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Events = 10 (YES)

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Avg\_word = 4.8

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Whether you are skiing or boarding, in Gastein's four ski areas, with 200 kilometers of slopes and snows you can always count on, you are certain to find the hill of your dreams!

Gastein Ski Pass Prices & Season Dates for 2016/2017:

6-day ski pass: adults 240 €, juniors (from 12 to 17 years old) 180 €, children 120 €.

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From 18.01.2017 there is a free ski-pass for children of your own family up to the age of 15 when one parent purchases a ski-pass (valid for min. 6 day ski-pass).

The best Gastein offers apartments for 2 adults and 1 child from 23th of December to 6th of January:

HAUS AM LIFT - 1100 euro (breakfast lunch and dinner included)

HAUS MARIA - 820 euro, (plus 300 euro for meals)

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A stylish ambiance awaits you at the Hotel Salzburger Hof. In 1889 it consisted of at least 3 major buildings built by the famous Italian builder Angelo Comini. In the 80's and 90's famous artists stayed there such as Anita Ekberg, Liza Minelli and many more.

World-famous Gastein Waterfall, which is flanked by magnificent houses, is also a part of the characteristic picture of this village in the Gastein Valley. We encourage you to visit the waterfall which is located right in the center and has been used as a motive of many well-known painters.

The composer Franz Schubert composed his Piano Sonata in D Major in Bad Gastein, and was once believed to have sketched a Gmunden-Gastein Symphony (D. 849) during his stay in August and September 1825.

Standing at the entrance to Gastein Valley is Klammstein Castle. A free guided tour amidst its ancient castle walls sheds fascinating light on this, the oldest structure in the Gastein Valley. It is open for public every Sunday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Skiers and snowboarders can even enjoy art while descending the slopes. The festival, where illuminated photographs and cool sculptures can be admired, takes place from 28th December to 15th January 2017 throughout Gastein. The entrance is free.

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In the last few years, Axel Naglich and Peter Ressman from Kitzbuehel have climbed up the highest mountains and become the first people to ski some of most extreme downhill routes in the world. Axel Naglich loves a challenge. He has three wins at the 24- hour-race in Aspen, 11 years experience as a forerunner on the Streif at the Hahnenkamm downhill race and became the first man to ski the longest downhill in the world at Mount St.Elias in Alaska, 5489 metres above sea level.

You can find out more about history of winter sports at Kitzbühel Town Museum. In 2007 the Kitzbühel Town Museum was awarded with the Austrian Museum Quality Seal. Opening hours: all-the-year from Tuesday to Sunday from 2 to 6 pm. It is free for all visitors.

At the northern end of Old Town Kitzbühel stands picturesque St. Andreas Parish Church. Built between 1435 and 1506 and later remodeled in Baroque style, this massive building with its low tower and dome is equally attractive inside, boasting beautiful stucco work, ceiling paintings, and 15th-century frescos. It is open for public every Sunday from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. There are free guided tours in several languages, including English.

There is a renewed interest in the traditional winter sport of ice skating. The new Ice Rink in Kitzbuehel is open 24/7 and has an area of 1,800 square metres of ice designed to please the present and future stars of the ice. Skates are available to rent in house. Entry prices: EUR 5. Skate hire per person EUR 5.

The best KitzSki offers apartments for 2 adults and 1 child from 23th of December to 6th of January:

HAUS AM LIFT – 1200 euro (breakfast lunch and dinner included)

HAUS MARIA - 1000 euro, (plus 300 euro for meals)

APPARTEMENT ACHENBLICK (meals are included) - 1500 euro

Treat yourself to sometime in the pool with the wellness and health centre in the heart of Kitzbuehel! Relax and unwind in the sauna and be pampered from head to toe in the Aquarena spa. It is open daily from 11:00 am till 11:00 pm. Prices per day: EUR 15.

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