



Compagnie des Guides de Chamonix

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SKI TOURING - LOGNAN GRANDS MONTETS

Duration: 2

Level: ▲▲▲▲▲

Price from: 385 €

Lying on the edge of the Grands Montets ski area, the Lognan hut is an ideal place to stay for a weekend of ski touring. Located next to the serac chute of the Argentière glacier, the hut offers a warm welcome and a generous cuisine, typical from the Alps. This programme will take you from the Argentière Glacier to the Glacier du Tour in two days, through the Col du Passon. During your stay, you will discover the iconic sectors of the Mont-Blanc massif, while enjoying some excellent skiing.

The unique setting of the Mont-Blanc massif, with its rocky peaks and glaciers, has always defined the reputation of the Chamonix valley and its mountains. To fully immerse yourself in this dramatic environment, we have set a series of ski tours that complete this trip. These experiences will enable you to explore the [Argentière Glacier](#) and the [Tour Glacier](#), or venture to the renowned [Vallée Blanche](#).

ITINERARY

Day 1

Following the fire that affected the Grands Montets cable car in 2018, the classic itinerary is modified. We start from Bochart lift (2 766m) and then reach the Lognan glacier (2 700m). We ski up to Rognons glacier (3 050m) through the Rachasses pass. At this point, we start a gorgeous descent to the Argentière Glacier, which we follow all the way to refuge de Lognan (2067m), where we spend the night.

Vertical ascent: 350m / Vertical descent: 1 000m

Day 2

Col du Passon (3028m). We climb up the length of the Argentière glacier, which we cross to reach the Passon moraine (2380m). We cross the moraine on foot, we may require crampons. The climb continues on skis. The slopes here are wide up until the col, which we reach using crampons and roped together via a couloir about a hundred metres high. The views from the col, over not only the Argentière basin but also the Le Tour basin, are simply breath-taking. The ski down to the village of Le Tour via the Le Tour glacier is a must of the Chamonix valley ! 1 600m of great skiing!

Vertical ascent: 960m / Vertical descent: 1600m

GROUP BOOKING

Group session associates several people who don't know each other. It allows for a planned program to benefit from an attractive price on fixed dates. This formula is ideal for people looking for the friendliness of a group.

Dates : See below for the group booking module

Price 2024 : 425€ per person based on minimum of 4 participants

Included in the package :

- IFMGA English speaking mountain guiding service
- half-board in mountain huts (dinner, breakfast and night)
- lifts
- avalanche transceiver (DVA), shovel, probe and harness rental

Not included in the package :

- take out lunches and daily snacks
- personal drinks in huts and other personal expenses (we recommend you bring Euros)
- cost of getting to meeting point and cost of getting back to Chamonix
- personal technical equipment

PRIVATE BOOKING

A private booking is the historical relationship that binds a guide to his/her client. It allows you to be alone, or in a constituted group, with your guide that meets your specific needs. It is undoubtedly the ideal formula to realize your projects because it guarantees you a maximum of comfort. You are free to choose your departure date (depending on the availability of the huts) and the itinerary can be adjusted, according to your specific expectations.

Prices 2024 :

- 2 people : 835€ per person
- 3 people : 610€ per person
- 4 people : 495€ per person
- 5 people : 430€ per person
- 6 people : 385€ per person

Included in the package :

- IFMGA English speaking mountain guiding service
- half-board in mountain huts (dinner, breakfast and night)
- rental of full safety kit (avalanche transceiver/DVA, shovel, probe)

Not included in the package :

- take out lunches and daily snacks
- personal drinks in huts and other personal expenses (we recommend you bring Euros)
- cost of getting to meeting point and cost of getting back to Chamonix
- personal technical equipment

FURTHER INFORMATION

In this section, find all the information about this activity. To prepare your trip effectively, refer to the [guides' tips](#). They share their expertise and recommendations, ensuring you have a great experience.

Meeting point : Meeting point at 09:00 in front of the Grands Montets (Argentière) ticket office. In order to limit traffic in the valley, we recommend using public transport (bus or train).

Fitness level : For people who regularly exercise/take part in sports and who have a previous ski touring experience. Vertical ascent of up to 900m per day. Five to six hours of exercise per day. Backpack potentially includes mountaineering equipment (crampons and ice axe). Altitudes of under 3500m.

Technical level : For off-piste skiers with a first experience in ski touring. Wide slopes with short sections of narrow passages (up to 30°). Able to ski in all snow conditions. Some knowledge of basic mountaineering techniques (walking with crampons and ice axe) and kick turns needed.

Guiding policy : 4 to 6 people.

Accommodation : During the trip: half-board in hut.

Before & after the trip: We have some hotel partners in Chamonix with special prices for our customers.

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 take valid ID with them.

EQUIPMENT

We recommend you to pay particular attention to the choice of your equipment. It contributes greatly to the success of your stay. Weight is decisive: you always have to evaluate the ratio weight/comfort, to find the best compromise.

Equipment

- Comfortable frameless rucksack of 35l on which you could fix your skis & ice-axe, *rentable*
- Ski touring skis & shoes, *rentable*
- Adhesive climbing skins & ski knives adapted to your skis, *rentable*
- A pair of poles with large discs, *rentable*
- A pair of light crampons & an ice-axe, *rentable*
- A security pack including harness, DVA, shovel & probe - this pack will be lend by your guide

Clothing

- Waterproof and windproof, non-insulated parka with hood (Gore-tex or equivalent), *rentable*
- Waterproof and windproof, non-insulated pants, *rentable*
- Thick polar-pile fleece jacket or equivalent
- A light down jacket
- 1 long-sleeve shirt
- Medium weight thermal underwear (top + bottoms, silk or polypro, double as pyjamas)
- Warm ski socks
- Warm ski hat and light sun hat with brim
- Warm ski gloves or mittens
- A pair of thinner/finer gloves (in leather or fleece)
- Neck protection
- Spare thermal underwear (for sleeping and change)

Accessories

- High-altitude sunglasses (grade 4 is recommended)
- A pair of goggles
- 1.5L water bottle
- An isotherm bottle
- A mini toilet bag including: sun block for face and lips, aspirin, elastoplast, 2nd skin kit, earplug, toilet paper
- A headlamp with spare batteries
- A cotton or silk sleeping sheet: compulsory in every hut. - Hut provide blankets, slippers or clogs
- A plastic bag containing your ID card & Euros for extras

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Our Equipment Partners : [Millet](#), [Dynastar](#), [Julbo](#), [Grivel](#) & [Monnet](#)