



Britain's 70 top food

By the chefs Hugh, Jamie

Weekender

The hell of holidays with friends!



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The Mas de la Serra estate (20) is a haven for wildlife

16 For ski addicts

Hotel Firefly, Zermatt, Switzerland

If you can't go a whole season without slipping on your skis, Zermatt — with the largest and highest summer skiing area in Europe — is the place to head for. Hotel Firefly is one of the most stylish addresses in town, with its "Schnapps Distillery sauna" and cocktail bar.

Details A week from £565pp B&B, excluding flights, through Oxford Ski, 01865 398130, oxfordski.com

17 For spa-lovers

Mavida, Zell am See, Austria

The award-winning Mavida serves up innovative spa therapies, from energy healing and acupuncture to more traditional massages, wraps, peels and facials. The Balance Centre also offers classes including aqua-fitness and Nordic walking.

Details Doubles from €250 per night, half board, 00 43 6542 5410, mavida.at

18 For foodies

Le Hameau Albert 1^{er}, Chamonix, France

Winner of just about every gastro award going, Le Hameau has long been the destination of choice for those in search of a gourmet getaway. Its spa offers Anne Semonin treatments.

Details Doubles from €155, room only, 00 33 4 50 53 05 09, hameaualbert.fr

19 For cyclists

Lagacio Mountain Reserve, Alta Badia, Italy



“In the summer, Richard Branson's ski lodge is the last word in boutique hotels

beautifully converted into pristine rooms with white linen, wood panelling and spotless glass and chic blinds.

Details Doubles from €220 per night, room only, 00 33 4 50 90 01 62, servages.com

14 For eco-travellers

Instants d'Absolu, Cantal, France

The Instants d'Absolu lodge has been built to strict environmental codes. But