

Combine A City Break With Ski From Four Top Locations



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Brits can combine their love for the piste with a city break before hitting the slopes

[Cheapflights.co.uk](#), the UK's leading website for travel deals comparison, predicts the season's hottest trend to be combining city breaks with ski trips in four of Britain's favourite holiday destinations including Malaga, Barcelona, Geneva, and Rome.

"Destinations like Spain , Italy and Switzerland have long been UK favourites for travel during different times of the year, so it comes as no surprise that travellers would stop off to enjoy seasonal festivities in their preferred cities on the way to a ski break," says Nadine Hallak, Travel Expert for Cheapflights.co.uk

City sun and ski fun in Malaga

While [flights to Malaga](#) are normally packed with Britons headed for the beach, predictions show that this season, they'll be equally as full with those headed for the snow.

Stopping off to take in the city's magical festive scenes in the form of stunning decorations, masses of lights, flowers, concerts and more than 200 traditional cribs, travellers can continue on to enjoy some of Europe's best skiing a mere two hours away. Resorts include:

- **Sierra Nevada** : home to the Alpine Ski Championships in 1996, which more adventurous skiers can enjoy this season, it has a vertical

drop of 13000 metres and snow to accommodate all levels from beginner to expert. Designed by European and American specialists to guarantee superb conditions, it has 61 kilometers spread over 39 runs and six sensational off-course trails. The resort is just 90 minutes drive from international airport is Pablo Picasso Airport in Malaga (AGP), which is its closest airport

The Easterly slopes of Barcelona

Travellers are familiar with its impressive cultural attractions, nightlife, world-class cuisine, and shoreline, but the city also boasts a range of ski resorts just two hours from the city.

This season, travellers can climb aboard [flights to Barcelona](#) for a city break complete with Christmas lights, festive food markets, and six different tree attractions before enjoying slopes such as:

- **Valter 2000:** close to the Mediterranean and best suited to beginners and intermediates, Valter has direct access to 13 individual pistes above 2500 metres served by 8 ski lifts with skiing and snowboarding assured throughout the season
- **La Molina:** established in 1911, Spain 's original ski centre now boasts villages at 1400, 1600, and 1700 metres with tree-lined trails overlooking the Cerdanya Valley . Best suited to intermediates and beginners

The nativity and snow scenes of Rome

[Flights to Rome](#) during the festive season mean stalls of Christmas goodies, nativity scenes, and the city's largest Christmas market at Piazza Navona. However, they also mean onward journeys to the snow with resorts including:

- **Terminillo:** officially located in the exact centre of Italy , the resort accommodates skiers of all levels from beginners to experts with 26 kilometres of country trails, and nine ski lifts, and 27 individual pistes. Its highest lift is at 2108 metres, and the lowest is at 1614 metres. Special apres ski activities include a cinema and nightclub
- **Roccaraso:** the 70 individual pistes of this extensive resort are most suited to intermediates with 110 kilometres of ski, 27 ski lifts. It's highest lift is at 2140 metres, and its lowest piste sits at 1240 metres

The celeb slopes and city lights of Geneva

[Flights to Geneva](#) are positively packed with opportunity from witnessing the International Christmas Tree & Lights festival during a city break before hitting the celeb dotted slopes for a ski break. Resorts abound from this destination some of which include:

- **Klosters:** close to Davos and a royal favourite, it serves as a regular ski resort for the likes of Prince Charles, Prince William and soon to be spouse, Kate Middleton. Located just three miles from Geneva , it's no surprise that this extensive ski resort comprises 307 kilometres of downhill ski, and accommodates all skill levels with skiing and snowboarding guaranteed for the entire season. It has 50 kilometres of cross country trails with its highest lift at 2840 metres and its lowest piste at 1110 metres
- **Chamonix :** best for expert and intermediate skiers, it has 355 individual pistes, 43 kilometres of cross country trails, and the world's steepest lift served vertical at 2800 metres. Its lowest piste is at 1040 metres with its highest lift at a whopping 3840 metres. The resort is only an hour from Geneva by car, and is noted for providing excellent value for money with plenty of luxuries to enjoy and very low cost

For more ideas on where to enjoy a city combined with ski break, visit <http://www.cheapflights.co.uk/>

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