

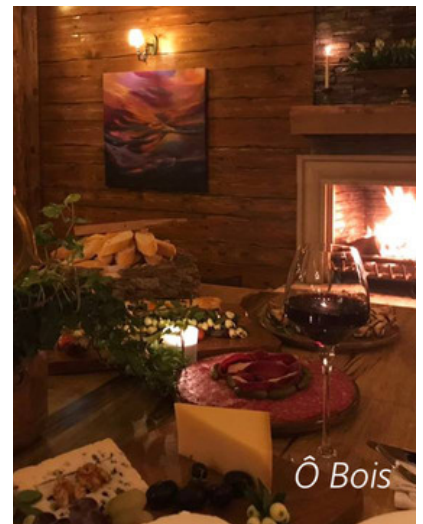


NEO-TRAVELERS OF A WINTER IN LEBANON

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It's not by chance that you ended up here ! You are receiving this newsletter because at some point you shared with us your interest for Lebanon, organized a trip there or helped Neosafar through one of its steps. Don't worry, Neosafar will only send you one newsletter per quarter to make you discover an essence of each season at the country of the cedars.

Click on the links in **blue** for direct access to our highlighted good addresses. No, we're not advertising but simply sharing with you some good catches we tested!



WEATHER FORECAST

Winter in Lebanon has many seasons in one: go for the mountains if you are adventurous or stay on the coast if you don't like the chill!

The mediterranean weather gives Lebanon a warm coastal winter (15 - 20°C) and snowy peaks.

No, there is no desert here, only valleys and mountains, hence the diversified climate!



THE MUST-SEES



WINTER SPORTS ...

When saying winter, one thinks about various activities outdoors!



Starting end of December, the Lebanese peaks wear their snowy coat. Wear your skis or snowboard and slide the ski slopes of various domains such as Mzaar, Cedars or even Zaarour that are waiting for you!



Go on a snowshoeing outing in one of our cedar reserves or nature spots all over our mountain regions... what more could we ask for?

.. AND CHILLING BY THE FIRE



... and since sometimes all we want to do is rest during our holidays, you can definitely do that by the fire!



Enjoy a rustic wintery Lebanese dinner at *Jalset al Erzel* or one of the cheese and wine dinners at *Le Montagnou* or *Ô Bois*.



No need to drive for hours to spend a day or an evening by the snow! You can even rent a chalet in Bcharre, Tannourine or Faraya !



FOR THE TRUE FOODIES



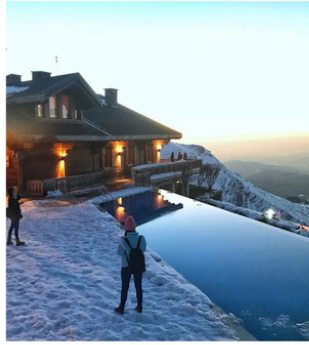
Don't miss our season's sweets: the "atayef" (crêpes filled with nuts or milk cream/pistachios), the "meghlé" (creamy canella based dessert) or even the "maakroun" (sugar syrup or pomegranate molasses cakes). A real delight!



Taste our ancestral preparation of "kechek" made with fermented yogurt and crushed wheat: in man'ouchéh with onions and tomatoes or in a soup with garlic and minced meat!



You shouldn't miss the avocado ice-cream (because there is no season to eat a good ice-cream!). Our favourite spot to eat it: Si Bon!



Taste our seasonal fruits: kakis, achta (anone chirimola), grilled castana (chestnuts). ...



FOR A FESTIVE TOUCH

- Admire the Christmas decorations that fill this festive season in Beirut and other big cities! You should make a detour by the city of Byblos to marvel at one of the most beautiful Christmas tree in the world!
- Spend a Lebanese musical evening at **Metro al Madina** or at **T Marbouta** restaurant in Hamra or even at **Casino du Liban** : games, concerts, live shows, fine dining, all in all with a sea view!
- If you are more the techno music type, many lounges and bars are at the ski slopes. Neosafar tested and liked **Dublin room** and **Frozen Cherry** !

LET'S KEEP IN TOUCH



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Feel like packing already?
We've got news: A **group trip** (all details in link) to Lebanon is waiting for you in May 2020, organized in collaboration with Les Maisons du Voyage.

Need more info or have a trip in mind? Please share it with us **here** !

Yalla, menchoufkoun !
(See you soon)