Compagnie des Guides de Chamonix

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ICE CLIMBING

Duration: 1 | Fitness: ▲▲▲▲▲ | Technique: ▲▲▲▲▲ | Price from: 173 €

Try Ice Climbing in Chamonix and Discover a Frozen World. With the guidance of our mountain guides, you'll learn the basics of ice climbing and practice with crampons and ice axes on the Bérard artificial icefall, a site specially designed for safe initiation. Thanks to a heated water system, the ice forms reliably and usually withstands mild weather spells.

Only a 20-minute approach makes this beginner ice climbing experience in Chamonix accessible to everyone, with no previous mountaineering or rock climbing experience required. In partnership with Grivel, we provide all the technical gear (ice axes, crampons, helmet, harness), except boots. For those looking to progress, we also offer a two-day ice climbing course in Chamonix.

GROUP BOOKING

The group formula associates people who do not necessarily know each other. It is ideal for people looking for group friendliness and attractive prices.

Dates (group booking) : See online booking for group booking

Guiding policy (group booking) : Group of 4 people maximum per guide. Children minimum 15 years old accompanied by a parent

Meeting Point (group booking) : 8.00am at the Compagnie des guides in Chamonix

Departure (group booking) : The departure is guaranteed with a minimum of 3 registered participants

Price 2027 (group booking) : 173€ per person
Half day outings are not available for the collective sessions

This price includes :
- mountain guides fees
- technical equipment: helmet, harness, crampons & ice axes
- transfer to the activity place

This price does not include :
- specific crampon-compatible high-mountain shoes: high upper and rigid sole. Available for rent from our partners
- lift ticket if needed
- transfer
- Lunch

PRIVATE BOOKING

A private formula is the historical relationship that binds a guide to their clients. It allows you to be either alone or in a group of friends with your guide. Your guide can organize your trip to meet your specific needs. It is undoubtedly the ideal formula to realize your projects because it guarantees you a maximum of comfort. You can book a private guide online on a day for an introduction to ice climbing. The half-day and a climb for advanced moutaineers can only be booked by phone, email or directly at the office.

Dates (private booking) : See online booking

Meeting Point (private booking) : Your guide will call you the evening before your trip around 6.30pm to organize the meeting time and place

Guiding policy (private booking) : Group of 1 - 4 people per guide. Children from 12 years old accompanied by a parent

Prices 2027 (private booking) :
- Day
Group from 1 to 2 people : 455€
Group from 3 to 4 people : 495€
- Half Day
Group from 1 to 2 people : 320€
Group from 3 to 4 people : 345€

The price includes :
- mountain guides fees

The price does not include :
- your technical equipment: helmet, harness, crampons and ice axes
- specific crampon-compatible high-mountain shoes: high upper and rigid sole. Available for rent from our partners
- lift passes if needed
- the transfer
- food

FURTHER INFORMATION

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

Duration : Full day

Place : Berard icefall or Mer de Glace depending on conditions

Ability level : The choice of destination adapted to your level is essential for you to fully enjoy your trip. Ice climbing is intended for people who practice regularly a sporting activity. No previous mountaineering experience is required.

Formality : Make sure you have valid individual liability insurance for the practice of this activity without any location or altitude restrictions, including assistance, search and rescue, and repatriation

EQUIPMENT

We recommend that you take special care in choosing your equipment because it contributes greatly to the success of your trip. As alpine conditions can be highly variable with sudden changes, it can get very cold in altitude, it is preferable to have numerous layers rather than one thick piece of clothing.

Equipment
- Specific crampon-compatible high-mountain shoes: high upper and rigid sole. Available for rent from our partners
- Backpack

Clothing
- Warm and waterproof clothes
- Hat
- Warm gloves

Accessories
- Sunglasses
- Lunch
- Hot drink

Our Rental Partners : You can rent your equipment with our rental shops partners and benefit from special price Millet, Sanglard Sports, Ravanel & Co & Concept Pro Shop
Our Equipment Partners : Millet, Dynastar, Julbo, Grivel & Monnet