



Ski-in, ski-out resorts are an obvious choice for winter adventures, but these hotels offer something a bit more...or, at least, something more, memorable.

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From spelunking through an ice cave in Norway to wild oyster tonging through ice on Prince Edward Island, check out these bizarre winter activities at hotels around the world.



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## Wild Oyster Tonging

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**WHERE:** Prince Edward Island

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The only legal way to harvest wild oysters in Canada's Prince Edward Island is by tonging, which is essentially a method of manually scraping the riverbed with long rakes. When rivers freeze over during the winter months—the time when oysters are their most plump—fishermen cut holes in the ice to reach the water and the oysters below. [Tranquility Cove Adventures](#) offers a wild oyster tonging experience from their [Tranquility Cove Beach Suite](#) on the Brudenell River where guests can get test their tonging skills before enjoying oysters cooked over a bonfire on the ice.





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## Winter Surfing

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**WHERE:** Nova Scotia, Canada

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Surfing isn't just a summer season sport in Nova Scotia; it's a lobster season one, which means whipping out the wet suit since the season is open from November through May. Water temperatures swell just barely above the freezing point during the winter surf season, but it's when the waves are most consistent. The White Point Beach Resort in Queens County has an onsite winter surf shop and offers lessons and rentals for guests. Surfers staying at the resort often end the day with handcrafted s'mores roasted around a roaring bonfire on the beach.

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