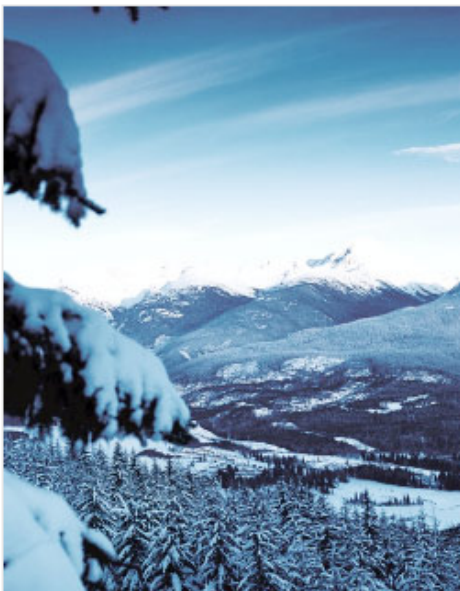


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GETAWAY: 48 HOURS IN WHISTLER

A bustling mountainside village means one thing—doing après-ski in style.



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As the site of the skiing and sliding events of the 2010 Olympic and Paralympic Winter Games, it's no surprise that Whistler, 120 kilometres north of Vancouver, is a village full of thrills. But it's also hard to miss the chilled-out energy that permeates its sophisticated hotels and restaurants, luxurious outdoor spas and quaint mountainside shops.

Day 1

11 a.m. Check into the Adara Hotel, a breath-of-fresh-air alternative to the traditional ski-lodge vibe of most Whistler accommodations. The stylish boutique hotel is urban sophistication—meets—winter chalet, with guest-room furnishings by Inform Interiors founder Niels Bendtsen and luxurious loft-style suites for those looking to splurge. Stop by the lobby bar for complimentary JJ Bean coffee and tea. (4122 Village Green, 604-905-4009, adarahotel.com)