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and in winter, "horse-drawn sleigh rides"; accommodations are a "mixed" bag: "the river lodge rooms are beautiful, while the lodge village rooms are ok, but a lot cheaper."

Mount Hood

Timberline Lodge ⑩ ⑪ ⑫ ⑬ \$95

Hwy. 26 | Timberline Lodge | 503-272-3391 | fax 503-272-3311 | 800-547-1406 | www.timberlinelodge.com | 70 rooms

Dedicated by President Franklin D. Roosevelt in 1937, this "beautifully restored historic lodge", voted our Survey's Best Buy among small resorts, was later used as the exterior shot for *The Shining*, though you "forget about the movie" when "Mount Hood takes your breath away"; a "romantic", though "rustic", getaway, it's at its "best during the winter", with a "gorgeous" "fireplace in the lobby" and the longest ski season in North America.

Portland

Benson Hotel, The ⑩ ⑪ ⑫ ⑬ \$224

309 SW Broadway | 503-228-2000 | fax 503-471-3920 | 888-523-6766 | www.bensonhotel.com | 230 rooms, 50 suites, 7 penthouses

"If you like dark wood and brocade this is your place" admit admirers of this "stylish old hotel for stylish old guests" built in 1912 and on the National Register of Historic Places (every U.S. president has stayed here since Woodrow Wilson); service is "gracious" and the Tempur-Pedic beds in the recently renovated rooms "feel better than" your perch at home (though some would just as soon "sleep in their classic bar"), but those who "skip this relic" can't see past its "faded" beauty.

Heathman Hotel, The X ⑩ ⑪ ⑫ ⑬ \$315

1001 SW Broadway | 503-241-4100 | fax 503-790-7110 | 800-551-0011 | www.heathmanhotel.com | 109 rooms, 41 suites

Enthusiasts exclaim the "public areas are drop-dead beautiful" in this historic '20s boutique hotel with "impeccable" service located next to Downtown's Center for the Performing Arts; chef Philippé Boulot's "outstanding" French-Oregonian fusion fare is "to die for" (among "the best in the Northwest"), but guests are less entranced by "disappointing" rooms that are "tiny" and "shabby" "for the price."

Lucia, Hotel X ⑩ ⑪ ⑫ ⑬ \$159

400 SW Broadway | 503-225-1717 | fax 503-225-1919 | 877-225-1717 | www.hotellucia.com | 119 rooms, 8 suites

Hipsters hail the "contemporary face-lift" that's turned a "formerly awful hotel" into a "gem" with "funky" "black-and-white photographs" of politicians and celebrities throughout, a "great" restaurant and cocktail lounge, and "beautifully designed" (although "small") rooms with iPod docks and Aveda products; sure, some say it may be "a bit pretentious for Portland, but that's what makes it fun."

Monaco, Hotel ⑩ ⑪ ⑫ ⑬ \$259

506 SW Washington St. | 503-222-0001 | fax 503-222-0004 | 888-207-2201 | www.monaco-portland.com | 82 rooms, 139 suites

Part of the Kimpton chain, this "fun" Downtowner with a "laid-back atmosphere" "epitomizes Portland" - so feel free to "bring your dog"