky							x	no											yes
Příchovice U Čápa			x				x	yes						x				x	yes
Ski areál Aldrov Vítkovice v Krkonoších	x					x	x	no						x					yes
Ski areál Avalanche							x	no						x					yes
Ski areál Bedřichov							x	no						x			x		yes
Ski areál Bílá							x	no						x	x				yes
Ski areál Boží Dar - Neklid	x					x		yes		7	5	6	x	x					yes
Ski areál Čenkovice								no						x					yes
Ski areál Dlouhoňovice							x	no						x	x				no
Ski areál Horní Domky a Skiareál Studenov	x		x		x			yes		3	3	4	x	x			x		yes
Ski areál Ještěd				x		x	x	yes		2	1	1	x	x	x			x	yes
Ski areál Kraličák						x		yes		1	2	9		x	x		x		yes
Ski areál Kubova HUŤ	x		x				x	yes			18			x					yes
Ski areál Luž	x			x	x		x	yes		3	5	1		x					no
Ski areál Rališks Horní Bečva	x						x	no						x					yes
Ski areál RS Trnava Luhý							x	no											yes
Ski areál Severák			x			x	x	yes		1	3	1		x			x		yes

Ski areál Špindlerův Mlýn					x	x	yes	1	5	20	6		x	x	x		x	x	yes
Ski areál Synot Kyčerka			x			x	yes	1		1	1			x					yes
Ski areál Tanvaldský Špičák					x	x	no							x					yes
Ski areál Troják		x	x			x	no											x	yes
Ski centrum Zdobnice					x		yes		1	3	4								yes
Ski Lucifer					x	x	x	no						x	x				yes
Skipark Červená Voda					x	x	yes		2	2	3			x					yes
Skipark Filipovice					x	x	x	no						x					yes
Sport areál Klíny	x					x	x	yes			4	2		x	x				yes
Sportovní areál Výprachtice						x	x	yes	1	1	2			x	x				yes
Žacléř - Prkenný Důl	x							yes							x				yes

12.2 Evaluation of the participating cross-country resorts

10 Czech cross-country resorts participated at our survey and they are all free of charge and of medium length. Just two of them are smaller with a total length of 5 km and of them, *Sportovní areál Vesec*, is the only one which also offers a flood light.

Cross-country resorts	Number of runs	Total Length km	Do you have to pay for the use?	Sea level	Ski lift necessary to reach the run (or a part of it) ?	Does Flood light exist	Possible to hire equipment	School for cross-country skiing
Lesná	6	55	no	600-900	no	no	yes	no
Lyžařský běžecký areál Skřítek-Jeseníky	5	35	no	900	no	no	no	no
Pěnkavčí vrch	1	5	no	1000	yes	no	no	no
Ski areál Bílá	4	25	no	550	no	no	no	no
Ski areál Hory	7	30	no	550	no	no	no	no
Ski region Žďársko	5	50	no	630	no	no	no	no
Skiareál Horní Domky, Skiareál Studenov	7	37	no	550-1000	yes	no	yes	yes
Sport areál Klíny	7	51	no	850	no	no	yes	yes
Sportovní areál Vesec	2	5	no	412	no	yes	no	no
Zimní běžecký areál Polevsko	5	20	no	500-600	no	no	no	no

13 Denmark

Capital:	Copenhagen
Official Language(s):	Danish
Currency:	Danish Krone (at the official conversion rate from the European Commission from the 01.08.2012: 7,4385)
Calling Code:	0045
Official tourism:	www.visitdenmark.com/denmark

Alpine resorts		Cross-country resorts		Indoor resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
7	2	5	0	3	2

General information about winter in Denmark

The winter weather in Denmark is very unpredictable. Some winters are very cold and include several days with snow and the possibility of outdoor skiing. Other winters there is no snow at all.

The landscape is beautiful but quite flat and there are no mountains in Denmark, however it is possible to go alpine skiing on small hills in Hedeland near Roskilde and in Lensklint on Bornholm. When the temperature is favourable the ski resorts produce snow and both ski resorts offer skiing lessons. Some local ski clubs also offer the possibility of cross-country skiing.

During the past years a couple of indoor ski resorts have opened and these resorts also offer lessons in skiing and snowboarding.

Skiing is a popular sport in Denmark and many Danes go skiing every year. Some years it is possible to ski in Denmark but the Danes mostly travel to other countries in Europe for the skiing vacation due to the lack of snow and mountains.

Foreign tourists mostly travel to Denmark to visit the beautiful old cities of Copenhagen, Odense, Aarhus, or Aalborg, and to shop for Danish design. The unique nature in Denmark and the music festivals are also very popular tourist attractions.

You can find more information about tourist attractions in Denmark on www.visitdenmark.com.

13.1 Evaluation of the participating alpine resorts

7 resorts were contacted and 2 participated to the report. Both are small and not situated at a high altitude. The price for a day ticket is cheap and at both resorts you also have the possibility to ski at night, as they offer “flood lit” slopes.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Skibakken, Slettegård	0,4	72-110	15.12.12 - 15.03.13
Skicenter Hedeland / Roskilde Skiklub Hedeland	0,3	10-55	when there's snow and frost

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Skibakken, Slettegård	10	n.a.		13	n.a.		18	n.a.		13,00	n.a.
Skicenter Hedeland / Roskilde Skiklub Hedeland	6	n.a.		12	n.a.		12	n.a.		12,00	n.a.

n.a. = not applicable

Additional information

	Slope - Extras										Local leisure activities				Possible to hire equipment				
	Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes	Permanent racing track	Track with time measurement	Mogul slope	Carving slope	Tubing course	Floodlight slope	Funpark	Halfpipe	Kicker	Rail	Box	Toboggan run	Cross country ski trails		Skating rink	Ice stick shooting	Sledge riding (with Huskies, horses, reindeers)	Snowmobile rentals / snowmobile tours
Skibakken, Slettegård							x	no						x					yes
Skicenter Hedeland / Roskilde Skiklub Hedeland	x					x	no			3	2		x	x					yes

13.2 Evaluation of the participating indoor resorts

Both indoor resorts which filled in our questionnaire offer 2 ski treadmills. They are suitable for both beginners and advanced skiers. Equipment for hire and skiing instructors are available.

Indoor resort	Kind of indoor activity	Number of runs	Total Length in meter	How long is the longest slope	Slope or a part for beginners?	Slope or a part for advanced?	Costs for an adult on the weekend in the summer	Possible to hire equipment	Does a ski-school exist?	Does a funpark exist?
Indoor Ski, Golf og Konferencecenter	treadmill	2	20	10	yes	yes	32	yes	yes	yes
SkiArena	treadmill	2	9	9	yes	yes	max. € 37 per lesson	yes	yes	yes

14 ESTONIA

Capital:	Tallinn
Official Language(s):	Estonian
Currency:	Euro
Calling Code:	00372
Official tourism:	www.visitestonia.com / www.tourism.ee

Alpine resorts		Cross-country resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
5	1	7	2

General information about winter in Estonia

Skiing is one of the most popular sports in Estonia due to the climate which is very good for winter sports. In fact, Estonian winters are usually very cold (it may sometimes be more than 30 minus degrees) and full of snow. Although the landscape is quite flat, there are several opportunities for enjoying different kinds of winter activities such as skiing, snow tubing, sledging, snowboarding, cross-country skiing, snowmobile riding etc.

Most Estonians love cross country-skiing in winter; this became popular after World War I when the first ski competition was held in 1921, in Tartu. This has become a yearly tradition and the Tartu Ski Marathon, established in 1960, now attracts professional and amateur cross-country skiers from around the world. The Cross-country Skiing World Cup Series takes place in Otepää - the winter capital of Estonia.

Downhill skiing and snowboarding are becoming more and more popular with youngsters, but as Estonia is a relatively flat country, cross country skiing remains the most popular. The variety of Estonia's landscape provides for ski enthusiasts of every level but is an ideal destination for beginners and intermediate skiers. The ski resorts are modern, and all the necessary equipment is available for hire as are private instructors. South Estonia is the hilliest region in Estonia and when winter comes, Otepää is the winter capital of Estonia. Otepää and Võrumaa are an ideal destination for winter sports enthusiasts looking for snowboarding and downhill skiing.

There are plenty of child friendly slopes and facilities, and skiing in Estonia is very safe, as there are no avalanches and the main ski resorts in Otepää and Võrumaa offer well lit ski tracks during the late evening hours.

Younger children get excited about sledging and snowtubing down snowy slopes and skating or playing ice-carousel on frozen lakes and rivers. Before sleighs were invented or introduced to the Estonian market, Estonians used linen bags or linen hanks for sledging. These days children use pretty much anything – even plastic bags. If it slides – it works.

When it doesn't snow, it is still possible to use the snow tube hills where artificial snow is used. The best places for that would be Tallinn, Viljandi and Otepää.

Cross country kick sledge trips promise a unique experience for adventurous people and most farms with horses offer sleigh riding. Kick sledging trips can be especially enjoyable in the national parks and nature trails throughout the country. Kick sledging on ice and ice sledging are less popular.

Shrove Tuesday, which is in February, is still the day when almost every Estonian will go sledging as it is believed to bring good luck- in the old days, it was said to bring a good linen harvest. On Shrove Tuesday traditional Estonians eat pea soup and lenten buns.

So, In Estonia you can be as active as you'd like and take part in all kinds of winter sports. Most walking/hiking trails, including the ones in our national parks, are suitable for cross country skiing. For the more adventurous, there is always the option to push the boundaries and experience the lifestyle of locals: For example jumping naked into the snow after having a hot sauna!

You can find more information via following links:

www.visitestonia.com

www.turismiweeb.ee/en

14.1 Evaluation of the participating alpine resort

5 ski resorts in Estonia were contacted and we received 1 filled in questionnaire from a quite small resort. Compared to other countries, in its category, it is neither particularly cheap nor expensive. This resort still offers some slope extras, like a carving and a "flood lit" slope.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Nõmme Spordikeskus	0,2	30-60	01.12.2012 - 01.04.2013

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Nõmme Spordikeskus	19	96		19	96		19	96		19	96

Additional information

	Slope - Extras	Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes	Permanent racing track	Track with time measurement	Mogul slope	Carving slope	Tubing course	Floodlight slope	Funpark	Halfpipe	Kicker	Rail	Box	Local leisure activities	Toboggan run	Cross country ski trails	Skating rink	Ice stick shooting	Sledge riding (with Huskies, horses, reindeers)	Snowmobile rentals / snowmobile tours	Possible to hire equipment
Nõmme Spordikeskus						x	x	x	yes							x	x				yes

14.2 Evaluation of the participating cross-country resorts

The 2 cross-country resorts which completed our questionnaire are bigger and also offer the possibility of night skiing compared to the ski resort described above. They are free of charge and at the bigger one, *Sihtasutus Jõulumäe Tervisespordikeskus*, it is also possible to hire equipment.

Cross-country resorts	Number of runs	Total Length km	Do you have to pay for the use?	Sea level	Ski lift necessary to reach the run (or a part of it) ?	Does Flood light exist	Possible to hire equipment	School for cross-country skiing
Sihtasutus Jõulumäe Tervisespordikeskus	12	53,08	no	n.a.	no	yes	yes	no
Tehvandi Spordikeskus	8	35	no	187	no	yes	no	no

n.a. = not applicable

15 Finland

Capital:	Helsinki
Official Language(s):	Finnish, Swedish
Currency:	Euro
Calling Code:	00358
Official tourism:	www.visitfinland.com

Alpine resorts		Cross-country resorts		Indoor resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
15	7	24	6	5	3

General information about winter in Finland

Finland is characterized by long and cold winters so there is a lot of snow in most of the country. In northern Finland the skiing season lasts from October to May. Snow is even produced artificially to guarantee proper conditions for downhill skiing in ski resorts. In many places snow is stored over the summer and spread out to skiing tracks to lengthen the cross-country skiing season in the autumn.

In the south and in the coastal areas, where most of the Finnish population is located, the landscape is quite flat. Therefore, cross country skiing is especially popular. According to a recent study by Finnish Forest Research Institute 41,5% of Finns practise cross-country skiing annually. In downhill skiing the percentage is 17. In numbers this is about 2,2 million cross-country skiers and 918.000 downhill skiers.

There are thousands of kilometres of managed cross-country skiing tracks in Finland. The tracks are maintained by local authorities, skiing clubs, other voluntary organisations and skiing resorts. Many communities have up-to-date information on the condition of the tracks on their websites.

Finland is visited annually by 3,8 million tourists. During the wintertime there are about 2,6 million visitors (2007-2008). One in five of them do some kind of outdoor activity on the snow (skiing, snowmobiling, safaris etc.) during their stay.

According to the Finnish Ski Area Association the number of foreign downhill skiers was about 129.000 in the winter of 2006-07. Mostly they came from Russia (37%) and Great-Britain (29%), but also Frenchmen, Dutchmen, Baltic and Japanese travelled there in large numbers to experience the Finnish winter. However Finnish skiers are still the major customer group for ski resorts.

Snow holidays in Finland are not only about skiing. The strength of Finland as a snow holiday destination is its versatile combination of dog sled safaris, reindeer safaris, snowmobile excursions, snowshoe walking, icebreaker mini cruises, winter driving and winter fishing in addition to cross-country skiing, downhill skiing and snowboarding. The supply of winter activities is better in snowy Lapland and North-Eastern Finland.

Finland has about 80 ski resorts in the north, 22 in Lapland , 26 in the south and 31 in the middle of the country. Most of them are small and local. The main ski resorts of Finland are Levi, Ylläs and Ruka. They attract mainly families, recreational skiers and people interested in the diverse adventure activities they offer.

The longest downhill ski trail is in Lapland (3.000 meters) and the average length of a ski run is between 600 and 800 metres. Compared to ski resorts in other countries, slopes in Finnish ski resorts are relatively gentle and safe. This suits the needs of families and beginners.

The Finnish ski resorts have significant functional differences. Some emphasize diverse skiing opportunities while other focus on downhill skiing. Some favour families and others aim to attract young people with a lively after-ski night life and restaurants. However uncontaminated nature and spacious slopes are common to them all.

www.skiinfo.com

15.1 Evaluation of the participating alpine resorts

7 of the 15 contacted resorts completed our questionnaire and offer a range from 4 – 43 slope km. All of them have a quite long season which starts around December and ends from April to June. Ticket prices are average and almost all resorts offer various slope extras or additional leisure activities. For instance funpark obstacles can be found at all of the resorts.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Calpis Ski Center/Kalpalinna	4	79-171	01.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Levi	43,605	196,26-501,64	01.11.2012 - 12.05.2013
Messilä	10	111-222	23.11.2012 - 07.04.2013
Ruka	30	291-492	18.10.2012 - 09.06.2013
Salla Ski Resort	11	250-465	24.11.2012 - 05.05.2013
Sappee Ski Resort	10	90-210	approx. 01.12.2012-14.04.2013
Tahkonrinteet	16,5	100-300	approx. 01.12.2012 - 28.04.2013

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Calpis Ski Center/Kalpalinna	22,00	66,00		24,00	72,00		26,00	78,00		24,00	72,00
Levi	24,00	100,00		37,50	166,00		37,50	166,00		24,00	100,00
Messilä	35,00	180,00		35,00	180,00		35,00	180,00		25,00	125,00
Ruka	21,00	97,00		30,00	135,00		35,00	156,00		21,00	97,00
Salla Ski Resort	20,50	95,00		29,00	134,00		34,00	158,00		20,50	95,00
Sappee Ski Resort	24 *	115 *		34,50 *	165 *		34,50 *	165 *		24 *	115 *
Tahkonrinteet	24,00	103,00		36,00	139,00		36,00	139,00		24,00	103,00

* last season

Additional information

	Slope - Extras							Local leisure activities					Possible to hire equipment						
	Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes	Permanent racing track	Track with time measurement	Mogul slope	Carving slope	Tubing course	Floodlight slope	Funpark	Halfpipe	Kicker	Rail	Box		Toboggan run	Cross country ski trails	Skating rink	Ice stick shooting	Sledge riding (with Huskies, horses, reindeers)	Snowmobile rentals / snowmobile tours
Calpis Ski Center/Kalpalinna	x	x					yes			5	4		x				x	yes	
Levi				x	x		x	no	1	3	4	6	x	x			x	x	yes
Messilä				x			x	yes			15	5		x				x	yes
Ruka				x	x		x	yes	1	5	12	5	x	x	x		x	x	yes
Salla Ski Resort	x	x	x		x		x	yes			10	3	x	x	x		x	x	yes
Sappee Ski Resort	x							yes		8	10	10	x	x	x			x	yes
Tahkonrinteet							yes		1		13	8	x	x			x	x	yes

15.2 Evaluation of the participating cross-country resorts

Even though more cross-country resorts were contacted than alpine resorts, we only received 6 answers. Only one of them is quite small, *Lieksan Hiihtokeskus* with 7 km and all the others are huge, with more than 100 or 200 km. The runs are free of charge and also cross-country skiing at night is possible.

Cross-country resorts	Number of runs	Total Length km	Do you have to pay for the use?	Sea level	Ski lift necessary to reach the run (or a part of it) ?	Does Flood light exist	Possible to hire equipment	School for cross-country skiing
Hetta Ski Resort	9	120	no	350	no	yes	yes	yes
Jämin	10	130	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Kiilopää	50	200	no	358	no	yes	yes	yes
Levi	10	230	no	200	no	yes	yes	yes
Lieksan Hiihtokeskus	5	7	no	120 - 150	no	yes	no	yes
Skiresort Iso-Syöte	2	120	no	432	no	yes	yes	yes

n.a. = not applicable

15.3 Evaluation of the participating indoor resorts

When we look at the 3 answers for indoor resorts, it is clear that Finland is a cross-country nation, as they also offer this service indoor. The 3 resorts have a total length between 230 – 1000 m and the hiring of equipment is possible.

Indoor resort	Kind of indoor activity	Number of runs	Total Length in meter	How long is the longest slope	Slope or a part for beginners?	Slope or a part for advanced?	Costs for an adult on the weekend in the summer	Possible to hire equipment	Does a ski-school exist?	Does a funpark exist?
Jämin Hiihtotunneli	cross-country	1	230	230	yes	no	not applicable	yes	yes	no
Skitunnel Finnfoam Paippi	cross-country	1	700	700	yes	no	40	yes	no	no
Vahterusing	cross-country	1	1000	1000	yes	n.a.	12	yes	yes	no

16 France

Capital:	Paris
Official Language(s):	French
Currency:	Euro
Calling Code:	0033
Official tourism:	www.francetourism.com/

Alpine resorts		Cross-country resorts		Indoor resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
15	3	16	3	1	0

General information about winter in France

France is very popular for its winter sport resorts. In France, the major part of winter sports resorts is concentrated in the Northern Alps, in the departments of Savoy, High Savoy and Isère. There are however also resorts in the Southern Alps, Pyrenees, the Massif central, Jura, Vosges and Corsica. Every ski area is different and has its own identity and travelers can easily find a ski resort suitable for them, whether it be for holidays with friends, family, as beginners, advanced skiers, extreme sportsman etc.; for cross-country skiing, sledging, surfing, gliding, alpine, freestyle or Nordic skiing, every kind of winter sport can be practice in France. A Map of the skiing areas can be found for example under <http://ski-resort-france.co.uk/carte>

A 6 days ski pass costs usually between 150 and 180 € in the larger resorts, and between approx 100 and 150 € for the smaller ones. Some resorts, for a supplement, allow the use of the pass also at associated resort.

The biggest stations in terms of skiing areas (without partnerships with other resorts) are

- Serre Chevalier (250 km)
- Alpe d'Huez (238 km)
- La Plagne (225 km)

The best known combined resorts are

- the area Trois Vallées which regroups six resorts with more than 600 km of interconnected slopes
- les portes du Soleil (650 km, between France and Switzerland)
- la Voie Lactée (600 km, between France and Italy)

The three resorts known for their altitude

- Chamonix (3842m)
- Les Deux Alpes (3600m)
- Tignes - Val d'Isère (3456m)

Several resorts have glaciers which permit skiing in the summer season, for example

- La Plagne
- Les Deux Alpes
- Tignes

Links:

Information portal ski and mountain <http://www.skifrance.fr/>

Association Nationale des Maires des Stations de Montagne <http://www.anmsm.fr/>

Portal of the French tourist information centres and initiatives <http://www.tourisme.fr/>

16.1 Evaluation of the participating alpine resorts

Only 3 resorts in France completed the questionnaire. All of them represent big and well-known resorts and *Combloux*, the smallest one with 100 km, offers favourable rates. The difference in cost Combloux and Serre Chevalier Vallée and Val d'Isère is that the latter two also offer more slope extras and leisure activities.

In Val d'Isère there are also 5 lifts free of charge for beginners. Also Val d'Isère didn't provide information concerning the various length of the slopes, they have 11 green, 34 blue, 20 red and 16 black slopes.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Combloux	100	1000-2450	18.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Serre Chevalier Vallée	250	1200-2800	15.12.2012 - 28.04.2013
Val d'Isère	158	1785-3488	01.12.2012 - 05.05.2013

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Combloux	22,70	114,00		29,80	148,00		29,80	148,00		27,60	137,00
Serre Chevalier Vallée	35,50	171,00		44,50	214,00		44,50	214,00		40,00	192,50
Val d'Isère	36,00	180,00		45,00	225,00		45,00	225,00		36,00	180,00

Additional information

	Slope - Extras										Local leisure activities								
	Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes	Permanent racing track	Track with time measurement	Mogul slope	Carving slope	Tubing course	Floodlight slope	Funpark	Halfpipe	Kicker	Rail	Box	Toboggan run	Cross country ski trails	Skating rink	Ice stick shooting	Sledge riding (with Huskies, horses, reindeers)	Snowmobile rentals / snowmobile tours	Possible to hire equipment
Combloux	x						x	yes		3	4		x	x					yes
Serre Chevalier Vallée	x		x	x			x	yes					x	x	x		x	x	yes
Val d'Isère	x	x	x	x	x		x	yes		27	27	1	x	x	x		x	x	yes

16.2 Evaluation of the participating cross-country resorts

The same 3 resorts who completed to the alpine questionnaire also offer cross-country runs. Only in Serre Chevalier Vallée consumers are charged for the usage and in all 3 resorts hiring equipment is possible.

Cross-country resorts	Number of runs	Total Length km	Do you have to pay for the use?	Sea level	Ski lift necessary to reach the run (or a part of it) ?	Does Flood light exist	Possible to hire equipment	School for cross-country skiing
Combloux	2	5	no	1100	no	no	yes	yes
Les Deux Alpes	2	20	no	900-1600	no	no	yes	no
Serre Chevalier Vallée	6	32	yes	1400-1600	no	no	yes	yes

17 Germany

Capital:	Berlin
Official Language(s):	German
Currency:	Euro
Calling Code:	0049
Official tourism:	www.germany-tourism.de

Alpine resorts		Cross-country resorts		Indoor resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
17	7	24	9	6	3

General information about winter in Germany

Skiing is very popular in Germany and it is one of the largest winter sports nations. The Alps and the highlands provide enough snow cover for skiing. In the flat country there are well-known ski halls and cross-country runs. The 6 In-door Ski Halls in Germany are in Neuss, Bottrop, Senftenberg, Oberhof, Wittenburg and Bispingen.

The most favorite destination for German ski enthusiasts are the Bavarian Alps and the Alpine foothills. Berchtesgaden, Oberstdorf and Garmisch Partenkirchen are world famous. The largest ski region in the north of the Alps is the Sauerland with its famous ski resorts such as Winterberg and Willingen. The Black Forest provides optimal conditions for cross-country and alpine skiing. The Thuringian Forest, the Harz as well as the Eifel are also famous regions for skiing in Germany.

The heart of the Bavarian Alps, the Zugspitze, at 2,962 m is the highest mountain in Germany. The Zugspitze plateau is Germany's highest and only glacier ski area.

17.1 Evaluation of the participating alpine resorts

7 of the 17 contacted ski resorts participated to the survey and provide an overview of both small and big ski resorts. Also, cost-wise, there is something suitable for every budget, and moreover, apart from the slopes, the resorts offer many additional activities, such as funparks, indoor pools and sledge riding.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Bad Hindelang/Oberjoch/Unterjoch	32	1150-1590	01.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Geisskopf	8	840-1100	21.12.2012 - 24.03.2013
Liftverbund Feldberg	55	950-1450	01.12.2012 - 15.04.2013
Ski Oberstdorf - Kleinwalsertal *	124	814-2224	08.12.2012 - 28.04.2013
Skiparadies Sudelfeld	31	810-1563	01.12.2012 - 14.04.2012
Skiroute Dammkar	7	933-2244	01.01.2013 - 15.04.2013
Spitzingsee-Tegernsee	25	1100-1700	Dec.2012 - March.2013

* This is a cross-border resort in Germany and Austria

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Bad Hindelang/Oberjoch/Unterjoch	18,50	84,00		25,00	109,00		30,00	141,00		26,50	133,50
Geisskopf	16,00	63,00		20,00	89,00		20,00	89,00		16,00	63,00
Liftverbund Feldberg	16,00	75,00		23,00	106,00		29,00	136,00		29,00	136,00
Ski Oberstdorf - Kleinwalsertal	15,00	67,50		32,00	153,00		41,50	199,00		41,50	199,00
Skiparadies Sudelfeld	15,00	75,00		25,00	128,00		29,00	150,00		25,00	128,00
Skiroute Dammkar	20,00	n.a		20,00	n.a		30,00	n.a		30,00	n.a
Spitzingsee-Tegernsee	16,00	75,00		29,00	128,00		32,00	150,00		29,00	128,00

n.a. = not applicable

Additional information

	Slope - Extras							Local leisure activities					Possible to hire equipment						
	Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes	Permanent racing track	Track with time measurement	Mogul slope	Carving slope	Tubing course	Floodlight slope	Funpark	Halfpipe	Kicker	Rail	Box		Toboggan run	Cross country ski trails	Skating rink	Ice stick shooting	Sledge riding (with Huskies, horses, reindeers)	Snowmobile rentals / snowmobile tours
Bad Hindelang/Oberjoch/Unterjoch	x				x		x	yes						x	x	x	x		yes
Geisskopf				x	x		x	yes		4	6	3		x		x	x		yes
Liftverbund Feldberg		x		x				yes		2	6	9	x	x	x	x			yes
Ski Oberstdorf - Kleinwalsertal			x	x	x	x	x	yes	1	6	6	10		x	x		x		yes
Skiparadies Sudelfeld	x		x		x	x		yes	1	2	1			x	x	x	x		yes
Skiroute Dammkar	x			x				no						x		x			yes
Spitzingsee-Tegernsee	x	x			x		x	yes		8	5	3		x		x	x		yes

17.2 Evaluation of the participating cross-country resorts

9 cross-country resorts took part in our survey and provide information on both, small and bigger resorts. 3 of the resorts charge for usage of the runs and at nearly all equipment and an instructor is available.

Cross-country resorts	Number of runs	Total Length km	Do you have to pay for the use?	Sea level	Ski lift necessary to reach the run (or a part of it) ?	Does Flood light exist	Possible to hire equipment	School for cross-country skiing
Aktivzentrum Bodenmais am Bretterschachten	8	114	yes	1120	no	no	no	yes
Langlaufgebiet Gemeinde Bad Hindelang	5	46	no	825-1200	no	yes	yes	yes
Langlaufgebiet Oberstdorf	10	75	no	815-1070	no	yes	yes	yes
Langlaufgebiet Rusel-Geisskopf	8	70	no	700-1100	no	no	yes	yes
Langlaufloipennetz Balderschwang	5	40	yes	1000-1140	no	no	yes	yes
Langlaufparadies Lenggries	7	60	yes	700	no	yes	yes	yes
Liftverbund Feldberg	9	94	no	1300	no	no	yes	no
Loipenparadies Schwarzwaldhochstraße und Obertal-Buhlbachloipen	8	110	no	900-1050	no	yes	yes	yes
Wintersportzentrum Eck-Riedelstein mit Auerhahn- und Riedelstein-Höhenloipe	2	35	no	843	no	no	yes	yes

17.3 Evaluation of the participating indoor resorts

Altogether Germany has 6 indoor skiing resorts and 3 of them took part at our survey. Costs are comparable to a day ticket in a medium sized alpine resort but they only offer 1 or 2 slopes with a total length of 130 – 1754 metres. The higher prices are due to the costs of maintaining the indoor resort.

Equipment for hire and ski instructors are available and *Skihalle Snowtropolis* and *Snow Dome Bispingen* also offer a funpark.

Indoor resort	Kind of indoor activity	Number of runs	Total Length in meter	How long is the longest slope	Slope or a part for beginners?	Slope or a part for advanced?	Costs for an adult on the weekend in the summer	Possible to hire equipment	Does a ski-school exist?	Does a funpark exist?
DKB-Skisport-Halle	artificial snow	2	1754	1200	yes	yes	€ 35	yes	yes	no
Skihalle Snowtropolis	artificial snow	1	130	130	yes	yes	€ 27	yes	yes	yes
Snow Dome Bispingen	artificial snow	2	300	300	yes	yes	€ 29	yes	yes	yes

18 Greece

Capital:	Athens
Official Language(s):	Greek
Currency:	Euro
Calling Code:	0030
Official tourism:	www.gnto.gr

Alpine resorts		Cross-country resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
10	0	6	0

General information about winter in Greece

Greece has a long tradition in tourism and hospitality. Facilitated by plenty of natural, cultural and environmental resources, as well by extended road, air and sea transport infrastructure, tourism boomed in the mid-1970s and goes on successfully till today.

Greek resorts have different product and market profiles, making them capable of satisfying a great diversity of tourism demand. Winter tourism is very intense. Greece, already loved as a summertime getaway, is equally a mountainous, offering enchanting wild natural beauty and many attractive and picturesque destinations to explore. Many of them have been designated as National Parks and are being protected by domestic and international Law, while constituting ideal spots for winter and alpine tourism.

There are around 20 ski resorts located at a 1430m - 2524m height on the mainland country, which remain open during the whole of the snow season (approximately from mid November to late March) and generally offer good quality snow. Temperatures at the heart of winter do not normally fall below -15°C, ranging averagely from -6°C to +2°C.

Greek ski resorts are mostly situated nearby traditional towns and villages of great beauty, where visitors can have access to all kind of consumer goods and services. The resorts themselves are equipped with a variety of modern specifications and facilities (food, recreation, accommodation, first-aid, parking, etc.), in order to cater for all needs and demands possible.

Most of these ski resorts offer programmes for beginners and for intermediate-level skiers, not forgetting of course to satisfy the needs of experienced skiers, who like to test their abilities in more extreme environment. Characteristically, a number of ski runs fulfil Olympic and other international specifications for sport and cross-country skiing. Additionally, visitors can enjoy a series of other sport activities, such as mountaineering, hiking, alpine biking and parachuting. Renting and buying ski equipment is available for higher or sale locally at most of the resorts, many of which operate also ski and snowboard schools for potential skiers.

19 Italy

Capital:	Rome
Official Language(s):	Italian
Currency:	Euro
Calling Code:	0039
Official tourism:	www.italia.it/en

Alpine resorts		Cross-country resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
121	22	93	17

General information about winter in Italy

While Italy is best for its sea resorts, its beaches, cities and culture, winter sports fans appreciate the wide choice of ski resorts Italy has to offer. In fact Italy has over 250 ski areas. For the most part Italian ski resorts are situated in the north of Italy namely in the Alps; but also in the centre and the south of Italy you can go skiing, even on the volcano Etna which is located in Sicily. Some Italian regions like Tuscany, Emilia-Romagna and the Abruzzi offer both beautiful beaches in summer, snow and skiing pleasure in winter.

Besides its world-famous ski resorts like Cortina d'Ampezzo (where the Olympic Winter Games took place), Sestriere, Bormio, Madonna di Campiglio, Courmayeur, Alta Badia, Val Gardena (these spots are known for the ski world cup races which take place there at regular intervals), Italy has also many other lesser known ski areas where the quality of the services and the variety of leisure and amusement opportunities are very high.

Certainly in every ski resort consumers can enjoy excellent Italian cooking with its world-famous pizza and pasta and also specialities of the area.

Due to the fact that each single ski resort is attractive to a specific consumer group (some are preferred by families others by people who like the famous "après-ski" and still others who seek the tranquillity, rest and regeneration) there is an ideal ski resort for everyone.

Many ski resorts not only offer the possibility of skiing and snowboarding but also sledging, ice skating, cross-country skiing and snow shoeing.

Some Italian ski resorts are part of a bigger ski-region and offer a multiple day ski pass for the whole ski-region to interested consumers. Dolomiti Superski is one of these regions and is situated in the North-Eastern part of Italy and is composed of 12 ski areas This ski-region, part of a UNESCO Natural World Heritage Site, is one of the biggest in the world with about 1.200 slope kilometres and 450 ski-lifts.

19.1 Evaluation of the participating alpine resorts

Italy is one of the big ski nations and we received a many resorts took part which gives us the possibility of providing a representative survey. Mostly medium to large ski resorts took part in the survey and the prices are medium to high level. Apart from skiing, nearly all resorts provide a deep snow slope, a funpark and a skating ring.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Bormioski	50	1225-3012	01.12.2012 - 14.04.2013
Breuil-Cervinia Valtouranche	150	1524-3480	27.10.2012 - 05.05.2013
Cima Piazzzi Happy Mountain	15	1345-2364	08.12.2012 - Easter
Comprensorio Sciistico Monterosa Ski	180	1212-3275	01.12.2012 - Easter
Cortina d'Ampezzo	120	1224-2939	
Dolomiti Superski	1 200	1000-3150	01.12.2012 - 07.04.2012
Forni di Sopra	16	880-2068	08.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Funivia Ghiacciai Val Senales	35	2011-3212	Sept.2012 - 05.05.2013
Madonna di Campiglio	60	1510-2444	01.12.2012-14.04.2013
Mera Ski Srl	30	700-1750	01.12.2012-31.03.2012
Piancavallo	25	1240-1865	08.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Plose Ski	42	1065-2512	01.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Rosskopf	16	960-2100	
Santa Caterina Valfurva	35	1732-2887	01.12.2012 - 14.04.2013
Sella Nevea	18	1103-2133	08.12.2012 - 01.05.2013
SkiArea Valchiavenna Madesimo Campodolcino	60	1082-2880	01.12.2012 - 14.04.2013
Skigebiet Meran 2000	40	650-2300	08.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Skigebiet Schöneben am Reschenpass	40	1500-2500	15.12.2012 - 14.04.2013
Tarvisio	33	750-1780	08.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Trevalli - Moena/Lusia - Sn Pellegrino/Falcade	100	1200-2300	01.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Val Gardena Gröden	175	1236-2500	06.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Zoncolan	28	900-2000	08.12.2012 - 01.04.2013

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Bormioski	32,00	129,00		39,00	185,00		39,00	185,00		33,50	132,50
Breuil-Cervinia Valtouranche	27,50	122,50		39,00	204,00		39,00	204,00		32,00	164,00
Cima Piazzzi Happy Mountain	26,00	110,00		33,00	159,00		33,00	159,00		26,00	110,00
Comprensorio Sciistico Monterosa Ski	27,5 ¹	122,50		39 ¹	204,00		39 ¹	204,00		39 ¹	163,50
Cortina d'Ampezzo	32,00	164,00		32,00	164,00		45,00	234,00		41,00	210,00
Dolomiti Superski	35,00	178,00		35,00	178,00		50,00	254,00		45,00	228,00
Forni di Sopra	22,00	132,00		30,00	150,00		35,00	168,00		30,00	150,00
Funivia Ghiacciai Val Senales	27,00	151,00		41,00	216,00		41,00	216,00		36,00	189,00
Madonna di Campiglio	29,00	146,00		29,00	146,00		42,00	209,00		38,00	188,00
Mera Ski Srl	0,00	0,00		26,00	137,00		29,00	151,00		26,00	137,00
Piancavallo	22,00	132,00		30,00	150,00		35,00	168,00		30,00	150,00
Plose Ski	27,00	145,00		27,00	145,00		40,00	207,00		35,00	187,00
Rosskopf	24,00	106,00		33,00	152,00		33,00	152,00		29,00	132,00
Santa Caterina Valfurva	32,00	129,00		39,00	185,00		39,00	185,00		33,50	132,50
Sella Nevea	22,00	132,00		30,00	150,00		35,00	168,00		30,00	150,00
SkiArea Valchiavenna Madesimo Campodolcino	15,00	72,00		26,50	126,00		35,00	166,00		30,00	143,00

Skigebiet Meran 2000	27,50	135,00		36,00	175,00		36,00	175,00		32,00	160,00
Skigebiet Schöneben am Reschenpass	23,50	102,50		34,50	186,50		36,00	186,50		34,50	168,00
Tarvisio	22,00	132,00		30,00	150,00		35,00	168,00		30,00	150,00
Trevalli - Moena/Lusia - Sn Pellegrino/Falcade	29,00	150,00		29 ²	150 ²		42,00	214,00		38 ³	193 ³
Val Gardena Gröden	32,00	164,00		32 ²	164 ²		46,00	234,00		41 ³	210 ³
Zoncolan	22,00	132,00		30,00	150,00		35,00	168,00		30,00	150,00

¹ more expensive for christmas holidays

² born after 01.12.96

³ born before 01.12.47

Additional information

	Slope - Extras							Local leisure activities											
	Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes	Permanent racing track	Track with time measurement	Mogul slope	Carving slope	Tubing course	Floodlight slope	Funpark	Halfpipe	Kicker	Rail	Box	Toboggan run	Cross country ski trails	Skating rink	Ice stick shooting	Sledge riding (with Huskies, horses, reindeers)	Snowmobile rentals / snowmobile tours	Possible to hire equipment
Bormioski	x						x	yes		6	4	4		x	x		x	x	yes
Breuil-Cervinia Valtournenche								yes	2	5	3			x	x			x	yes
Cima Piazzzi Happy Mountain								no						x	x		x	x	no
Comprensorio Sciistico Monterosa Ski	x	x					x	yes				7		x	x				yes
Cortina d'Ampezzo	x	x	x		x			yes		8	3	3		x	x	x		x	yes
Dolomiti Superski	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	yes						x	x	x		x	yes
Forni di Sopra						x		no						x	x	x			yes
Funivia Ghiacciai Val Senales		x	x		x			yes		16	3	11		x	x	x			yes
Madonna di Campiglio			x				x	yes		16	5	12		x	x	x		x	no
Mera Ski Srl	x				x			yes											yes
Piancavallo	x			x		x		yes		9	4	13		x	x	x			yes
Plose Ski	x	x						yes						x	x	x	x		yes
Roskopf	x	x						no						x	x				yes
Santa Caterina Valfurva							x	no						x	x				yes
Sella Nevea	x							no								x			yes
SkiArea Valchiavenna Madesimo Campodolcino							x	yes	1	5	8	3		x	x			x	no
Skigebiet Meran 2000	x	x				x	x	no						x	x		x		yes
Skigebiet Schöneben am Reschenpass	x							yes		8	4	9		x	x	x	x	x	yes
Tarvisio							x	yes		5	3	6		x	x	x		x	yes
Trevalli - Moena/Lusia - Sn Pellegrino/Falcade	x		x			x		no						x	x	x	x	x	yes
Val Gardena Gröden		x	x	x				yes		3	5	5		x	x	x		x	yes
Zoncolan	x							yes		11	2	5		x	x	x			yes

19.2 Evaluation of the participating cross-country resorts

Italy is the country where we received the second most answers for cross-country skiing and also here the variety is huge. There are smaller resorts free of charge and bigger ones that are not.

Cross-country resorts	Number of runs	Total Length km	Do you have to pay for the use?	Sea level	Ski lift necessary to reach the run (or a part of it) ?	Does Flood light exist	Possible to hire equipment	School for cross-country skiing
Alagna Valsesia	3	10	yes	1100	no	no	yes	yes
Ayas Antagnod Champoluc	3	13	yes	1560-2000	no	no	yes	yes
Breuil Cervinia	1	3	yes	2050	no	no	yes	yes
Carezza Ski	3	16	no	1800	no	no	yes	yes
Centro fondo madonna di campiglio	4	21	yes	1640	no	no	yes	yes
Centro Fondo Riale	4	12	yes	1740	no	no	yes	yes
Dolomiti Nordic Ski	21	236	yes	960-2000	yes	no	yes	yes
Fiames Sport Nordic Center Cortina d'Ampezzo	10	70	yes	1286-1880	no	yes	yes	yes
Funivie Ghiacciai Val Senales	2	7	yes	3050-2450	yes	no	yes	no
Hochpustertal - Ihre Ferienregion in Südtirol	49	200	yes	1200-2000	no	yes	yes	yes
Langlaufgebiet Seiser Alm	15	80	yes	1400-2000	yes	no	yes	yes
Langlaufzentrum Langtaufers	4	45	yes	1900	no	no	yes	yes
Pfelders Lazeser Alm	1	12	no	1660-1796	no	no	yes	no
Pista di fondo del Comune di Gaby	4	7,5	no	1000	no	yes	no	no
Skigebiet Meran 2000 - Langlaufloipe Falzeben	1	3	no	1650	yes	no	yes	yes
Val di Fassa	13	70	yes	1200-2200	yes	yes	yes	yes
Val Gardena - Gröden	20	115	yes	1563	no	no	yes	yes

20 Latvia

Capital:	Riga
Official Language(s):	Latvian
Currency:	Latvian Lats (at the official <u>conversion rate</u> from the European Commission from the 01.08.2012: 0,6965)
Calling Code:	00371
Official tourism:	http://www.latvia.travel/en

Alpine resorts		Cross-country resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
31	7	22	1

General information about winter in Latvia

Although Latvia is not a land of mountains, its steep slopes and snow-rich winters are just perfect for short runs with skis or on snowboard. First snow falls in November, but the real ski season starts only around Christmas and continues until the end of March. The coldest month is January. And while it may seem quite unusual, alpine skiing is one of the Latvians most favorite winter-time activities. Ski runs are located in almost every municipality in addition to well-appointed and illuminated tracks where one can engage in cross-country skiing.

The majorities of the ski runs in Latvia are well-kept and equipped with modern ski lifts, and provide good skiing opportunities for children and beginners. It is possible to hire equipment and experience instructors are available. The Latvian Skiing Tracks' Association ensures that skiing runs are in order and that these comply with all quality and safety requirements.

<http://www.latvia.travel/en/skiing-and-snowboarding>

20.1 Evaluation of the participating alpine resorts

Latvia took part at our survey for the first time and 7 resorts completed the questionnaire. All of them are small ones, but have a long season and are quite cheap. In addition all have a "flood lit" slope and 5 also have a funpark.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Atpūtas komplekss "Gaizinš"	2	245-255	15.12.2012 - 10.04.2012
Jēkaba grava	1	85-140	01.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Rāmkalni	0,25	8-43	
Riekstukalns	1,8	42-47	01.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Slēpošanas un atpūtas parks "Ozolkalns", GmbH	2,1	3-83	15.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Žagarkalns	1,5	100-180	01.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Zviedru cepure	1	22-52	15.12.2012 - 01.03.2013

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Atpūtas komplekss "Gaizinš"	5,70	25,00		11,40	50,00		11,40	50,00		5,70	25,00
Jēkaba grava	12,92	n.a		17,23	n.a		17,23	n.a		12,92	n.a
Rāmkalni	4,31	n.a		4,31	n.a		4,31	n.a		4,31	n.a
Riekstukalns	17,22 *	n.a		17,22	n.a		17,22	n.a		17,22 *	n.a
Slēpošanas un atpūtas parks "Ozolkalns"	10,77	57,43		17,23	71,79		17,23	71,79		10,77	57,43
Žagarkalns	7,00	n.a		15,00	n.a		15,00	n.a		15,00	n.a
Zviedru cepure	20,00	n.a		35,00	n.a		50,00	n.a		20,00	n.a

* only tickets for certain hours are cheaper in this category

n.a. = not applicable

Additional information

	Slope - Extras								Local leisure activities							Possible to hire equipment			
	Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes	Permanent racing track	Track with time measurement	Mogul slope	Carving slope	Tubing course	Floodlight slope	Funpark	Halfpipe	Kicker	Rail	Box	Toboggan run	Cross country ski trails	Skating rink		Ice stick shooting	Sledge riding (with Huskies, horses, reindeers)	Snowmobile rentals / snowmobile tours
Atpūtas komplekss "Gaizinš"	x				x	x	x	yes		1	2	2		x					yes
Jēkaba grava	x						x	yes		6	4	2							yes
Rāmkalni							x	yes			1	1							yes
Riekstukalns							x	yes		8	1	1	x	x					yes
Slēpošanas un atpūtas parks "Ozolkalns"	x						x	no					x				x		yes
Žagarkalns							x	yes		4	5	4	x	x					yes
Zviedru cepure							x	no											yes

20.2 Evaluation of the participating cross-country resort

The one participating Latvian cross-country resort has a total length of 16 km and is free of charge. It has a ski-school and equipment for hire is available.

Cross-country resorts	Number of runs	Total Length km	Do you have to pay for the use?	Sea level	Ski lift necessary to reach the run (or a part of it) ?	Does Flood light exist	Possible to hire equipment	School for cross-country skiing
Ogres Zilo kalnu distanču slēpošanas trase	3	16	no	30-60	no	no	yes	yes

21 Lithuania

Capital:	Vilnius
Official Language(s):	Lithuanian
Currency:	Lithuanian Litas (at the official conversion rate from the European Commission from the 01.08.2012: 3,4528)
Calling Code:	00370
Official tourism:	http://www.tourism.lt/en/

Alpine resorts		Cross-country resorts		Indoor resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
4	1	2	0	1	1

General information about winter in Lithuania

In Lithuania there are 7 places where it is possible to ski. Snow falls every year from October to April. The coldest it can get in winter is -34°C (-29°F) in coastal areas and -43°C (-45°F) in the east of Lithuania.

Alpine skiing:

The oldest ski resort is located in Ignalina, which has 4 tracks and 4 funiculars and 2 snow-making systems. They have tracks for beginners and more advanced skiers. Also a snowboard park is available (<http://www.lzsc.lt/news.php>). Other possibilities for skiing can be found at the following places:

- Mountain ski resort "Kalita", which is located in Anykščiai. (<http://www.kalitoskalnas.lt/>)
- Mortos kalns (<http://mortoskalns.lt>)
- Ski resort Birštonas. (<http://www.xteam.lt/LT/173/Slidinejimas-Birstone.htm>)
- Alpine skiing tracks in Alytus (<http://www.alytus-tourism.lt/index.php?id=3499>)

On weekdays the ski resorts are usually open at 12-15 and close at 22 o'clock and on weekends at 10-11 and close at 22 o'clock (some ski resorts are open until till the last customer has finished!).

Indoor skiing:

Druskininkai Snow Arena is the only winter activities complex in the Baltic countries that works all year round with artificial snow. Three ski slopes and a snowboarding park are arranged in an area covering 8 hectares. There are three kinds of lifts in Snow Arena: chair lift, button lift and three Magic Carpets. Ski instructors can be hired at the Snow Arena and the average temperature is about -2°C .

Cross – country skiing:

"Ziemos trasa" is located in Vilnius and offers cross-country runs of the total length of 3 km for free.

Also there are country houses for rent in the surrounding areas, all information concerning country houses, rent, and prices, facilities and photos are available in English on this website:

Useful links:

<http://www.sniegozona.lt/?mod=blog&act=index&lang=lt> (information relating to skiing)

<http://www.xteam.lt/LT/1352/SLIDIN%C4%96JIMAS-LIETUVOJE.htm>

21.1 Evaluation of the participating alpine resort

4 ski resorts were contacted in Lithuania and 1 completed our questionnaire. This resort is very small and cheap, however it offers several slope extras and additional local leisure activities, such as a “flood lit” slope and a skating ring.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
VšĮ Lietuvos žiemos sporto centras	0,73	162-222	15.12.2012 - 30.03.2013

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
VšĮ Lietuvos žiemos sporto centras	8	40		8	40		14	70		14	70

22 Luxembourg

Capital:	Luxembourg
Official Language(s):	Luxembourgish, French, German
Currency:	Euro
Calling Code:	00352
Official tourism:	www.lcto.lu

Cross-country resorts	
Contacted	Answers
4	1

General information about winter in Luxembourg

Luxembourg has a moderate central European climate with gentle winters. Therefore it is hard to predict how much snow and how cold each winter will be. Generally there are only a few days a year where there is snow.

Although that Luxembourg is not really known for winter-sports, there is the possibility to do cross-country skiing in a few communes. When there are good snow conditions especially the higher located Öslingen in the north of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg is suitable for cross-country.

22.1 Evaluation of the participating cross-country resort

From the 4 contacted resorts we received 1 completed questionnaire. This cross-country resort is free of charge, you can hire equipment and the runs are from 7 to 15 km, depending on the winter.

Cross-country resorts	Number of runs	Total Length km	Do you have to pay for the use?	Sea level	Ski lift necessary to reach the run (or a part of it) ?	Does Flood light exist	Possible to hire equipment	School for cross-country skiing
Langlaufpisten in Weiswampach	2	7 - 15 (depends on snow)	no	480	no	no	yes	no

23 The Netherlands

Capital:	Amsterdam
Official Language(s):	Dutch
Currency:	Euro
Calling Code:	0031
Official tourism:	www.holland.com/

Contacted	Answers
16	0

General information about winter in the Netherlands

Although it can be quite cold during winter time, we do not have a lot of snow in the Netherlands. Moreover we do not have any mountains. However the flat landscape doesn't stop Dutchmen from playing winter sports like ice skating, skiing and snowboarding, both at home and abroad. In 2010 more than 1 million skiing holidays were booked in the Netherlands. The most popular destination is Austria, followed by France and Germany.

In the Netherlands there are 7 indoor ski resorts with artificial snow. They all offer a great variety of sports activities in the snow and on the ice like skiing, snowboarding, tubing, ice karting etc. And they all offer skiing and snowboarding lessons. Most of the resorts not only offer sports activities but also shopping, fitness and beauty facilities and last but not least a lively après-ski.

Besides the indoor ski resorts with artificial snow, there are also indoor halls with dry ski runs and countless ski treadmills to practice your skiing. The indoor ski activities are extremely popular as preparation for a skiing holiday.

An overview of all indoor ski activities in the Netherlands can be found under the following link: <http://www.skiing.nl/nederland/skibanenoverzicht.html>

24 Norway

Capital:	Oslo
Official Language(s):	Norwegian
Currency:	Norwegian Krone (at the official <u>conversion rate</u> from the European Commission from the 01.08.2012: 7,422)
Calling Code:	0047
Official tourism:	www.visitnorway.com/

Alpine resorts	
Contacted	Answers
19	1

General information about winter in Norway

Skiing (both alpine and cross country) is Norway's national sport and Norwegians' favourite pastime in the winter. In a land passionate about its history, culture and nature, alpine and cross country skiing is one of the most cherished of all traditions. Children learn how to ski almost before they learn how to walk!

This passion is made possible by the many ski resorts and cross country areas located all over the country. It's a wonderful way of appreciating Norway's stunning and unspoilt landscape.

There are cross country tracks throughout Norway and it's not just affordable, it's free of charge! You can go cross country on maintained trails or go off on your own. It's a multi-generational activity, in which all the members of the family can participate, young and old. It's no surprise that it's an activity loved by all.

As cross country tracks can be found just about everywhere, and can be used for free, there isn't really such a thing as cross country resorts in Norway. That being said, cross country skiing can often be combined with an alpine ski resort vacation, as many ski resorts also have cross country tracks in the area.

The Norwegian ski season typically lasts for six months and usually offers good snow conditions. Slopes and trails usually open in November and the snow often remains light, powdery and deep until April.

First-timers are usually impressed by the fast and efficient lift systems, the rather short lift queues, the modern ski equipment for hire and the fact that the many slopes and tracks are illuminated in the evening when it gets dark. In Norway there are some larger ski areas, situated mainly in Hallingdal and Gudbrandsdal, but most Norwegian ski areas are relatively small. On the other hand, you can find a small ski area in almost every valley suitable for it.

There are even ski resorts located very close to the centre of Oslo, the country's capital. The biggest and best known ski area in the Oslo region is Holmenkollen. The World Ski Championships of 2011 were held there in February. Oslo Winterpark-Tryvann is located by Holmenkollen, only 20 minutes from downtown Oslo (the World Snowboarding Championships were held there in 2012). You can go alpine or cross

country skiing during the day and dine at a nice restaurant in the heart of Oslo in the evening!

- Information about maintained cross country tracks:
 - <http://www.langrenn.com/skisporet-no.4978659-201459.html>
 - <http://skisporet.no/>
- Oslo Vinterpark Tryvann: <http://www.tryvann.no/oslo-skiresort-winter-park-holmenkollen/oslo-skiresort-tryvann/oslo-vinterpark>
- Holmenkollen: <http://www.holmenkollen.com/eng/Home-Holmenkollen/About-Holmenkollen>

24.1 Evaluation of the participating alpine resort

1 alpine resort from Norway participated to our survey. *Eikedalen Skisenter* offers 15 slope km, has a 4 month long season and some slope extras are available. Compared to other resorts of the same size, the prices are a little bit above average.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Eikedalen skisenter	15	450-920	15.12.2012 - 15.04.2013

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Eikedalen skisenter	35	105		35	105		41	130		35	105

25 Poland

Capital:	Warsaw
Official Language(s):	Polish
Currency:	Zloty (at the official <u>conversion rate</u> from the European Commission from the 01.08.2012: 4,1207)
Calling Code:	0048
Official tourism:	www.poland.travel/en-us

Alpine resorts		Cross-country resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
25	4	1	0

General information about winter in Poland

Though Poland is not the most popular skiing nation, it still provides skiing opportunities that may be highly affordable and satisfactory as well. Only here you will be able to find a wide range of slopes, walking routes and accommodation at exceptionally low prices.

Skiers and snowboarders have at their disposal slopes and routes at various levels of difficulty. There are easy ones, appropriate for whole families (e.g. Białka Tatrzańska, Zieleniec), and more challenging ones (e.g. Jaworzyna Krynicka, Czarna Góra, Ustrzyki Dolne, Zakopane) and also slopes for the most demanding skiers (e.g. Nosal in Zakopane or Stożek nearby Wisła). In addition to this there are many cross-country skiing resorts, of which the best is in Jakuszyce (100 km of professional routes). Polana Jakuszycka, is a unique cross-country skiing centre, offering 156 days of permanent snow. Other well-known cross-country skiing resorts are located in Duszniki Zdrój (Jamrozowa Polana) or nearby Wisła (Kubalonka).

The heart of the Polish Mountains lies at the feet of the Tatry Mountains. The most notable destination here is Zakopane. With a century-old skiing tradition and access to over 50 world-class ski lifts and slopes. Nearby, Kasprowy Wierch, Kocioł Goryczkowy and well-known Gubałówka offer slopes for all levels of skiers.

The Pieniny Mountains range is located in the southern part of Poland, not far from Tatry Mountains. The highest and most spectacular mountain is Trzy Korony (Tree Crowns), located on the Polish and Slovakian border.

Another Polish ski resort worth visiting is Szklarska Poręba, which is located in the Karkonosze Mountains. Also Karpacz is located there, a resort of 100 days of permanent snow and well-prepared ski routes.

Szczyrk and Krynica Zdrój are the best choices in case you are looking for an intimate ski resort where you can enjoy your stay undisturbed. Krynica Zdrój is the biggest “wellness” centre in Poland, celebrated for its fresh, clean air and over twenty springs of highly mineralized water. For this reason, and numerous spas located nearby, Krynica is most popular with seniors and families with children. The most popular tourist resort in the Silesian Beskids is Wisła - a destination favoured by ski jumpers. Winter in Wisła is a skiers’ and snowboarders’ Paradise. There are over 20 ski lifts in the neighbourhood.

If you are interested in rather easier, family-friendly slopes they are numerous in Polish mountains including resorts: Bukowina Tarzańska, Karpacz - Kopa or Zieleniec.

Useful links:

<http://www.narty.pl>

<http://www.e-wyciagi.pl/en/>

<http://www.europe-mountains.com/>

Mountain Rescue Service in Poland: 0048 601 100 300 www.topr.pl / www.gopr.pl.

25.1 Evaluation of the participating alpine resorts

Poland has a wide variety of ski resorts and 4 of them took part at our survey. They belong to the categories 0-2 and 3-10 km and the seasons starts at the beginning of December. The prices range from cheap to medium and only in *Siepraw-Ski* slope extras are available.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Dwie Doliny Muszyna - Wierchomla	8	640-1020	01.12.2012 - 31.03.2013
Olczań-ski	2	870-940	01.12.2012 - 31.03.2012
Ośrodek Sportu i Rekreacji "Góra Kamieński"	0,72	212-335	01.12.2012 - 31.03.2013
Siepraw-Ski	0,4	330-390	

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult	Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Dwie Doliny Muszyna - Wierchomla	30,00	73,00	32,00	76,00	32,00	76,00	32,00	76,00
Olczań-ski	18,00	76,00	21,00	85,00	21,00	85,00	18,00	76,00
Ośrodek Sportu i Rekreacji "Góra Kamieński"	1,46	n.a	15,53	n.a	19,41	n.a	1,46	n.a
Siepraw-Ski	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a	n.a

n.a. = not applicable

Additional information

	Slope - Extras							Local leisure activities						
	Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes	Permanent racing track	Track with time measurement	Mogul slope	Carving slope	Tubing course	Floodlight slope	Toboggan run	Cross country ski trails	Skating rink	Ice stick shooting	Sledge riding (with Huskies, horses, reindeers)	Snowmobile rentals / snowmobile tours	Possible to hire equipment
Dwie Doliny Muszyna - Wierchomla							yes		x			x	x	yes
Olczański							no		x			x	x	yes
Ośrodek Sportu i Rekreacji "Góra Kamieński"							yes	x						yes
Siepraw-Ski			x				no							yes

26 Portugal

Capital:	Lisbon
Official Language(s):	Portuguese
Currency:	Euro
Calling Code:	00351
Official tourism:	www.visitportugal.com/

Alpine resorts	
Contacted	Answers
3	0

General information about winter in Portugal

Portuguese people have only relatively recently been able to practice winter sports, which are being developed and are proving very attractive to young people. Among the main resorts are:

Mountain Resorts:

Cliffs of Health Mountain Resort

This resort is located at an altitude of 1,500m. It boasts a hotel, restaurants, a youth hostel and tourist villas, for holidaymakers and skiers. Since it is also located in a residential area, other commercial facilities are also available.

Golden Cliffs/Rossim Valley Mountain Resort

This resort overlooks the town of Manteigas. The accommodation available here includes the Pousada de S. Lourenço (St. Lawrence Inn) and a camping site. The nearby lake in the Rossim Valley is breathtakingly beautiful.

(<http://www.valedorossimecoresort.com/>)

Sabugueiro

This is the main mountain village in the Serra da Estrela, in terms of shopping and restaurants. You can also find various rural holiday lets here.

Skiparque, Sports and Free Times, Lda

This company manages the Serra da Estrela Ski Park in Manteigas, a synthetic ski slope. The company's main activities include a skiing school, paragliding (also with a school), a horse-riding centre and an adventure park. (<http://www.rt-serradaestrela.pt/index.php/en/>)

Indoor resorts:

Viseu Palácio do Gelo (Ice Palace)

This ice rink is 600 meters² and it is located in the center of Portugal. The rink is part of a Shopping Center and it includes an ice skate school.

<http://www.palaciogelo.pt/content-pista-de-gelo.aspx?pid=42&cid=78>

27 Romania

Capital:	Bucharest
Official Language(s):	Romanian
Currency:	New Romanian Leu (at the official <u>conversion rate</u> from the European Commission from the 01.08.2012: 4,5635)
Calling Code:	0040
Official tourism:	www.romaniatourism.com

Alpine resorts		Cross-country resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
12	3	12	0

General information about winter in Romania

Over a quarter of Romania is covered by mountains. The Carpathian Mountains dominate the centre of Romania, with 14 mountain ranges reaching above 2,000 m, and the highest point at Moldoveanu Peak (2,544 m). The winters can be very cold in Romania, for example last winter -30 degrees Celsius were registered. The first snow falls in the mountains in October/November or even sooner and the last fall is usually in March/April. In Romania there are no ski resorts, comparable to those in other countries, but there are very good ski slopes and cross country runs. Almost all ski slopes are run by the state or the municipality and the lifts are either property of the state/municipality or are leased to a third party. The most important and well known ski slopes are located in the centre of the country in the county of Prahova and the county of Brasov. In Prahova the skiing area is the Prahova Valley and in Brasov the skiing area is Poiana Brasov which is also the name of the main city in the area. Predeal is another city with ski slopes and is in Brasov. In Prahova Valley the important cities where the ski slopes are located are: Sinaia, Azuga, and Busteni. The ski slopes are located on the DN1 road that connects Prahova and Brasov and the southern part of the country to the central part. In the last years the north part of the country, especially Vatra Dornei County, where the painted monasteries are located has developed a lot in the terms of tourism. New slopes are available in this region.

27.1 Evaluation of the participating alpine resorts

We contacted 12 resorts of Romania and 3 participated to our survey. Two of them are rather small, between 2 and 4 km and whereas the other one has 22 slope km, nevertheless all have similar prices. Also, all of them offer a permanent racing track and cross-country ski trails.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Cazacu	2,123	978-1525	01.12.2012 - 31.03.2012
Poiana Brasov	22	1000-1720	approx. 20.12.2012-31.03.2013
Suior	3,6	688-989	01.12.2012 - 01.04.2013

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Cazacu	18,00	n.a.		27,00	n.a.		27,00	n.a.		27,00	n.a.
Poiana Brasov	18,00	n.a.		30,00	n.a.		30,00	n.a.		30,00	n.a.
Suior	13,00	66,00		21,00	108,00		21,00	108,00		21,00	108,00

n.a. = not applicable

Additional information

	Slope - Extras							Local leisure activities							Possible to hire equipment				
	Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes	Permanent racing track	Track with time measurement	Mogul slope	Carving slope	Tubing course	Floodlight slope	Funpark	Halfpipe	Kicker	Rail	Box	Toboggan run	Cross country ski trails		Skating rink	Ice stick shooting	Sledge riding (with Huskies, horses, reindeers)	Snowmobile rentals / snowmobile tours
Cazacu	x	x						no						x				x	yes
Poiana Brasov	x	x			x			no						x	x			x	yes
Suior		x			x			no						x			x		yes

28 Slovakia

Capital:	Bratislava
Official Language(s):	Slovak
Currency:	Euro
Calling Code:	00421
Official tourism:	http://www.slovakia.travel/

Alpine resorts		Cross-country resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
48	14	17	4

General information about winter in Slovakia

Winter in Slovakia does not only mean skiing. The fans of snowboarding and lovers of adventurous sports will also be satisfied. Tourists can try ski touring, go trekking with mountain guides, try the sledge tracks, snowtubing and paragliding in snow-covered valleys. There are various opportunities for winter recreation activities in aquaparks with thermal water swimming pools under the open sky, “wellness” services and fun in the evenings in the hotels.

In Slovakia there are modern centres with a vibrant atmosphere which have recently seen a lot of investment and its facilities now rival most of the better-known European ski resorts but with considerably lower prices. Ski centres are ready for all skiers from the less demanding to the most demanding ones.

The slopes tend to be well laid out, some resorts can be lacking in more challenging terrain, but facilities for beginners and intermediate skiers are generally pretty good. In recent years the snow in Slovakia has been a match for anywhere in the world.

Tourists can choose between the Low Carpathians (Malé Karpaty), Low Tatras (Nízke Tatry), High Tatras (Vysoké Tatry) in the North and Low Beskydy (Nízke Beskydy) in the east. There are excellent rental services who offer up-to-date equipment and also facilities for children, such as kindergartens, ski instructors and fun ski centres. The High Tatras offers endless number of skiing slopes even for the most demanding skiers. There are excellent slopes directly under the Slavkovský Peak (Slavkovský štít) in Hrebienok. This is also a starting point for easy winter hiking to the Studenovodske Waterfalls (Studenovodské vodopády) which offer an exquisite view of icy cascades and water columns.

More advanced skiing and best free-ride opportunities are to be found in Jasná Low Tatras and Park Snow High Tatras. Other opportunities include the Ski Park Ružomberok, Snow Paradise Veľká Rača near Oščadnica, wonderful and popular Park Snow Donovaly with the most up-to-date chair lifts, Winter park Martinky, Vrátna, Jasenská Valley and countless number of others. The Jasná ski resort is a top resort for unconventional free-ride snowboarding and free-skiing and has 5 free-ride zones. However Vrátna Free Time Zone is well worth a visit because both ski resorts are perfect for everyone who loves adventure and free ride.

Those who want to admire the beauty of snowy landscapes can make use of well kept cross-country skiing trails of various degrees of difficulty and lengths. The most famous ones are in Štrbské Pleso, Tatranská Lomnica and Skalka in Kremnica. Slovakia is also attractive for fans of ski touring which has become more and more popular.

Skiing in Slovakia can be combined with other recreation activities at the same time - there are numerous spa resorts and wellness centres. Spa resorts such as Bešeňová, Nový Smokovec, Turčianske Teplice, Trenčianske Teplice and Bardejov where tourists can enjoy flawless services.

General information about skiing in Slovakia is available at:

<http://www.visitslovakia.com/>
<http://www.visitslovakia.com/skiing-4>

List of ski resorts:

<http://www.slovakia.travel/portal.aspx?l=2&ami=108057&smi=108057>

28.1 Evaluation of the participating alpine resorts

In Slovakia 14 of 48 contacted resorts completed the questionnaire. They have between 1 and 42 slope kms and the price level is cheap to medium. All of them offer various slope extras or local leisure activities.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Jasná Nízke Tatry Sever&Juh	41,274	900-2024	01.12.2012 - 30.04.2013
Orava Snow	8,6	760-960	01.12.2012 - 15.04.2013
Park Snow Donovaly	11	910-1361	01.12.2012 - 15.04.2013
Pezinska Baba	3,3	403-595	15.12.2012 - 15.03.2013
Relax Center Plejsy	10	470-912	20.12.2012 - 31.03.2013
Šachtičky	10,5	700-1102	10.12.2012 - 10.04.2013
Salamandra Resort - Hodruša Hámre	1,5	579-850	15.12.2012 - 15.03.2013
Skalka arena	5,51	990-1252	01.12.2012 - 08.04.2013
Ski Centre Levoča	3,3	634-876	15.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Ski Krahule Stred Európy	3	900-1060	25.12.2012 - 20.03.2013
Ski/Sun area Makovica	0,9	468-680	20.12.2012 - 15.3.2013
Skiarena Fačkovské sedlo (Kľak)	5,8	806-1063	27.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Snowland Valčianska dolina	4,7	510-830	15.12.2012 - 31.03.2013
Winter Park Martinky	13,29	1150-1456	15.12.2012- 15.04.2013

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Jasná Nízke Tatry Sever&Juh	25,00	133,00		28,00	152,00		35,00	190,00		28,00	152,00
Orava Snow	11,00	55,00		15,00	76,00		15,00	76,00		11,00	55,00
Park Snow Donovaly	18,00	76,00		21,00	87,00		26,00	109,00		21,00	87,00
Pezinska Baba	9,50	45,00		12,00	56,00		15,00	70,00		12,00	56,00
Relax Center Plejisy	14,00	67,00		15,00	85,00		17,00	85,00		14,00	67,00
Šachtičky	15,00	72,00		15,00	72,00		20,00	96,00		15,00	72,00
Salamandra Resort - Hodruša Hámre	9,00	47,60		15,60	82,40		19,50	103,00		15,60	82,40
Skalka arena	10,50	49,00		14,00	65,50		17,00	82,00		10,50	49,00
Ski Centre Levoča	13,00	63,00		13,00	63,00		16,00	70,00		14,40	63,00
Ski Krahule Stred Európy	12,00	60,00		17,00	90,00		17,00	90,00		12,00	60,00
Ski/Sun area Makovica	13,00	60,00		13,00	60,00		13,00	60,00		13,00	60,00
Skiarena Fačkovské sedlo (Kľak)	10,00	34,00		10,00	34,00		15,00	50,00		15,00	50,00
Snowland Valčianska dolina	12,00	58,00		17,00	82,00		17,00	82,00		12,00	58,00
Winter Park Martinky	15,00	79,00		18,00	90,00		22,00	113,00		18,00	90,00

Additional information

	Slope - Extras							Local leisure activities					Possible to hire equipment						
	Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes	Permanent racing track	Track with time measurement	Mogul slope	Carving slope	Tubing course	Floodlight slope	Funpark	Halfpipe	Kicker	Rail	Box	Toboggan run	Cross country ski trails	Skating rink	Ice stick shooting	Sledge riding (with Huskies, horses, reindeers)	Snowmobile rentals / snowmobile tours	Possible to hire equipment
Jasná Nízke Tatry Sever&Juh	x				x		x	yes		1	3	2	x	x			x	x	yes
Orava Snow							x	yes		2	1	1			x		x		yes
Park Snow Donovaly	x				x		x	yes		3	2	6	x	x			x	x	yes

Pezinska Baba							x	yes		1	1	1						x	yes
Relax Center Plejsy	x							no											yes
Šachtičky	x	x			x	x	x	no										x	yes
Salamandra Resort - Hodruša Hámre							x	yes										x	yes
Skalka arena							x	yes		1	1	1						x	yes
Ski Centre Levoča							x	no										x	yes
Ski Krahule Stred Európy							x	no										x	yes
Ski/Sun area Makovica	x					x		yes		3	3	4						x	no
Skiarena Fačkovské sedlo (Kľak)	x	x			x	x	x	no										x	yes
Snowland Valčianska dolina	x						x	no		1	1	1						x	yes
Winter Park Martinky	x							yes		6	12	1							yes

28.2 Evaluation of the participating cross-country resorts

4 of the 17 contacted cross-country resorts took part at our survey and have between 6 and 19 km. *Snowparadise Veľká Rača Oščadnica* is the only which charges a fee and where a lift is necessary in order to reach the runs (or a part of it).

Cross-country resorts	Number of runs	Total Length km	Do you have to pay for the use?	Sea level	Ski lift necessary to reach the run (or a part of it) ?	Does Flood light exist	Possible to hire equipment	School for cross-country skiing
Lyžiarske stredisko Jasenská dolina - bežecké trate A,B	2	6,5	no	540-760	no	no	yes	no
Park Snow Donovaly	3	18,4	no	980	no	no	yes	no
Pezinská Baba	3	8	no	570	no	no	yes	yes
Snowparadise Veľká Rača Oščadnica	3	8	yes	970-1200	yes	no	no	no

29 Slovenia

Capital:	Ljubljana
Official Language(s):	Slovene
Currency:	Euro
Calling Code:	00386
Official tourism:	www.slovenia.info/

Alpine resorts		Cross-country resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
7	4	2	2

General information about winter in Slovenia

Skiing is a very popular sport in Slovenia. There are several dozen fully maintained ski centres stretching out across the corner of the Alps that extends into Slovenia. Artificial snow machines ensure fun even during milder winters. Almost all of Slovenia's ski centres feature direct access to and from the lowlands. This easy access and the proximity of urban centres are enhanced by modern cable lift facilities. The features that characterize almost all of Slovenia's ski centres are their small size and changing landscape.

All the ski resorts in Slovenia are suitable for families as they offer plenty of beginner and intermediate runs, and very competitively priced ski lessons, in a friendly relaxed atmosphere. The major ski resort in Slovenia is Kranjska Gora, but there are also other ski areas all over the country (Ski Centre Krvavec, Ski centre Rogla, Ski Center Stari Vrh, Ski centre Vogel, Ski centre Cerčno, Mariborsko Pohorje etc). The connected ski resort Kanin – Sella Nevea is one of the few cross-border ski center in Europe. With its new cableway and piste, the two ski resorts have become one. The connected ski resort operates with a single ski pass, enabling access from both the Slovenian (Bovec) and Italian (Sella Nevea) sides of the mountain. There is no higher ski resort in the area, nor is there one with such a long skiing season – until the beginning of May.

Snowboarders are welcome at all of Slovenia's ski centres. Many of them expect more than just zigzag along the established runs, so some centres have specially arranged snow parks for them. Boarders can savour the delights and heightened adrenaline of freestyle at Vogel, Rogla, Cerčno and Kranjska Gora. Meanwhile beginners as well as those who are more experienced in this attractive sport can work up their skills with properly trained snowboarding instructors as most established ski schools offer snowboarding instruction. All the bigger Slovenian ski centres and most of the smaller ones have licensed ski instructors who offer individual or group lessons at prices that compare favourably with neighbouring countries. The ski schools also offer rental of all necessary ski equipment. When snow falls in the lowlands, cross-country trails are available close to many of the tourist locations. Many trails are laid out through picturesque glades and they are usually free of charge. The best-known trails are in Pokljuka, the world-famous biathlon centre with its new, well-equipped sports centre and hotel. Cross-country

skiers also like to head off to the unspoilt valley of Logarska Dolina in the Solčavsko area, which was a European Destination of Excellence 2009.

29.1 Evaluation of the participating alpine resorts

4 ski resorts in Slovenia participated to our survey and they have between 18-30 slope km. The costs are pretty much the same in all 4, but due to the slope extras and leisure activities the resorts target different kind of tourists.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Rekreacijsko Turistični Centre Krvavec	30	609-1971	01.12.2012 - 01.05.2013
RTC Žičnice Kranjska Gora d.d.	20	810-1295	01.12.2012
Smučarski center Cerklje ob Gori	18	947-1291	
Vogel	18	569-1795	approx. 15.12.2012 - 15.04.2013

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Rekreacijsko Turistični Centre Krvavec	16,00	73,00		25,00	116,00		29,00	134,00		25,00	116,00
RTC Žičnice Kranjska Gora d.d.	19,50	n.a.		26,00	n.a.		30,00	n.a.		26,00	n.a.
Smučarski center Cerklje ob Gori	17,00	81,00		24,50	115,00		28,00	126,00		21,00	115,00
Vogel	17,00	91,00		23,00	138,00		27,00	140,00		23,00	138,00

n.a. = not applicable

Additional information

	Slope - Extras								Local leisure activities										
	Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes	Permanent racing track	Track with time measurement	Mogul slope	Carving slope	Tubing course	Floodlight slope	Funpark	Halfpipe	Kicker	Rail	Box	Toboggan run	Cross country ski trails	Skating rink	Ice stick shooting	Sledge riding (with Huskies, horses, reindeers)	Snowmobile rentals / snowmobile tours	Possible to hire equipment
Rekreacijsko Turistični Centre Krvavec	x	x	x	x		x		yes		6	5	4	x	x				x	yes
RTC Žičnice Kranjska Gora d.d.		x				x	x	yes				4	4	x	x	x	x		yes
Smučarski center Cerkno	x	x						yes	1	1	2	2	x	x					yes
Vogel	x					x		yes		2	5	3		x					yes

29.2 Evaluation of the participating cross-country resorts

In Slovenia both of the contacted cross-country resorts completed our questionnaire and offer 25 and 30 km. Športni center Triglav Pokljuka has a “flood lit” slope and is free of charge. Both have a ski school and equipment for hire is available.

Cross-country resorts	Number of runs	Total Length km	Do you have to pay for the use?	Sea level	Ski lift necessary to reach the run (or a part of it) ?	Does Flood light exist	Possible to hire equipment	School for cross-country skiing
Športni center Triglav Pokljuka	10	30	no	1350	no	yes	yes	yes
Tekaski Center Petre Majdic	6	25	yes	1500	no	no	yes	yes

30 Spain

Capital:	Madrid
Official Language(s):	Spanish
Currency:	Euro
Calling Code:	0034
Official tourism:	www.spain.info/

Alpine resorts		Indoor resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
10	3	1	0

General information about winter in Spain

In spite of being famous for its high temperatures, there is plenty of snow in Spain. As the second most mountainous country in Europe (after Switzerland), Spain has incredible skiing and for ski fanatics craving some downhill action there are over 36 resorts from which to choose when skiing in Spain.

At the end of November first snow falls and a total of 29 ski resorts start functioning, making a total of more than 1000 km of slopes.

Spain ski resorts have excellent infrastructures and connections with the main cities, as Barcelona and Madrid. Also, most of them have complementary offers around the slopes, so consumers have the possibility to practice other sports in nature.

Last season, Spain ski resorts received more than 6 million visitors and 32 million Euros were invested in the improvement of installations and services, and making them more accessible for physically handicapped people.

Consumers can choose between different kinds of resorts. The most challenging slopes are Baqueira Beret (in Catalonia's Pyrenees) and Sierra Nevada (in Andalusia). Medium-level slopes are concentrated in the Aragon's Pyrenees (Astún, Candanchú, Cerler, Formigal y Panticosa). The rest are spread all over the country and are less challenging, ideal for long distance-skiing and for those who want to combine this sport with other activities, leisure and tourism.

The best Spanish ski resorts are in the Pyrenees which are comparable with the mid-sized Alpine resorts. Further south, above Granada in Andalusia is the Sierra Nevada which in spite of its sunny climate has hosted the World Alpine Ski Championships.

For high class skiing in Spain, you can't beat the Pyrenees, with ski resorts all along the border with France, while for the sheer novelty of skiing in the south of Spain and being able to go to the beach on the same day, the Sierra Nevada is perfect.

You'll also find some delightful skiing in the mountains to the north of Madrid in La Pinilla, Navacerrada, Valcotos and Valdesquí.

Madrid also boasts one of the largest indoor ski resorts in Europe allowing you to ski 365 days a year no matter what the weather or ability level.

There are 29 skiable mountains in Spain, in places such as Asturias, Cantabria, Galicia, Castilla y León, La Rioja, Cataluña, Aragón, Madrid and Andalucía. Among the best regions:

Pyrenees

There are excellent conditions for skiing. It's easiest to divide it into 3 regions: *Aragonese Pyrenees*, *Catalan Pyrenees* and *Andorran Pyrenees*. The best areas are the axial and oriental, where most of the ski resorts are located.

Central Mountains

Between the region of Madrid and the province of Segovia, there are suitable conditions for skiing. Ski resorts like Navacerrada, Valdeski or La Pinilla are the point of reference for skiers in this area.

Sierra Nevada

Is one of the most important sports centres in the province of Granada. One of the peaks it boasts is 3.392 m high (Pico Veleta), the highest of all skiable mountains in Spain.

Useful links:

<http://www.tourspain.es/en/HOME/ListadoMenu.htm?Language=en>

<http://www.spain.info/en/>

http://www.spain.info/en/disfruta/con_el_deporte/estacion-esqui/

30.1 Evaluation of the participating alpine resorts

10 ski resorts in Spain were contacted and we received 3 completed questionnaires. The 3 ski resorts which participated are quite different from one another so they satisfy a wide range of tastes. Only the price is pretty the same from 30 – 37 Euro.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Estacion de esquí de Candanchu	40	1560-2400	01.12.2012 - 14.04.2013
Puerto de Navacerrada - Estación de Esquí	5,5	1860-2200	01.12.2012 - 01.04.2013
Valdesqui	22,13	1860-2278	01.12.2012

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Estacion de esquí de Candanchu	29,00	n.a.		36,00	n.a.		36,00	n.a.		25,00	n.a.
Puerto de Navacerrada - Estación de Esquí	25,00	n.a.		30,00	n.a.		30,00	n.a.		30,00	n.a.
Valdesqui	37 *	n.a.		37,00	n.a.		37,00	n.a.		32,00	n.a.

* inclusive the ski equipment
n.a. = not applicable

Additional information

	Slope - Extras							Funpark	Halfpipe	Kicker	Rail	Box	Local leisure activities				Possible to hire equipment
	Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes	Permanent racing track	Track with time measurement	Mogul slope	Carving slope	Tubing course	Floodlight slope						Toboggan run	Cross country ski trails	Skating rink	Ice stick shooting	
Estacion de esqui de candanchu	x	x					yes					10	x	x	x		yes
Puerto de Navacerrada - Estación de Esquí							no						x	x			yes
Valdesqui							no										yes

31 Sweden

Capital:	Stockholm
Official Language(s):	Swedish
Currency:	Swedish Krona (at the official <u>conversion rate</u> from the European Commission from the 01.08.2012: 8,3488)
Calling Code:	0046
Official tourism:	www.visitsweden.com

Alpine resorts		Cross-country resorts		Indoor resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
18	3	14	2	1	0

General information about skiing in Sweden

Most ski resorts in Sweden provide alpine and cross country skiing that is suitable for all levels of ability and also provide a vast selection of non skiing activities such as dog sleigh tours, ice climbing, snow mobile safaris, fun snow parks, ice fishing and Iceland pony treks.

The southern part of the Swedish skiing region is on the same latitude as Denmark so the weather is often mild. Swedish ski resorts have a snow guarantee from December until April/May; when needed there are snow guns which spray snow at the slopes during the night. In the northern parts it is often cold and makes for great snow conditions and the long bright evenings offer midnight skiing during spring.

All Swedish ski resorts are well-suited for families and beginners, and provide very good ski schools. At the resorts you can find all you need for your vacation. You have several accommodation options to choose from - quality hotels, cottages or hostels. There are grocery stores, shops, children areas, ski rental shops and restaurants, pubs and nightclubs. Some also have swimming pools or spa facilities. What you also can expect when you book a skiing holiday in Sweden is that most of the slopes are within walking (or skiing) distance.

With the Torsby Ski Tunnel, Sweden also has an indoor facility. There is a 1,3 km long track that follows the natural topography of the landscape and is the only indoor biathlon arena in the world.

Welcome to a skiing holiday in Sweden!

<http://www.skistar.com/en/>

<http://www.skiinfo.com/Country/Sweden-ESE-9671-en.ihtml>

<http://www.visitsweden.com/sweden/Things-to-do/Adventure--Sports/Skiing/Ski-resorts/>

31.1 Evaluation of the participating alpine resorts

Of the 18 contacted ski resorts in Sweden 3 filled in our questionnaire. They offer from 4 to 50 slope km and the costs for an adult day ticket are from 27 to 37 Euros. A “flood lit” slope and a cross country run are available at all the resorts.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Hemavan/Tärnaby	35	450-1135	01.11.2012 - 01.05.2013
Hovfjället	4	392-548	15.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Vemdalen	50	465-1022	01.12.2012 - 21.04.2013

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Hemavan/Tärnaby	24,00	106,00		24,00	106,00		27,00	124,00		24,00	106,00
Hovfjället	27,07	104,17		33,55	130,65		33,55	130,65		27,07	104,17
Vemdalen	20,00	136,00		20,00	136,00		37,00	170,00		20,00	136,00

Additional information

	Slope - Extras							Local leisure activities							Possible to hire equipment				
	Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes	Permanent racing track	Track with time measurement	Mogul slope	Carving slope	Tubing course	Floodlight slope	Funpark	Halfpipe	Kicker	Rail	Box	Toboggan run	Cross country ski trails	Skating rink	Ice stick shooting	Sledge riding (with Huskies, horses, reindeers)	Snowmobile rentals / snowmobile tours	
Hemavan/Tärnaby	x	x					x	yes		8	10	10		x	x			x	yes
Hovfjället							x	yes		2	2	1		x			x		yes
Vemdalen							x	yes		5	10	8	x	x			x	x	yes

31.2 Evaluation of the participating cross-country resorts

The 2 participating Swedish cross-country resorts offer 43 and 67 km, have a “flood lit” run, a ski school and have a equipment for hire. Both resorts have a lift and *Långbergets Sporthotell AB* charges a fee for the usage of the run.

Cross-country resorts	Number of runs	Total Length km	Do you have to pay for the use?	Sea level	Ski lift necessary to reach the run (or a part of it) ?	Does Flood light exist	Possible to hire equipment	School for cross-country skiing
Kläppen ski resort ab	4	43	no	340-655	yes	yes	yes	yes
Långbergets Sporthotell AB	7	67	yes	630	yes	yes	yes	yes

32 Switzerland

Capital:	Bern
Official Language(s):	German, French, Italian, Romansh
Currency:	Swiss Franc (at the official conversion rate from the European Commission from the 01.08.2012: 1,201)
Calling Code:	0041
Official tourism:	www.myswitzerland.com

Alpine resorts		Cross-country resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
25	6	26	8

General information about winter in Switzerland

Due to its favourable location, Switzerland is - besides Italy and Austria - one of the top skiing nations. Although alpine skiing, snowboarding and cross-country skiing are predominant, "Schlitteln" (sledge riding) is also popular.

Winter tourists represent two-thirds of all visitors who visit Switzerland. Skiers and snowboarders all over Europe are attracted to the Alps, a large part of which are situated in Switzerland. Resorts like St. Moritz, Zermatt or Davos, are world famous and large sums have been invested in making the resorts attractive to tourists.

Swiss resorts attract not only a large number of domestic skiers and snowboarders but also an ever increasing number of foreign tourists. Although there is an offer of very attractive public transport system both in terms of costs and availability, unfortunately most tourist continues to use their private cars.

Due to lack of snow and the rise of the temperature in medium altitude areas, which has been registered over the last years, only high mountains are to some degree "snow guaranteed". That is the reason why these areas have increased in capacity.

32.1 Evaluation of the participating alpine resorts

Switzerland is a well known country for skiing and the 6 filled in questionnaires we received represent mostly big ski regions. The day ski pass is quite expensive, but in return the resorts provide a huge variety of slope extras and leisure activities. For instance, all the resorts have a funpark.

Alpine resorts	Slope km	Sea level in m	Season
Flumserberg	65	425-2222	01.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Lauchernalp/Lötschental	55	1419-3111	15.12.2012 - 15.04.2013
Lenzerheide	155	1229-2865	24.11.2012 - 14.04.2013
Matterhorn ski paradise	360	1600-3883	24.11.2012 - 21.04.2013
Motta Naluns, Scuol	80	1250-2783	15.12.2012 - 07.04.2013
Sörenberg	53	1100-2350	15.12.2012 - 07.04.2013

Costs

	Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)	6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)		Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)	6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)		Day Ski Pass Adult	6 Day Ski Pass Adult		Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)	6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)
Flumserberg	25,00	102,00		32,00	135,00		50,00	203,00		50,00	203,00
Lauchernalp/Lötschental	23,00	121,00		38,00	200,00		44,00	222,00		44,00	222,00
Lenzerheide	18,00	86,00		37,00	175,00		54,00	261,00		43,00	208,00
Matterhorn ski paradise	0,00	0,00		53,00	262,00		62,00	309,00		59,00	290,00
Motta Naluns, Scuol	23,31	101,59		37,47	165,70		45,79	202,34		42,46	188,19
Sörenberg	20,00	100,00		35,85	170,85		40,85	198,35		35,85	170,85

Additional information

	Slope - Extras								Local leisure activities										
	Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes	Permanent racing track	Track with time measurement	Mogul slope	Carving slope	Tubing course	Floodlight slope	Funpark	Halfpipe	Kicker	Rail	Box	Toboggan run	Cross country ski trails	Skating rink	Ice stick shooting	Sledge riding (with Huskies, horses, reindeers)	Snowmobile rentals / snowmobile tours	Possible to hire equipment
Flumserberg								yes						x			x		yes
Lauchernalp/Lötschental	x			x	x		x	yes		3	2	1		x					yes
Lenzerheide	x	x	x		x		x	yes		7	2	12		x	x	x	x		yes
Matterhorn ski paradise	x	x	x	x	x			yes	1	4	4	3		x	x	x			no
Motta Naluns, Scuol	x	x	x					yes						x	x	x	x		yes
Sörenberg	x	x		x	x		x	yes					x	x	x		x		yes

32.2 Evaluation of the participating cross-country resorts

8 Swiss cross-country resorts participated to our report and offer a wide variety of choice. There are resorts from 25 to 247 km, for some it is necessary to use a lift and others offer night cross-country skiing. Some charge a fee and at all equipment for hire and ski instructors are available.

Cross-country resorts	Number of runs	Total Length km	Do you have to pay for the use?	Sea level	Ski lift necessary to reach the run (or a part of it) ?	Does Flood light exist	Possible to hire equipment	School for cross-country skiing
Destination Davos Klosters	29	197	no	1560	no	yes	yes	yes
Engadin St. Moritz	68	247	yes	1474-1907	no	yes	yes	yes
Engelberg	3	36	yes	1000-1300	yes	yes	yes	yes
Lenk im Simmental	3	62	yes	1060-1102 / 1850	yes	yes	yes	yes
Les Diablerets	5	30	no	1155-1700 / 3000	yes	no	yes	yes
Leukerbad / Gemmi	8	46	no	2200	yes	no	yes	yes
Loipe Matterhorn Täsch Randa	2	15	yes	1450	no	no	yes	yes
Lötschental	6	24	yes	1376-1787	no	yes	yes	yes

33 United Kingdom

Capital:	London
Official Language(s):	English
Currency:	Pound sterling (at the official <u>conversion rate</u> from the European Commission from the 01.08.2012: 0,77985)
Calling Code:	0044
Official tourism:	www.visitbritain.com

Alpine resorts		Indoor resorts	
Contacted	Answers	Contacted	Answers
7	0	3	0

General information about winter in the United Kingdom

The majority of ski resorts in the UK are artificial. One of the benefits of artificial ski slopes is that they enable novices to learn and get to grips with skiing and are ideal for taking lessons. Artificial ski slopes can either be indoor or outdoor. Outdoor ski slopes use synthetic snow whereas indoor slopes use technology to re-create the environment of a real ski slope. There are a few real ski resorts in the UK and these are mainly found in the North of England or in Scotland.

There are various local clubs that people can join to take part in various ski-related activities and meet other like-minded individuals. Some clubs even have their own artificial slope that members can use at discounted rates and some clubs provide opportunities for members to take part in local ski competitions. Many clubs arrange group ski holidays for their members. A lot of clubs encourage other forms of snow-related activity such as snowboarding.

www.skiclub.co.uk

www.ski.co.uk

www.goodskiing.co.uk

www.visitbritain.org

www.discovernorthernireland.com

www.enjoyengland.com

www.visitscotland.com

www.visitwales.co.uk

Appendix A – List of all contacted ski resorts

Alpine resorts

The ski resorts in **bold** are these which answered to our questionnaire.

Name	Homepage
Austria	
Ankogel Hochgebirgsbahnen	www.ankogel-ski.at
Axamer Lizum	www.axamer-lizum.at
Bergbahnen Gargellen - Skigebiet Gargellen	
Biberwier-Marienberg	www.bergbahnen-langes.at
Brandnertal	www.brandnertal.at
Christlum/Hochalm lifte	www.christlum.at
Dachstein West	www.dachstein.at
Emberger Alm	www.embergeralm.info
Falkert (Heidi Alm)	www.heidialm.at
Fanningberg	www.fanningberg.info
Feuerkogel	www.feuerkogel.net
Fieberbrunn	www.bergbahnen-fieberbrunn.at
Flachau (Snow Space Flachau) / Ski Amadé	www.flachau.at
Forsteralm	www.forsteralm.com
Gaissau-Hintersee	www.gaissauhintersee.at
Galtür Silvapark	www.silvapark.at
Gemeindealpe Mitterbach	www.gemeindealpe.at
Golm	
Golzentipp-Obertilliach	www.obertilliacher-bergbahnen.com
Grossglockner/Heiligenblut	www.gross-glockner.at
Hinterstoder Höss	www.hiwu.at
Hochficht	www.hochficht.at
Hochkössen	www.bergbahnen-koessen.at
Hochoetz	www.hochoetz.at
Hochpustertal Skizentrum	www.hochpustertal-ski.at
Hochzeiger/Pitztal	www.hochzeiger.com
Ischgl Silvretta Arena	www.ischgl.com
Kitzbühel	www.bergbahn-kitzbuehel.at
Kreischberg/Murau	www.kreischberg.at
Krippenstein Freesport Arena	www.krippenstein.com
Kristberg	www.kristbergbahn.at
Laterns Gapfohl	www.laterns.net
Lermoos-Grubigstein	www.bergbahnen-langes.at
Lofer - Almenwelt	www.skialm-lofer.com
Loser/Altaussee	www.loser.at
Mölltaler Gletscher	www.gletscher.co.at
Mönichkirchen-Mariensee	www.schischaukel.net
Muttereralp Bergbahnen	www.muttereralp.at
Nassfeld/Hermagor	www.nassfeld.at
Nordkette Innsbruck	www.nordkette.com
Patscherkofel	www.patscherkofelbahnen.at
Planneralm	www.planneralm.at
Postalm Arena	www.postalm.at
Präbichl Bergbahnen	www.praebichl.at
Rangger Köpfl / Oberperfluss	www.rangger-koepfl.at
Reschenpass/Nauders	www.reschenpass.net
Reutte-Vitales Land	www.reuttener-seilbahnen.at
Riesneralm-Donnersbachwald	www.riesneralm.at
Schlick 2000 Schizentrum AG	www.schlick2000.at
Schmittenhöhe	www.schmitten.at

Schneeberg/Salamander	www.schneebergbahn.at
See/Paznauntal	www.bergbahn.com
Semmering Zau[ber:]g	www.zauberberg.at
Serfaus-Fiss-Ladis	www.serfaus-fiss-ladis.at
Shuttleberg Flauchauwinkel-Kleinarl	
Silvretta Montafon	www.silvretta-montafon.at
Silvretta-Bielerhöhe	
SkiWelt Wilder Kaiser - Brixental	www.skiwelt.at
Sonnenkopf-Klostertal	www.sonnenkopf.com
Tauplitz	www.dietauplitz.com
Turracher Höhe	www.turracherhoehe.at
Venet Bergbahnen	www.venet.at
Weinebene	www.weinebene.at
Wenigzell Schneeland	www.schiregion.at/wenigzell
Wildkogel-Arena	www.wildkogel-arena.at
Wurzeralm	www.hiwu.at/wurzeralm
Zahmer Kaiser-Walchsee	www.zahmerkaiser.com
Zillertal Arena	www.zillertalarena.com

Belgium

Baraque de Fraiture	http://www.ski-baraquedefraiture.be/index_ete.html
Ferme Libert	www.fermelibert.be
Mont des Brumes	http://www.montdesbrumes.be/
Monty	
Ski Alpin - Ovifat	http://www.skialpin-ovifat.com/
Thier des Rexhons	http://www.skispa.be/
Wanyi Parke - Snowpark (Mountainboard)	www.mountainboard.be
Zosterbach	

Bulgaria

Bansko (Ски център Банско)	www.bansko.bg
Beklemeto-Trojan	www.ski.bg
Boroverts	www.borovets-bg.com
Chepelare (Ски център Мечи чал - Чепеларе)	http://www.chepelare.org
Dobrinishte	www.hoteldobrinishte.com
Pamporovo	www.winter.pamporovoresort.com
Semkovo	www.semkovo-bg.com
Uzana-Gabrovo	http://www.uzana-tourism.com
Vitosha	http://www.skivitosha.com

Cyprus

Troodos Ski Station - Cyprus	www.cyprusski.com
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Czech Republic

Region: Beskydy, Javorníky, Bílé Karpaty	
Biocel Zlatník	www.skizlatnik.cz
Horské středisko Soláň-Karolinka	www.solansedlo.cz
Lýžařské středisko Hrádek	http://ski-hradek.sweb.cz
Lýžařské středisko Kempalands Bukovec	www.kempalands.cz
Lýžařské vleky Jasenka	www.jasenka.cz
Lýžařský areál Grůň	www.ski-msa.cz
Lýžařský areál Kocianka	www.kocianka.com
Lýžařský areál Palkovice	www.skipalkovice.unas.cz
Lýžařský areál Přelač	www.prelac.cz
Lýžařský areál Severka	zima.severka.eu
Lýžařský areál Solisko	www.solisko.cz
Lýžařský areál Vranča	www.vranca.cz

Lyžařský vlek Pod Soláněm	www.podsolanem.cz
Ski areál Machůzky	www.skiarealmachuzky.cz
Ski areál Mečová	skiarealmecova.webnode.cz
SKI areál Mosty u Jablunkova	www.skimosty.cz
Ski areál Rališka Horní Bečva	www.raliska.cz , www.lanove-drahy.cz, www.hornibecva.cz
Ski areál Razula	www.razula.cz
Ski areál Řeka	www.ski-reka.cz
Ski areál RS Trnava Luhý	www.rstrnava.cz
Ski areál Rusava	www.rusavaski.cz
Ski areál Tesák	skiareal.tjchvalcov.com
Ski areál U Sachovy studánky	www.skisachovka.cz
Ski areál Visalaje - Radegast	www.visalaje.cz
Ski areál Zlatník - Fela	www.fela-zlatnik.cz
Ski Armáda Dolní Lomná	www.skiarmada.cz
Ski centrum Bílé Karpaty	www.ski-bile-karpaty.cz
Ski Centrum Kohútka	www.kohutka.cz
Ski Klema - Bumbálka	www.klema.cz
SKI Malenovice	www.ski-malenovice.cz
Ski Mezivodí	www.skimezivodi.cz
Ski Park Stupava	www.stupava.cz
Ski Pozdřechov	www.skipozdechov.wz.cz
Ski Svinec	www.skiSvinec.cz
Ski Vítkovice Bílá	www.skibila.cz
Skialpin Pustevny	www.skialpin.cz
Skiareál Javorový Vrch	www.javorovy-vrch.cz
Skiareál Karolinka	www.solansedlo.cz
Skiareál Opálená	www.areal-opalena.cz
Skiareál Synot - Kyčerka	www.skiarealkycerka.cz
Skiareál Troják	www.trojak.net
Region: Pálavské vrchy, Moravský kras, Podyjí	
Lyžařský areál Klínek	www.vlekpredklasteri.cz
Němčičky	www.sportnemcicky.cz
Skiareál Blansko - Hořice	www.skihorice.cz
Region: Jeseníky	
Heipark Tošovice	www.heipark.cz
Jonas Park Ostružná	www.ostruzna.cz
Klepáčov	www.klepacov.cz
Lyžařský areál Bonera Ramzová	www.bonera.cz
Lyžařský areál Kaste + Relax Petříkov	www.kaste.cz
Resort Dolní Morava	www.dolnimorava.cz
Ski areál Brněnka	www.brnenka.net
Ski areál Červenohorské sedlo	www.skiklub-su.cz
Ski areál Kraličák	www.skikralicak.cz
Ski areál Ludvíkov	www.pensiongrizzly.cz
Ski areál Praděd - Ovčárna	www.figura.cz
Ski areál Vernířovice	www.vernirovice.webz.cz
Ski Centrum Malá Morávka - Karlov	www.ski-malamoravka.cz
Ski Petříkov	www.ski-petrikov.cz
Skiareál Annaberg - Andělská hora	www.annaberg.cz
Skiareál Annaberg - Suchá Rudná	www.annaberg.cz
Skiareál Avalanche	www.skiareal-avalanche.cz
Skiareál Branná	www.ceskehory.cz/ski-branna
Skiareál Hlubočky	www.skiarealhlubocky.cz
Skiareál Kareš	www.skiarealkares.cz
Skiareál Kouty	www.kouty.com
Skiareál Kunčice - Skitech	www.skikuncice.cz
Skiareál Miroslav	www.rsmiroslav.cz

Skiareál Přemyslov	www.skipremyslov.cz
Skiareál Sedlář	www.ceskehory.cz/ski-sedlar
Skiareál Šindelná	www.skiprosport.cz
Skipark Filipovice	www.skipark-filipovice.cz
Skipark Hraběšice	www.skiparkhrabesice.cz
Sportpark Františkov	www.sportpark-frantiskov.cz
Zlaté Hory – Příčná	www.skipricna.cz
Region: Českomoravská vrchovina, Žďárské vrchy, Železné hory	
Lyžařské středisko Kadlečák	www.skikadlecak.cz
Lyžařské vleky Jalovec	www.skjalovec.com
Lyžařský areál Čeřínek	www.cerinek.cz
Lyžařský areál Vysoká	www.lyzarhb.cz
Ski areál Bystré - Hamry	www.skibystre.cz
Ski areál Dalečín	www.skidalecin.cz
Ski areál Jimramov	www.skijimramov.cz
Ski areál Nedvědice	www.nedvedice.cz
Ski areál Nové Město na Moravě	www.skisnowpark.cz
Ski areál Olešnice	www.ski-areal.cz
Ski areál Svratka	www.skiareal-svratka.cz
Ski areál Velké Meziříčí - Fajtův kopec	www.skivm.cz
Ski Dědkov	skidedkov.borec.cz
Ski Karasín	www.karasin.cz
Skiareál Hlinsko	ski.hlinsko.cz
Skiareál Šacberk	www.sacberk.cz
Region: Orlické hory, Broumovsko	
Areál Nella Bartošovice v Orlických horách, Orlické hory	www.nella.cz; www.skibartosovice.cz
Lyžařský areál Sedloňov	www.skisedlonov.cz
Lyžařský vlek Šerlišský mlýn	www.skidestne.cz
Ski areál Dlouhoňovice	http://ski-dlouhonovice.webnode.cz/
Ski areál Farský kopec	www.outdoor-sport.cz
Ski areál Kamenec	www.skikamenec.cz1.cz
Ski areál Mladkov - Petrovičky	www.skimladkov.cz
Ski areál Peklák	www.peklak.cz
Ski areál Přívrat	www.ski-privrat.cz
Ski areál Říčky	www.skiricky.cz
Ski Běloves	www.skibeloves.cz
Ski centrum Zdobnice	www.skizdobnice.cz
Skiareál Čenkovice	www.skiarealcenkovice.cz; www.skicenkovice.cz
Skicentrum Deštné v Orlických horách	www.sportprofi.cz/snowpark
Skipark Červená Voda	www.skiparkcervenavoda.cz
Sportareál České Petrovice	www.ceskepetrovice.com
Sportovní areál Výprachtice, Luboš Merta-OVAZ	www.ovaz-merta.cz
Vlek Černá Voda	www.penzionek.cz
Region: Krkonoše	
Benecko	www.skiareal-benecko.cz
Bret - Family Ski Park	www.bretcz.cz
Černá hora - Janské Lázně - SkiResort Černá Hora	www.skipark.cz
Funpark Sněžulák	www.vanclsport.cz/funpark-snehulak
Harrachov - Skiregion.cz	www.skiareal.com
Kořenov - Rejdice - Skiregion.cz	www.rejdice.cz
Lyžařský areál Paseky nad Jizerou	www.paseky.cz
Lyžařský areál Zákoutí - Harrachov	http://www.zakoutiharrachov.cz/
Pec pod Sněžkou	www.skipec.com
Poniklá - Homole	www.skihomole.cz

Příchovice U Čápa	www.ucapa.eu
Ski areál Herlíkovice-Bubákov	www.bubakov.cz
Ski areál Kamenec - Jablonec nad Jizerou	www.snowhill.cz/kamenec
Ski areál Kněžický vrch - Vrchlabí	www.skiareal-vrchlabi.cz
Ski areál Kozinec	www.skikozinec.cz
Ski areál Luisino údolí	www.levnevleky.cz
Ski areál Malá Úpa	www.skimu.cz
Ski areál Pecka	www.peckasport.wz.cz/vlek.html
Ski areál Pěnkavčí vrch	www.penkavcivrch.cz
Ski Areál Petříkovice	www.petrikovice.cz
Ski areál Svoboda Nad Úpou - SkiResort Černá Hora	www.skipark.cz
Ski Family Dolní Dvůr	www.skifamily.cz
Ski Radvanice	www.vlekradvanice.cz
SKI&SNB areál Surfanic Zlatá Olešnice	www.telemark-czech.cz/
Skiareál Aldrov Vítkovice v Krkonoších	www.skialdrov.cz
Skiareál Herlíkovice	www.herlikovice.cz
Skiareál Horní Domky a Skiareál Studenov	www.skiareal-rokynice.cz
Skiareál Šachty - Vysoké nad Jizerou	www.skisachty.cz
Skiareál Špindlerův Mlýn	www.skiareal.cz
Skiareál Strážné	www.strazne.eu
Skiareál Větrov	www.skiareal-vetrov.cz
Skipark Černý Důl - SkiResort ČERNÁ HORA	www.skipark.cz
Skipark Mladé Buky	www.skipark-mladebuky.cz
Skiport Velká Úpa	www.skiport.cz
Vurmovka	www.volny.cz/vurmovka
Žacléř - Prkenný Důl	www.skizacler.com
Region: Jizerské hory a Ještědský hřbet	
Alšovský lyžařský vlek	www.dosokola.cz
Alšovský lyžařský vlek	www.dosokola.cz
Lyžařský areál U Vodárny	www.activeguide.cz/nas-lyzarsky-areal.htm
Ski areál "U Pily"	www.u-lucie.cz/vlek.htm
Ski areál Bedřichov	www.skijizerky.cz
Ski areál Černá Říčka	www.cerna-ricka.cz
Ski areál Dobrá Voda	www.dobravoda.jablonec.net
Ski areál Ještěd	www.skijested.cz
Ski areál Severák	www.skijizerky.cz
Ski areál Tanvaldský Špičák	www.skijizerky.cz
Ski areál Zásada	skizasada.cz
Ski Lucifer	www.skilucifer.cz
SKI&SNB areál SURFANIC Zlatá Olešnice	www.telemark-czech.cz/
Skiareál Filip	www.lvfilip.cz
Všesportovní areál Obří sud Javorník	www.areal-obrisud.cz
Region: Lužické hory a České Švýcarsko	
Ski areál Horní Podluží	www.hornipodluzi.cz
Ski areál Jedlova	www.sport-jedlova.cz
Ski areál Luž	www.skiluz.com
Ski areál Polevsko	www.arealpolevsko.cz
Ski klub Prácheň	www.skiklub-prachen.cz
Region: Krušné hory	
Lyžařský areál Loučná	www.skiloucna.cz
Ski areál Český Jiřetín	www.ceskyjiretin.info/
Ski areál Klínovec	www.klinovec.cz
Ski areál Mezihří	www.tjmezihori.cz
Ski areál Náprava	www.skiarealnaprava.cz
Ski areál Nové Hamry	www.skihamry.cz
Ski areál Pyšná	www.skipysna.cz

Ski areál Telnice	www.ski-telnice.cz
Ski areál Velflink - Pernink	www.skiarealpernink.cz
Ski Bouřňák	www.scbournak.cz
Ski Centrum Bublava - Stříbrná	www.bublava.cz
SKI Komáří vížka	www.skikomarivizka.cz
Skiareál Boží Dar - Neklid	www.skiarealneklid.cz
Skiareál Nad nádražím Pernink	www.ski-pernink.cz
Sport Areál Klíny	www.kliny.cz
Region: Slavkovský les	
Skiarea Mariánské Lázně	www.snowhill.cz/marianky
Region: Šumava, Český les a Lipno	
Lyžařský areál České Žleby	www.skizleby.cz
Lyžařský areál Hartmanice	www.la-hartmanice.cz
Ski areál Arber	www.arber.de
Ski areál Javorná	www.cachrov.cz
Ski areál Kašperské Hory	www.skikasperky.cz
Ski areál Kubova Huť	www.ski-kubovka.com
Ski areál Lipno	www.skiareallipno.cz
Ski areál U Horejšů - Zadov	www.sumava-zadov.cz/lyzovani.php
Ski areál Zadov - Churáňov - Nové Hutě	www.lazadov.cz
Ski areál Železná Ruda - Špičák	www.spicak.cz
Ski Kocourov	www.skikocourov.cz
Ski Kvilda	www.skikvilda.cz
Skiareál Monínec	www.moninec.cz
Skiareál Nad Kovárnou - Horní Vltavice	www.ski-vltavice.cz
Skiareál Železná Ruda - Nad nádražím	www.skinadrazi.cz

Denmark

Hobro Skiklub	www.hobroskiklub.dk
Holstebro Skiklub	www.holstebro-skiklub.dk
Holte Ski	www.holteski.dk
Kolding Skiklub	http://www.koldingskiklub.dk/skibakken
Odense Skiklub alpin	www.odenseskiklub.dk
Skibakken, Slettegård	www.bornholmsskivenner.dk
Skicenter Hedeland / Roskilde Skiklub Hedeland	www.roskildeskiklub.dk

Estonia

Kuutsemäe Puhkekeskus	www.kuutsemae.ee
Kütioru puhkekeskus	www.kytiorg.ee
Munakas - Väike-Munamäe Suusakeskus	www.munakas.ee
Nõmme Spordikeskus	www.sportkeskus.ee
Valgehobuse suusa- ja puhkekeskus	www.valgehobuse.ee

Finland

Calpis Ski Center/Kalpalinna	www.kalpalinna.com
Himos	http://www.himos.fi/english
Iso-Syöte	http://www.syote.fi/en/home/
Koli	http://www.koli.fi/eng
Levi	http://www.levi.fi/en
Luosto	http://www.laplandluosto.fi/winter
Messilä	http://www.messila.fi/en/Home/Home/
Pyhä	http://ski.pyha.fi
Ruka	http://ski.ruka.fi/eng/
Saariselkä	http://www.skisaariselka.fi/en/frontpage.php
Salla Ski Resort	http://loma.salla.fi/en/slopes/
Sappee	http://talvi.sappee.fi/index.php?object=frontpage_en&sivu=179

Tahko	http://www.tahko.com/index.php?lId=2
Vuokatti	www.vuokattisport.fi
Ylläs (Sport Resort Ylläs & Ylläs-Ski)	www.yllas.fi/en

France

Alpe d'huez	http://www.alpedhuez.com
Chamonix Mont-Blanc	http://www.chamonix.com
Combloux Megeve StGervais	http://www.combloux.com
Courchevel	http://www.courchevel.com
Les 2 Alpes	http://www.les2alpes.com
Les 3 Vallées	http://www.les3vallees.com
Mont Dore	http://www.mont-dore.com
Monts Jura	http://www.monts-jura.com
Peyragudes	http://www.peyragudes.com
Piau Engaly	http://www.piau-engaly.com
Serre Chevalier	http://www.serre-chevalier.com
Tignes	http://www.tignes.net
Val d'Isère	http://www.valdisere.com/
Val Thorens	http://www.valthorens.com
Valloire - Galibier Thabor	http://www.valloire.net/

Germany

Bayerische Alpen/ Zugspitze	http://www.zugspitze.de
Erzgebirge/ Oberwiesental am Fichtelberg	http://www.fichtelberg-ski.de
Feldberg Liftverbund	http://www.liftverbund-feldberg.de/
Geisskopf	http://www.bischofsmais.de
Harz /Blocksberg	www.erlebnisbocksberg.de
Hörnle	http://www.hoerlebahn.de
Oberammergau	http://www.ammergauer-alpen.de
Oberstdorf-Kleinwalsertal	http://www.das-hoehste.de
Rhön/Feuerberg	http://www.feuerberglifte.de
Sauerland/ Skikarussell Winterberg	http://www.ski-altastenberg.de/
Schwarzwald/ Feldberg	http://www.liftverbund-feldberg.de
Skigebiet am Kolben / Laber	http://www.kolbensesselbahn.de
Skigebiet Oberjoch/Unterjoch/Bad Hindelang	http://www.bergbahnen-hindelang-oberjoch.de
Skiparadies Sudelfeld	www.sudelfeld.de
Skiroute Dammkar	http://www.karwendelbahn.de/
Spitzingsee-Tegernsee	http://www.alpenbahnen-spitzingsee.de/
Steckenberg	http://www.steckenberg.de

Greece

Elatohori Ski Centre	http://www.elatohori-ski.gr/
National Ski Centre of Vasilitsa	http://www.vasilitsa.com/
Parnassos Ski Centre	http://www.parnassos-ski.gr/
Pelion Ski Centre	http://www.pelionski.gr/
Seli National Ski Centre	http://www.seli-ski.gr/ins_index.php
Ski Centre "3-5 Pigadia"	http://www.3-5pigadia.gr/
Ski Center "Vorás – Kaimaktsalan"	http://www.kaimaktsalan.gr/
Ski Center Falakro	http://www.falakro.gr/
Ski Center Kalavrita	http://www.kalavrita-ski.gr/
Ski Center Velouhiou – Karpenisiou	http://www.velouxi.gr/

Italy

Region: Südtirol	
Dolomiti Superski	www.dolomitisuperski.com/
Funivie Ghiacciai Val Senales /Schnalstal	www.schnalstal.com/de/skigebiet/
Gitschberg	www.gitschberg.com

Haideralm	www.haideralm.it
Jochtal	www.jochtal.com
Klausberg	www.klausberg.it
Kronplatz	www.kronplatz.org
Ladurns	www.ladurns.it
Lavaze Jochgrimm	www.aldein-radein.com
Meran 2000	www.meran2000.com
Pfelders	www.pfelders.info
Plose	www.plose.org/winter.html
Ratschings-Jaufental	www.ratschings-jaufen.it
Reinswald	www.sarntal.com
Riepenlift Antholz Mittertal	www.ripenlift.com/
Rittner Horn	www.rittnerhorn.com
Roskopf	www.roskopf.com
Schwemmalm Ulten	www.schwemmalm.com
Seiser Alm (Marinzen/Kastelruth/Seiseralm)	www.seiseralm.it/de/aktiv-winter.html
Ski Area Carezza - Karersee	www.carezza.it/
Ski Center Latemar Obereggen	www.obereggen.it/obereggen_skicenter-latemar.php
Skigebiet Schöneben am Reschenpass	www.schoeneben.it
SKIGEBIET SULDEN	www.seilbahnsulden.it
Skigebiet Villnöss	www.villnoess.com
Skizentrum Hochpustertal	www.s-dolomiten.it
Speikboden	www.speikboden.it
Stilfserjoch Ortlergebiet	www.ortlergebiet.it/
Trafoi Ortlergebiet	www.trafoi.info
Val Gardena - Gröden (St. Christina/St. Ulrich/Wolkenstein)	www.val-gardena.com/de/skigebiete/page10.html
Vigljoch	www.vigilio.com
Watles	www.watles.net
Region: Trentino	
Adamello Ski	www.adamelloski.com
Alba di Canazei	www.ciampac.org/
Alpe Cermis	www.alpecermis.it
Alpe Lusia - Bellamonte (Trevalli)	www.skiareaalpelusia.it/
Altipiani di Folgaria, Lavarone e Luserna	www.folgariaski.com/
Campitello - Col Rodella (Val di Fassa)	www.canazei.org
Canazei - Belvedere (Val di Fassa)	www.canazei.org
Funivie Lagorai - Passo Brocon	www.skilagorai.it/
Madonna di Campiglio	www.funiviecampiglio.it/
Malcesine Monte Baldo	www.funiviedelbaldo.it/
Moena - Lusia	www.skiareaalpelusia.it/
Monte Bondone	www.ski.it/monte_bondone.html
Paganella	www.paganella.net
Panarotta Valsugana	www.panarotta.it/
Passo Rolle	www.sanmartino.com
Ponte di legno	www.adamelloski.com
Pozza di Fassa - Buffaure (Val di Fassa)	www.fassa.com/
Presena Gletscher - Adamello Ski	www.valdisole.net
San Martino di Castrozza	www.sanmartino.com
Skigebiet Pinzolo	www.campiglodolomiti.it/lang/DE/homepage
Trevalli-Moena/S.Pellegrino/Falcade	www.trevalli.com
Val di Sole/Folgarida-Marilleva	www.valdisole.net
Val di Sole/Passo Tonale - Adamello Ski	www.valdisole.net
Vigo di Fassa - Catinaccio (Val di Fassa)	www.fassaski.com/catinaccio/
Region: Piemont	
Alagna Valsesia	www.alagna.it/
Alpe Campo, Rimasco	www.atlvalsesiavercelli.it/

Bielmonte	www.bielmonte.net/
Cesana	www.vialattea.it/it
Chiomonte - Frais	www.frais2010.it/
Claviere	www.vialattea.it/it
Craveggia - Piana di Vigizzo	www.distrettolaghi.it/
Domobianca - Moncucc	www.domobianca.it/
Entracque - Monte Viver	www.entracque.org/
Garessio - Colle di Casotto	www.garessio2000.it/
Limone Piemonte Riserva Bianca	www.riservabianca.it
Macugnaga	www.monterosastar.com
Mera Ski Srl	www.meraski.com/
Pragelato	www.vialattea.it/it
Quix	www.vialattea.it/it
San Domenico	www.sandomenicoski.com/
San Sicario	www.vialattea.it/it
Sauze d'Oulx	www.vialattea.it/it
Sestriere	www.vialattea.it/it
Skigebiet Ala di Stura	http://alpibeldiala.com/
Valessia Vercelli	www.atlvalsesiavercelli.it
Region: Aostatal	
Antagnod - Ayas	www.monterosa-ski.com
Breuil - Cervini	www.cervinia.it
Brusson	www.monterosa-ski.com
Champoluc	www.monterosa-ski.com
Champorcher	www.champorcherski.it/
Cogne - Gran Paradiso	www.funiviegranparadiso.it
Comprensorio Sciistico Monterosa Ski	www.monterosa-ski.com
Courmayeur	www.courmayeur-montblanc.com/
Crévacol - Saint Rhemy en Bosses	www.crevacol.it
Gressoney-La-Trinité	www.monterosa-ski.com
Gressoney-Saint-Jean	www.monterosa-ski.com
Pila	www.pila.it
Torgnon	www.torgnon.info/
Valgrisenche	www.skivallee.it/
Valtournenche	www.cervinia.it
Region: Lombardei	
Aprica	www.apricaonline.com
Bagolino - Gaverland	www.gaverland.it
Bormio Ski	www.bormioski.it
Carosello 3000 - Ski Area Livigno	http://www.carosello3000.it/
Castione della Presolana - Monte Pora	http://www.presolanamontepora.com/
Chiesa in Valmalenco	http://www.sondrioevalmalenco.it/
San Simone - Foppolo - Carona	http://www.bremboski.it/default.aspx
Santa Caterina Valfurva	http://www.santacaterina.it/
SkiArea Valchiavenna Madesimo Campodolcino	http://www.skiareavalchiavenna.it/primae.php?l=it&act=0&m=0
Region: Venetien	
Alpe del Nevegal - Col Visentin	http://www.alpedelnevegal.it/
Arabba	www.arabba.it
Civetta	www.skicivetta.com
Cortina d'Ampezzo	www.cortina.dolomiti.org
Faloria - Monte Cristallo - Mietres	http://www.cortinacube.it/
Lagazuoi - Cinque Torri	http://www.dolomiti.org/ita/Cortina/laga5torri/estate/index.html
Marmolada	www.marmolada.com
Passo Fedaia - Marmolada	http://www.fassa.com/

Region: Friaul	
Apennin bei Bologna, Corno alle Scale	http://www.appenninoeverde.it/de/neve/stazioni-sciistiche/corno-alle-scale.html
Forni di Sopra – Ravascletto-Sutrio / Monte Lussari	http://www.promotur.org/index.php
Piancavallo	www.piancavallo.info
Sauris – Pradibosco	http://www.turismoruralefg.it/
Sella Nevea	www.promotur.org
Tarvisio	www.promotur.org
Zoncolan	www.promotur.org
Region: Toscana	
Garfagnana	http://www.turismo.garfagnana.eu/
Region: Calabria	
Sila Grande	http://www.etnasci.it/
Region: Andere	
Alta Valtellina	www.skipassaltavaltellina.it
Campo Felice	www.campofelice.it
Cima Piazzì Happy Mountain	www.cima-piazzì.com
Roccaraso	www.roccaraso.net

Latvia	
Andrēnkalni	www.andrenkalni.lv
Atpūtas komplekss "Gaiziņš"	http://www.gaizins.lv
Baili	http://www.baili.lv
Briežkalns	www.briezkalns.lv
Cigoriņš	www.cigorins.lv
Dūjas	www.vndujas.lv
Eglukalns	www.eglukalns.lv
Gaiziņkalns	http://www.gaizinkalns.lv
Jēkaba grava	http://www.grava.lv
Kaķīškalns	www.kakiskalns.lv
Kamparkalns	www.kamparkalns.lv
Kordes trase	http://www.kordeskalns.lv ; http://www.kordestrase.lv
Lemberga hūte	www.lembergahute.lv
Lido kalns	http://www.lidolauki.lv/lv/kalns
Līgatnes kalns	www.ligatneskalns.lv
Mežezers	www.mezezers.lv
Mežkalni	www.mežkalni.lv
Milzkalns	www.milzkalns.lv
Rāmkalni	www.ramkalni.lv
Reiņa trase	www.reinatrase.lv
Rēķu kalns	www.rekukalns.lv
Riekstukalns	www.riekstukalns.lv
Sāra kalns	www.saarakalns.lv
Sauleskalns	www.skals.lv
Siguldas pilsētas trase	www.ocs.lv
Slēpošanas un atpūtas parks "Ozolkalns"	www.ozolkalns.lv
Smecersils	
Vīna kalns	www.vinikalns.lv
Žagarkalns	www.zagarkalns.lv
Ziperkalns	http://ziperkalns.eclub.lv
Zviedru cepure	www.zviedrucepure.lv

Lithuania	
Kalnų slidinėjimo centras "Kalita"	http://www.kalitoskalnas.lt/index.php/2/en/news/index
Mortos kalns	http://mortoskalns.lt/index.html
Ski resort Birštonas	http://www.xteam.lt/LT/173/Slidinejimas-Birstone.htm
VšĮ Lietuvos žiemos sporto centras	http://www.lzsc.lt/viewpage.php?page_id=1

Norway	
Ål Skisenter	http://www.aalski.no/
Eikedalen Skisenter	http://www.eikedalen.no/
Geilo	http://www.geilo.no/vinter/
Hafjell Alpinsenter	http://www.hafjell.no/default.asp?page=31
Hallingskarvet Skisenter	http://www.hallingskarvet-skisenter.no/
Hovden Alpinsenter	http://www.hovdenalpinsenter.no/
Kongsberg skisenter	http://www.kongsberg-skisenter.no/
Kvitfjell	http://www.kvitfjell.no/Vinter/4/
Narvikfjellet	http://www.narvikfjellet.no
Nesbyen Alpinsenter	http://www.nesbyenalpinsenter.no/
Norefjell	http://www.norefjell.com/
Røldal Skisenter	http://www.roldal.com/
SkiStar Norge AS avd. Trysil	http://www.skistar.com/no/trysil/
Skistar Norge avd. Hemsedal	http://www.skistar.com/no/Hemsedal/Skikjoring/
Strandafjellet Skisenter AS	http://www.strandafjellet.no/?lang=1
Svarstad Skisenter	http://svarstad-skisenter.no/
Tjørhomsenteret	http://tjorhomfjellet.no/
Tryvann Vinterpark	http://www.tryvann.no/
Uvdal Alpinsenter	http://www.uvdalalpin.no/

Poland	
Baza Turystyczno-Wypoczynkowa "GRYGLÓWKA"	http://www.gryglowka.pl/
Biuro Dorado Sp. z o.o. - Koleje Linowe Polana Szymoszkowa	http://www.szymoszkowa.pl/
Brenna WęgielSKI	http://wyciagi.brenna.pl/index.html
Centrum Narciarskie NOSAL	www.nosal.pl
CZORSZTYN-SKI Sp. z o.o.	http://www.czorszty-n-ski.com.pl/
Dolomity Sportowa Dolina, Bytom - Sucha Góra	http://www.dsd.pl/index.php
Dwie Doliny Muszyna - Wierchomla	www.dwiedoliny.com.pl
Kolej Gondolowa Jaworzyna Krynicka S.A.	http://www.jaworzynakrynicka.pl/stacja/index.php5?
KOLEJ LINOWA "CZANTORIA" Sp. z o.o.	http://www.czantoria.net/
Miejska Kolej Linowa Karpacz Sp. z o.o.	http://www.kopa.com.pl
Olczań-ski	http://www.olczan-ski.pl/
Olczań-ski Stacja narciarska w Bukowinie Tatrzańskiej	http://www.zwyrtlik.bukowinatatrzańska.pl/
Ośrodek Narciarski "PILSKO" Korbiewów	http://pilsko.gat.pl
Ośrodek Narciarski Kotelnica Białczańska Sp. z o.o.	http://www.bialkatarzanska.pl
Ośrodek Narciarski Stożek Witold Pruski - Wisła	http://stozek.narty.pl/
Ośrodek Rekreacyjno- Szkoleniowy ZAGROŃ – Istebna Zaolzie	http://www.istebna.org/
Ośrodek Sportu i Rekreacji "Góra Kamieńsk"	http://www.gorakamiensk.info/zima/
POLSKIE KOLEJE LINOWE S.A.	http://www.pkl.pl/
Siepraw - Ski	http://www.siepraw-ski.pl/
STACJA NARCIARSKA KOKUSZKA - Piwniczna	http://www.kokuszka-ski.pl/pl
Stacja Narciarska Murzasichle	www.murzasichle.net.pl
Stacje Narciarskie "Laworta", "Gromadzyń"	http://www.ustrzyki-narty.pl/
Sudety Lift Sp. z o. o. w Szklarskiej Porębie	http://www.sudetylift.com.pl/
Szczyrkowski Ośrodek Narciarski S.A.	www.szczyrkowski.pl
Wyciąg narciarski Piątko <i>Winterpol w Zieleńcu</i>	http://www.winterpol.eu

Portugal	
Cliffs of Health Mountain Resort	http://www.turismoserradaestrela.pt/index.php/en/
Estância Vodafone – Serra da Estrela 2000m	http://www.skiserradaestrela.com
Golden Cliffs/Rossim Valley Mountain Resort	http://www.valedorossimecoresort.com/

Romania	
Bradet	
Carlibaba	
Cazacu	
Icoana	
Kalinderu	
Lupului	
Poiana Brasov	
Sf Gheorghe	
Subteleferic, Clabucet	
Suior	
Veverita	
Zanoaga Subteleferic	

Slovakia	
Bezovec	http://www.skibezovec.sk
Jahodná	http://www.jahodna.sk
Jasenská Dolina	http://www.jasenskadolina.sk
Jasenská Dolina	www.jasenskadolina.sk
Jasná Nízke Tatry - Chopok juh	http://www.jasna.sk
Jasná Nízke Tatry Sever&Juh	http://www.jasna.sk
Kojšovská Hoľa	http://skiparkerika.sk/
Králiky	http://www.skikraliky.sk
Kubašok/Spišské Bystré	www.kubasok.sk
Liptovský Ján - Javorovica	http://skijavorovica.sk
Litmanová	http://www.skilitmanova.sk
Meander Skipark Oravice	http://www.meanderskipark.com
Mýto Pod Ďumbierom	www.skicentrummyto.eu/
Nová Lopusna Dolina-Skitatry	http://www.skitatry.sk
Opalisko - Závažná Poruba	http://www.opalisko.sk/
Orava Skipark, a. s.	http://www.kubinska.sk
Orava Snow	http://www.oravasnow.sk
Oščadnica - Športcentrum	http://www.sportcentrum.gajuz.sk
Park Snow Donovaly	http://www.parksnow.sk/zima
Park Snow Štrbské Pleso	http://www.parksnow.sk/tatry
Pezinská Baba	http://www.lkbaba.sk/
Rajecká Lesná	www.rajeckalesna.com/
Relax Center Plejsy	www.plejsy.sk
Roháče - Spálená	www.tatrawest.sk
Šachtičky	info@skisachticky.sk
Salamandra Resort - Hodruša Hámre	www.salamandra.sk
Skalka arena	http://www.skalkaarena.sk
Skalka pri Kremnici	http://skalky.sk
Ski Centre Levoča	http://www.skicentrelevoca.sk
Ski Centrum KOŠÚTKA	http://www.kosutka.sk
Ski Drienica - Lysá	www.skidrienica.sk
Ski Jezersko, Ski Bachledova	http://www.skibachledova.sk/
Ski Krahule Stred Európy	stredeuropy@skikrahule.sk
Ski PARK Kubínska hoľa	http://www.kubinska.sk
Ski Ráztoka - Horná Mariková	http://www.skiraztoka.sk
Ski Turecká - Krížna	www.skiturecka.sk
Ski/sun area Makovica	http://www.makovica.sk
Skiarena Fačkovské sedlo (Kľak)	http://www.skiarena-fackovskesedlo.sk

Skichem Lopusna Dolina	www.skichem.sk/
Skipark Ružomberok/Malinnô Brdo	http://www.skipark.sk
Snow Paradise Veľká Rača Oščadnica	www.velkaraca.sk
Snowland-Valčianska Dolina	http://www.snowland.sk/
Starý Smokovec	http://www.tldtatry.sk
stredisko Ružomberok – Malinnô Brdo ski&bike	www.skipark.sk
Tatranská Lomnica	http://www.tldtatry.sk
Vrátna Free Time Zone	www.vratna.sk
Vysoké Tatry-Tatranská Lomnica, Starý Smokovec, Liptovská Teplička	www.vt.sk/en/
Winter Park Martinky	www.martinky.com

Slovenia

Kranjska Gora	www.kr-gora.si
Kanin	www.kanin.si
Mariborsko Pohorje	www.pohorje.org
Rekreacijsko Turistični center Krvavec	www.rtc-krvavec.si
Rogla	www.rogla.eu
Smučarski center Cerkno	www.ski-cerkno.com
Vogel	www.vogel.si

Spain

Astún	http://www.astun.com/
Baqueira Beret	http://www.baqueira.es/
Candanchú	http://www.candanchu.com/
Cerler	http://www.cerler.com/
Formigal	http://www.formigal.com/
Javalambre	http://www.javalambre.com/
Puerto de Navacerrada	http://www.puertonavacerrada.com/
Puerto de Sierra Nevada	http://www.turgranada.es/turismo-de-nieve/nievedetalle.php?id_seccion=274
San Isidro	http://www.san-isidro.net/ ; http://www.nieveleonsanisidro.com/
Valdesquí	http://www.valdesqui.es/index_principal.php

Sweden

Abisko	www.abisko.nu/vinter/intro/index.asp
Åre	www.skistar.com/sv/Are
Branäs	www.branas.se
Funäsfjällen	www.funasfjallen.se/vinter/funaesdalen
Hemavan/Tärnaby	www.hemavantarnaby.se
Hovfjället	www.hovfjallet.se
Idre Fjäll	www.idrefjall.se
Kläppen Ski Resort	www.klappen.se
Kungsberget	www.kungsberget.se
Lofsdalen	www.lofsdalen.com
Riksgränsen	www.riksgransen.se
Säfsen	www.safsen.se
Sälen	www.skistar.com/sv/Salen
Ski Sunne	www.skisunne.se
Storlien	www.sportstyle.se/storlien
Stöten	www.stoten.se
Valfjället	www.valfjallet.se
Vemdalen	www.skistar.com/sv/vemdalen

Switzerland

Adelboden-Lenk-Frutigen	http://www.adelboden-lenk.ch
Arosa	http://www.arosabergbahnen.com/arosa_im_winter.html
Bettmeralp	http://www.bettmeralp.ch/

Crans.Montana	http://www.crans-montana.ch
Davos	http://www.davos.ch/winter.html
Engadin St. Moritz	http://www.engadin.stmoritz.ch
Flims Laax Falera	http://www.laax.com
Flumserberg	http://www.flumserberg.ch/winter/de/home
Gstaad	http://www.gstaad.ch/de/page.cfm/Bergbahnen
Heidiland	http://www.heidiland.com
Lauchernalp/Lötschental	www.lauchernalp.ch
Lenzerheide	http://www.lenzerheide.com/sites/home/index.html
Les Diablerets	http://www.diablerets.ch/
Leukerbad	http://www.leukerbad.ch/de/page.cfm/Bergbahnen_Transport?nav=3
Männlichen	http://www.maennlichen.ch/winter/ski_snowboard/
Matterhorn ski paradise - Zermatt	http://www.zermatt.ch/de/
Motta Naluns, Scuol	http://www.bergbahnen-scuol.ch
Obersaxen Mundaun Val Lumnezia	http://www.ober saxen-mundaun.ch
Portes du Soleil	http://www.portesdusoleil.com/
Saas Fee	http://www.saas-fee.ch/
Sörenberg	http://www.soerenberg.ch/bahnen/
Televerbier	http://www.televerbier.ch
Toggenburg	http://www.skitog.com/
Torrent	http://www.torrent.ch
Veysonnaz	http://www.veysonnaz.ch

United Kingdom

Cairngorm Mountain	www.cairngormmountain.org.uk/ski-essentialssnow-sports
Glencoe Ski Centre	www.glencoemountain.com/winter-home.html
Glenshee Ski centre	www.ski-glenshee.co.uk
Lecht Ski and Activity Centre	www.lecht.co.uk/
Nevis Range	www.nevisrange.co.uk/activities_ski_and_snowboard.asp
Ski-Allenheads	www.ski-allenheads.co.uk
Weardale Ski Club	www.skiweardale.com

Appendix B – List of all contacted cross-country resorts

Cross-Country resorts

The ski resorts in **bold** are these which answered to our questionnaire.

Name	Homepage
Austria	
Andelsbuch	http://www.andelsbuch.at
Annaberg	http://www.annaberg.info
Bad Aussee	www.ausseerland.at
Bad Gastein Himmelwandloipe	http://www.gastein.com/de/winter/langlaufen
Bad Gastein Bocksteinloipe	http://www.gastein.com/media/pdf/2110.pdf
Bärnkopf – Naturschnee- und Langlaufparadies	http://www.baernkopf.at
Bezau	http://www.bezau.at/tourismus
Brixental	www.kitzbuehel-alpen.com
Damüls	http://www.damuels.at
Ebensee Langbathseeloipe	http://www.ebensee.com
Erste Ferienregion - Zillertal	http://www.best-of-zillertal.at
Ferienregion Achensee	www.achensee.info
Ferienregion Alpbachtal & Seenland	http://www.alpbachtal.at
Ferienregion Imst	www.imst.at
Forstau	http://www.forstau.at
Gaal - Hintertal	
Gaishorn am See	http://www.gaishorn-am-see.at
Großarlal: Großarl- und Hüttschlag-Loipe	http://www.grossarlal.info/de/winter/sport/langlaufen.html
Grünau - Jagersimmerl	http://www.gruenau-almal.at
Hafning-Trofaiach	http://www.krumpenloipe.at
Haus im Ennstal-Aich-Gössenberg	http://www.haus.at
Hebalm	http://www.hebalm.at
Hellmonsödt	http://www.hellmonsoedt.ooe.gv.at
Hochmoor-Panoramaloipe	http://www.mittersill-tourismus.at/index.php?SID=147
Hochrindl	http://www.hochrindl.at
Höhenloipe Katschberg / Pöllatal-Loipe	http://www.katschberg.at/de/winter/sport-freizeit/langlaufen.htm
Jogllandloipe in St. Jakob im Walde	http://www.orthofer.at
Kaiserau	http://www.kaiserau.at
Kaiserwinkl	http://www.kaiserwinkl.com
Kals am Großglockner	http://www.kals.at
Karlstift - Nordwaldloipen - Aktivwelt Freiwald	http://www.aktivwelt.at
Kaunertal	http://www.kaunertal.com
Kirchbach	http://www.kirchbach.gv.at
Kitzbüheler Alpen St. Johann in Tirol - Oberndorf - Kirchschorf - Erpfendorf	http://www.kitzalps.cc
Kleinwalsertal	http://www.kleinwalsertal.com
Kleinzell im Mühlkreis	http://www.kleinzell.at
Lackenhof am Ötscher	http://www.lackenhof.at
Langlaufregion Naturpark Almenland	http://www.teichalmilfe.at
Langlaufregion Neustift ob der Donau	http://www.familienurlaub-neustift.at

Langlaufzentrum Hochreit	
Langlaufzentrum Natternbach- Tal	langlauf-natternbach.at
Langlaufzentrum Rabl-Kreuz (Waldbach-Hochwechsel)	http://www.rablkreuz-hochwechsel.at
Langschlag - Aktivwelt Freiwald	http://www.langschlag.at
Loipen Naturpark Mürzer Oberland	http://www.muerzeroberland.at/langlaufen.html
Maria Alm - Hochkönig	www.hochkoenig.at
Mariensee - Aspangberg - St. Peter Mellau	www.mariensee.sportunion.at
Mieders-Fulpmes-Neustift	http://www.mellau.at/de/sport-freizeit/winter/langlaufen.html
Moorbad Harbach	http://www.stubai.at
Moorbad Harbach	www.moorbad-harbach.at
Mühlenloipe Hochneukirchen	www.bergfex.at
Murau-Kreischberg	http://www.murau-kreischberg.at
Nassfeld / Hermagor	http://www.nassfeld.at
Naturpark Zirbitzkogel-Grebenzen	www.naturpark-grebenzen.at
Nordisches Zentrum Böhmerwald	www.boehmerwald.at
Obertauern	http://www.obertauern.com
Obertraun	http://www.dachstein-salzkammergut.at
Olympiaregion Seefeld	http://www.seefeld.com/de/aktivitaeten/winter/langlauf
Ottenschlag	http://www.ottenschlag.com
Piesendorf Niedersill	
Pinzga-Loipe (Teilabschnitt Mittersill - Hollersbach - Stuhlfelden)	
Planneralm	www.planneralm.at
Praxmar-Lüsens/ Sellraintal	http://www.praxmar-luensens.at
Praxmar-Lüsens/ Sellraintal	http://www.sellraintal.at
Raiffeisen Langlaufpark	http://www.raiffeisen-langlaufpark.at
Ramsau/Dachstein - Ski amade	http://www.ramsau.com
Rauris	http://www.raurisertal.at/de/winter/langlaufen.html
Salzburger Sonnenterrasse - St. Veit	www.sonnenterrasse.at
Salzkammergutloipen	http://www.bad-mitterndorf.at
Sankt Johann - Alpendorf - Ski amade	http://www.sanktjohann.com
Schlick 2000	http://www.schlick2000.at
Schruns-Tschagguns-Bartholomäberg-St.Anton	http://www.montafon.at
Sillian - Hochpustertal	http://www.dolomitenordicski.com/menue-left/osttirol.html
Skiregion Lienzer Dolomiten	www.lienzerdolomiten.info
Sonnenloipe Vorderweißenbach	http://www.vorderweissenbach.at/langlaufloipe.html?F=lqnvcihipsz
Sonnenplateau Mieming & Tirol Mitte	http://www.sonnenplateau.com
Spital am Pyhrn	http://urlaubsregion-pyhrn-priel.at/was-moechtest-du-erleben/winter/langlauf.html
Sportgastein - Ski amade	http://www.gastein.com/media/pdf/2110.pdf
Tannheimer Tal	http://www.tannheimertal.com/
Tiroler Zugspitz Arena	http://www.zugspitzarena.com
Turracher Höhe	http://www.turracherhoehe.at
Tux-Finkenberg - Zillertal	http://www.tux.at
Virgen	http://www.osttirol-nationalpark.at/virgen
Warth - Schröcken	http://www.warth-schroecken.com
Wechsel-Semmering	http://www.loipeninfo.at
Weinebene	http://www.weinebene.at
Werfenweng	http://www.werfenweng.eu
Weyer - Langlaufarena Waldhütte	http://www.bergfex.at/oberoesterreich/langlaufen/weyer
Wilder Kaiser	http://www.wilderkaiser.info
Windischgarsten	http://www.pyhrn-priel.net/de/winter/2606562/skilanglaufen.html

Zell am See - Kaprun	http://www.zellamsee-kaprun.com/de/aktivitaeten/alternativer-wintersport
Zöbern	http://www.zoeborn.at

Belgium	
Baraque Michel	www.ski-baraquemichel.be
Bailet	www.champlon.info
B-Sport	
Centre Nature de Botrange	www.botrange.be
Centre Sportif Worriken	www.worriken.be
CLC Sporthotel	www.sporthotel-clc.be
Eifel Ski Zentrum	www.eifelskizentrum.com
Ferme Bodson	
Fickers-Schröder	http://www.albrehtenco.be
Haus Ternell	http://www.ternell.be/
Herzebösch	http://www.herzeboesch.be/
Hurtebise	
Location de ski de la baraque de fraiture	www.coo-adventure.com
Manderfeld An der Liebach	www.eastbelgium.com
Neu Perlé	
Piste de Bénikè	http://www.skiodeigne.be/
Piste de Botrange	
Piste de fond du Mont Rigi	http://www.ski-montrigi.be/
Piste de la Source de la Géronstère	
Piste de ski l'Escaillère	http://www.ski.escaillere.be/
Piste d'Oignies-en-Thiérache - Snowpark	
Piste du Mont Spinette	
Piste du Musée de la Bière	
Pistes de Gouvvy	http://www.gouvvy.eu/ski/
Pistes de Riezes	http://www.chimay-ski.be/
Pistes de ski d'Anlier	
Pistes des Crêtes de Xhoffraix	
Pistes des Maugires	
Pistes d'Hameau Conrad	www.fermedeconrad.net
Plaine Blanche Faymonville	
Ravel-tour	http://www.ravel-tour.be/
RFC Sourbrodt	
Rocherath - Weisser stein	
Rodt-Tomberg	
Signal de Botrange	www.ski-botrange.be
Ski Club des Hautes Fagnes	
Ski Club Weywertz/Im Himmelchen	www.ski-club-weywertz.net
Ski de fond Etoile des neiges	http://www.etoile-des-neiges.be/
Skiclub Manderfeld VoG	www.manderfeld.info
Skipistes van het Centre de Ski Nordique / Syndicat d'Initiative des Hauteurs et Gorges de l'Ourthe / Centre de ski nordique à Samrée	
Sugny	
Thier des Rexhons	http://www.skispa.be/
Wintersportzentrum Losheimergraben	
Wirtzfeld zum Holzarchetal	

Bulgaria	
Borovets	www.borovets-bg.com
Pamporovo - Пампорово	www.winter.pamporovoresort.com
Vitosha	http://www.skivitosha.com

Czech Republic	
Region: Beskydy, Javorníky, Bílé Karpaty	
Lyžařská běžecká trať pod Velkým Javorníkem – běžecký areál Veřovice	http://lk.verovice.net
Ski areál Bílá	www.skibila.cz
SKI areál Mosty u Jablunkova	www.skimosty.cz
Ski areál Troják	www.trojak.net
Ski centrum Bílé Karpaty	www.ski-bile-karpaty.cz
Skialpin Pustevny	www.skialpin.cz
Skiareál Javorový Vrch	www.javorovy-vrch.cz
Skiareál Karolinka	www.solansedlo.cz
Skiareál Soláň - Sedlo	www.solansedlo.cz
TJ Rožnov pod Radhoštěm	www.tjroznov.eu/
Region: Jeseníky	
Lyžařský běžecký areál Skřítek	http://skritek.ssu.cz/
Lyžařský areál Bonera Ramzová	www.bonera.cz
Ski areál Červenohorské sedlo	www.skiklub-su.cz
Ski areál Praděd - Ovčárna	www.figura.cz
Region: Českomoravská vrchovina, Žďárské vrchy, Železné hory	
Ski areál Martina Koukala	www.ab-sport.cz
Ski areál Nové Město na Moravě	www.skisnowpark.cz
Ski region Žďársko	www.ski-region.cz , www.sportispo.cz
Region: Orlické hory	
Ski areál Farský kopec	www.outdoor-sport.cz
Ski areál Hory	www.skict.cz
Ski areál Říčky	www.skiricky.cz
SKI Skuhrov - lyžařské středisko - Deštné v Orlických horách	http://ski-skuhrov.cz/
Skicentrum Deštné v Orlických horách	www.sportprofi.cz/snowpark
Region: Krkonoše	
Běžecké tratě Harrachov - SKIREGION.CZ	www.skiareal.com
Běžecké tratě Trutnov	www.olfincar-vella.cz/informace-o-bezeckych-tratich/
Běžecký areál Hraběnka	www.sport-jilemnice.cz/bezecke-trasy/
Lyžařský běžecký areál a trať Horní Mísečky	www.skiareal.cz
Pec pod Sněžkou	www.skipec.com
Pěnkavčí vrch	www.penkavcivrch.cz
Ski areál Špindlerův Mlýn	www.skiareal.cz
Ski areál Horní Domky, Skiareál Studenov	www.skiareal-rokynice.cz
Skipark Černý Důl - SkiResort ČERNÁ HORA	www.skipark.cz
TJ SVS Krkonoše Vrchlabí - oddíl běžeckého lyžování	http://www.krkonoše-vrchlabi.cz

Region: Jizerské hory a Ještědský hřbet	
Ski areál Bedřichov - Skiaréna Jizerky	www.skijizerky.cz
Ski areál Ještěd	www.skijested.cz
Sportovní areál Vesec	www.arealvesec.cz
Track Javorník - Zlatá Olešnice (in construction)	www.telemark-czech.cz/
Region: Lužické hory a České Švýcarsko	
Zimní běžecký areál Polevsko	www.skipolevsko.estranky.cz
Region: Krušné hory	
Běžecký areál Dlouhá Louka	www.krusnohorskyklub.cz
Lesná	www.horskyhotellesna.cz
Nejdecko – Nové Hamry – Jelení lyžařský běžecký areál	www.annahotelnejdek.eu
Ski areál Boží Dar	www.novako-ski.cz
Ski Bouřňák	www.scbournak.cz
Sport Areál Klíny	www.kliny.cz
Region: Šumava	
Lyžařský stadion Churáňov	www.lazadov.cz
Ski areál Kašperské Hory	www.skikasperky.cz
Ski areál Lipno	www.skiareallipno.cz
Ski areál Železná Ruda - Špičák	www.spicak.cz
Ski Kvilda	www.skikvilda.cz

Denmark	
Århus Skiklub	www.aarhuskiklub.dk
Hobro Skiklub	www.hobroskiklub.dk
Holte ski	www.holteski.dk
Københavns Skiklub	http://ks-ski.com/
Kolding Skiklub	www.koldingskiklub.dk/skibakken

Estonia	
Alutaguse Puhke- ja Spordikeskus	www.alutaguse.com
Nelijärve Puhkekeskus	www.nelijarve.ee
Nõmme Spordikeskus	www.sportkeskus.ee
Sihtasutus Jõulumäe Tervisespordikeskus	www.joulumae.ee
Sportland Kõrvemaa Matka-ja Suusakeskus	www.korvemaa.ee
Tehvandi Spordikeskus	www.tehvandi.ee
Viljandimaa spordi- ja puhkekeskus	www.holstrepolli.ee

Finland	
Calpis	www.kalpalinna.com
Finnfoam Paippi	http://www.paippi.com/
Hetta Ski Resort	http://www.hettahiihtomaa.fi/en.html
Himos	http://www.himos.fi/english
Jämikeskus	http://www.jamikeskus.fi/eng
Jämin	http://www.jamikeskus.fi/eng/snow/crosscountryskiing
Kiilopää	http://www.suomenlatu.fi/kiilopaa/en/

Koli	http://www.koli.fi/eng
Kymppi Areena	http://www.vesileppis.fi/en/?Skiing_Arena
Lapin urheiluoipisto	http://www.santasport.fi
Levi	http://www.levi.fi/en
Lieksan hiihtokeskus	www.lieksanhihtoseura.fi
Luosto	http://www.laplandluosto.fi/winter
Messilä	http://www.messila.fi/en/Home/Home/
Pyhä	http://ski.pyha.fi
Ruka	http://ski.ruka.fi/eng/
Saariselkä	http://www.skisaariselka.fi/en/frontpage.php
Salla	http://loma.salla.fi/en/slopes/
Sappee	http://talvi.sappee.fi/index.php?object=frontpage_en&sivu=179
Skiresort Iso-Syöte	http://www.syote.fi/en/home/
Skitunnel Vuokatti	http://www.vuokattisport.fi/showpage.php?id=116
Tahko	http://www.tahko.com/index.php?lId=2
Vuokatti	www.vuokattisport.fi
Ylläs (Sport Resort Ylläs & Ylläs-Ski)	www.yllas.fi/en

France

Alpe d'huez	http://www.alpedhuez.com
Chamonix Mont-Blanc	http://www.chamonix.com
Combloux Megeve StGervais	http://www.combloux.com
Courchevel	http://www.courchevel.com
Franche Comte	http://www.franche-comte.org
La Joue du Loup	
Les 3 Vallées	http://www.les3vallees.com
Les Deux Alpes	http://www.les2alpes.com
Mont Dore	http://www.mont-dore.com
Monts Jura	http://www.monts-jura.com
Peyragudes	http://www.peyragudes.com
Piau Engaly	http://www.piau-engaly.com
Serre Chevalier	http://www.serre-chevalier.com
Val d'Isère	http://www.valdisere.com/
Val Thorens	http://www.valthorens.com
Valloire - Galibier Thabor	http://www.valloire.net/

Germany

Alpenwelt Karwendel	http://www.alpenwelt-karwendel.de
Ammergauer Alpen	http://www.ammergauer-alpen.de/
Balderschwang	http://www.balderschwang.de
Bayerische Alpen/ Zugspitze	http://www.zugspitze.de
Bayrischzell/Sudelfeld	http://www.bayrischzell.de
Bodenmais Bretterschachten	http://www.bodenmais.de
Brauneck/Lenggries	http://www.lenggries.de/de/schneebericht
Erzgebirge/ Oberwiesental am Fichtelberg	http://www.fichtelberg-ski.de
Feldberg Liftverbund	http://www.liftverbund-feldberg.de/
Harz /Blocksberg	www.erlebnisbocksberg.de
Hörnle	http://www.hoernlebahn.de
Karwendel/Mittenwald	http://www.karwendelbahn.de/
Langlaufgebiet Gemeinde Bad Hindelang	http://www.badhindelang.de
Langlaufgebiet Rusel-Geisskopf	http://www.bischofsmas.de

Loipenparadies Schwarzwaldhochstraße und Obertal-Bühlbachloipen	http://www.baiersbronn.de
Oberammergau	http://www.ammergauer-alpen.de/
Oberstdorf	http://www.oberstdorf.de
Rhön/Feuerberg	http://www.feuerberglifte.de
Sauerland/ Skikarussell Winterberg	http://www.ski-altastenberg.de/
Schwarzwald/ Feldberg	http://www.liftverbund-feldberg.de
Skigebiet am Kolben / Laber	http://www.kolbensesselbahn.de
Spitzingsee	http://www.alpenbahnen-spitzingsee.de/
Steckenberg	http://www.steckenberg.de
Wintersportzentrum Eck-Riedelstein mit Auerhahn- und Riedelstein- Höhenloipe	www.skieck.de

Greece

Ski Centre "3-5 Pigadia"	http://www.3-5pigadia.gr/
Parnassos Ski Centre	http://www.parnassos-ski.gr/
Pelion Ski Centre	http://www.pelionski.gr/
Seli National Ski Centre	http://www.seli-ski.gr/ins_index.php
Ski Center "Voras – Kaimaktsalan"	http://www.kaimaktsalan.gr/
Ski Center Kalavrita	http://www.kalavrita-ski.gr/

Italy

Region: Südtirol	
Carezza Ski	www.carezza.it/
Dolomiti Nordic Ski	www.kronplatz.com ; www.dolomitinordicski.com
Funivie Ghiacciai Val Senales /Schnalstal	www.schnalstal.com/de/skigebiet/
Gitschberg	www.gitschberg.com
Haideralm	www.haideralm.it
Hochpustertal	www.s-dolomiten.it
Jochtal	www.jochtal.com
Klausberg	www.klausberg.it
Ladurns	www.ladurns.it
Langlaufzentrum Langtaufers	www.schoeneben.it
Lavaze Jochgrimm	www.aldein-radein.com
Pfelders Lazinzer Alm	www.pfelders.info
Plose	www.plose.org/winter.html
Ratschings-Jaufental	www.ratschings-jaufen.it
Reinswald	www.sarntal.com
Riepenlift Antholz Mittertal	www.riepenlift.com/
Rittner Horn	www.rittnerhorn.com
Schwemmalm Ulten	www.schwemmalm.com
Seiser Alm (Marinzen/Kastelruth/Seiseralm)	www.seiseralm.it/de/aktiv-winter.html
Ski Center Latemar Obereggen	www.obereggen.it/obereggen_skicenter-latemar.php
Skigebiet Meran 2000 - Langlaufloipe Falzeben	www.meran2000.com
Skigebiet Sellaronda	www.dolomitisuperski.com/
Skigebiet Sulden	www.seilbahnsulden.it
Skigebiet Villnöss	www.villnoess.com
Speikboden	www.speikboden.it
Stilfserjoch Ortlergebiet	www.ortlergebiet.it/
Trafoi Ortlergebiet	www.trafoi.info
Val Gardena - Gröden (St.)	www.val-gardena.com/de/skigebiete/page10.html

Christina/St. Ulrich/Wolkenstein)	
Vigljoch	www.viglio.com
Watles	www.watles.net
Region: Trentino	
Adamello Ski	www.adamelloski.com
Alba di Canazei	www.ciampac.org/
Alpe Lusia - Bellamonte (Trevalli)	www.skiareaalpelusia.it/
Altipiani di Folgaria, Lavarone e Luserna	www.folgariaski.com/
Canazei - Belvedere (Val di Fassa)	www.canazei.org
Centro fondo Madonna di Campiglio	www.funiviecampiglio.it/
Funivie Lagorai - Passo Brocon	www.skilagorai.it/
Malcesine Monte Baldo	www.funiviedelbaldo.it/
Moena - Lusia	www.skiareaalpelusia.it/
Monte Bondone	www.ski.it/monte_bondone.html
Paganella	www.paganella.net
Panarotta Valsugana	www.panarotta.it/
Passo Rolle	www.sanmartino.com
Ponte di legno	www.adamelloski.com
Pozza di Fassa - Buffaure (Val di Fassa)	www.fassa.com/
Presena Gletscher - Adamello Ski	www.valdisole.net
San Martino di Castrozza	www.sanmartino.com
Skigebiet Pinzolo	www.campigliodolomiti.it/lang/DE/homepage
Trevalli-Moena/S.Pellegrino/Falcade	www.trevalli.com
Val di Fassa	www.canazei.org
Val di Sole/Folgarida-Marilleva	www.valdisole.net
Val di Sole/Passo Tonale - Adamello Ski	www.valdisole.net
Vigo di Fassa - Catinaccio (Val di Fassa)	www.fassaski.com/catinaccio/
Region: Piemont	
Alagna Valsesia	www.alagna.it/
Alpe Campo, Rimasco	www.atlvalsesiavercelli.it/
Bielmonte	www.bielmonte.net/
Centro Fondo Riale	www.centrofondoriale.it
Cesana	www.vialattea.it/it
Chiomonte - Fraissin	www.frais2010.it/
Claviere	www.vialattea.it/it
Domobianca - Moncucco	www.domobianca.it/
Entracque - Monte Viver	www.entracque.org/
Garessio - Colle di Casotto	www.garessio2000.it/
Limone Piemonte Riserva Bianca	www.riservabianca.it
Macugnaga	www.monterosastar.com
Pragelato	www.vialattea.it/it
Quix	www.vialattea.it/it
San Domenico	www.sandomenicoski.com/
San Sicario	www.vialattea.it/it
Sauze d'Oulx	www.vialattea.it/it
Scopello - Alpe di Mera	www.meraski.com/
Sestriere	www.vialattea.it/it
Skigebiet Ala di Stura	http://alpibeldiala.com/
Valessia Vercelli	www.atlvalsesiavercelli.it

Region: Aostatal	
Antagnod - Ayas	www.monterosa-ski.com
Ayas Antagnod Champoluc	champoluc@turismo.vda.it
Breuil - Cervini	www.cervinia.it
Brusson	www.monterosa-ski.com
Champoluc	www.monterosa-ski.com
Champorcher	www.champorcherski.it/
Cogne - Gran Paradiso	www.funiviegranparadiso.it
Courmayeur	www.courmayeur-montblanc.com/
Crévacol - Saint Rhemy en Bosses	www.crevacol.it
Fiames Sport Nordic Center Cortina d'Ampezzo	giscortina@dolomiti.it
Gressoney-La-Trinité	www.monterosa-ski.com
Gressoney-Saint-Jean	www.monterosa-ski.com
Monterosa Ski	www.monterosa-ski.com
Pila	www.pila.it
Pista di fondo del Comune di Gaby	www.turismo-gaby.it
Torgnon	www.torgnon.info/
Valgrisenche	www.skivallee.it/
Valtournenche	www.cervinia.it

Latvia	
Baiļi	http://www.baili.lv
Briežkalns	www.briezkalns.lv
Cigoriņš	www.cigorins.lv
Dūjas	www.vndujas.lv
Eglukalns	www.eglukalns.lv
Kamparkalns	www.kamparkalns.lv
Lemberga hūte	www.lembergahute.lv
Lido kalns	http://www.lidolauki.lv/lv/kalns
Līgatnes dabas takas	http://www.daba.gov.lv/public/lat/turistiem/ko_darit/
Mežinieki	
Milzkalns	www.milzkalns.lv
Ogres Zilo kalnu distanču slēpošanas trase	www.izturiba.lv
Ozolkalns	www.ozolkalns.lv
Priekuļi	http://www.olimpiskaiscentrs.cesis.lv
Reiņa trase	www.reinatrase.lv
Riekstukalns	www.riekstukalns.lv
Smecersils	www.sveikuli.lv
Sveikuļi	
Vanagkalns	www.skiriver.lv
Viesturi	www.golfsviesturi.lv
Žagarkalns	www.zagarkalns.lv
Ziemas parks	www.ziemasparks.lv

Lithuania	
Kalnų slidinėjimo centras "Kalita"	http://www.kalitoskalnas.lt/index.php/2/en/news/index
Sniego zona	http://www.sniegozona.lt/?mod=contents&act=view&lang=lt&id=586

Luxemburg

Langlaufpisten in Weiswampach	www.weiswampach.lu
Mairie de Differdange	www.differdange.lu
Syndicat d'initiative	
Syndicat d'Initiative de Wiltz	www.touristinfowiltz.lu

Poland

Stowarzyszenie "Bieg Piastów"	http://www.bieg-piastow.pl/
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Romania

Bradet	
Carlibaba	
Cazacu	
Icoana	
Kalinderu	
Lupului	
Poiana Brasov	
Sf Gheorghe	
Subteleferic, Clabucet	
Suior	
Veverita	
Zanoaga Subteleferic	

Slovakia

Jasná Nízke Tatry - Chopok juh	http://www.jasna.sk
Jasná Nízke Tatry - Chopok sever	http://www.jasna.sk
Lyžiarske stredisko Jasenská dolina - bežecké trate A,B	http://www.jasenskadolina.sk
Park Snow Donovaly	http://www.parksnow.sk/zima
Pezinská Baba	http://www.lkbaba.sk
Relax Center Plejsy	www.plejsy.sk
Roháče - Spálená	www.tatrawest.sk
Šachtičky lyžiarske stredisko	http://www.skisachticky.sk/
Skalka Kremnica	http://www.skalky.sk
Ski Drienica - Lysá	www.skidrienica.sk
Ski resort of Králiky	http://www.skikraliky.sk
Skichem Lopusna Dolina	http://www.skichem.sk/
Skipark Ružomberok/Malinnô Brdo	http://www.skipark.sk
Snowparadise Veľká Rača Oščadnica	www.velkaraca.sk
Štrbské Pleso	http://www.vt.sk/
Stredisko Ružomberok – Malinô Brdo ski&bike	www.skipark.sk
Vrátna Free Time Zone	www.vratna.sk

Slovenia

Športni center Triglav Pokljuka	www.center-pokljuka.si
Tekaški Center Petre Majdič	http://www.rogla.eu/en/winter/cross-country-center-rogla/

Sweden

Abisko	www.abisko.nu/vinter/intro/index.asp
Åre	www.skistar.com/sv/Åre
Branäs	www.branas.se

Funäsfjällen	www.funasfjallen.se/vinter/funaesdalen
Hemavan/Tärnaby	www.hemavantarnaby.se
Hovfjället	www.hovfjallet.se
Idre Fjäll	www.idrefjall.se
Kläppen Ski Resort	www.klappen.se
Långbergets Sporthotell AB	www.langberget.se
Lofsdalen	www.lofsdalen.com
Riksgränsen	www.riksgransen.se
Såfsen	www.safsen.se
Sälen	www.skistar.com/sv/salen
Vemdalen	www.skistar.com/sv/vemdalen

Switzerland

Arosa	http://www.arosabergbahnen.com/arosa_im_winter.html
Bettmeralp	http://www.bettmeralp.ch/
Corvatsch	http://www.corvatsch.ch/
Crans.Montana	http://www.crans-montana.ch
Destination Davos Klosters	www.davos.ch www.klosters.ch
Engadin St. Moritz	http://www.engadin.stmoritz.ch
Engelberg	www.engelberg.ch
Flims Laax Falera	http://www.laax.com
Flumserberg	http://www.flumserberg.ch/winter/de/home
Gstaad	http://www.gstaad.ch/de/page.cfm/Bergbahnen
Heidiland	http://www.heidiland.com
Lenk im Simmental	http://www.adelboden-lenk.ch
Lenzerheide	http://www.lenzerheide.com/sites/home/index.html
Les Diablerets	http://www.diablerets.ch/
Leukerbad/Gemmi	http://www.leukerbad.ch/de/page.cfm/Bergbahnen_Transport?nav=3
Loipe Matterhorn Täsch Randa	http://www.zermatt.ch/de/page.cfm/news_events/news/mehr_langlauf_in_taesch
Lötschental	http://www.loetschental.ch/index.cfm?setTOPnavSEC=25
Männlichen	http://www.maennlichen.ch/winter/ski_snowboard/
Motta Naluns	http://www.bergbahnen-scuol.ch
Obersaxen Mundaun Val Lumnezia	http://www.ober saxen-mundaun.ch
Portes du Soleil	http://www.portesdusoleil.com/
Saas Fee	http://www.saas-fee.ch/
Sörenberg	http://www.soerenberg.ch/bahnen/
Toggenburg	http://www.skitog.com/
Torrent	http://www.torrent.ch
Veysonnaz	http://www.veysonnaz.ch

Appendix C – List of all contacted indoor resorts

Indoor resorts

The ski resorts in **bold** are these which answered to our questionnaire.

Name	Homepage	
Belgium		
Albrecht Skicenter	http://www.albrechtenco.be/?page_id=9	dry ski (mat), treadmill
Ars Valendi Sport	http://www.arsvalendi.be/	dry ski (mat), treadmill
Cassablanca	http://www.skicasablanca.be/	artificial snow
Ice Mountain	http://www.ice-mountain.com/	artificial snow
Mont Blanc	http://www.montblanc.be/	dry ski (mat), treadmill
Ski en snowboardcentrum Snow Valley	http://www.snowvalley.be/new/index.php?lang=nl	artificial snow
Ski Inn Indoorski	http://www.ski-inn.be/	dry ski(mat), treadmill
Skibaan Katteven	http://www.katteven.be/	dry ski (mat)
Skiclub Zondal	http://www.zondal.be/algemeen/home.htm	dry ski (mat)
Skipiste Aspen	http://www.skipiste-aspen.be/	dry ski (mat)
Top Fit	http://www.topfit.be/	dry ski (mat), treadmill
Yeti ski & snowboard	http://www.yetiski.be/	dry ski (mat)
Denmark		
Indoor Ski, Golf og Konferencecenter	www.isgk.dk/indoorski	treadmill
Lalandia i Rødby	www.lalandia.dk	treadmill
SkiArena	www.skiarena.dk/	treadmill
Finland		
Finnfoam Paippi	http://www.paippi.com/	cross-country
Jämin Hiihtotunneli	http://www.jamikeskus.fi/eng	cross-country
Kymppi Areena	http://www.vesileppis.fi/en/?Skiing_Arena	cross-country
Skitunnel Vuokatti	http://www.vuokattisport.fi/showpage.php?id=116	cross-country
Vahterusring	www.vahterusring.fi	cross-country
France		
Skihalle Amnéville-Les-Thermes	contact@snowhall.fr	artificial snow
Germany		
Alpinecenter Bottrop	www.alpincenter.com/bottrop/	artificial snow
Alpinecenter Hamburg-Wittenburg	http://www.alpincenter.com/hamburg-wittenburg	artificial snow
DKB-Skisporthalle Oberhof	www.oberhof-skisporthalle.de	artificial snow
Jever Skihalle	http://www.allrounder.de/	artificial snow
Skihalle Snowtropolis	www.snowtropolis.de	artificial snow
Snow Dome Bisingen	http://www.snow-dome.de/	artificial snow
Lithuania		
Snow arena	http://www.snowarena.lt/en/home	artificial snow

The Netherlands

Il Primo	http://www.ilprimo.nl/	dry ski (mat)
Kunstschaan Wezuperburg	http://www.skien-in-drenthe.nl/	dry ski (mat)
Montana Snowcenter	http://www.montana-snowcenter.nl/nl/home/	artificial snow
Ski & Skate centrum Bergschenhoek	http://www.outdoorski.nl/	dry ski (mat)
Skibaan Dousberg	http://www.skibaan-dousberg.nl/	dry ski (mat)
Skibaan Molenhoek	http://www.skibaanmolenhoek.nl/	dry ski (mat)
Skicentrum Drechtsteden	http://www.ski-baan.nl/	dry ski (mat)
Skicentrum Jorg Moser	http://www.skicentrummoser.nl/	dry ski (mat)
Skicentrum Soesterberg	http://www.skibaansoesterberg.nl/	dry ski (mat)
Skidôme Nicky Broos	http://www.skidome.nl	artificial snow
Snowbase	http://www.snowbase.nl/	artificial snow
Snowdome De Uithof	http://www.deuithof.nl/sneeuwbaan	artificial snow
Snowplanet Spaarnwoude	http://www.snowplanet.nl	artificial snow
SnowWorld Landgraaf	http://www.snowworld.com/	artificial snow
SnowWorld Zoetermeer	http://www.snowworld.com/	artificial snow
Wijchense Berg	http://www.wyichenseberg.nl/	dry ski (mat)

Spain

Madrid Snow Zone	http://www.madridsnowzone.com/	artificial snow
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Sweden

Torsby Ski Tunnel	www.skitunnel.se	cross-country
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United Kingdom

Chill Factore	www.chillfactore.com	artificial snow
Snow Dome	www.snowdome.co.uk	artificial snow
The Snow Centre Hemel Hempstead	www.thesnowcentre.com	artificial snow

Appendix D – Alpine questionnaire

Questionnaire ski-resorts in Europe 2012/2013

The following questions are related to your local ski-resort and interconnected ski resort (= area that is connected by ski-lifts and therefore has the same ticket and tariff system).

Attention: Please fill in the requested amounts in Euro.

1) Nationality

In which country is your ski-resort (mostly) located?

Austria

Belgium

Bulgaria

Cyprus

Czech Republic

Denmark

Estonia

Finland

France

Germany

Greece

Italy

Latvia

Lithuania

Norway

Poland

Portugal

Romania

Slovakia

Slovenia

Spain

Sweden

Switzerland

United Kingdom

Questions relating to your SKI-RESORT: Local SKI-RESORT

2) What is the name of your local ski-resort?

3) Does your local ski-resort have a website or an internet presence? If yes please name it:

4) In which part of your country (province) is your ski-resort located?

What are the official contact details of your ski-region?

5) Official telephone number (please include both: international and national area codes / e.g. 0043 1 58877311)

6) Official e-mail-address

7) Sea level of the lowest valley station in metres

8) Sea level of the highest mountain station in metres

Please describe the number and type of ski-lifts in your ski-resort:

9) Number of cable cars

10) Number of chair-lifts

11) Number of T-bar lifts

12) Number of slope kilometres (local)

13) Slope-kilometres categories
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0 - 2 km

3 - 10 km

11 - 25-km

26 - 50 km

51 - 100 km

more than 100 km

14) km "blue" (easy) slopes

15) km "red" (medium) slopes

16) km "black" (difficult) slopes
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The following questions concern the ski-region in which your ski-resort is located:

17) Is your local ski-resort part of a bigger ski-region?
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If you answer question 17 with "NO", please go directly to question 22!

yes

no

18) What is the name of the ski-region?
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19) Are multiple day ski passes from your ski resort also valid in the ski-region without a surcharge?

no, only valid for lifts in the local ski-resort
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yes, valid in the whole ski-region (not only in the local ski-resort)

20) How many days

Multiple day passes for the whole ski-region are valid for
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1,5 days

2 days

3 days

4 days

5 days

6 days

7 days

21) Total number of slope-kilometres in the whole ski-region

Let's go back to your local ski-resort
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22) From what date to what date will your resort be open (formal requirement: dd..mm..yyyy / e.g. 01.12.2012 - 01.04.2013)

23) Slope - Extras

Freestyle and deep snow (powder) slopes

Permanent racing track

Track with time measurement

Mogul slope

Carving slope

Tubing course

Floodlight slope

24) Do you have a funpark?

If you answer question 24 with "NO", please go directly to question 26!

yes

no
25a) Halfpipe
How many of the following obstacles do you have in your funpark?
25b) Quaterpipe
25c) Kicker
25d) Rail
25e) Box
25f) Pipeslide / Tube
25g) Kicker with an airbag
25h) Others / Specials

26) Shuttle bus service in local ski resort free of charge?
Does your local ski-resort provide a shuttle-bus service from the accomodation to the the next lift stations free of charge?
yes, but only in combination with a valid lift ticket
yes
no
no, there is no necessity for a shuttle bus (e.g. small ski resort, etc.)

Please inform about activities that are available in the local ski resort (multiple answers possible)
27) Local leisure activities
Toboggan run
Cross country ski trails
Skating rink
Indoor pool
Ice stick shooting
Sledge riding (with Huskies, horses, reindeers)
Snowmobile rentals / snowmobile tours

28) Alternative means of payment
debit card
credit card
online payment system
other
29) Is there the possibility to hire ski-equipment in your ski resort
If you answer question 29 with "NO", please go directly to question 31!
yes
no

30) Which of this equipment is availabe for hire?
Ski
Freeski / Twintips
Skiboosts
Snowboard
Snowboardboots
Helmets

Questions related to prices
31) Use of lift systems for reduced prices (max. 5 Euro) for children born in or after
1998
1999

2000
2001
2002
2003
2004
2005
2006
2007
2008
2009

32) Use of lift systems free of charge for children born in or after

1998
1999
2000
2001
2002
2003
2004
2005
2006
2007
2008
2009

Ticket prices for day ski passes in € for Saturday or Sunday

The questions refers to the price for a day ski pass in the high season for Saturday or Sunday for the relevant age

33) Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)
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34) Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)
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35) Day Ski Pass Adult

36) Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)

Ticket prices for multiple day ski passes (6 days) in € during the high season

The question refers to the price fo a 6 day ski pass during the high season for the relevant age
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37) 6 Day Ski Pass Child (born in 2003)
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38) 6 Day Ski Pass Youth (born in 1996)
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39) 6 Day Ski Pass Adult

40) 6 Day Ski Pass Senior (born in 1947)

We thank you for your cooperation, and, your patience should we have further questions with regards to the questionnaire.

Appendix E – Cross-country questionnaire

Questionnaire cross-country-resorts in Europe 2012/2013

Dear Sirs, the following questions are related to your cross-country skiing resort
Attention: Please fill in the requested amounts in Euro.

1) Nationality

In which country is your cross-country skiing resort located.

Austria

Belgium

Bulgaria

Czech Republic

Denmark

Estonia

Finland

France

Germany

Greece

Italy

Latvia

Lithuania

Luxemburg

Poland

Portugal

Romania

Slovakia

Slovenia

Sweden

Switzerland

Questions relating to your cross-country skiing resort: Local cross-country skiing resort

2) What is the name of your local cross-country skiing resort?

**3) Does your cross-country resort have a website or an internet presence?
If yes please name it:**

4) In which part of your country (province) is your cross-country resort located?

What are the official contact details of your cross-country-region?

5) Official telephone number (please include both: international and national area codes / e.g. 0043 1 58877311)

6) Official e-mail-address

7) Sea level of your cross-country ski run

8) Is it necessary to use a ski lift to reach your cross-country ski run (or a part of it) ?

If you answer question 8 with "NO", please go directly to question 10!

yes

no

9) Do you have to buy a ticket to use this ski lift?
yes
no

General questions related to your cross-country ski runs
10) How many different cross-country ski runs are there?
11) What is the combined length of the cross country ski runs in kilometres
12) What is the length of the skating tracks in kilometres
13) What is the length of the classic tracks in kilometres
14) Does flood lightning exist for the night?
If you answer question 14 with "NO", please go directly to question 16!
yes
no
15) What is the length of the lit ski runs (in kilometres)?

Questions related to prices
16) Is it necessary to purchase a ticket to use your cross-country ski runs?
If you answer question 16 with "NO", please go directly to question 19!
yes
no
How much does it cost to use the cross-country ski run (in EURO):
17a) per single run (if there is such a tariff)
17b) per hour (if there is such a tariff)
17c) per day (if there is such a tariff)
17d) per week (7 days) (if there is such a tariff)
17e) per season (if there is such a tariff)
18) Do discounts exist?
yes
no

19) Is there the possibility to hire cross-country equipment in your resort?
yes
no
20) Is there a ski-school for cross-country skiing?
yes
no

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Appendix F – Indoor questionnaire

Questionnaire indoor skiing in Europe 2012/2013

Dear Sirs, the following questions are related to your indoor skiing resort

Attention: Please fill in the requested amounts in Euro.

1) Nationality

In which country is your indoor skiing resort located.

Belgium

Denmark

Finland

France

Germany

Lithuania

The Netherlands

Spain

Sweden

United Kingdom

Questions relating to your indoor skiing resort

2) What is the name of your indoor skiing resort?

3) Does your indoor skiing resort have a website or an internet presence? If yes please name it:

4) In which part of your country (province) is your indoor skiing resort located?

What are the official contact details of your indoor skiing region?

5) Official telephone number (please include both: international and national area codes / e.g. 0043 1 58877311)

6) Official e-mail-address

Questions related to the slopes:

7) How many slopes do you have?

8) What is the total length of all the slopes combined(in metres)?

9) How long is the longest slope?

10) How wide is the widest slope?

11) Is there a slope or part of a slope for beginners?

yes

no

12) Is there a slope or part of a slope for advanced?

yes

no

13) How many %-gradient does the steepest part have?

Number of lifts? Please describe the number and type of ski-lifts in your ski-resort:

14a) Cable cars

14b) Chair-lifts

14c) T-bar lifts

14d) Magic carpet
14e) Rope lift
14f) Others

The following questions are related to the costs of the tickets.
15) Do you have a tariff for children?
If you answer question 15 with "NO", please go directly to question 18!
yes
no
16) Until what age do tariffs for children apply?
17) How much is a weekend child day-ski-pass in summer (in EURO)?
18) Adult tickets start at what age?
19) How much is a weekend adult day-ski-pass in summer (in EURO)?
20) Apart from the use of the slopes and the lifts, are also other services always included within the day ticket? (e.g.: rental service / restaurant - i.e. a plain "ticket for skiing only" does not exist)
yes
no
21) Do different tariffs for summer and winter exist?
yes
no
22) Do you have different tariffs for weekends and weekdays?
yes
no
23) Do further tariff categories exist?
Hourly ticket
Morning ticket
Afternoon ticket
Evening ticket
Universal or All-In-Tariffs (e.g.: ski ticket, restaurant, rental service, lessons, ...)
Others
24) Do further discounts exist?
Teenagers
Students
Disabled people
Elderly people
Others

The following questions are related to the opening hours of the indoor-skiing-resort
25) Do you have different opening hours for summer and winter?
yes
no
26) Do you have different opening hours during the school holidays?
yes

no
27) Do you have different opening hours on weekends and weekdays?
yes
no

Please inform us about activities that are available at your indoor skiing resort.
28) Indoor leisure activities
Skating ring
Ice stick shooting
Toboggan run
Tubing
Ice climbing
Cross country ski trails
Others
29) Is there a funpark in the indoor skiing resort?
yes
no
30) Which of the following services are offered?
Restaurant
Bar
Hotel
Ski school
Rental service
Sports outfitters
Others

We thank you for your cooperation, and, your patience should we have further questions with regards to the questionnaire.

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Appendix H – FIS Rules

I. Rules for the Conduct of Skiers and Snowboarders

(Wording 2002)

1. Respect for others

A skier or snowboarder must behave in such a way that he does not endanger or prejudice others.

2. Control of speed and skiing or snowboarding

A skier or snowboarder must move in control. He must adapt his speed and manner of skiing or snowboarding to his personal ability and to the prevailing conditions of terrain, snow and weather as well as to the density of traffic.

3. Choice of route

A skier or snowboarder coming from behind must choose his route in such a way that he does not endanger skiers or snowboarders ahead.

4. Overtaking

A skier or snowboarder may overtake another skier or snowboarder above or below and to the right or to the left provided that he leaves enough space for the overtaken skier or snowboarder to make any voluntary or involuntary movement.

5. Entering, starting and moving upwards

A skier or snowboarder entering a marked run, starting again after stopping or moving upwards on the slopes must look up and down the slopes that he can do so without endangering himself or others.

6. Stopping on the piste

Unless absolutely necessary, a skier or snowboarder must avoid stopping on the piste in narrow places or where visibility is restricted. After a fall in such a place, a skier or snowboarder must move clear of the piste as soon as possible.

7. Climbing and descending on foot

A skier or snowboarder either climbing or descending on foot must keep to the side of the piste.

8. Respect for signs and markings

A skier or snowboarder must respect all signs and markings.

9. Assistance

At accidents, every skier or snowboarder is duty bound to assist.

10. Identification

Every skier or snowboarder and witness, whether a responsible party or not, must exchange names and addresses following an accident.

General Comments on the FIS Rules

(Wording 2002)

Skiing and Snowboarding like all sports entail risks.

The FIS Rules must be considered an ideal pattern of conduct for a responsible and careful skier or snowboarder and their purpose is to avoid accidents on the piste. The FIS Rules apply to all skiers and snowboarders. The skier or snowboarder is obliged to be familiar with and to respect them. If he fails to do so, his behaviour could expose him to civil and criminal liability in the event of an accident.

Rule 1

Skiers and snowboarders are responsible not only for their own behaviour but also for their defective equipment. This also applies to those using newly developed equipment.

Rule 2

Collisions usually happen because skiers or snowboarders are moving too fast, out of control or have failed to see others. A skier or snowboarder must be able to stop, turn and move within the ambit of his own vision.

In crowded areas or in places where visibility is reduced, skiers and snowboarders must move slowly especially at the edge of a steep slope, at the bottom of a piste and within areas surrounding skillifts.

Rule 3

Skiing and snowboarding are free activity sports, where everyone may move where and as they please, provided that they abide by these rules and adapt their skiing and snowboarding to their personal ability and to the prevailing conditions on the mountain.

The skier or snowboarder in front has priority. The skier or snowboarder moving behind another in the same direction must keep sufficient distance between himself and the other skier or snowboarder so as to leave the preceding skier or snowboarder enough space to make all his movements freely.

Rule 4

A skier or snowboarder who overtakes another is wholly responsible for completing that manoeuvre in such a way to cause no difficulty to the skier or snowboarder being overtaken. This responsibility rests with him until the overtaking manoeuvre has been completed. This rule applies even when overtaking a stationary skier or snowboarder.

Rule 5

Experience proves that joining a piste or starting again after stopping are the sources of accidents. It is absolutely essential that a skier or snowboarder finding himself in this situation enters the piste safely and without causing an obstruction or danger to himself or others.

When he has started skiing or snowboarding properly again – even slowly – he has the benefit of rule 3 as against faster skiers and snowboarders coming from above or behind. The development of carving skis and snowboards allows their users to carve and turn upwards on the slopes. Hence they move opposite to the general downhill traffic. They must, therefore, make sure in time that they can do so without endangering themselves and others.

Rule 6

Except on wide pistes stops must be made at the side of the piste. One must not stop in narrow places or where it is difficult to be seen from above.

Rule 7

Moving against the general direction poses unexpected obstacles for the skiers and snowboarders. Footprints damage the piste and can cause danger to skiers and snowboarders.

Rule 8

The degree of difficulty of a piste is indicated in black, red, blue or green. A skier or snowboarder is free to choose whichever piste he wants. The pistes are also marked with other signs showing direction or giving warnings of danger or closure. A sign closing a piste, like one denoting danger, must be strictly observed. Skiers and snowboarders should be aware that warning signs are posted in their own interests.

Rule 9

It is a cardinal principle for all sportsmen that they should render assistance following an accident independent of any legal obligation to do so. Immediate First Aid should be given, the appropriate authorities alerted and the place of the accident marked to warn other skiers and snowboarders. FIS hopes that a hit and run offence in skiing and snowboarding will incur a criminal conviction similar to hit and run offence on the road and that equivalent penalties will be imposed by all countries where such legislation is not already in force.

Rule 10

Witnesses are of great importance in establishing a full and proper report of an accident and therefore everybody must consider that it is the duty as a responsible person to provide information as a witness.

Reports of the rescue service and of the police as well as photographs are of considerable assistance in determining civil and criminal liability.

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