

# Airport Parking and Hotels (APH) Offers Top Tips For A Credit-Crunch-Pound-Slumped Ski Holiday

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Airport Parking and Hotels (APH) (<http://www.aph.com>), the long stay airport parking specialist, is helping skiers to beat the credit crunch and the Pound's slump this year with a selection of money-saving tips for a cost effective break on the slopes. APH has compiled a list of 10 Top Tips to save money on your winter sports holiday:

## Top 10 Money Saving Tips:

1. Before you book; there are a number of non-Eurozone countries for winter sports enthusiasts that can be cheaper than the popular Eurozone destinations so consider countries such as Bulgaria, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia and Sweden.
2. Accommodation: Choose self-catering accommodation which is often the cheapest option particularly if a large apartment or chalet is rented. The bigger the apartment and the more people, the cheaper the "per bed" cost.
3. Pre-book resort equipment hire: there are plenty of online sites which allow you to pre-book and make savings compared to hiring it at the resort.
4. Consider hiring equipment in the UK: prices will be in sterling and as long as you don't have to pay extra to take the equipment on your flight this can save pounds.
5. Check ski baggage allowance on airlines: many airlines don't include ski equipment in the luggage allowance and charge additional costs. Visit [www.aph.com/news/ski-baggage-charges-2008.htm](http://www.aph.com/news/ski-baggage-charges-2008.htm) for a comparison table of these extra charges and airline luggage allowances.
6. Get the Most Competitive Exchange Rate: research the exchange rate before leaving as this can significantly alter the cost of a holiday. Rates are often much better in the UK and it is advisable to try and change money before getting to the airport. Also, find out what your debit and credit card issuers charge for overseas use. Some can charge up to £25 to withdraw cash!
7. Travelling to the airport: with the cost of train fares continuously rising, and the hassle of carrying winter sport equipment on busy transport services, why not drive to the airport and save up to 50% on airport parking by pre-booking with APH.
8. All-inclusive: If you have booked catered chalet or half board hotel accommodation make the most of the all-inclusive food; have a hearty breakfast and you may be able to skip lunch altogether and make it through to afternoon tea and your evening meal.
9. Look out for lunchtime and après-ski offers: If you do want to eat out, the most cost effective time to do this can be at lunch time as many resort restaurants offer special lunch deals. Drinking in a resort is expensive too, so look out for après ski happy hour deals.
10. Take a picnic: when the weather is good take a packed lunch and enjoy a picnic in the snow, avoiding expensive mountain restaurants.

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