Compagnie des Guides de Chamonix

190 place de l'église - 74400 Chamonix – France - Tél : + 33 (0)4 50 53 00 88
www.chamonix-guides.com - e-mail : info@chamonix-guides.com

SKI TOURING - THE SAAS FEE 4000M PEAKS

Duration: 3 | Fitness: ▲▲▲▲▲ | Technique: ▲▲▲▲▲ | Price from: 930 €

SKI TOURING THE 4000M PEAKS OF SAAS-FEE

The Saas-Fee valley is dominated by an impressive number of high summits. From the Lagginhorn to the Dirruhorn, 13 peaks rise above 4,000 meters. The Allalinhorn - Rimpfischhorn - Alphubel group, particularly well suited to ski touring, offers **exceptional descents in a spectacular glacial setting**. This program allows you to make the most of the region and its snow, which often remains powdery thanks to the altitude and exposure. You will also enjoy breathtaking views of the mountains around Zermatt, from the Matterhorn to the Dufourspitze. This trip is designed for ski tourers looking to experience high-altitude ski touring and ski several summits above 4,000 meters. Good physical preparation and regular ski touring experience are necessary to fully enjoy the trip.

OUR SELECTION OF SKI TOURS IN THE SWISS VALAIS

This trip is part of a series of itineraries we have designed to help you discover the mountains of the Swiss Valais and enjoy exceptional skiing in a spectacular alpine setting. Spend an extraordinary night at the Dents du Midi bivouac, explore the mountains between Verbier and Zermatt, or extend your Haute Route adventure across the 4,000-meter peaks of Monte Rosa.

ITINERARY

Day 1

Transfer from Chamonix to Saas Fee. Start from Saas Fee, we reach Mittelallalin (3 456m) by ski lift. Quickly, we leave the ski domain to start the way up to the Allalinhorn (4 027m). The way up is mostly by ski. According to the conditions, a few sections could require the use of crampons. Stunning view on the close 4000s, in particular on the Rimpfischhorn (4 199m), our objective of the following day. We ski down to the resort, then to the Egginerjoch (2 988m). Short way up to Britannia mountain hut (3 027m). Night at the hut.
Elevation gain: 700m / Elevation loss: 600m

Day 2

We ski down a sort section to get to the Allalingletscher (2 940m), and then we continue through a gentle ascent to the Allalinjoch (3 556m). We circumvent the Rimpfischhorn (4 199m) through the West side and get to its southern shoulder (4 009m). From the shoulder, the view on the Mont Rose Massif and in particular on the Pointe Dufour (4 634m, second-highest summit in the Alps after the Mont Blanc) is stunning. Way down to Mellichgletscher towards Feechopf. A short ascent takes us to the Alphubergletscher and then down again to Täschhütte on a nice slope. Night at the mountain hut.
Elevation gain: 1150m / Elevation loss: 1700m

Day 3

Way up to Alphubeljoch (3 772m), to reach the Feegletscher. We follow the Alphubel to reach the slopes that take us to the easy final section and finally, to the summit (4 206m). This time, we enjoy a stunning view on the Zmuttgletscher and the Matterhorn (4 478m). We start the way down to the Feegletscher, presenting glacial characteristics, just before reaching the ski-resort. Way back to Saas-Fee in the beginning of the afternoon. Transfer back to Chamonix, arrival in the late afternoon.
Elevation gain: 1500m / Elevation loss: 1400m

GROUP BOOKING

The group option allows you to join other participants on fixed dates and benefit from an attractive price. It is ideal for those who enjoy the friendly atmosphere of a group.

Group dates
See the group booking module below

2027 group price
950€ per person, based on a minimum of 4 participants
Registration is possible from the age of 18.

This price includes
- Guiding by an IFMGA-certified English-speaking mountain guide
- Half-board in mountain huts (dinner, breakfast and overnight stay)
- Ski lifts
- Round-trip transfer between Chamonix and Saas-Fee
- Safety equipment (avalanche transceiver, shovel, probe and harness)

This price does not include
- Personal drinks and other personal expenses (bring Swiss francs)
- Picnic lunches and snacks
- Personal technical equipment

PRIVATE BOOKING

The private option allows you to create your own group and choose your departure date, depending on hut availability. The itinerary can also be adjusted according to your expectations and the level of the group.

2027 private prices
2 people: 1865€ per person
3 people: 1395€ per person
4 people: 1160€ per person
5 people: 1020€ per person
6 people: 930€ per person

This price includes
- Guiding by an IFMGA-certified English-speaking mountain guide
- Half-board in mountain huts (dinner, breakfast and overnight stay)
- Ski lifts
- Round-trip transfer between Chamonix and Saas-Fee
- Safety equipment (avalanche transceiver, shovel, probe and harness)

This price does not include
- Repatriation and cancellation insurance
- Personal drinks and other personal expenses (bring Swiss francs)
- Personal technical equipment
- Picnic lunches and snacks

FURTHER INFORMATION

In this section, you will find all the information about this activity. To prepare for your trip, refer to the guides' tips, which share their expertise and recommendations.

Meeting point
7:30am at the Compagnie des Guides de Chamonix office, 190 place de l'Eglise - 74400 Chamonix

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

Technical level
For skiers who are confident skiing off-piste in all snow conditions, have good ski touring experience and are comfortable performing kick turns. Wide slopes with occasional narrow sections up to 35°. Some sections require the use of crampons and

an ice axe

Fitness level
For participants who regularly practise endurance sports. Vertical ascent of up to 1,500 m per day. 7 to 8 hours of physical activity per day

⚠ **Splitboard**
This trip is not suitable for splitboarding. We recommend our splitboarding trip in the Argentière Glacier area, available on a private basis only

Guiding policy
Groups of 4 to 6 participants per mountain guide. *Registration is possible from the age of 18.*

Accommodation
During the trip: nights in mountain huts. There is no drinking water available in the huts. Before and after the trip, benefit from special rates with our hotel partners in Chamonix

⚠ **Formalities**
Mountain sports insurance with repatriation cover is mandatory. If you are not insured, you can take out repatriation and cancellation insurance when booking. A valid ID is mandatory

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 consideration; always aim for the best balance between weight and comfort.

Equipment
- A 35-litre backpack with attachments for skis and an ice axe
- Ski touring skis and boots, *available for rent*
- Climbing skins and ski crampons adapted to your skis, *available for rent*
- A pair of ski poles with large baskets, *available for rent*
- A pair of lightweight crampons with anti-balling plates and a lightweight ice axe, *available for rent*
- A safety kit: harness, avalanche transceiver, shovel and probe (provided by your guide *under your responsibility*)
- A ski touring / mountaineering helmet is recommended

Clothing
- A warm hat
- A sun hat or cap
- A neck warmer such as a Buff
- A long-sleeved thermal base layer
- A fleece jacket
- A waterproof jacket with hood (Gore-Tex or equivalent), *available for rent*
- A lightweight down jacket
- Thermal leggings
- Trousers suitable for ski touring, *available for rent*
- Ski touring socks
- A pair of lightweight leather or fleece gloves
- A pair of warm ski gloves or mittens
- Spare clothing as required

Accessories
- Category 4 sunglasses
- Ski goggles
- A headlamp with spare batteries
- A sleeping bag liner
- A water bottle of at least 1.5 L
- An insulated bottle
- A small personal first-aid kit including sunscreen, lip balm, earplugs, blister treatment, headache medication and toilet paper
- A waterproof pouch containing your ID and Swiss francs

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

Our Equipment Partners
Millet, Dynastar, Julbo, Grivel & Monnet