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SKI TOURING - LOGNAN GRANDS MONTETS

Duration: 2 | Fitness: ▲▲▲▲▲ | Technique: ▲▲▲▲▲ | Price from: 455 €

CROSSING THE COL DU PASSON ON SKIS

The Col du Passon is one of the iconic passes of the Mont Blanc massif, offering a magnificent winter crossing between the Argentière and Tour glaciers. The route takes you across extensive glacier terrain, with exceptional views of the surrounding peaks, including the Aiguille Verte (4,122 m) and the Chardonnet (3,824 m). We offer this ski tour over two days, with a first day to reach the Lognan hut before crossing the Col du Passon the following day and enjoying a long descent via the Tour Glacier to the village of Le Tour. Designed for skiers with previous ski touring experience, this trip is an opportunity to discover high mountain ski touring while combining skiing and mountaineering.

EXTEND YOUR SKI TOUR ON THE TOUR GLACIER

For a more complete experience, discover our Tour Glacier ski tour, offered over three days and available from early in the winter season. After crossing the Col du Passon, the itinerary continues with an additional night at the Albert I hut before exploring the Grands and Bron glaciers and returning to the village of Le Tour.

ITINERARY

Day 1

Grands Montets - Lognan Hut
We take the ski lifts at Grands Montets to the top of the Bochard gondola (2,766 m). A short descending traverse takes us to the Lognan Glacier (2,700 m). We then climb via the Col des Rachasses to the Col des Grands Montets (3,225 m). From here, we begin a magnificent descent to the Argentière Glacier, which we follow to the Lognan Hut (2,067 m), where we spend the night.
Elevation gain: approx. 575 m / Elevation loss: approx. 1,200 m

Day 2

Col du Passon - Tour Glacier
We set off towards the Col du Passon (3,028 m), following the Argentière Glacier before crossing it to reach the Passon moraine (2,380 m). The moraine is crossed on foot and may require the use of crampons. We then continue on skis over wide slopes to the foot of the col, which we reach in crampons via a couloir with around 100 m of elevation gain. From the col, the views open out over both the Argentière and Tour basins. We then begin a long descent via the Tour Glacier to the village of Le Tour (1,450 m), with almost 1,500 m of superb skiing. We return to Argentière by public transport in the early afternoon.
Elevation gain: 960 m / Elevation loss: 1,850 m

GROUP BOOKING

The group formula brings together several people who do not necessarily know each other. For a set program, it offers an attractive price on fixed dates. This formula is ideal for those who enjoy the friendly atmosphere of a group.

Dates
See below for the Group Booking module

Price 2027

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

This price includes
- IFMGA English-speaking mountain guiding service
- Half-board in the mountain hut (dinner, breakfast and overnight stay)
- Ski lifts mentioned in the program
- Avalanche transceiver, shovel, probe and harness rental

This price does not include
- Packed lunches and snacks: *it is not possible to buy your packed lunch at the hut*
- Repatriation and cancellation insurance
- Personal drinks
- Personal technical equipment

PRIVATE BOOKING

The private formula reflects the traditional relationship between a guide and their clients. Whether you are alone or already part of a group, your guide can adapt the trip to your specific needs. This is the ideal formula for carrying out your own projects with maximum flexibility and comfort. You are free to choose your departure date, depending on hut availability, and the itinerary can be adjusted according to your expectations.

Prices 2027
2 people: €1,015 per person
3 people: €735 per person
4 people: €595 per person
5 people: €510 per person
6 people: €455 per person

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- Ski lifts mentioned in the program
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FURTHER INFORMATION

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

Meeting Point
Meet at 9:00 am at the Grands Montets (Argentière), in front of the ticket office. Return to Argentière from Le Tour by public transport. To help reduce traffic in the valley, we recommend reaching the meeting point by bus or train.

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

Technical Level
For skiers confident skiing off-piste in all snow conditions, with good ski touring experience and the ability to perform kick turns. The route follows wide slopes with short narrow sections of up to 35°, as well as pass crossings that may require the use of crampons and an ice axe.

Physical Level
For participants who exercise regularly. Up to 1,000 m of ascent per day and 5 to 6 hours of physical effort per day.

Guiding Policy
Guided by an IFMGA mountain guide, with 4 to 6 participants per guide. *Registration possible from the age of 18.*

Accommodation
During the ski tour: half-board in a mountain hut. Before and after the trip: benefit from preferential rates with our hotel partners in Chamonix.

⚠ **Documentation**
Mountain sports insurance with repatriation cover is mandatory. If you are not insured, we offer repatriation and cancellation insurance, which can be taken out when booking. 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 factor: always consider the balance between weight and comfort to find the best compromise.

Equipment
- Comfortable 35L backpack with attachments for skis and ice axe, *available to rent*
- Ski touring skis and boots, *available to rent*
- Climbing skins and ski crampons adapted to your skis, *available to rent*
- Ski poles with large baskets, *available to rent*
- Lightweight crampons and an ice axe, *available to rent*
- Helmet recommended for ski touring and mountaineering
- Safety kit including harness, avalanche transceiver, shovel and probe - provided by your guide

Clothing
- Warm hat
- Sun hat or cap
- Neck warmer / Buff
- Long-sleeved synthetic base layer
- Fleece jacket
- Waterproof and windproof Gore-Tex jacket or equivalent, *available to rent*
- Lightweight down jacket
- Thermal tights
- Ski touring trousers, *available to rent*
- Ski touring socks
- Thin leather or fleece gloves
- Warm ski gloves or mittens
- Spare clothing

Accessories
- Category 4 sunglasses
- Ski goggles
- Headlamp with spare batteries
- Sleeping bag liner
- 1.5L water bottle
- Insulated bottle
- Small personal first-aid and toiletry kit
- Waterproof plastic bag containing your ID and Euros for personal expenses

Our Rental Partners
You can rent your equipment from our partner shops and benefit from preferential rates: Millet, Ravanel & Co, Sanglard Sports and Concept Pro Shop.

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