

THE MOUNTAIN TOP INN & RESORT

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EQUESTRIAN PROGRAM

*Breathtaking Natural Beauty
Every Season, For Every Experience*

Situated on **350 picturesque acres**, surrounded by the Green Mountain National Forest and overlooking a **pristine** recreational lake, The Mountain Top Inn & Resort is the perfect setting for an equestrian vacation. One of only a select few resorts in the Northeast to offer horseback riding getaways, our riding holidays can accommodate everyone from the novice to the skilled horseman.

Enjoy the spectacular property as you **walk, trot or canter** through serene mountain pastures, over miles of wooded trails and by reflective lakes and ponds. Enjoy the lush, green canopy of **spring**, the flowering country fields of **summer** and the brilliant colors of **autumn** on a three hour **adventure** trail ride. Experienced rider or new in the saddle, our professional instructors will help you improve your riding ability, whether English or Western, on one of our horses or on yours. Qualified riders can also take advantage of **Stadium Jumping, Dressage & Introduction to Cross Country Jumping** clinics.

To learn the basics of driving, including harnessing and hitching, train with our two Percherons, Jack & Jill. Or for a more leisurely option, have the pair take you on a scenic hay ride throughout the property.

Our **CHILDREN'S SUMMER HORSEMANSHIP CAMP** designed for children ages 6 years and older, is available from July 4th through Labor Day. The specially designed program provides the children with an exciting, hands-on experience with the horses and is appropriate for a variety of levels. The program takes the children from tacking and grooming...to riding...to horse care and more.

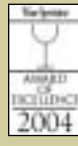
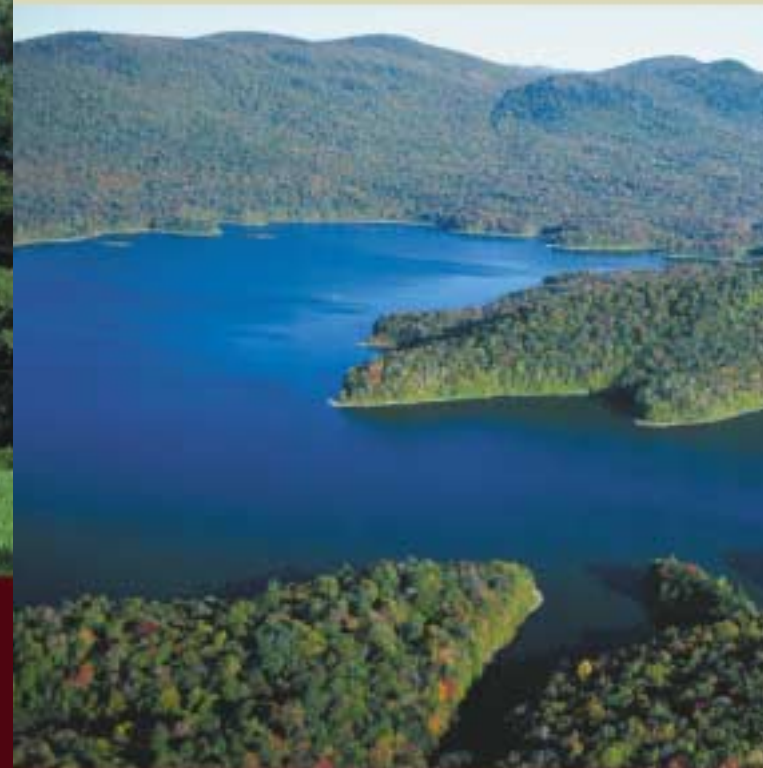
DISCOVER THE INCOMPARABLE
BEAUTY OF VERMONT
while riding on
MILES OF SPECTACULAR TRAILS



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The Evolution of a Barn, The History of the The Mountain Top Inn & Resort

Originally an **1871** barn of the Long family's turnip farm, The Mountain Top Inn & Resort has enjoyed a marvelous evolution the past century, engendering a long tradition rich in history. In **1940**, William Barstow, an engineer and philanthropist from New York, purchased the farm and converted the barn into a wayside tavern as a hobby for his wife, Francoise. Barstow, a close associate and life-long friend of Thomas Edison, acquired his fortune through the development of electricity.

Having seen an intriguing "Inn for sale" ad in the New York Times, William and Margery Wolfe visited Chittenden and began an immediate love affair with the Inn and its superb location. In **1945** they purchased the property and approximately 500 acres.

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Throughout the ensuing years, improvements and additions to the original building were made maintaining the integrity of its New England origin and the beauty and ecology of its natural surroundings. The Inn was proud to play host to President Eisenhower and his entourage during a fishing expedition in **1955**.

By **1964**, The Mountain Top Inn, realizing the terrain was a natural for cross country skiing, began to develop a ski center and trail system. Today, with over 85 kilometers of trails, The Mountain Top Cross Country Ski Touring Center boasts some of the best Nordic skiing in the United States.

In January **1977**, a fire destroyed the majority of the original Inn. After two years of deliberation, Bill Wolfe decided to rebuild the Inn with traditional post and beam construction. The large Douglas fir beams which span the Inn lend warmth and charm while the large windows and glass "silo" staircase take advantage of the incredible panoramic views.

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Lodging

The thirty three Main Lodge guest rooms and five rustic cabins feature **elegant furnishings** in the tradition of the classic mountain lodges. Casual yet refined, the timeless furnishings dazzle with a sophisticated interplay of florals, tartans, animal prints, velvets and leather. Recently **renovated luxury rooms** feature whirlpool bathtubs, oversized beds, sitting areas with televisions and breathtaking lake views. Cabins are cozy and **pet friendly**.



Dining

From breakfast to dinner, unparalleled dining is integral to The Mountain Top Inn & Resort experience. The Dining Room offers New American cuisine paired with a world-class wine list, all served in the ambiance of a refined mountain lodge. The **Tavern** and adjacent outdoor **Terrace**, serve casual bistro style fare for both lunch and dinner. **Picnic lunches** can be prepared for guests enjoying the resort's endless outdoor activities.



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ENDLESS ACTIVITIES

In addition to the Mountain Top Inn & Resort's Equestrian Program, the Resort boasts an endless array of outdoor **adventure** activities:

- Lake Activities - Swimming, Kayaking and Canoeing
- Private Sandy Beach
- Scenic Guided Boat Rides
- Outdoor Swimming Pool
- Tennis, Shuffleboard, Lawn Croquet
- Clay Bird Shooting
- Fly Fishing
- Hiking & Mountain Biking

Massage Therapy is available to bring relaxation and soothing to the body and mind.



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