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WINTER OR SUMMER? LOVE IS PREVALENT IN THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS SNOWMASS VILLAGE, COLORADO

. By Sherra Meyers

Situated in the Brush Creek Valley, about 8,200' in elevation in the Rocky Mountains sits a quaint town, Snowmass Village, Colorado. Whether you're a summer or winter bride, Snowmass Village offers unrivaled vistas, venues, accommodations and activities for an unforgettable destination-wedding weekend for all.

Getting your group to Snowmass is easy. Aspen/Pitkin County Airport

is a mere II minutes away or perhaps you or your guests want to enjoy the breathtaking Rocky Mountain vistas driving from Denver, just under 4 hours away or a shorter scenic drive from Vail's Eagle County Airport. Getting your group around Snowmass is even easier with free shuttle service to all major activity areas. There is even a free bus to/from Aspen until 2:00am if you want to take in any additional sites.



YOUR PLANNING SOLUTION

Aspen Skiing Company

This will be the one-stop shop for your venues, catering and group activities. They have a team of planners that will help you create your customized event based on budget, season and level of adventure. The beautiful news is they handle Snowmass, Aspen and Buttermilk leaving you with an array of choices.

Entertaining your guests is always an issue when planning a destination wedding – fortunately the only issue you will have is trying to figure out what to choose. From summer to winter there are more outdoor activities that one can count. Rest assured all levels of outdoors enthusiasts will revel in the offerings. From outdoor cocktail party to white water rafting, biking, hiking, fly fishing, horseback riding to skiing, boarding, snowshoeing, cozying up by the outdoor fire pits, to relaxing at the spa. You can even schedule an art class for your group at the **Anderson Ranch Arts Center**.

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The Westin Snowmass Resort (see page 184) ACCOMMODATIONS & VENUE www.westinsnowmass.com

Viceroy Snowmass ACCOMMODATIONS

Viceroy Snowmass, minutes from Aspen, is the only luxury hotel in Snowmass ski resort, located near the base of Snowmass Village. Indigenous textures and elements combined with modern amenities and finishes in all levels of accommodations, creates a feel unique to the Aspen Snowmass area. From studio residences to three and four bedroom penthouses, each luxury hotel room and suite offer guests an unparalleled Aspen resort experience year-round. Featuring breathtaking Colorado mountain views, elegant amenities, stylish interior décor and full in-room kitchens. In the winter 2017-2018 season look for the hotels \$3.5 million renovation including a new lobby refresh and new dining experience. TORO Latin Kitchen & Bar is Pan-Latin inspired melding the flavors of Peru, Mexico, and other South American regions while using locally-sourced ingredients from the mountains of Colorado.

VENUE

Mountain adventure glows with inspiring spirit at the distinguished property in Snowmass Village. From regal and rugged to intimate and personal: Viceroy Snowmass' dramatic spaces are ideal venues for stylish and memorable weddings in Aspen's backyard. Viceroy Snowmass offers the perfect venues to host all weddings from intimate gatherings of IO to large-scale celebrations for 280 with the dramatic backdrop of Snowmass Village and the Rocky Mountains. Viceroy Snowmass offers stunning ski-in/ski-out wedding options during the winter, and within-reach options during the summer. Their wedding team works as a liaison with your wedding planner, acts as a menu consultant, recommend special event specialists from invitations to music, and much more to guarantee your weekend is just the way you imagined.

MAKE NOTE: You can receive a complimentary honeymoon stay at any Viceroy Hotel Group property, inclusive of tax and resort fees, when your wedding is booked at this Viceroy Hotel Group property.

www.viceroyhotelsandresorts.com/en/snowmass

HomeAway.com and Aspen Associates Realty ACCOMMODATIONS

A home rental is a wonderful option for housing your wedding party, large family to even hosting the wedding itself. Rental homes can range from two to eight or more bedrooms providing a small or large common space for groups to gather together in a relaxed atmosphere. Most rentals will even grocery shop for you pre-arrival. In particular, we found that 7I Meadow Road in Snowmass, available through HomeAway.com and managed by Aspen Associates Realty was the perfect fit four our group of IO. This home has an open floor plan with great entertaining space upstairs and downstairs. The house is beautifully decorated, has heated hardwood and stone floors throughout, sky lights, wood beamed double vaulted ceilings, a wood burning fireplace in the living room, and gourmet kitchen. The outdoor living area is just as wonderful with gorgeous views of the mountains and the Snowmass Club golf course, large outdoor snowmelt decks and balconies, gas grill and dining area, Jacuzzi tub, wood burning fireplace, fire pit, cascading pond and driveway with snowmelt, so it's always easy to drive up to the house in the winter. The house offers privacy yet is close to everything that Snowmass Village and Aspen have to offer. Free Snowmass shuttle service is steps outside the door. www.HomeAway.com

Snowmass Club – Sage Patio and Living Room & Bar VENUE

Sage Patio offers fresh regional ingredients combined with our chef's creative flair to ensure that your experience will be unforgettable. Sage's 4,000-square-foot patio overlooks the Club's pools and waterfall providing a quintessential view of majestic Mt. Daly. Sage Patio is a great location for tented events with outdoor dining available May through October.

Sage Living Room & Bar welcomes you with warm furnishings that create an atmosphere perfect for an après event or cocktail gathering with leather club chairs and crackling stone hearth fireplace that overlooks the club's elegant pools and Mt. Daly. *www.snowmassclub.com*







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SAYING I DO'S ON THE SLOPES The Westin Snowmass Resort

SNOWMASS VILLAGE, COLORADO

By Monique Jalenak

Get Acquainted

If you're thinking picturesque mountain destination for your wedding, head straight to the The Westin Snowmass Resort! You'll find stylish accommodations, conveniently situated near year-round recreation and the cultural amenities of world class Aspen Snowmass. You'll be swept off your feet when you see the spectacular views this mountain gem of a town offers. Any bride with outdoor adventure desires will fall in love all over again after settling in at the cozy fireside lobby bar. Chic décor and comfortable seating invite you to linger long after you've worn yourself out on the mountain.

Big Day Details

The slope side location is simply the best location in Snowmass Village to enjoy spectacular views whether from the welcoming open lobby to your room terrace to après ski poolside cocktails where the chair lifts are seen drifting by.

There are plenty of beautiful spaces available to choose from to create your dream wedding. The Westin Terrace is a new mountainside open-air terrace giving you unparalleled views of the mountain range. Easily seating 150 guests, it is highlighted by 7 fire features for an intimate, cozy experience any time of year. The Garden Terrace Tent is a 4,100 square foot summer season tent bringing the outside indoors with a rooftop location that offers views that literally go on for miles. The Vue Lounge Deck is perfect for small parties and private dinners, allowing you and your guests the views and starry nights Snowmass is famous for. The Overlook is considered the Westin's "best kept secret". Here you'll have the ability to host 50 for a gourmet dinner or up to 125 for a reception with a warm and stylish design to create the ideal setting for a memorable, intimate event.

Out and About

- Skiing, hiking, mountain biking, fly-fishing, snowboarding, snow shoeing, white water rafting- the activites are endless.
- World-class shopping in Snowmass Village and shuttle ride away to downtown Aspen.
- A full-service uplifting experience awaits you in the Westin Snowmass Spa. Boasting an atmosphere of rest and renewal, the Spa offers complete rejuvenation before or after your vows or a day of adventure.

Here's the Scoop

For an all-encompassing destination wedding site, take advantage of the luxurious Westin-quality slope-side rooms and suites. High quality bedding and sophisticated room décor allow for an uninterrupted and restful night. You could easily have all your guests stay there as the main point of gathering. The prime location of the Westin Snowmass makes it ideal for you and your wedding guests. Plenty of restaurants, nightlife, music venues and art exhibits are within walking distance and the gorgeous mountains will provide days or weeks of exhilarating adventures for anyone and everyone! Make your special day an experience to remember forever!

www.westinsnowmass.com