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MOUNTAINEERING - WEISSMIES

Duration: 2 Fitness: ▲ ▲ ▲ ▲ Technique: ▲ ▲ ▲ A Price from: 895 €

Switzerland's Valais Massif is particularly famous for its high peaks. Its 42 '4000ers' makes it the Alpine range with the most peaks over 4000 metres. The majority of these peaks are a real challenge, as they require an excellent level of physical fitness and significant skill to climb them. Luckily some of them, including the Weissmies (4023m) are more accessible. It lies in the Saas Fee valley and the traverse of the peak from the Almagell hut offers an especially varied and fun climb requiring a moderate physical effort. The traverse of the Weissmies is aimed at people wishing to explore the high peaks of the Valais range. The panoramic views afforded all along the climb will certainly make you want to get to know this range, and its huge potential, better.

This trip is part of a series of programs that we have created for you to climb the 4000-meter peaks of the Alps. Enjoy a tailored progression to achieve the ascent of your first 4000. Set out to climb the renowned Grand Paradis or take on multiple 4000-meter peaks in the Monte Rosa Massif.

ITINERARY

Day 1

Walk up to the Almagell hut (2894m)

Meet at the village of Saas Almagell (1670m). An easy path takes us through typical high-mountain pastures (alpages) to the hut

Vertical ascent: 1200m

Day 2

Traverse of the Weissmies

We set out by the light of our headtorches. A path leads us to the Zrvischbergenpass (3268m) where the climb actually starts. A series of névés lead to the south-east arête of the Weissmies, which we now follow to the summit. The descent is via the north face that has a marked glaciated feel. We wind our way between the crevasses to reach Hohsaas (3101m) that marks the end of the traverse. The remainder of the descent is by cable car to Sass Grund (1559m).

Vertical ascent: 1130m / Vertical descent: 950m

GROUP BOOKING

In this section, find all the information about this activity. For further information, please contact our advisor (contact details above).

Dates: See below for the group booking module

Price 2025 : 895€ per person based on minimum of 2 participants

Registration possible from age 18

Included in the package:

- IFMGA English speaking mountain guiding service
- half-board in hut (dinner, breakfast and night)
- lift access as per programme

Not included in the package:

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

PRIVATE BOOKING

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 2025:

Registration possible from age 16

1 person : 1610€ per person 2 people : 890€ per person

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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: Meet at 12pm the village of Saas Almagell - the guide will adjust the timetable & the location

Physical Level : Designed for individuals who regularly engage in endurance activities. The route involves effort lasting up to 6 hours per day

Technical Level : Suitable for occasional mountaineers. The route includes sections requiring prior experience with crampons. The ascent of the southwest ridge is playful and does not require any specific climbing experience

Accommodation: Half-board in hut

Group: 2 people/guide. Registration possible from age 18

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 take particular care over you choice of equipment, as it plays a large role in the success of your trip. Weight is critical, and you must always evaluate the weight-to-comfort ratio to find the best compromise.

Equipment

- 35-litre backpack
- High-altitude mountaineering boots that are not too tight
- Gaiters, if needed for your trousers
- Telescopic trekking poles
- Crampons with anti-balling plates; helmet, harness and straight ice axe

Clothing

- Warm hat that can be worn under a helmet
- Sun hat or cap
- Neck protection such as a 'Buff'
- 'Micro-fibre' style long-sleeve base layer
- Fleece
- 'Gore Tex' style shell jacket with hood
- Down jacket
- Base layer leggings
- Durable summer mountaineering trousers (not ski trousers)
- 'Gore Tex' style over-trousers
- Warm specialist walking socks
- Lightweight specialist walking socks
- Ski gloves or good quality mitts
- Leather or fleece gloves
- Change of clothes at your discretion

Accessories

- Category 4 sunglasses
- Ski goggles
- Headtorch plus spare batteries
- Sheet sleeping bag
- Water bottle (minimum 1.5I) and thermos bottle
- Personalised first aid kit with a minimum of: sun cream, lip balm, cotton buds, blister kit, antisickness medication
- Watertight bag to contain your ID/passport and Euros

Our Rental Partners: You can rent your equipment with our rental shops partners and benefit from special price Millet (excluding crampons, ice axes and helmet), Sanglard Sports, Ravanel & Co & Concept Pro Shop

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