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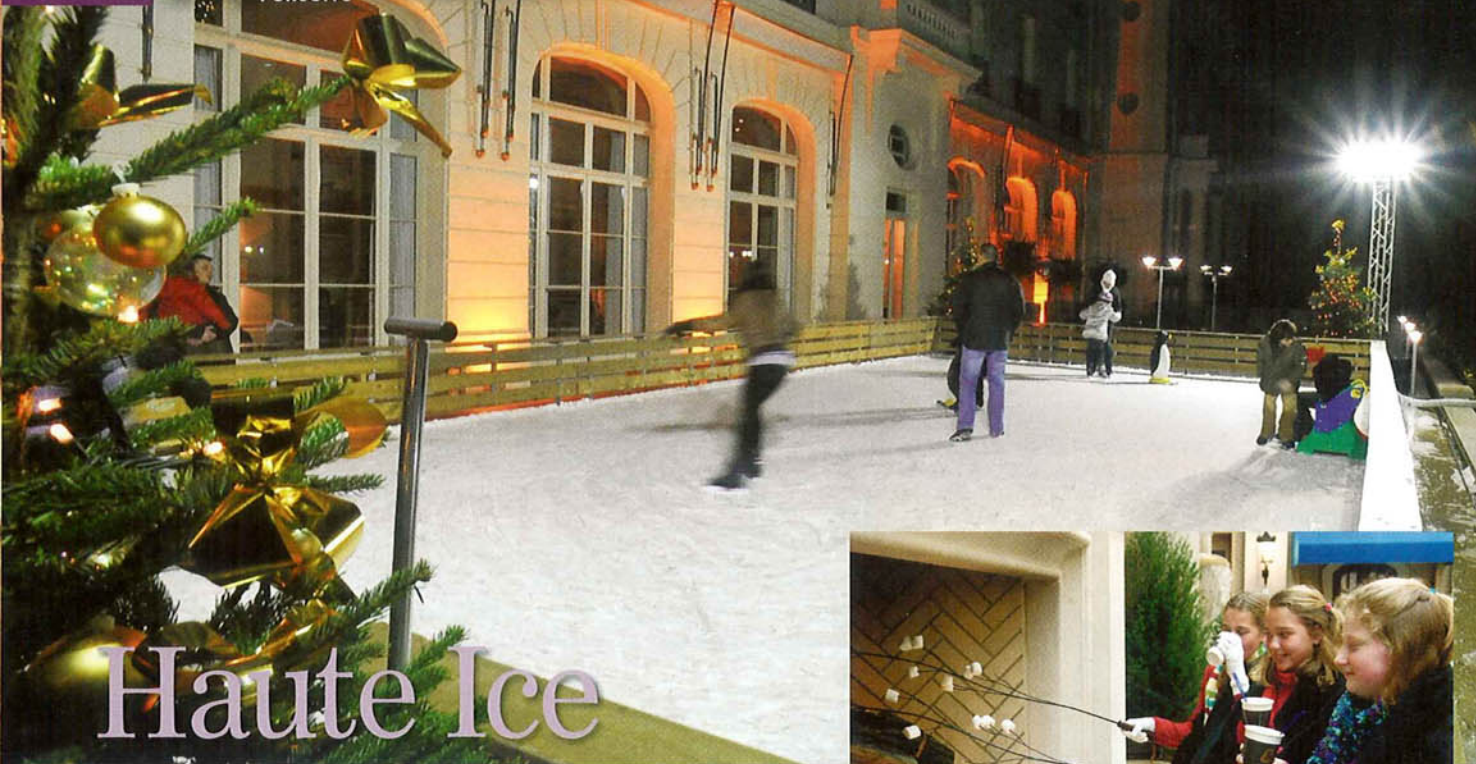
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Haute Ice

A cold clime is no longer a requirement for skating rinks. At the beach or lodged in a high-rise, the latest ice sheets — sometimes scientifically engineered synthetics that glide without melting — defy the elements, offering singular places to double axel. — E.G.

↑ Not far from Paris, the **TRIANON PALACE VERSAILLES, THE WALDORF ASTORIA COLLECTION**, will unveil an ice-skating rink next door to the royal grounds from December 4 through January 2. A neighboring Christmas market will sell gifts, food, and mulled wine. trianonpalace.com

Near San Diego, the historic **HOTEL DEL CORONADO** freezes a real rink on the front lawn in sight of surf and sand. Skaters can twirl in their swimsuits November 24 through January 2. hoteldel.com



↑ Georgia's only hotel with an ice rink, **THE ST. REGIS ATLANTA**, opens to skaters on the outdoor seventh-floor terrace, serving hot chocolate and s'mores at a crackling outdoor fire from November 25 through January 3. stregisatlanta.com

In Chicago, the downtown **JOHN HANCOCK CENTER** will debut a synthetic rink in its 94th-floor observatory in January, offering skaters the chance to twirl amid the city skyline through March — indoors, thankfully. hancockobservatory.com

↻ In Los Angeles, the **W LOS ANGELES - WESTWOOD** will open its second skate season November 19 through January 2, offering winter-themed cocktails and grilled-cheese bites in rinkside cabanas, plus Saturday-night skate shows. whotels.com/laskaterink

↘ In Texas' Hill Country, guests can enjoy Holiday Lights & Ice at **BARTON CREEK RESORT & SPA**, November 24 through January 2. But since Austin-area weather is anything but frightful this time of year, be sure to bring your golf clubs too. bartoncreek.com

