



**Champoluc** is among Italy's most appealing ski areas, with a quiet and rustic charm and direct access to wide open pistes. It is the largest resort in the wider Monterosa Ski area, with lifts and pistes linking three adjacent valleys with an overall scale of 10 miles from end to end. In particular, the ski area has excellent long runs and exceptional off-piste terrain reached from the top lifts (up to 3,200m) or by helicopter.

## Top Runs

- The high nursery slopes at Crest above Champoluc, served by moving carpets, are great for beginner skiers.
- The highlight is the descent on the lovely Olen run – an easy, groomed black that in the past was rightly classified red – and the red to Alagna below it. All in all a descent of 1,760m vertical, over nearly five miles.
- Delle Colle is a fabulous cruising red above Frachey – just up the valley from Champoluc – while the reds above Champoluc are also excellent, culminating in the testing del Bosco to the village.



## Best for Après Ski

- **Bruno's Bar**  
On the slopes, good place to catch your breath, grab a drink and start the evening.
- **Il Golo**  
Small, distinctly Italian wine bar with live music.
- **Lo Bistrot**  
Twice-weekly disco, often serves complimentary pizza with its drinks.
- **Hotel California**  
Slightly out of the centre but something of a nightlife hub, including the West Road Pub that offers lively karaoke.

## Recommended Restaurants

- **Breithorn**  
Best of the hotel restaurants. There is an elegant main restaurant and a more relaxed brasserie. The restaurants offer local dishes and modern alternatives.
- **Osteria Il Balivo**  
Best of the stand-alone places, extensive menu made from local ingredients.
- **Stadel Soussun**  
Specialising in local cuisine, this highly-rated restaurant features stone vaults in a cosy atmosphere and serves a mix of local traditions.
- **L'Aroula**  
The ski-in ski-out restaurant serves hearty, yet authentic, local cuisine. Don't forget to have a digestivo!