



Absolutely Snow

CATERED CHALET HOLIDAYS & ACCOMMODATION 2012-13
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WELCOME TO THE 2012/13 ABSOLUTELY SNOW WINTER SNOWSPORTS BROCHURE

We are a specialist travel company privately owned by enthusiastic skiers. We have been lucky enough to have spent the last 20 years sliding around most of Europe's ski areas to put together our unique programme.

Tignes and **Val D'Isere** are world renowned for having perhaps some of the best snow conditions and skiing in the alps, there are over 100 lifts; 300kms of marked pistes all between 1550 and 3500m. We have two luxurious 8 bedroomed chalets in the traditional village of Tignes Les Brevieres.

Morzine is in the heart of The Portes du Soleil; the worlds largest International ski area. The ski area criss-crosses the French Swiss border with 650kms of marked piste; 235 lifts connect 12 villages. Being less than 1 hour from Geneva, Morzine is perfect for those who don't like long transfers! **Chalet Chantelle** is a well appointed 6 bedroom chalet close to the centre of town. The **Chalet Gabrielle** is a large 5 bedroom chalet just 300m from the

closest lift, the Nylon Cable Car. All of our Morzine chalets have outdoor hot tubs, satellite TV and large cosy living areas.

The 3 Vallees needs no introduction; the largest linked ski area in the world with over 600kms of piste and 190 fast efficient ski lifts. We have 2 chalets in what we think is probably one of the last hidden gems in the alps – **Le Bettex** is a beautiful traditional alpine village just below Les Menuires at 1800m. Bettex offers a truly relaxing Alpine holiday yet within 1 chairlift ride you are in the heart of the 3 Vallees ski area. Our chalets are located just 150m from the chairlift and you can ski back to the ski room door.

St Gervais is France's only alpine spa resort – situated in the shadow of Mont Blanc and forms France's fourth largest ski area – The Evaison Mont Blanc – 445km and 107 lifts connect the resorts of Megeve, St Gervais and Les Contamines. The ski area is fabulous and perfect for all abilities from beginners through

to advanced (it's where the Chamonix guides come on to ski on their day off!!). **Chalet Hotel Regina** is situated in the centre of the town and sleeps upto 28 in 12 ensuite bedrooms.

Our website is a mine of information and is continually updated with new chalet pictures, links to resort cameras and updated travel information – all at www.absolutelysnow.com

Should you have any queries concerning any of our holidays, our chalets or hotels, the ski areas, travel to resort and so on please do not hesitate to contact us on **01248 712567**



CHALET HOLIDAYS

Chalet holidays not only offer a friendly informal alternative to the usual package holiday, they also offer great value for money.

OUR CHALETS OFFER:

- * Large mainly ensuite rooms with balconies
- * Deep cosy duvets, pillows and 100% cotton sheets
- * Most have saunas and hot tubs
- * Central locations, some with ski in – ski out and others within easy walk of a ski lift.
- * Our chalet staff are carefully chosen for both their maturity and ability to produce high quality varied menus! To help you through the day a substantial breakfast is served from 7.30 through to 9.30 each morning. To welcome you home after a hard day on the slopes will be an afternoon tea - homemade cakes, biscuits, bread, jams, tea, coffee and hot chocolate. During the evening a four course evening meal is served with good quality table wine. Our chalet chefs are happy to cater for most special diets – but please do try and let us know any dietary requirements when you make your booking.
- * 7 Full days catering

SKI HOSTING.

Ski hosting is available for up to 3 days of your week in Tignes, Les Menuires, St Gervais and Morzine; generally Monday, Tuesday, and Fridays; each resort has their own dedicated ski host. As a general rule hosting is only available to those guests of an intermediate standard and above and we do limit the number of guests to 10 per host. To comply with French regulations hosting does not form part of your holiday package but is provided as a totally free service. We may withdraw or restrict this service at any time.

FLIGHTS

Our prices do not include flights. We hold our own CAA ATOL (T7425) and are happy to book any flights that you would like us to. Otherwise many of our guests book their own flights and let us know their flight details so we can arrange the airport to resort transfers

TRANSFERS & MINIBUSES

Where ever possible we schedule our transfers to depart from the airport as soon as possible after your flight has landed. If ever there is a wait at the airport we would let you know in good time. Transfers are provided in our own minibuses or with carefully vetted third party transfer providers.



HOTEL HOLIDAYS

We have handpicked our hotels in Norway and Andorra. All our hotels are of a very high standard with good facilities; The Radisson Blu in Trysil is truly ski in ski out with a fabulous swimming pool and spa; over in Andorra, the Hotel Nordic is an excellent value for money 4 star ski in ski out hotel – facilities include bowling alley, cinema room, games room, swimming pool and spa.

FINANCIAL SECURITY

Absolutely Snow are members of The Travel Trust Association (U8777) and holders of CAA ATOL (T7425); when you book your holiday with us you can be reassured that any money you pay us is held in a Trust Account administered by Trustees of The Travel Trust Association. These funds are only released to us once you have been on holiday





MORZINE

"Morzine is the perfect place for a family skiing holiday"

- SNOW RANGE:** 1000-2350m
- RESORT HEIGHT:** 1000m (3,300ft)
- PISTES (TOTAL)** 650kms (Port Du Soleil)
- BEGINNER RUNS** 140
- INTERMEDIATE RUNS** 100
- ADVANCED RUNS** 26
- SNOW CANNONS** 632
- TERRAIN PARKS** 2 Morzine (4 Avoriaz)

Morzine is a beautiful Haute-Savoie village 45 miles south east of Geneva in the heart of the world's largest International Ski Area – The Portes du Soleil.

It was in 1934 that Morzine built the Pleney Cable Car. Avoriaz as a resort was developed in the 1960's and this led to the linking up of Avoriaz with Les Crosets which established the Portes du Soleil.

Now there are over 240 modern ski lifts and 650kms of marked piste with acres of off piste, much of which remains untracked days after snowfall. This fabulous ski and snowboard area connects 13 villages which straddle the French Swiss Border. These including Morzine, Avoriaz and Chatel.

Morzine is a vibrant alpine resort; there are plenty of restaurants, shops, bars and nightclubs making sure you enjoy your time both on and off the slopes.



CRECHE + CHILDCARE

Morzine offer both skiing and non-skiing child care for half or full days. The club is operated by The ESF in Morzine with full details at www.esf-morzine.com. Skiing lessons are available for children from 3 years old. The non ski crèche is available for children from 3 months old.

NON-SKI ACTIVITIES

Horse Drawn Sleighs / Fitness Centre
Bowling Alley / Ice Skating / Cinema
/ Outdoor Heated Swimming Pool /
Pedestrian Lift Pass / Traditional Markets



LIFT PASSES

There are 2 ski passes available; the full Portes Du Soleil which covers all lifts throughout the area, or the local Morzine/ Les Gets ski pass.

	PORTES DU SOLEIL		MORZINE/LES GETS	
	ADULT	CHILD	ADULT	CHILD
6 DAYS	225 €	169 €	163 €	126 €

EQUIPMENT HIRE

Ski Hire is available from All Mountain Rental and can be booked online at www.allmountainrental.com. All the ski rental equipment is guaranteed to be fully serviced and the latest model.

INSTRUCTION

There are a number of ski schools in Morzine. By far the best though is The Avoriaz Alpine Ski School. Run by Ian McKellar (ex British Ski Team freestyle skier) they offer group courses for skiing and snowboarding for all levels. Standard tuition packages incl. ski hire and lift passes can be booked via Absolutely Snow. All other courses, private lessons and clinics can be booked direct on 01237 451099 or at www.avoriazalpineskischool.com.

TRANSPORT

BY AIR Morzine is ideally situated for short transfers being just over 1 hour (45 miles) from Geneva Airport – perfect for short breaks and families travelling with children. We offer a pre-booked transfer service. Where ever possible we schedule transfers to depart from the airport as soon as possible after your flight has landed. Transfer times are below:

GENEVA	1 hours
CHAMBERY	1.5 hours

BY RAIL The nearest train station to Morzine is Thonon-les-Bains, 15 miles away, or Cluses, 20 miles away.

BY ROAD Morzine is approximately 560 miles from Calais via Reims. Dijon and Geneva.



A horizontal bar containing 12 icons representing amenities: a bed with 'x 14', a campfire, a game controller, a building with people, a house with a chimney, a shower, a ski lift, a stereo system, a television, a bus, a dumbbell, and a Wi-Fi symbol.

CHALET CHANTELLE

is South-facing, 300m from the centre of town, 400m from ski lift and the free ski bus stop is just 75m away. This chalet will sleep 14 in 6 bedrooms.

THE GROUND FLOOR

- * Ensuite twin room with terrace
- * Triple room with a full bathroom
- * Sauna and multigym

THE FIRST FLOOR

- * Large lounge
- * 8 person hot tub
- * A dining area, kitchen
- * Ski racks and boot dryers

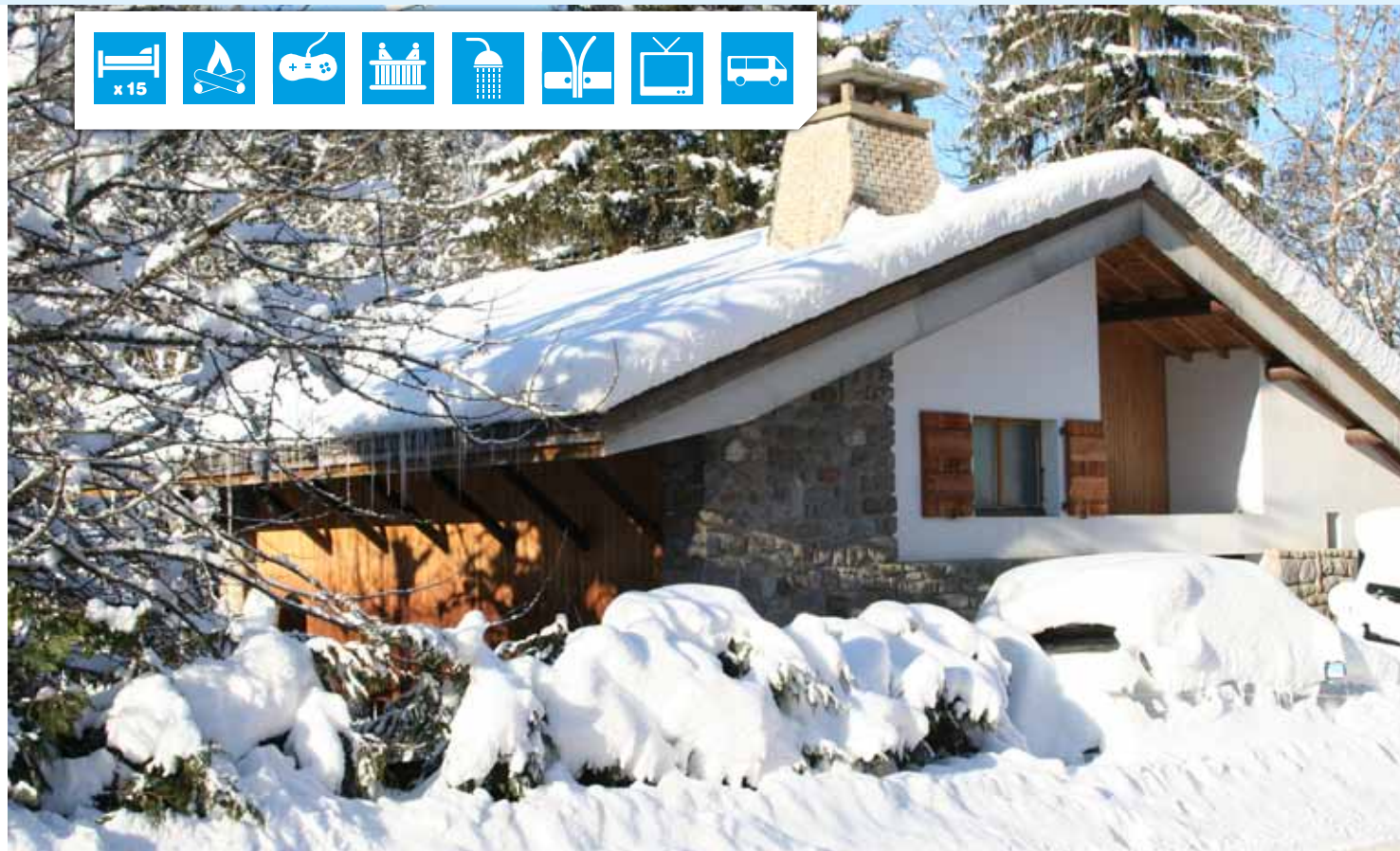
THE TOP FLOOR

- * 2 Ensuite twin rooms
- * Triple room
- * Twin bedroom
- * Bathroom
- * Private balconies

The chalet has satellite television, Playstation, music centre and a range of books and board games.

**STAY IN THIS CHALET FROM £345 PER WEEK
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CHALET GABRIELLE

is a 5 bedroom chalet built on a slope surrounded by beautiful pine trees, situated 300m away from the Nyon cable car and ten minute's walk from Morzine centre. The chalet also has it's own minibus.

THE FIRST FLOOR

- * Large lounge with open fire place
- * A terrace & dining area
- * Large family sized room
- * Separate bathroom

THE GROUND FLOOR

- * Large ensuite family room.
- * Private terrace
- * 12 person hot tub

SECOND FLOOR

- * The main entrance
- * Double bedroom with an ensuite bathroom
- * Two large triple rooms
- * Large bathroom

Chalet Gabrielle has satellite television, a Wii and a Playstation as well as a selection of books and board games.

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LES MENUIRES

"A great village with tremendous access to 600+km of pistes"

SNOW RANGE: 1300-3230m
RESORT HEIGHT: 1850m
PISTES (TOTAL) 600kms (3 Vallees)
BEGINNER RUNS 180
INTERMEDIATE RUNS 108
ADVANCED RUNS 30
SNOW CANNONS 418
TERRAIN PARKS 25

Le Bettex is perhaps one of the last hidden gems of the Alps - a gorgeous traditional alpine village which is just a short chairlift ride away from Les Menuires and what is reputed to be the finest ski area in the world – Les 3 Vallees.

Our Chalets du Bettex are two beautiful adjoining chalets in the quaint hamlet which offers a unique holiday experience relaxed, calm and traditionally alpine.

The two adjoining chalets can be used as either 1 large chalet that sleeps between 30 and 40 guests or two smaller chalets, Chalet La Masse which sleeps between 12 and 16 in 6 bedrooms and Chalet Bouchet which sleeps between 18 and 24 in 9 bedrooms.



CRECHE + CHILDCARE

Club des Piou-piou in Les Menuires offer both skiing and non-skiing child care for half or full days. The club is operated by The ESF in Les Menuires and skiing lessons are available for children from 3 years old. The non ski crèche is available for children from 3 months old.

NON-SKI ACTIVITIES

90 shops / 48 bars and restaurants (of which 16 are on the piste) / 6 discotheques and night bars / 1 4500 m² sports centre / 1 outdoor heated swimming pool / 2 cinemas



LIFT PASSES

There are 3 different ski passes available. The St Martin Valley including Val Thorens and the massive 3 Vallees pass.

	3 VALLEES		ST. MARTIN VALLEY	
	ADULT	CHILD	ADULT	CHILD
6 DAYS	260 €	208 €	203 €	163 €
6 DAY FAMILY	832 € 2 Adults + 2 Children		650 €	

EQUIPMENT HIRE

Twiner have an excellent shop just 2 minutes walk from the two chalets in Le Bettex. Pre-book your Ski and Boot hire at £65 per adult and £35 per child for 6 days.

INSTRUCTION

Les Menuires has a choice of ski schools. The ESF (Ecole de Ski Francais) has over 200 instructors offering group lessons of 2 ½ hours each day for both adults and children. Ecole de Ski Prosneige is a small professional ski school in Les Menuires. All instructors speak excellent English and they limit their group size to a maximum of 10 skiers per instructor. You pay a little more but the small class sizes do pay dividends.

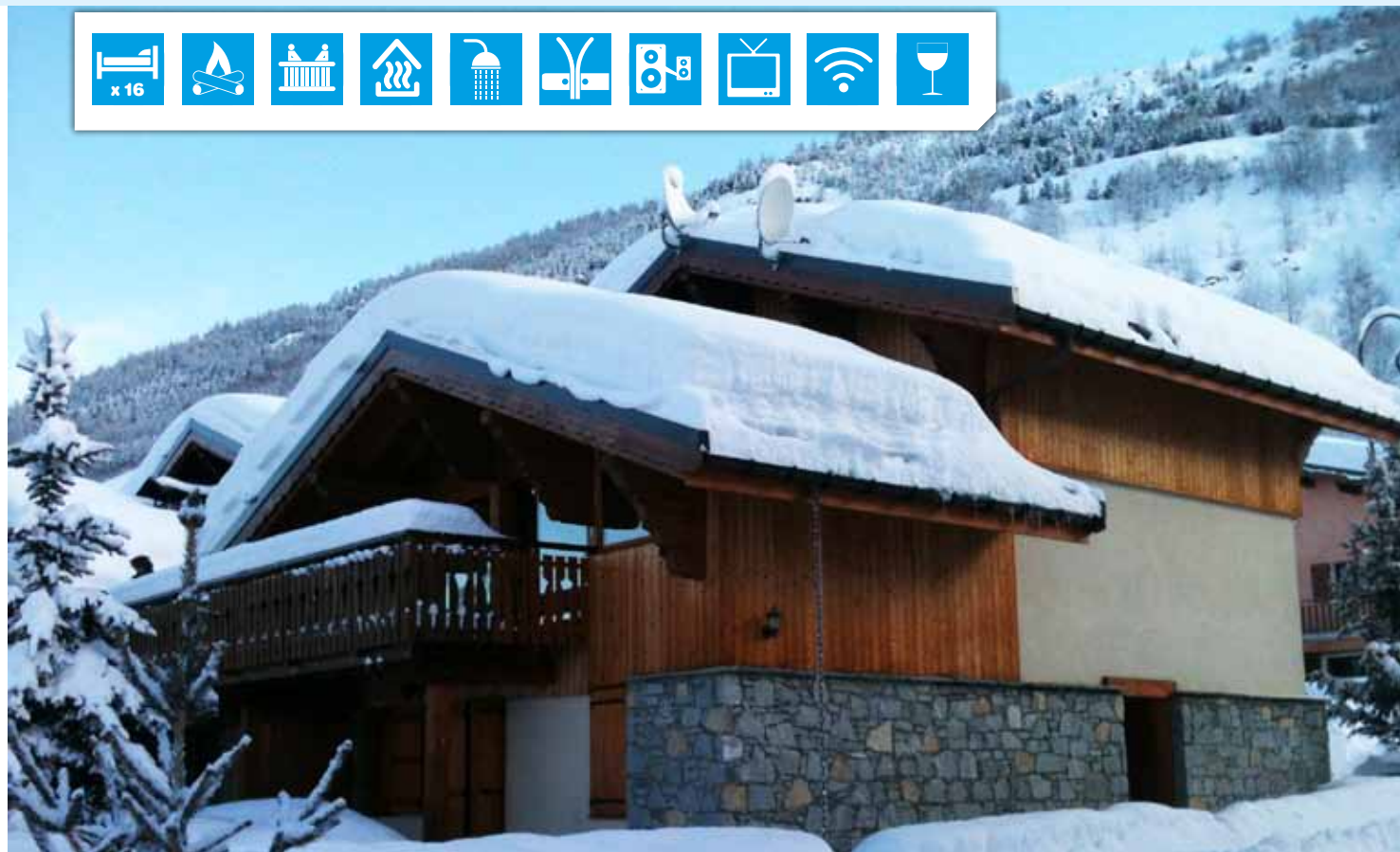
TRANSPORT

BY AIR Les Menuires is serviced by 2 airports: Geneva and Chambéry. There are many routes available from the UK. Below are the average transfer times between airport and resort.

Geneva	2.5 hours
Chambéry	1.5 hours

BY RAIL There is a mainline station in Moutiers just 27km away from Les Menuires and the new ski train serves Bourg St Maurice which is around 45 km away from Les Menuires.

BY ROAD For those who wish to self drive or hire a car we do have plenty of open air parking.



Icons representing amenities: x 16 beds, fireplace, dining table, house, shower, ski lift, TV, Wi-Fi, and wine glass.

CHALET LA MASSE

Chalet La Masse offers 6 ensuite bedrooms and sleeps between 12 and 16 guests.

THE GROUND FLOOR

- * Twin bedroom with ensuite shower,
- * Our bar area (separate area on the ground floor) with large television and small terrace
- * The ski room

THE FIRST FLOOR

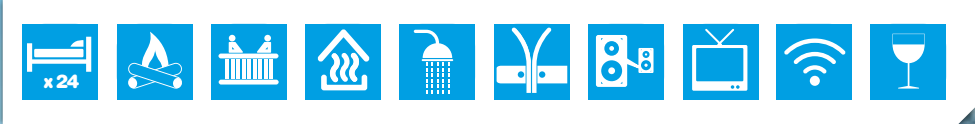
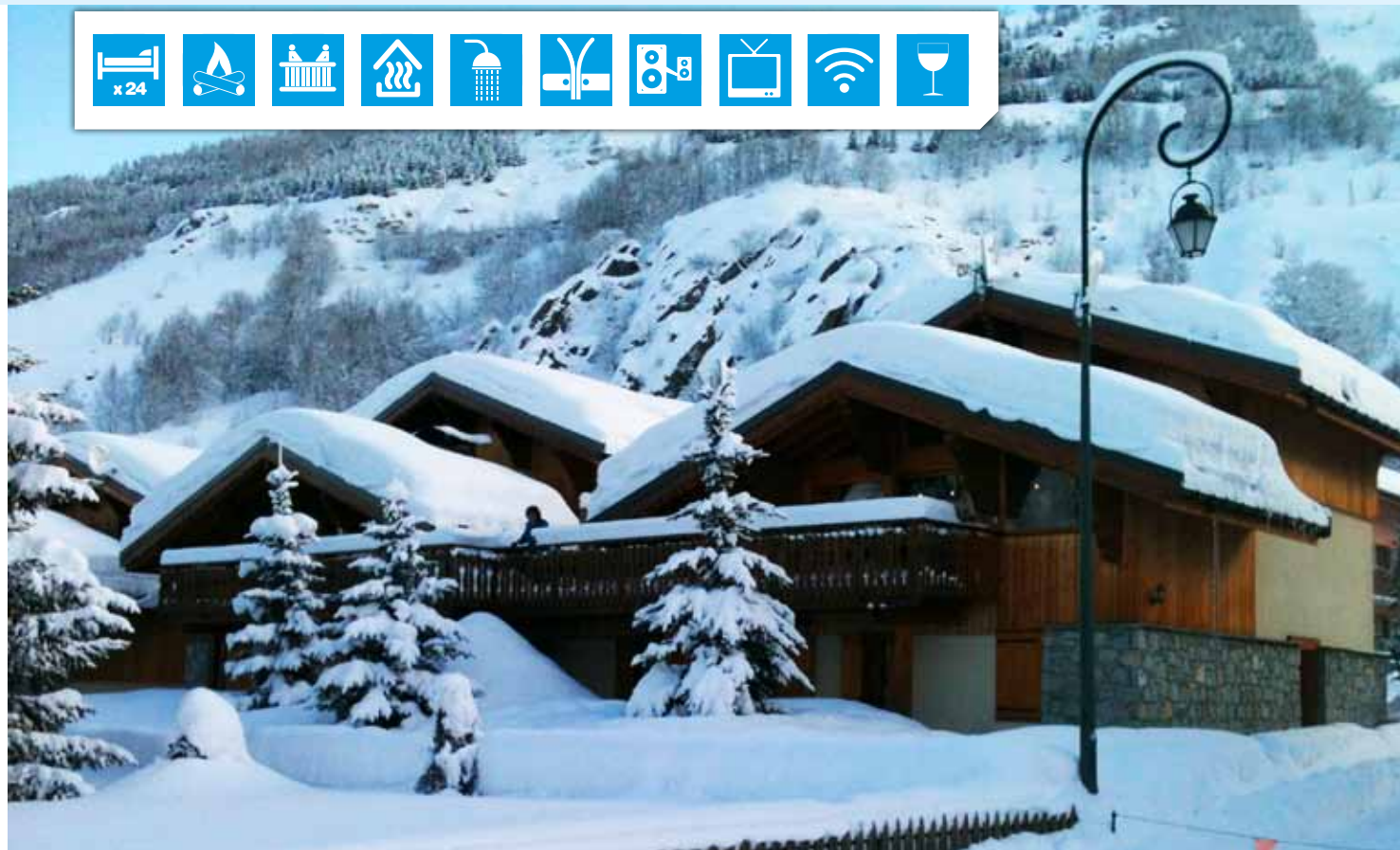
- * Lounge / dining area with a stunning central fire place
- * Kitchen
- * Twin bedroom with ensuite shower
- * Family suite of a double bedroom, bunk room and ensuite bathroom
- * Private balcony with sauna and Hot tub

THE TOP FLOOR

- * 2 ensuite twin rooms and
- * Suite of a double ensuite room and a bunk room

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CHALET BOUCHET

Chalet Bouchet offers 9 ensuite bedrooms spread over 3 floors.

THE GROUND FLOOR

- * 2 twin rooms (£50 discount per person for these rooms)
- * Bathroom
- * A twin ensuite room
- * A family style suite – double room, bunk room off and a shower room
- * Lounge area with satellite television
- * Connects to ski room and bar on ground floor of Chalet La Masse

THE FIRST FLOOR

- * Dining area with stunning fire place
- * Kitchen
- * Twin bedroom with ensuite shower
- * Suite of a double bedroom, bunk room and ensuite bathroom
- * Balcony with sauna and hot tub

THE TOP FLOOR

- * 2 ensuite twin rooms
- * Double ensuite room
- * Bunk room

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TIGNES

"A vibrant alpine resort with great skiing and great Apres Ski"

SNOW RANGE: 1560-3450m
RESORT HEIGHT: 1500m
PISTES (TOTAL) 300kms (Espace Killy)
BEGINNER RUNS 90
INTERMEDIATE RUNS 26
ADVANCED RUNS 39
SNOW CANNONS 400
CROSS COUNTRY TRAILS 40
TERRAIN PARKS 2

Tignes is a vibrant alpine resort; there are plenty of restaurants, bars, shops to keep the non-skiers of the party happy. Other 'activities' going on in the village include horse drawn sleighs, ten pin bowling, ice skating, fitness centre, cinemas, swimming pool, ice diving and numerous way marked walks around the villages.

The Espace Killy ski area is popular with both skiers and boarders. The area caters well for all abilities, with some 350 km of marked pistes ranging from gentle blues up to technical black runs. Sitting in the Vanois national park with stunning views, the ski area is high enough to guarantee good snow.

Renowned for its exceptional backcountry skiing, Tignes is a winter sports recreation area for avid freeriders eager to express themselves in open spaces safely while aware of rules and risks. Use of a transceiver is important so visit the ARVA Training Zone!

SKI PASSES

	TIGNES		ESPACE KILLY	
	ADULT	CHILD	ADULT	CHILD
6 DAYS	192 €	154 €	235 €	188 €

INSTRUCTION

Beginner, improver and intermediate packages including hire and lift pass can be booked via Absolutely Snow.

EQUIPMENT HIRE

Intersport have an excellent shop stocked with all the latest skis and boots just a 5 minute walk away from the chalets in the centre of Les Breviere. Absolutely Snow guests do get a discount on any ski hire booked at Intersport in Les Breviere.

WINTER ACTIVITIES

Tignes is famous for being one of the most active ski resorts in the alps and is often a base for athletes to train at altitude. With this ethos Tignes offers a wide range of activities off the snow in the winter including,

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| Ice Diving | Helicopter tours |
| Ice skating | Snowshoeing |
| Paragliding | Ice karting |
| Snowmobiling | Ice climbing |
| Dog sledding | Mountaineering |



TRANSPORT BY AIR

The main airport that services Tignes is Geneva airport, which is approx. two and a half hours transfer time. Geneva is serviced by a whole host of airlines which fly from many of Britain's regional airports.

TRANSFER TIMES

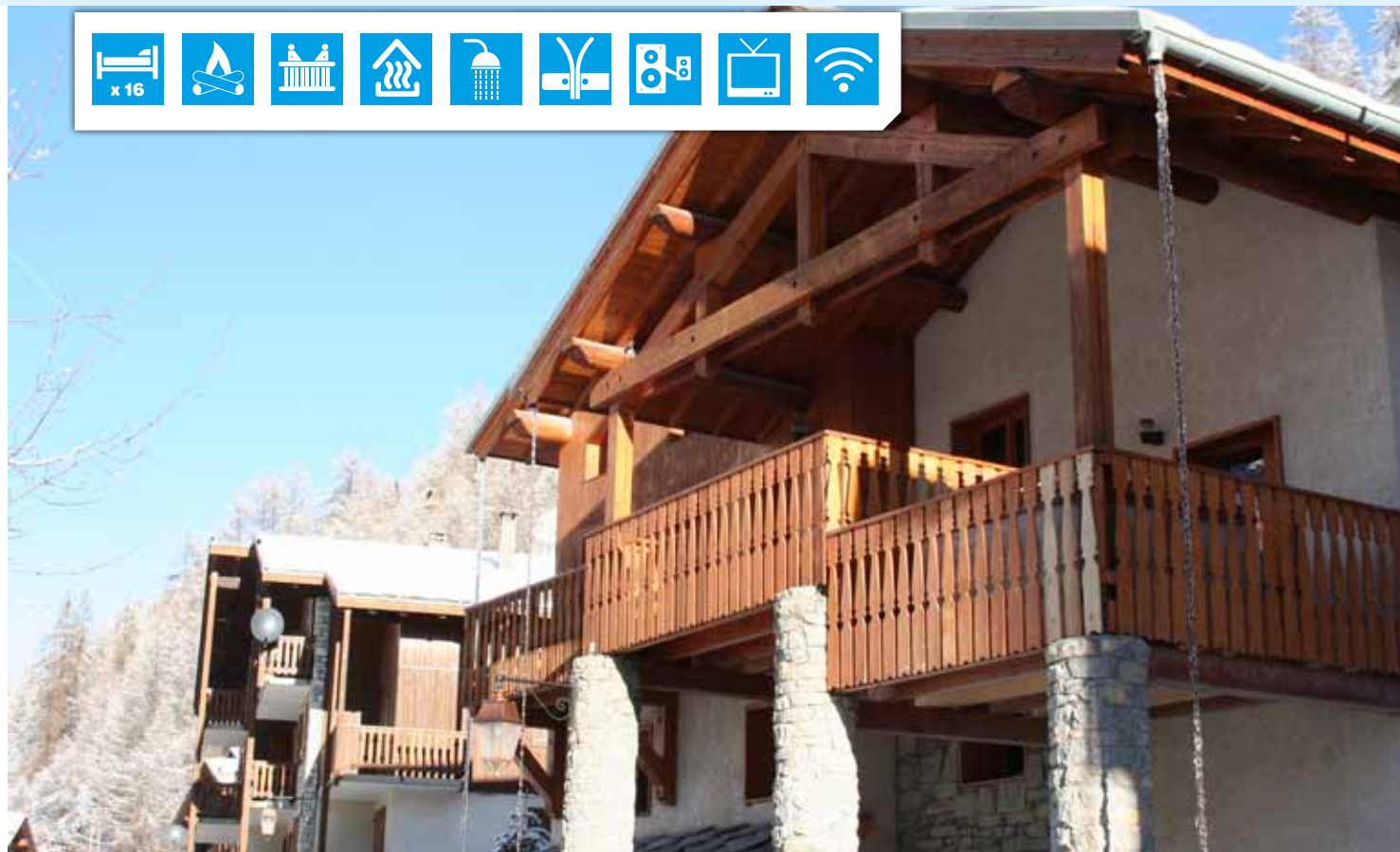
Geneva	2.5 hours
Chambery	1.5 hours

BY RAIL

The Eurostar leaves from London St Pancras, Ashford or Ebbsfleet and arrives at Bourg St Maurice. From here you can get a taxi to take you the 20 miles up to Tignes.

BY ROAD

There is plenty of Free Parking Areas at les Boisses and les Brévières, however you can also pay for underground parking.



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CHALET DAVIE

Chalet Davie is a recently refurbished chalet situated next door to Chalet Trudi and just 100m from the new lift and piste in Tignes les Brevieres. The chalet sleeps 16 guests in 8 bedrooms. All the bedrooms can be either twins or doubles:

THE GROUND FLOOR

- * Twin/ double bedroom, ensuite shower

THE FIRST FLOOR

- * 2 twin/double bedrooms, ensuite showers
- * 1 twin/double bedroom, ensuite bath

THE SECOND FLOOR

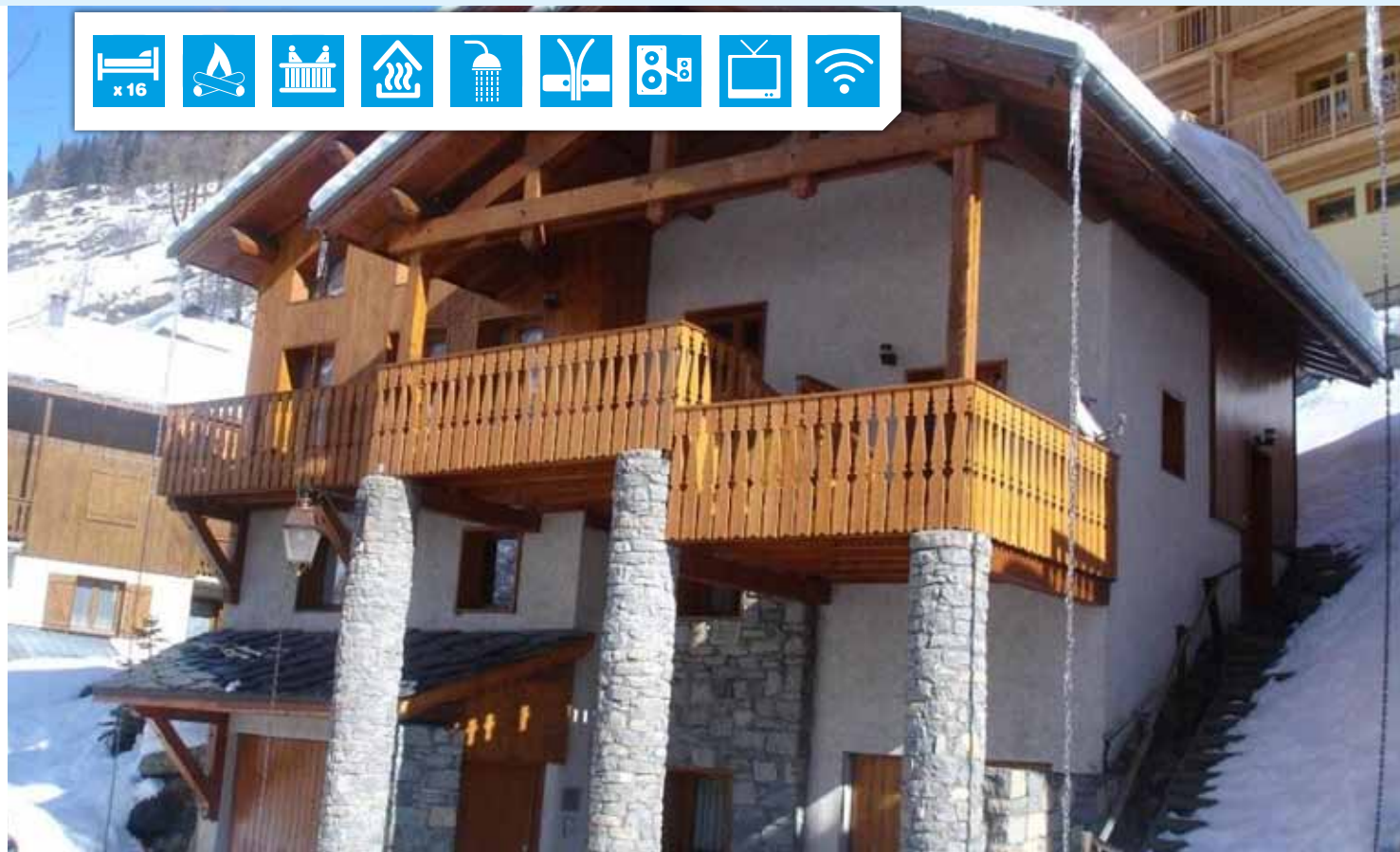
- * Lounge with log fire
- * Dining area
- * Steps up to TV/Games area on a mezanine
- * Sauna
- * Hot tub on the balcony

THE TOP FLOOR

- * 2 twin/double bedrooms which can inter-connect
- * 2 twin/double bedrooms
- * 2 bathrooms

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CHALET TRUDIE

Chalet Trudie has been refurbished to a high standard and is situated next to Chalet Davie. The centre of Tignes Les Brevieres is just a 5 minute walk away while the nearest lift and ski slope a mere 100m away. The chalet sleeps upto 16 guest, in 8 bedrooms. All bedrooms can be twins or doubles.

THE GROUND FLOOR

- * Twin/ double bedroom, ensuite shower

THE FIRST FLOOR

- * 2 twin/double bedrooms, ensuite showers
- * 1 twin/double bedroom, ensuite bath

THE SECOND FLOOR

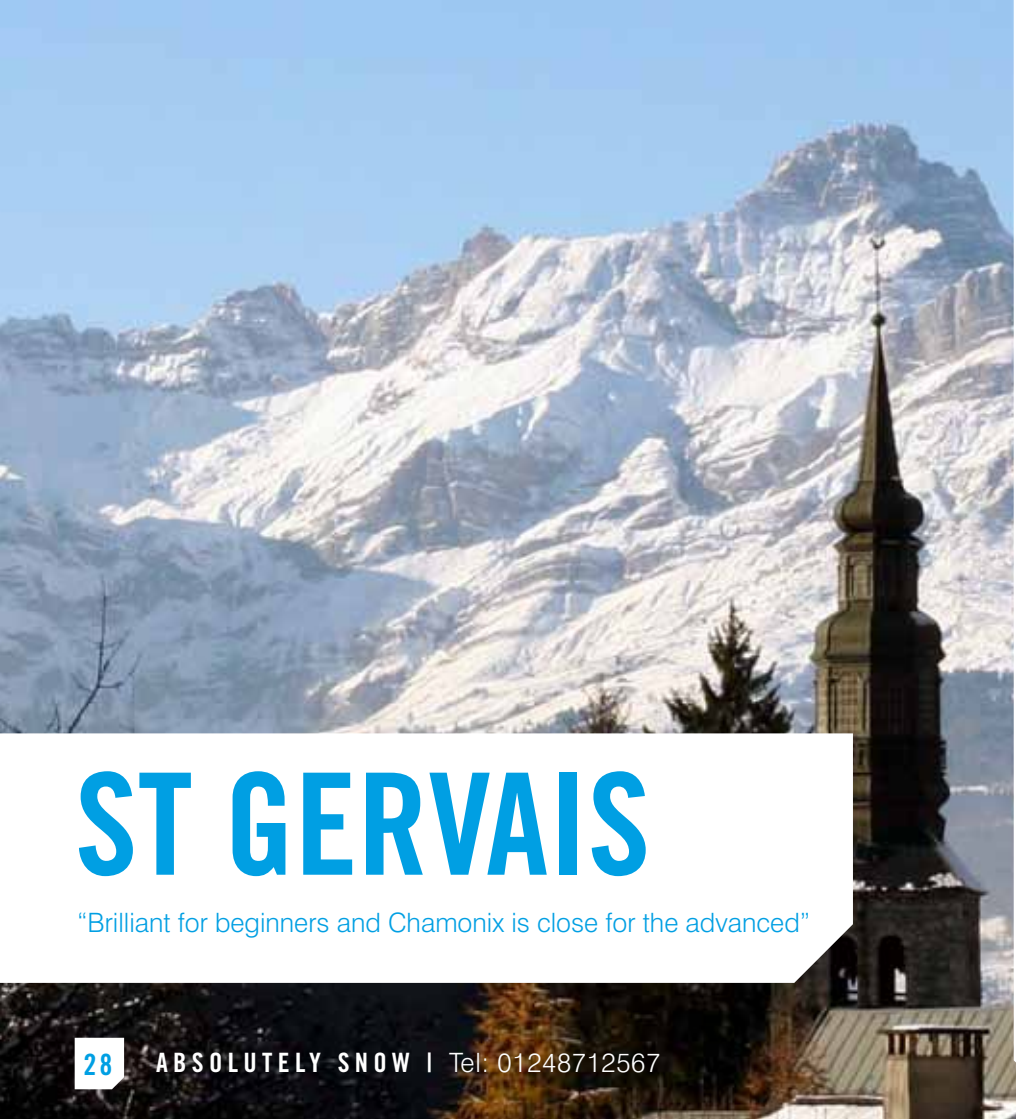
- * Lounge with log fire
- * Dining area
- * Steps to TV/Games mezanine area
- * Sauna
- * Hot tub on the balcony

THE TOP FLOOR

- * 2 twin/double bedrooms which can inter-connect
- * 2 twin/double bedrooms
- * 2 bathrooms

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ST GERVAIS

“Brilliant for beginners and Chamonix is close for the advanced”

SNOW RANGE: 1000-2350m
RESORT HEIGHT: 850m
PISTES (TOTAL) 445km
BEGINNER RUNS 63
INTERMEDIATE RUNS 84
ADVANCED RUNS 33
SNOW CANNONS 20
TERRAIN PARKS 2

St Gervais – or Saint Gervais Les Bains to give the resort it’s full title is a truly beautiful traditional village situated 850m up on the foot hills of Mont Blanc. The resort began in the 1800s with the opening of it’s now refurbished natural spa. St Gervais forms part of the Evasion Mont Blanc ski area – France’s 4th largest ski area with over 107 lifts, 220 actual ski runs which cover 445kms. This doesn’t include Les Houches which can be accessed by the Mont Blanc Tramway.

THE SKIING

St Gervais is within Evasion Mont Blanc ski area where 107 ski lifts connect 445kms of piste and three main resorts St Gervais, Megeve and Les Contamines. You can also ski Les Houches by taking the Mont Blanc Tramway directly from the centre of the village. The whole ski area is uncrowded and queues even in the height of the season are rare. The skiing is fabulous and the ski area of choice for many Chamonix high mountain guides on their day off!

The ski day begins by taking the gondola



from just outside the village (served by free ski bus and our own minibus shuttle service) which climbs up to Bettex with stunning views from the gondola over the Mont Blanc massive.

BEGINNERS

There are couple of ski schools. The ESF St Gervais has a specially designed beginners and childrens area with it’s own covered ‘magic carpet’! After a day or so beginners will soon venture further up the mountain tackling some of the glorious green and blue runs that meander down through the forest. By day 4 or 5 most beginners will be able to make their way over to Megeve and back!

INTERMEDIATES

The Evasion Mont Blanc is a dream for intermediates – long, cruising blues and reds rack up the miles of piste. The slopes are beautifully prepared – after all the area does include Megeve- France’s original chic resort!

Your ski pass also covers Les Contamines – a true alpine Gem. Just a few minutes by minibus (we run a free shuttle from the chalet), Les Contamines is somewhere you should spend at least a day exploring.

ADVANCED

Evasion Mont Blanc is an area that doesn’t really appear on many advanced skiers radar – maybe it’s because the area is so close to Chamonix that it becomes overlooked. However, the area is fabulous – miles of piste, different areas to explore and also fresh tracks to be had many days after a snowfall 25 minutes from St Gervais by our free shuttle bus is Chamonix – hire a guide for a day to ski the stunning Vallee Blanche; head up to the Grands Montets high above Argentiere for some big steep mountain skiing; or cruise around Brevant and Flegere.

SKI SCHOOL

The Esf in St Gervais has just celebrated 60 years as a ski school; many of the instructors grew up in the village and have a true sense of the heritage of St Gervais – not only do they teach, they are also ambassadors and will regale local stories and legends.

NURSERY

Situated at Bettex, The ESF run a fully accredited nurse-booking is highly recommended as space is limited to just 35. Here, children aged 3 to 4 can learn to ski in an enclosed area.
www.garderiesdesneiges-saintgervais.com

EQUIPMENT HIRE

A wide range of up to date ski equipment can be hired through our partners Intersport. Pre-book with Absolutely Snow for the best rates.

SKI PASSES

There are various ski pass options – the only option to really consider which is the full area Evasion Mont Blanc covering St Gervais, Les Contamines, Megeve, Combloux and Giétaz.

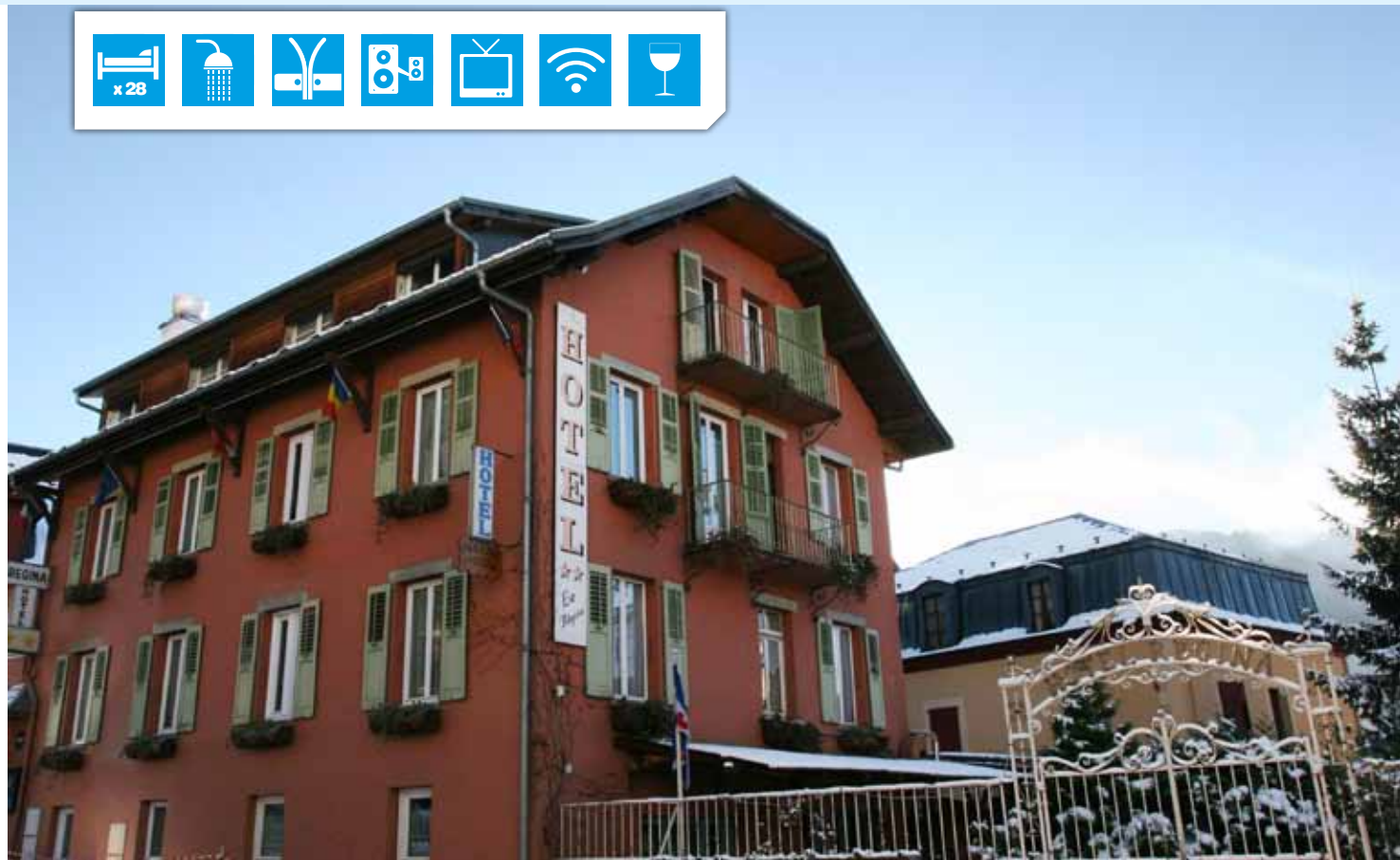
	ADULT	CHILD 5-14	SENIOR 60+
6 DAY (EVASION MONT-BLANC)	179.50 €	144.00 €	160.00 €

SPA

Natural spring waters have irrigated the spa for more than 200 years. The hydrotherapeutic properties of the water here class Saint-Gervais as the only alpine spa resort in the alps, one of 10 other spa towns in France. The 19th Century spa architecture gives the town an antique-chic atmosphere, quite original in a ski resort!
www.thermes-saint-gervais.com

FREE SKI BUSES

An extensive free ski bus service as well as runs right past Chalet Hotel Regina every 10 minutes in the morning then between 9.30 and 15.30 every 20 minutes reverting back to every 10 minutes after 15.30. ‘Service on Demand (costs 5€ a week). We also offer a free minibus shuttle to the main bubble lift, Les Contamines and Chamonix weekly.



CHALET HOTEL REGINA

The Regina is a beautiful Chalet style hotel situated opposite the Post Office and virtually in the centre of St Gervais. Originally a 15 bedroom hotel, we have reduced the occupancy to 12 bedrooms to sleep 24 -28 guests and created a unique boutique style Chalet Hotel.

THE GROUND FLOOR

- * Lounge area and children's play room.
- * Dining room and bar.
- * Patio area with large corner barbeque
- * Heated boot room with boot dryers.
- * 4 large ensuite bedrooms.
- * Dining room and bar.

THE FIRST FLOOR

- * 6 ensuite bedrooms – one of these is a 2 bedroom 'suite' perfect for families.

THE SECOND FLOOR

- * 2 ensuite bedrooms

KEY FEATURES:

- * All rooms have ensuite facilities
- * Close to the skibus route
- * TV and DVD in room / Sky TV in lounge
- * Village centre location
- * Heated ski boot dryers
- * Free Wi-Fi access throughout

**STAY IN THIS HOTEL FROM £245 PER WEEK
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NORWAY

"Scandinavian style, excellent snow and runs for everyone"

Norway offers consistently good snow from November through to May, wide open pistes, no lift queues, friendly English speaking locals and excellent accommodation. For beginners and children few traditional alpine resorts can complete with Norway's facilities and services. All season long there are no queues and the pistes are quiet.

TRYSIL

- SNOW RANGE:** 447-1100m
- PISTES (TOTAL)** 100kms
- BEGINNER RUNS** 38
- INTERMEDIATE RUNS** 17
- ADVANCED RUNS** 11
- FLOODLIT SLOPES:** 4
- SNOW MAKING** 8%
- TERRAIN PARKS** 4
- CROSS-COUNTRY TRAILS** 100km

Trysil consists of one large skiing area. The mountain's three faces are tied together by lifts and Green, red, blue and black runs. Trysil is also home to one of Norway's best and largest terrain parks.

For children, Trysil has three large children's areas and the Smottes (the Trysil mascots) are out on the slopes in the winter and come up with all kinds of fun and games Trysil also offers day-care for children and the ski school runs courses for young skiers.

SNOW GUARANTEE

Skiing can start in October and last up to 1st May and the resort boasts the largest and most advanced snow production equipment in Norway. If winter should fail to arrive on time, Trysil will refund your ski holiday costs covering accommodation, skiing lessons, ski hire and ski lift passes.

EQUIPMENT HIRE

Trysil's two ski rentals both have ski in/ ski out locations in the skiing area at Trysil Turistsenter and Trysil Høyfjellssente. They also have the best equipment, a modern ski workshop and valuable knowledge.

WINTER ACTIVITIES

The Radisson Blu Resort Trysil has an indoor surf wave, spa, adventure pool and bowling. Mountain Resort Trysil is a new modern resort with a sports shop, supermarket, ski hire, bars, spa, sauna and gym, as well as an indoor and outdoor pool. Activities such as horse and dog sledding along with shopping, a cinema and the Trysil-Knut Ski Museum.

TRYSIL ACCOMODATION

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SKI PASSES

	ADULT	YOUTH / 65+
6-8 DAYS	1.825,-	1.450,-

All prices in NOK.

Children 0 - 6 years: Free when using a helmet.

The Trysil Ski pass is re-usable and comes with a fee of NOK 45,- for each new Ski pass.

Night skiing is included in the price for ski passes.

You can ski one day in Sälen for free and 20% discount at Experium - Sälen's new adventure center

GEILO

- SNOW RANGE:** 800-1150m
- PISTES (TOTAL)** 34kms
- BEGINNER RUNS** 20
- INTERMEDIATE RUNS** 15
- ADVANCED RUNS** 5
- FLOODLIT SLOPES:** 4
- SNOW CANNONS** 418
- TERRAIN PARKS** 4
- CROSS-COUNTRY TRAILS** 200km

Geilo offers alpine and telemark skiing for all levels with a total of 40 slopes and 4 terrain parks. Geilo has 18 ski lifts, and its maximum capacity is over 25,000 assengers per hour.

Geilo offers activities for children of all ages including children's slopes, sledding, treasure hunts, cross-country

skiing, orienteering and ski schools. The youngest children may enjoy spending time at Trollklubben kindergarten at Geilolia Ski Centre when the adults are on the slopes.

EQUIPMENT HIRE

The ski hire outlets in Geilo offer the most modern and newest skiing equipment in all categories where you can hire top-quality skiing equipment adapted to your skill level.

SKI PASSES

	ADULT	YOUTH / 62+
6-8 DAYS	1 630	1.450,-

All prices in NOK.

Children 0 - 6 years: Free when using a helmet.

INSTRUCTION

The ski schools in Geilo teach carving, alpine skiing, telemark, snowboarding or cross-country.

WINTER ACTIVITIES

Whether you are skiing or not, there are even more ways to enjoy Geilo during the winter such as Sleigh rides, Guided nature safaris, Dog sledding and Guided snowshoes tours.

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RADISSON BLU RESORT

CATERED AND SELF CATERED CABINS

The Radisson Blu Resort is a spectacular hotel with cabins and apartments available for 2 upto 72. Facilities include an indoor surf wave, spa, adventure pool and bowling.

Accommodation can be fully catered to include breakfast, afternoon tea and 4 course evening meals. All our cabins are located close to the ski area, the majority are ski in ski out and equipped with saunas, hot tubs, underfloor heating, wifi and satellite television.

Bedrooms are fully ensuite, have radios, flat screen TVs, minibar, sofa which can turn in to a child's bed and free wifi. Interconnecting bedrooms are also available.

KEY FEATURES:

- * Ski in and ski out
- * Luxury Spa facilities
- * Five restaurants
- * Heated pool with Surf Rider
- * Large Bar
- * Sports shop

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TRYSIL KNUT HOTEL

Trysil Knut Hotel is a traditional Norwegian hotel in Trysil centre. The bedrooms are all large and well appointed with ensuite bathrooms, flat screen televisions and wifi. The hotel offers a buffet style Norwegian breakfast and evening meals, while there are tea and coffee making facilities in the lounge area. The hotel also houses the Trysil Ski Museum.

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MOUNTAIN RESORT

Mountain Resort Trysil is located 820 meters above sea level in Norway's largest ski resort, Trysil, with a fantastic view of one of Europe's most modern ski resorts.

With stunning modern architecture it features a sports shop, supermarket, ski hire, bars, spa, sauna, gym and pools, both indoors and outdoors.

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HAVSDALSGRENDA

Havsdalsgrenda is comprised of 94 luxury apartments, and is only four metres from the skiing slopes and ten minutes from the centre of Geilo. The apartments have from 4 to 16 beds. Havsdalsgrenda offers an unequalled level of service, and features extensive common areas including swimming pool and a fitness studio. Skiing equipment is available for hire.

Most of the chalets and apartments feature saunas and all have flat screen televisions, wifi and access to a spa area with kidney shaped swimming pool. There is underground parking and we would suggest that car hire is essential.

KEY FEATURES:

- * Slopes right on your doorstep only 4m from the property
- * Fitness room
- * The property has a sauna
- * Indoor pool
- * Wi-fi in public areas

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USTEDALEN

The hotel has 86 rooms of various categories, 3 luxury apartments, pool, sauna, lounge and dancebar. The Ustedalen is a well run traditional Norwegian family hotel 800 m from the centre of Geilo (the ski bus stops outside) and just 200m from the Halstensgard Heisen T Bar.

The hotel offers large bedrooms – doubles with sofa beds or family style rooms, all with ensuite facilities, televisions and direct dial telephones. Facilities within the hotel include a children's playroom, cinema room, indoor swimming pool, sauna, large lounge with an open fire, bar and evening entertainment.

KEY FEATURES:

- * Breakfast and evening meal buffet
- * Large lounge bar with open fire and evening entertainment
- * The hotel has a sauna
- * Indoor swimming pool
- * Wi-fi in the lobby

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ANDORRA

"The undiscovered gem that great fun on and off the slopes"

SNOW RANGE: 1710-2680m
RESORT HEIGHT: 1850m
PISTES (TOTAL): 210kms
BEGINNER RUNS: 56
INTERMEDIATE RUNS: 32
ADVANCED RUNS: 22
SNOW CANNONS: 1065
TERRAIN PARKS: 3
FLOODLIT RUNS: 3

Sitting between France and Spain, Andorra has slipped under the radar of many British skiers for some time but we feel it's a gem waiting to be discovered. Grandvalira is Andorra's biggest ski region and incorporates the resorts of Soldeu el Tarter, Pas de la Casa/Grau Roig, Encamp, and Canillo. The area offers 173 pistes in total with skiing between 1710 and 2640 metres altitude and a maximum vertical of 930 metres.



PAS DE LA CASA

This lively resort (referred to locally as Pas) is situated just a few hundred metres from the French border in the parish of Encamp. The resort sits at an altitude of 2050m with the highest lift at 2640m making Pas the highest resort in the Pyrenees. Due to its superb location (and heavy investment in artificial snow making) Pas enjoys an excellent snow record complimented by plenty of blue skies and sunshine.

CANILLO

Canillo is a traditional Andorran mountain village of pretty stone clad buildings set in the valley at 1500m. The bubble lift rises from the centre of the resort up to El Forn at

2000m where a series of chair lifts opens up the whole of the Grandvalira ski area.

Canillo has a wide variety of shops, bars and restaurants as well as a large sports centre with ice rink and swimming pool. If you are looking for a refined resort with access to some wonderful skiing then Canillo ticks all the boxes!

SOLDEU

Set on a steep hillside and at a base altitude of 1,800m Soldeu is a charming village and vibrant ski resort. Soldeu is the ski capital of Andorra and boasts a lively après ski scene and an excellent and chic reputation.

With 18 green slopes, 38 blue, 32 red and 22 black runs all categories of on-piste skier are

catered for with the opportunity for advanced skiers to ski off-piste between the trees.

Snow cannons cover 170km of 210m of the ski area and with Soldeu and most villages in Grandvalira at an altitude above 1,700m and the skiing mostly between 2,000 -2,680m the area is extremely snow sure.

EL TARTER

El Tarter has grown over recent years to the point where it now seems no smaller than Soldeu. The main local slopes are on open mountainsides above the woods, though there are runs in the woods back to all of the resort lift bases.

This is a good resort for beginners. It is relatively snowsure but the snowmaking is expanding each year. The Espiolets beginner area and playground has recently been upgraded with new rope tows.

The ACG Snowpark, caters for freestylers with instructors on hand to offer advice on how you can better your tricks and jumps and a dedicated maintenance team is in charge daily throughout the season.

The ski school has an excellent reputation for standards of English, quality of tuition and friendliness. Children aged three to ten can attend a non-ski beginner. Children's ski school starts from six years old.

HIMALAIA PAS

The Himalaia Pas is in a wonderful location for skiing – ski to and from 80m of the hotel, the nearest ski lift is just a 350m ski away.

The Hotel has 98 guest bedrooms, a mix of twins, triples and quads. All the bedrooms have ensuite facilities, minibar, direct dial telephone. Facilities within the hotel include bar, separate private dining room, buffet restaurant, Fitness centre with an indoor swimming pool, hot tub and sauna.



CAL RUIZ

The Cal Ruiz is a very friendly 3 star hotel situated around 400m from the ski slopes in the centre of Pas de la Casa. All 53 bedrooms are ensuite and have satellite television. Facilities within the hotel include bar, games room, sauna and hot tub.

With stunning modern architecture it features a sports shop, supermarket, ski hire, bars, spa, sauna, gym and pools, both indoors and outdoors.



SKI PLAZA

The Ski Plaza is a 5 star hotel in the centre of Canillo and just 150m away from the bubble lift up to El Forn.

The hotel has 121 spacious luxury rooms – some are family suites and some can be interconnected.

All the bedrooms have satellite TV, large bathrooms, minibar and internet. Facilities in the hotel include a lobby bar, an après ski pub, TV room, games room, indoor swimming pool and Jacuzzi, free children's Kids Club and ski room with heated boot dryers.



FONT D'ARGENT

The Font d'Argent is a modern hotel located just 75m away from the bubble lift into the Granvalira ski area.

The hotel has 75 ensuite bedrooms, with direct dial telephone, satellite television minibar and safe.

Facilities within the hotel include a spa area, wifi, café/bar, terrace and ski lockers



HOTEL HERMITAGE

The Sport Hotel Hermitage is a stunning 5 star hotel right next door to the bubble lift out of Soldeu.

The bedrooms are spacious and all have a lounge area, bathroom with Jacuzzi/hydrobath, mini bar, safe, internet, flat screen TV and balconies.

Absolutely Snow guests have free access to the beautiful spa area with indoor swimming pool, a number of hot tubs, saunas, Turkish baths, hydro massage pools.



SPORT HOTEL

Located just 50m from the bubble lift in the centre of Soldeu this 165 room hotel a place to relax and enjoy yourself with all the services and facilities needed to make your stay unforgettable. The traditional alpine décor makes it cosy, pleasant and family-oriented.

The rooms are all large and spacious. The hotel offers a free kids club (ages 4 to 12), its own Irish bar, internet area, spa/fitness/wellness area and its own ski shop.



HOTEL MONTANA

In Soldeu, heart of Andorra, the Xalet Montana is situated in the centre of Soldeu, it is just 200m from the bubble lift. You not only will be able to enjoy cable TV, but also fantastic views. The hotel has 40 well appointed spacious bedrooms all with ensuite facilities. Hotel facilities include a bar, separate lounge, spa are with Jacuzzi and swimming pool.



HOTEL NORDIC

The Nordic is a beautiful hotel ideally situated, offering ski-in/ski-out access with an excellent standard of accommodation and leisure facilities.

The hotel has 120 large spacious bedrooms, all with ensuite facilities, satellite TV, Wifi, safe, minibar and balcony. The hotel has an après ski bar, lounge areas, indoor swimming pool and Jacuzzi, large games room, 10 pin bowling area with another bar, TV room and internet area. The hotel also boasts its own ski hire shop.



		Morzine. France				Le Bettex. France				St Gervais. France	
		Chalet Gabrielle		Chalet Chantelle		Chalet La Masse		Chalet Le Bouchet		Chalet Le Regina	
		Sleeps 10 / 15		Sleeps 12 / 14		Sleeps 12 / 16		Sleeps 18 / 24		Sleeps 24/ 28	
Arrival Date	Nights	Per Person	Whole Chalet	Per Person	Whole Chalet	Per Person	Whole Chalet	Per Person	Whole Chalet	Per Person	Whole Chalet
09-Dec	7	345	3520	320	3795	295	3540	275	4675	-	-
16-Dec	7	345	3520	320	3795	395	4740	375	6375	345	7590
23-Dec	7	545	5170	470	5995	545	6540	525	8925	445	9790
30-Dec	7	645	6545	595	7095	645	7740	625	10625	545	11990
06-Jan	7	425	4345	395	4675	425	5100	405	6885	395	11990
13-Jan	7	425	4345	395	4675	425	5100	405	6885	395	8690
20-Jan	7	445	4620	420	4895	445	5340	425	7225	445	9790
27-Jan	7	445	4620	420	4895	445	5340	425	7225	445	9790
03-Feb	7	495	5170	470	5445	495	5940	475	8075	495	10890
10-Feb	7	545	5720	520	5995	545	6540	525	8925	545	11990
17-Feb	7	645	6820	620	7095	645	7740	625	10625	595	13090
24-Feb	7	545	5720	520	5995	545	6540	525	8925	495	10890
03-Mar	7	545	5720	520	5995	545	6540	525	8925	495	10890
10-Mar	7	495	5170	470	5445	495	5940	475	8075	445	9790
17-Mar	7	495	5170	470	5445	495	5940	475	8075	395	8690
24-Mar	7	545	5720	520	5995	545	6540	525	8925	395	8690
31-Mar	7	545	5720	520	5995	545	6540	525	8925	445	9790
07-Apr	7	395	4070	370	4345	395	4740	375	6375	345	7590
14-Apr	7	345	3520	320	3795	295	3540	275	4675	295	6490
21-Apr	7	295	2970	270	3245	245	2940	225	3825	-	-
28-Apr	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Return Airport Transfer		50				80				50	

		Tignes. France		Trysil, Noway			Geilo, Noway	
		Chalet Davie & Chalet Trudie		Trysil Knut Hote	Radisson Blu	Mountain Resort	Havsdalsgrenda	Ustedalen
		Sleeps 16		Hotel	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel
Arrival Date	Nights	Per person	Whole Chalet	Per person	Per person	Per person	Per person	Per person
09-Dec	7	295	4130	590	430	320	-	548
16-Dec	7	345	4830	590	430	320	-	796
23-Dec	7	545	7630	675	695	420	340	796
30-Dec	7	695	9730	895	725	420	475	796
06-Jan	7	425	5950	655	565	320	230	565
13-Jan	7	425	5950	655	470	370	230	565
20-Jan	7	445	6230	655	470	420	230	565
27-Jan	7	445	6230	655	495	470	230	565
03-Feb	7	525	7350	655	595	520	313	565
10-Feb	7	595	8330	805	695	590	340	565
17-Feb	7	695	9730	805	695	590	383	749
24-Feb	7	545	7630	735	595	470	426	749
03-Mar	7	545	7630	735	595	470	426	680
10-Mar	7	495	6930	735	545	470	340	680
17-Mar	7	495	6930	735	545	470	340	680
24-Mar	7	545	7630	805	695	590	340	680
31-Mar	7	595	8330	805	695	590	313	680
07-Apr	7	495	6930	590	470	320	313	680
14-Apr	7	345	4830	590	470	320	594	796
21-Apr	7	295	4130	590	470	320	594	796
28-Apr	7	245	3430	590	470	320	313	-
Return Airport Transfer		80		65			95	

PRICING INFORMATION

Arrival Date	No of Nights	Pas De La Casa, Andorra		Canillo, Andorra		Soldeu, Andorra			El Tarter
		Himalaia Pas	Cal Ruiz	Ski Plaza	Font d'Argent	Hotel Hermitage	Sport Hotel	Hotel Montana	Nordic
		Hotel	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel	Hotel
		Per person	Per person	Per person	Per person	Per person	Per person	Per person	Per person
10-Dec	7	339	294	579	339	953	445	517	490
17-Dec	3	339	294	579	339	953	445	517	579
20-Dec	7	410	294	980	713	1,907	624	517	668
27-Dec	7	757	624	1,158	713	1,907	953	659	802
03-Jan	5	757	508	820	535	1,604	953	659	802
08-Jan	7	410	356	579	535	1,069	695	570	579
15-Jan	7	410	356	526	535	1,131	624	517	579
22-Jan	7	410	356	526	535	1,131	624	517	579
29-Jan	7	633	383	526	535	1,131	695	517	579
05-Feb	7	633	383	579	535	1,301	695	570	579
12-Feb	7	757	463	579	535	1,292	846	624	802
19-Feb	7	633	463	820	535	1,292	846	624	802
26-Feb	7	535	463	579	535	953	695	624	624
04-Mar	7	535	552	579	624	953	695	624	802
11-Mar	7	339	356	579	535	953	624	570	624
18-Mar	7	339	356	579	535	953	624	517	552
25-Mar	7	339	356	526	535	953	624	517	624
01-Apr	7	339	356	579	624	953	624	517	490
08-Apr	7	339	356	526	624	953	445	517	490
15-Apr	7	339	294	526	339	953	445	517	490
22-Apr	7	339	294	526	339	953	445	517	490
Return Airport Transfer		60		60		60			60

BOOKING CONDITIONS

BOOKING

A deposit of £70 with the appropriate insurance premium per person is payable at the time of booking. No contract shall exist between the client and Absolutely Snow until all the appropriate monies have been received and acknowledged by Absolutely Snow in the form of a holiday confirmation.

PAYMENT OF THE BALANCE

The balance of your holiday needs to be paid at least 8 weeks before your holiday commences. If the balance of your holiday has not been received by this time, Absolutely Snow reserves the right to cancel your booking.

CANCELLATION

If you decide to cancel your holiday after we have issued your holiday confirmation, you must do so in writing by post, email or fax. Your notice of cancellation will only be effective when it is received in writing by us. Any Insurance premiums paid will not unfortunately be refundable. If you do cancel your holiday you will be liable for cancellation charges as outlined in the table below.

PERIOD BEFORE YOU LEAVE WITHIN WHICH WE RECEIVE WRITTEN NOTICE	PERCENTAGE OF THE HOLIDAY COST REFUNDED
More than 8 weeks	Full deposit
Between 6-8 weeks	75%
Between 4-6 weeks	50%
Between 2-4 weeks	25%
Less than 2 weeks	0%

You may be able to make a claim under your travel insurance policy if your cancellation falls within the conditions of the policy and we will

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provide you with a cancellation invoice. Any Claims in relation to cancellation must be made directly to the insurance company concerned.

Where any cancellation reduces the number of full paying party members below, the number on which the price, number of free places and/or any concessions agreed for your booking were based, we will recalculate these items and re-invoice you accordingly. If any member of your party is prevented from travelling, that person may transfer their place to someone else (introduced by you) at any time. We do not charge for any name changes for accommodation bookings.

YOUR FINANCIAL SECURITY*

Absolutely Snow are members of the Travel Trust Association, U8777. All monies are placed in Trust. These monies are then released to Absolutely Snow when you complete your holiday. www.traveltrust.co.uk for more info.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

Absolutely Snow is the trading name of Absolutely Travel Limited. No contract exists between Absolutely Snow and the client until Absolutely Snow has received the completed signed booking form and appropriate deposit. Deposit and payment terms and conditions for your flight will be shown on the invoice. Once your holiday is booked the holiday price (including ski packs) is guaranteed against any change. There will be no surcharges.

When you travel on an airline, the conditions of that airline will apply. Clients are responsible for arriving at the outbound airport with sufficient time to complete all formalities required. Entry to certain countries by clients that do not hold an UK/EEC passport may require a visa. It is the clients responsibility to ensure that they have complied with all the necessary visa regulations.

Absolutely Snow cannot be held responsible

for any loss, delay or costs associated with adverse weather conditions. It is a condition of booking that all clients hold a valid medical insurance policy.

Guiding is provided as a free service to our clients and does not form part of your holiday contract and/or holiday cost. Absolutely Snow reserves the right to restrict the size of any guiding group. Should this service not be available at anytime we cannot be held responsible. All clients ski/board at their own risk; Absolutely Snow cannot be held responsible for any accidents or injuries however caused.

Chalet holiday prices include the following meals - 7 x breakfast, 7 x afternoon tea and 7 x evening meal.

HOW TO BOOK

Once you have decided on your holiday, please contact our office on 01248712567 or by email info@absolutelysnow.com to establish the availability. All being well, a provisional booking will be made. This will be held for 4 working days allowing you time to fill in the booking form, sending it with a deposit of £70 and the relevant insurance premium per person to our office. We will then send you your holiday confirmation and invoice. The balance of your holiday is due 8 weeks in advance of your holiday departure date. Once we receive your final balance we will send out your holiday information pack which will include details of how to book ski passes, ski hire and ski school.

PRICES

All prices are per person in pounds sterling and include, accommodation and board as described in the brochure, all local taxes.

Insurance and Lift Passes can be booked when you make your holiday booking. If requested on your booking form lift passes will be added to your final holiday confirmation / invoice.



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