



## Ski town eats: Best breakfasts, burgers, barbecue and more

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**The scene:** Summer is finally over, which means ski season is just around the corner, and this is the time of year when travelers start making winter vacation plans. When picking a ski or snowboard destination there are lots of factors to consider, from nightlife to off-slope activities to lodging. But the one thing you

know you are going to do every single day of the trip is eat, so it's important to consider the quality and quantity of ski town dining. This is especially true given the reputation many ski mountains have for high prices and low-quality food on the slopes, so before or after skiing, it is helpful to have great alternatives in town.

Over the past few years Great American Bites has visited many of America's favorite mountain towns, summer and winter, and has compiled the best ski town eats from coast to coast, for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Ski fare tends to be hearty, and favorites include barbecue, burgers, pizza and big breakfasts, but there are also some surprisingly eclectic offerings to enjoy this winter, from tasty Thai to Oaxacan specialties. And while just about every major ski town offers something good to eat, a few stand out with multiple topnotch offers, most notably [Telluride, Colo.](#); [Park City, Utah](#); and Jackson, Wyo.

Another unusual choice in the town of Jackson is

[Bin 22](#), a Mediterranean tapas place with a wide variety of affordable and delicious Italian and Spanish inspired small plates, all set within a retail wine shop that sells bottles to drink at dinner with no upcharge, a rarity that completes a great après ski or dinner experience, and like Teton Thai, it is extremely popular with locals.