

## Aspen Nightlife - How to Find the Entertainment

No matter what time of year it is when you visit Aspen, there is always something going on - even in the off season. The town is small, but there are usually several types of entertainment offered each evening in different parts of the small town. Generally, you won't have to search too hard to find some entertainment - but it is better to know exactly what is going on all over town, so you can choose the Aspen nightlife that best suits your interests.

First, call the Chamber of Commerce in Aspen a few months before your trip if possible. Ask them what events are planned for the time period that you will be there. Events are usually scheduled well in advance, and finding out about these events well in advance will not only help you to better make your plans, but it will also allow you to purchase needed tickets in advance. Nothing will be more disappointing than arriving in Aspen and finding out that your favorite band is in town for a sold out show!

Events can come up at the last minute as well. Upon your arrival to your lodge or hotel, ask the concierge about events that will be taking place during your stay. If you have already contacted the Chamber of Commerce, you will know most of what is going on around town - but there may be a few surprises in store for you.

Don't forget to check with the Chamber of Commerce offices in nearby towns and villages! Snowmass is a village that almost seems to be a part of Aspen - but it isn't. Contact the Snowmass town hall to find out what events are scheduled in the village during your visit.

Have a plan before you arrive in Aspen. Use Internet resources, as well as the information that you learn from the various Chambers of Commerce and your lodge to plan your daytime and night time activities while you will be in Aspen. Again, there is always something to do in Aspen, and if you don't plan ahead, you will waste a lot of time trying to decide what you want to do.

While you want to go in with a plan, leave a day or two open - with no plans. Use these days for shopping expeditions or simply take a quiet walk through the quiet Victorian neighborhoods. Go to a restaurant that isn't in your plans, or spend some time in the Great Room at your lodge. There is always something to do...but sometimes, it is nice to have nothing to do as well!

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