



A Grand Winter Get-a-way

The crisp sunny days of winter, when the sky is impossibly blue and fresh, deep powder settles on the mountains, beg you to come out and enjoy the world of New Hampshire Grand.

Skiers will want to rise with the sun to be the ones who make the first tracks on the corduroy slopes the Bretton Woods Ski Resort (www.BrettonWoods.com) or the Balsams Wilderness (www.TheBalsams.com) in Dixville Notch.

At the first run hour, the entire mountains are yours to explore, getting the feel of the snow, the pitch of the trails and the exhilaration of scenery that will take an extra breath from you.

Nordic skiers can make tracks over hundreds of kilometers of finely groomed trails. The Bretton Woods Nordic Center skis out to one of the largest cross country areas in the East, with over 100 kilometers that take you through a gauntlet of snow-covered spruce forests and open meadows where you can try and catch your breath

in a panorama of the Presidential Range.

High in Dixville Notch, The Balsams is surrounded by 15,000 acres that make for a peaceful sojourn. There are 95 kilometers of trails, of which one-third are easy enough for the whole family to enjoy together.

At the Mountain View Grand, nearly 20 miles of trails are groomed in a network around the hotel grounds and these trails are shared with snowshoers. Deriving its name from the surrounding landscape, a mountain is nearly always in view!

Even if you are not skier, there is another great way to get outside and go fast. Can you yell ‘Mush?’

Dog sledding is an exciting way to see New Hampshire Grand and our three grand hotels can make that possible, with guided dog sled rides. At the Mount Washington Resort, you can tour the kennels and meet the team of huskies before they whisk you over the trails around the hotel.

At The Balsams, these amazing dog teams will take you over 60 miles of high elevation wilderness trails on a two-hour journey, with morning

and afternoon rides available.

Tours that range from an introductory half-hour ride to an all-out, three hour adventure through woods and open field are available at the Mountain View Grand.

Winter is a good time for a little pampering after a day outside and our grand hotels all offer spa treatments. What could be better to warm up than a hot stone

Insider's Tip

At Bretton Woods, we like to make the first run down from the Bethlehem Express on Bretton's Wood, a wide easy trail that warms up our legs. Up at the Balsams Wilderness, the meandering Monadnock from the top also gets our body in tune for the rest of the day.

massage at The Balsams or the Adventurer's Massage that will help with flexibility for your next day's adventure at the Mount Washington Resort.

A full spa service is also available at the Mountain View Grand, where you can soak in a mineral bath in the hotel's grand tower that offers a 360-degree view that stretches for miles over the mountains.

Whatever your winter passion or pleasure, there is

Insider's Tip

For a really unique experience, check for moonlight ski tours at the Mount Washington Resort when the full moon comes around in the winter months.

a moment in New Hampshire Grand when you will want to stop whatever you are doing and look over the mountains.

In the cold clear winter air, there is a phenomenon many afternoons, when sun sets on the day. Watch as the snow reflects it and dances with soft colors, from orange sherbet to the deep mauve of the coming evening.

It's the alpenglow and it's one more memory to take with you.

