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SKI TOURING - ARGENTIERE GLACIER

Duration: 2 | Fitness: ▲▲▲△△ | Technique: ▲▲▲△△ | Price from: 440 €

THE ARGENTIERE GLACIER, AN EXCEPTIONAL SKI TOURING DESTINATION

Easily accessible from the Grands Montets ski area, the **Argentière Glacier offers a spectacular setting for ski touring**. To the north, the impressive faces of the Aiguille Verte, Les Droites and other summits stretching towards Mont Dolent rise more than 1,000 metres above the glacier. To the south, the Aiguille du Chardonnet and the Aiguille d'Argentière dominate the landscape with their sharp rocky ridges. The **Argentière Hut** provides an ideal base for exploring this exceptional mountain environment. This two-day ski touring trip offers a complete immersion in one of the most remarkable areas of the Mont Blanc massif.

OUR SKI TOURING TRIPS IN THE MONT BLANC MASSIF

With its dramatic peaks and extensive glaciers, the Mont Blanc massif offers outstanding opportunities for ski touring. To discover more of this exceptional terrain, explore our other ski touring trips, including the Col du Passon, the Tour Glacier and the renowned Vallée Blanche.

ITINERARY

Day 1

Grands Montets - Col des Rachasses - Argentière Hut
We start from the top of the Bochard gondola (2,766 m) with a short descending traverse on skis to reach the Lognan Glacier (2,700 m). We then skin up via the Col des Rachasses to the Rognons Glacier (3,050 m). From here, we enjoy a magnificent descent to the Argentière Glacier (2,550 m), where we put our skins back on to reach the Argentière Hut (2,771 m). The hut's dining room offers impressive views of the north face of Les Droites. Overnight at the hut.
Ascent: 575 m / Descent: 750 m

Day 2

Col d'Argentière - Return to the Valley
We head towards the Col d'Argentière (3,552 m). Throughout the ascent, the views of the legendary north faces overlooking the Argentière Glacier — the Triolet, Les Courtes, Les Droites and the Aiguille Verte — are spectacular. We descend by the same route and return to the valley in the mid-afternoon.
Ascent: 780 m / Descent: 2,300 m

GROUP BOOKING

Group sessions bring together participants who do not necessarily know each other. They offer a scheduled programme at an attractive price on fixed dates. This option is ideal for those who enjoy the friendly atmosphere of a group.

Dates
See the group booking module below

Price 2027
490€ per person, based on a minimum of 4 participants
Registration possible from the age of 18

This price includes
- Mountain guiding services

- Half-board accommodation in a mountain hut (dinner, breakfast and overnight stay)
- Lift access included in the programme
- Loan of an avalanche safety kit: transceiver (DVA), shovel, probe and harness

This price does not include
- Packed lunches and daily snacks
- Repatriation and cancellation insurance
- Personal drinks
- Personal technical equipment

PRIVATE BOOKING

Private booking reflects the traditional relationship between a mountain guide and their clients. It allows you to enjoy the experience on your own or with a group of your choice, accompanied by a guide who meets your specific needs. It is undoubtedly the ideal option for your mountain projects, offering maximum comfort and flexibility. You are free to choose your departure date (subject to hut availability), and the itinerary can be adjusted according to your expectations.

Prices 2027
2 people: 995€ per person
3 people: 715€ per person
4 people: 580€ per person
5 people: 495€ per person
6 people: 440€ per person

This price includes
- Mountain guiding services
- Half-board accommodation in a mountain hut (dinner, breakfast and overnight stay)
- Lift access included in the programme
- Loan of an avalanche safety kit: transceiver (DVA), shovel, probe and harness

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- Packed lunches and daily snacks
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FURTHER INFORMATION

In this section, you will find all the information about this activity. To prepare for your trip, refer to our Guides' Tips, which share useful advice and recommendations.

Meeting Point
9:00 AM at the Grands Montets lift ticket offices (Argentière). To reduce traffic in the valley, we recommend using public transport (bus or train).

Itinerary
This is provided as a guideline and may be adjusted according to the group's level and mountain conditions.

Technical Level
Suitable for skiers skilled in off-piste skiing in all snow conditions and with prior experience in ski touring. The terrain features wide slopes with occasional narrow sections and gradients of up to 35°. Some sections may require walking with crampons.

Physical Level
Designed for individuals who regularly engage in physical activity. Expect a positive elevation gain of up to 1,000 metres per day and an effort of 5 to 6 hours each day.

Guiding Policy
4 to 6 people per guide. *Registration possible from the age of 18.*

Accommodation
During the trip: half-board accommodation in a mountain hut, with nights in a dormitory. No water available at the hut.
Before and after the trip: we have hotel partners in Chamonix offering special rates to our clients.

⚠ **Documentation**

Participants must have mountain sports insurance with repatriation cover. We strongly recommend that this also includes cancellation cover. You can take out insurance when you sign up. Participants must also carry valid ID.

EQUIPMENT

We recommend paying particular attention to your choice of equipment, as it contributes greatly to the success of your trip. Weight is an important factor: you should always find the right balance between weight and comfort.

Equipment
- Comfortable 35L frameless backpack with attachments for skis and an ice axe
- Ski touring skis and boots, *available to rent*
- Climbing skins and ski crampons adapted to your skis, *available to rent*
- A pair of ski poles with large baskets, *available to rent*
- A pair of lightweight crampons and an ice axe, *available to rent*
- A helmet suitable for ski touring or mountaineering is recommended
- Avalanche safety kit including a harness, transceiver (DVA), shovel and probe, provided by your guide

Clothing
- Waterproof and windproof, non-insulated jacket with hood (Gore-Tex or equivalent), *available to rent*
- Waterproof and windproof, non-insulated trousers, *available to rent*
- Thick fleece jacket or equivalent
- Lightweight down jacket
- Long-sleeved shirt
- Midweight thermal underwear (top and bottoms)
- Warm ski socks
- Warm hat and lightweight sun hat with brim
- Warm ski gloves or mittens
- A pair of thinner gloves (leather or fleece)
- Neck warmer
- Spare thermal underwear for sleeping and changing

Accessories
- High-altitude sunglasses (category 4 recommended)
- Ski goggles
- 1.5L water bottle
- Insulated bottle
- Small toiletry bag including sunscreen for face and lips, aspirin, adhesive dressings, blister plasters, earplugs and toilet paper
- Headlamp with spare batteries
- Sleeping bag liner (cotton or silk), compulsory in mountain huts. Huts provide blankets and slippers or clogs
- Waterproof pouch for your ID and cash for personal expenses

Our Rental Partners
You can rent equipment from our partner shops and benefit from special rates: Millet (excluding crampons, ice axes and helmets), Sanglard Sports, Ravanel & Co and Concept Pro Shop.

Our Equipment Partners
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