Mountain heir

Snow may ebb and flow as seasons pass, but there is a rich heritage for those with a stake in the ground. Invest in resort property for a streamlined path to the piste and priceless abiding memories — we look to France, Switzerland and U.S.

s the white stuff starts to fall on northern hemisphere ranges, attention turns to a winter escape. For those with the desire to feel fresh mountain air, but no time to weigh up the options, take planning and unpredictable forecasts out of the equation and invest in property. With an abundance of year-round activities and minimal runway to resort times, the opportunity to bed in,

leave equipment and create a second home in the mountains appears too good to be true. Make it a reality with The Hermitage Club, Schneefalke, Six Senses Residences and Constellation.

SIX SENSES RESIDENCES, COURCHEVEL

With an altiport at 2000m, you can quite literally hit the slopes straight from the runway in Courchevel.

Six Senses Residences is offering investment opportunities in doorstep skiing at France's Courchevel 1850, with fully serviced 24-hour concierge spa residences.

Ten duplex penthouses and 12 superior apartments offer breathtaking views, with up to

Below: The Courchevel Altiport delivers realty owners onto the slopes and moments from home five bedrooms, specially configured wine cellars and private treatment rooms and spa access for sore bodies.

Located in the middle of the Les Trois Vallées, where eight resorts are linked to form the largest ski area in the world, ski access to Meribel and Val Thorens expunge concerns over limited variety.

The Residences is supported by the Six Senses service team who offer 24/7 concierge, in-resort complimentary shuttle services, private catering, and bespoke transport solutions.

Courchevel is a holiday destination famous for its unabashed glamour, including a dozen Michelin star restaurants.

A three-bed apartment (99 sq.m) with balcony, garage, cellar and ski room is on ➤





the market for €2.9m. Located around two hours by car from Geneva and Lyon International Airport, Courchevel receives helicopters and private jets on its Altiport.

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Above: A spacious chalet at Vermont's Hermitage Club Below: The courtyard and ice rink at Switzerland's Andermatt Bottom right: Luxury living in a Courchevel apartment at 1850m



HIDDEN GEM, ANDERMATT

Picture James Bond Alpine scenes, Sean Connery and his Aston Martin ripping through Andermatt in the Goldfinger car chase.

Overlooking the charming village of Andermatt, set at an altitude of 1,444m, is Gemsstock mountain, with the Gurschenfirn Glacier at its northern flank. One bedroom penthouse apartments here range from US\$610,000 to \$4.27m.

"When I was invited to consult the Andermatt team, I didn't expect to come across a longforgotten destination with such potential," explained renowned Egyptian property investor Samih Sawiris. "The prospect of transforming this village into one of the Alps' hidden gems is incredibly exciting."

Sawiris was so deeply inspired by the beauty of the Ursern Valley that he took on the development as his own project.

Just 90 minutes from Zurich, and two hours from Milan, the Andermatt development will feature 500 apartments, 28 chalets, 12 penthouses, convention facilities, and six 4- and 5-star hotels. More than 30 international architects designed the individual buildings, combining modern architecture with the character of a traditional Swiss village. andermatt-swissalps.ch/en

CONSTELLATION RESIDENCES AT NORTHSTAR

One alternative is a luxury lodging program, such as the Constellation Residences at Northstar, in California's premier mountain playground.

Attached to one of the world's finest resorts – The Ritz-Carlton, Lake Tahoe resort – this is an investment for myriad business, entertainment and relaxation opportunities.

With ski-in and ski-out, the mid-mountain jewel is designed for families seeking a premium vacation destination or individuals looking to nail the balance of accessibility and escape.

Modern luxuries include gourmet kitchens, hardwood flooring, heavenly jetted soaker tubs and stone hearth gas fireplaces with residences typically featuring a minimum of two master suites plus oversized second and third bedrooms to ensure scalability with family, friends and guests.

The architecture was originally built by Ritz-Carlton who abide by a strict five-star level of construction and interior finish standards. Prices on application. constellationatnorthstar.com

THE HERMITAGE CLUB, VERMONT

The Hermitage Club at Haystack mountain is a 1,400-acre private enclave, just minutes from Deerfield Valley Airport.

Limited membership keeps lifts and slopes uncrowded, safe and family-friendly. From Townhouses in the shadow of the 90,000 sq.ft Clubhouse to Custom Luxury Log Homes and High Country Trailside lots, this is the only private ski club on America's East Coast.

All properties that have Deeded Admission Rights (DAR) enable the investor to have a membership considered within 36 hours of application, including a waiting list to apply when the membership cap has been reached.

With an opportunity to network on and off the slopes at concerts, parties, wine tastings, cooking classes and cocktail socials, business can come to the property owner.

And with a championship golf course to boot, this is not just a six-months-per-year investment.

High peak lots (from three-bed, 2,000 sq.ft, with heated two-car garage) are priced at US\$799,000 and Powderhorn units (from three-bed, 4,600 sq.ft, with balcony and DAR included) at \$1,274,900.

hermitageclub.com

