

Horseplay at the Hublot Polo Gold Cup

Gallop to Gstaad for polo, players, parties and pampering aplenty



The Hublot Polo Gold Cup tournament takes place in the picturesque Alpine setting of Gstaad

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Gstaad is the place to be from August 16 to 19, when the [Swiss](#) resort plays host to High [Alpine](#) tournament the Hublot [Polo](#) Gold Cup. This year's event is set to include four world-class teams who will fight it out for [Hublot watches](#) – awarded to the victorious players after three intense matches. Spectators, meanwhile, can reap their own rewards by joining in the festivities at the event's Gala Night [dinner](#), after-party and VIP lunch, which will precede the final prize presentation.



Four teams will compete in the sporting event

The first match is planned to begin on Thursday with last year's victorious captain Cédric Schweri (the Swiss [restaurateur](#)) and his Banque Eric Sturdza team, which counts two [Argentine](#) players among its number, as well as [Brazil](#)'s five-goal player João Novaes. Also in contention will be Swiss captain Matteo Beffa, who hopes to ride to victory with team Hublot, and seven-goal Argentinian Julio Novillo Astrada. The newest entrant to the Gold Cup will be Faris Al Yabhouni's [Abu Dhabi](#) team, led by Argentine manager Hugo Barabucci, sporting the colours for [Clinique La Prairie](#). Last but not least, the fourth team will be that of [The Gstaad Palace](#), led by Argentinian five-goaler Pedro Fernandez Llorente.

After what promises to be a thrilling semi-final on Saturday, parties will abound and a Gala Night dinner and late-night after-party (SFr390 – about £300 – per person) for 500 is set to take place in the event's marquee. Hors d'oeuvres will precede a surprise menu, and for those who want to keep the party going, The Palace's GreenGo club will provide everything from [jazz](#) to techno to disco into the wee hours (from 11.30pm; [drinks](#) not included in the ticket price).



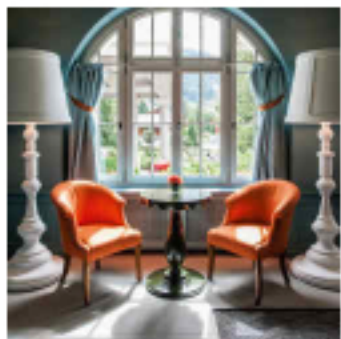
Spectators can join in the celebrations at the Gala dinner and after-party and VIP lunch

The glamorous events culminate on Sunday with a VIP lunch (about £270 per person) followed by the final, and a late-afternoon prize-giving ceremony. The Gstaad Palace and Alpina Gstaad provide accommodation, with discreet luxury and sweeping views for relaxing afterwards.

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