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Accommodations in the region range from luxury

resorts to primitive campsites, and activities are as relaxing as a massage in your hotel



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room or as strenuous as a cross-country skiing expedition.

#### Maine: Acadia National Park

Acadia, on the Maine coast, was the first National Park east of the Mississippi River. The park is home to the tallest peak on the Atlantic Coast of the US, 125 miles of hiking trails and Mount Desert Island, where the light atop the Bass Harbor Head Lighthouse blinks red. Rangers narrate boat cruises. Wooded campsites accommodate tents and small RVs at the Blackwoods and Seawall campgrounds. Both are within a 10-minute walk to the ocean. The campgrounds have comfort stations, picnic tables, cold running water and dump stations. Travelers with horses and other stock animals camp at Wildwood Stables and vacationers who prefer to rough it at primitive sites pitch their tents at Duck Harbor Campground on Isle au Haut. Acadia National Park Route 233 McFarland Hill Bar Harbor, ME 04609 207-288-3338 pps.gov

# **Vermont: Snowed Inn**

Located on Vermont's "Skier's Highway," Killington has more to offer than great skiing. The Green Mountain National Golf Course was recognized by "Golf Digest" in 2009 as the best public course in the state. Both the 2,175-mile long Appalachian Trail and the Long Trail, the oldest long distance trail in the US, go through the city. Despite its name, the Snowed Inn is open year-round. The AAA three-diamond bed and breakfast enjoys a secluded forest setting less than two miles from the Killington Ski Resort. Accommodations at the inn include single rooms, deluxe rooms and Jacuzzi suites. The inn offers package deals that include lodging and skiing, golf, passes to the Killington Film Festival and admission to the Killington Wine Festival. Snowed Inn 104 Miller Brook Road Killington, VT 05751 800-311-5406 802-422-3407 snowedinn.com

### **New Hampshire: The NASWA Resort**

Laconia is located in the Lakes Region of New Hampshire near Lake Winnipesaukee, Lake Winnisquam and Opechee Bay. The location's proximity to Boston and New York make it a favorite destination for travelers who want a more laid-back vacation experience. Skiing and ice fishing are favorite winter pastimes, and Laconia gets loud during the annual June Bike Week, when thousands of motorcyclists descend on the town. The NASWA Resort is near Weirs Beach on Lake Winnipesaukee. Standard rooms, suites and cottages are reasonably priced mid-week. The resort's NazBar, located on the beach, is a local hangout featuring live music and dancing. The NASWA Resort 1086 Weirs Boulevard Laconia, NH 03246 603-366-4341 naswa.com

## Massachusetts: Cranwell Resort, Spa and Golf Club

Tanglewood, the Boston Symphony Orchestra's summer home and site of both a jazz festival and summer music festival, is located outside Lenox. Outdoor recreation includes boating, hiking and skiing, and the area is dotted with antique stores. Cranwell Resort, Spa and Golf Club, a member of Historic Hotels of America, is a 300-acre property with a 35,000 square foot spa. The resort's 18-hole golf course was designed by Wayne Styles and John Van Kleek in 1926. Accommodations include guest rooms, cottages, suites and townhouses situated in and around a Gilded Age mansion. Cranwell Resort, Spa and Golf Club 55 Lee Road Lenox, MA 01240 800-272-6935 413-637-1364 cranwell.com

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