



HAUTES ALPES

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WINTER
20
21 | **ski resorts
guide**



“ PURE ”

Nothing is
more
beautiful
than
the simple
things.



GAP

Marseille > 180 km
Lyon > 205 km

BRIANÇON

Turin > 111 km
Paris > 727 km

This winter, head to the Hautes-Alpes by **plane**, by **train**, by **bus** or by **car**. Take a bus from **Paris**, **Marseille** (airport and TGV station), **Aix-en-Provence** (TGV station), **Turin** (TGV station), **Oulx** (airport and TGV station) and **Lyon** (airport and TGV station). Also shuttles services between the Hautes-Alpes' TER stations and the ski resorts.

The essentials

MAIN SITES

Gap
Briançon - Mont-Dauphin
 (UNESCO)
Serre-Ponçon - Durance
Notre-Dame du Laus
Vallouise - Valgaudemar - La Meije
 (mountaineering)
Parcs naturels : Écrins, Queyras,
 Baronnies Provençales Natural
 Parks
Bure
Tallard (Airfields)
Great Alpine Route
 (Major mountain passes)
Napoleon Road
Ski resorts
 (9 major resorts and 18 village
 resorts)



EXPERIENCES

The great outdoors
 Skiing
 Nordic activities
 Mountaineering and rock climbing
 Hiking and rambling
 Cycling
 Sailing and white water
 Aviation sports and leisure
 Golf
 Nature and fishing

Culture and lifestyle
 Relaxation and balneotherapy
 Culture and knowledge
 Heritage and traditions
 Local gastronomy

Events
 Sports and cultural events



MORE INFORMATIONS:
www.hautes-alpes.net

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Ski resorts

MAJOR RESORTS



KEY



Altitude

Number
of slopesNumber
of lifts

Adult ski pass price (from)



SERRE CHEVALIER

**SERRE CHEVALIER**

ONE OF FRANCE'S
TOP TEN RESORTS

The large Hautes-Alpes ski resort extends from the Galibier Pass to Briançon, spans numerous villages and combines exceptional skiing conditions and excellent services. With a Club Med, a wide range of hotels and plenty of après-ski facilities, such as the Grands Bains of Monêtier, it became an international destination.



www.serre-chevalier.com



1 200 m
2 800 m



82



59



> day ski pass 53€
> 6-day ski pass 272€

MONTGENÈVRE

THE OLDEST
RESORT



Created in 1907, this resort located at the French-Italian border combines the charm and character of a mountain village with a vast international ski resort: the Milky Way, as it is known, extends to Sestriere and San Sicario in Italy. Montgenèvre has more than 400 km of slopes and high-quality après-ski facilities such as the Durancia wellness centre.



www.montgenevre.com



1 860 m
2 700 m



48



25



> day ski pass 49.40€
> 6-day ski pass 254.80€



LA GRAVE - LA MEIJE

THE FREE RIDE
MECCA

The best riders flock from all over the world to hurtle down the off-piste, powder-snow-covered areas of La Grave-La Meije. A 360° panoramic view, a 2,150 m difference in height over almost 9 km of downhill slopes: a must for 'free riders'. Even if you are a proficient skier, it is strongly recommended you seek the services of a specialist in this high-mountain environment.



www.lagrave-lameije.com



1 450 m
3 550 m



domaine
freeride



3



> day ski pass 52€
> 6-day ski pass 271€

PUY-SAINT-VINCENT

THE PEARL
OF THE ÉCRINS

Puy-Saint-Vincent has exceptional snow conditions. Staggered across three different altitudes (1,400 m, 1,600 m and 1,800 m), the resort's slopes unfold among the Pays des Écrins' larch forests facing the emblematic Pelvoux and Barre des Écrins summits or the Glacier Blanc.



www.puysaintvincent.com



1 400 m
2 700 m



35



12



> day ski pass 35,50€
> 6-day ski pass 182€



VARS - RISOU

**VARS - RISOU****LA FORÊT
BLANCHE**

Vars and Risoul share the joint ski area of La Forêt Blanche, a vast forest of larch up to 2,200 m in altitude with 185 km of marked slopes. It is one of the largest and most beautiful ski resorts in the Southern Alps. Vars is the resort of big events such as the Vars en scène show and its legendary speed-skiing slope. Risoul, on the other hand, keeps growing and innovating in sustainable energy.



www.risoul.com www.vars.com



1 650 m
2 750 m



115



43



> day ski pass 41.50€
> 6-day ski pass 209.50€

LES ORRES

**LES ORRES****SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT**

The resort has a vast ski area, a 1,170 m gradient and slopes for all levels either across the pastures or among larch-lined mountains. Les Orres overlooks the Serre-Ponçon lake and the town of Embrun. The resort is highly involved in the Smart Mountain programme and committed to the energy self-sufficiency of its installations.



www.lesorres.com



1 550 m
2 720 m



36



17



> day ski pass 38€
> 6-day ski pass 195€



ORCIÈRES MERLETTE 1850



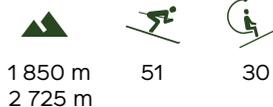
ORCIÈRES MERLETTE 1850

THE FAMILY RESORT

Orcières Merlette 1850 has the appeal of a large high-altitude resort with a warm welcome and friendly atmosphere. The south-facing ski area extends up to an altitude of 2,725 m. Orcières also boasts a sports complex for leisure and relaxation and is classed as a 'Famille Plus' resort, a label for family-friendly destinations.



www.orcieres.com



> day ski pass 37€
> 6-day ski pass 189,80€

SUPERDÉVOLUY - LA JOUE DU LOUP

TWO RESORTS,
TWO ATMOSPHERES

Linked to each other, the ski resorts of SuperDévoluy and La Joue du Loup total 100 km of slopes. They differ in atmosphere. If SuperDévoluy is characterised by a club atmosphere, La Joue du Loup has a preference for a cosier ambiance with beautiful wooden chalets.

Dévoluy is also home to the remarkable O'Dycéa wellness centre.



www.ledevoluy.com



> day ski pass 37,50€
> 6-day ski pass 192€

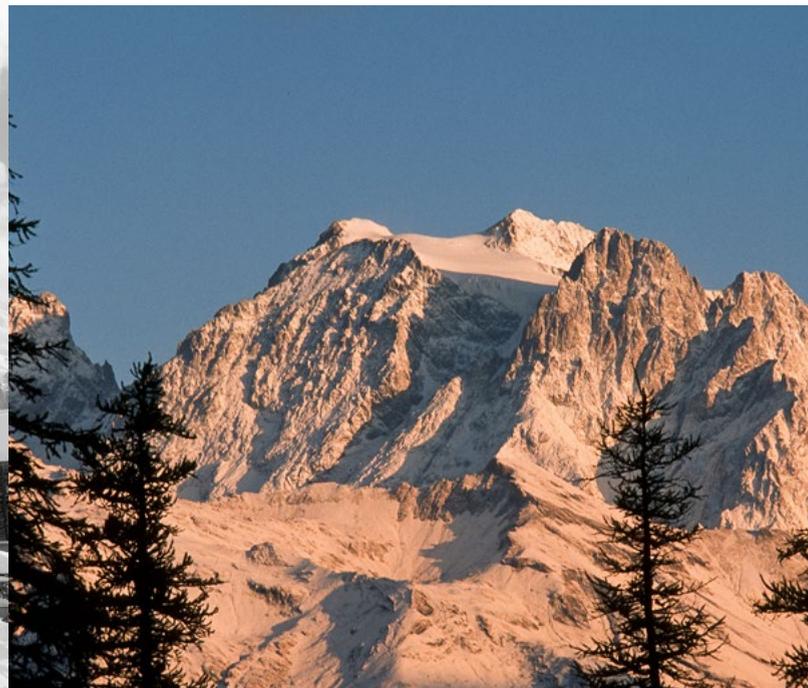


VILLAGE RESORTS

NORDIC ACTIVITIES

The departement has 1,000 km of groomed trails over 22 marked renowned sites under the label **Nordic Alpes du Sud** (Southern Alps Nordic). Among the most well-known are the wild **Vallée de la Clarée**, **Névache**, the **Gap-Bayard** resort and the Queyras, which is one of France's largest Nordic sites.

Cross-country skiing and outings on foot or snowshoes are activities that can be enjoyed in the resorts as well as in the valley. They can be practiced freely or guided by a mountain professional.



PELVOUX-VALLOUISE

AT THE GIANTS' FOOT

Powder snow lovers will be enthralled: varied landscapes, slopes for all members of the family (beginners, proficient or experts), free riding spots, events around the resort's Igloo Village. Pelvoux-Vallouise is ideal for those wanting to escape the hustle and bustle of larger resorts.



www.paysdesecrins.com



1 250 m
2 300 m



18



> day ski pass 23,50€
> 6-day ski pass 119,40€





QUEYRAS

ALL IN HEIGHTS

At the heart of a Regional Natural Park, backed up to Mont Viso (3,841 m) and Italy to the east, the Queyras is a deep valley with several spurs. The five village resorts of Abriès, Arvieux, Ceillac, Saint-Véran and Molines have plenty of character and form four ski areas with varied atmospheres.

www.queyras-montagne.com



Abriès

 
1 550 m 16
2 450 m

Molines - Saint-Véran

 
1 740 m 33
2 830 m

Arvieux

 
1 690 m 17
2 105 m

Ceillac

 
1 700 m 16
2 450 m

€ > day ski pass
from 28.20€
> 6-day ski pass
from 156.30€

CHAMPSAUR

THE SOFTNESS OF THE MOUNTAINS

The Champsaur counts five village resorts: Ancelle, Chaillol, Laye, Saint-Léger-les-Mélèzes et Serre-Eyraud. Here nature is generous, one can ski in intimacy and quietly discover villages by foot or snowshoes.

www.champsaur-valgaudemar.com



Ancelle

 
1 350 m 15
1 807 m

Chaillol

 
1 600 m 13
2 000 m

Laye

 
1 300 m 8
1 850 m

Saint-Léger

 
1 260 m 16
2 001 m

Serre-Eyraud

 
1 480 m 9
2 100 m

€ > day ski pass
from 15.80€
> 6-day ski pass
from 79€



CRÉVOUX

IN THE HEART
OF NATURE



Located in the Parpaillon massif, Crévoux is a natural skiing paradise. Over time the resort, built in 1937, has maintained the authenticity of a mountain village offering a warm welcome and a friendly atmosphere.

www.crevoux.fr



1 600 m
2 550 m



16



> day ski pass 23.²⁰€
> 6-day ski pass 109.⁴⁰€

RÉALLON

ABOVE
SERRE-PONÇON



At the heart of the Aiguilles de Chabrières cirque and the gateway to the Écrins National Park, the Réallon resort overlooks the Serre-Ponçon lake providing a unique view. Above all, Réallon is a resort that puts people first, with a ski area suitable for all and is easily accessible thanks to its location just 2½ hours from Marseille.

www.reallon-ski.com



1 560 m
2 146 m



13



> day ski pass 24.⁵⁰€
> 6-day ski pass 123.⁵⁰€



New

ACCOMMODATION

LE DÉVOLUY

8 new high-end chalets at La Joue du Loup: Les Chalets des Écrins

Marketed by the Écrin des Neiges (formerly Le Refuge de l'Eterlou) hotel, these eight 4-star chalets built in wood can accommodate up to 6 people. Since they are essentially part of the hotel, the chalets benefit from services akin to those available to guests in hotel rooms. Depending on the options selected by customers, the chalets are cleaned every day, the beds changed and bathrooms serviced just like in hotel rooms.

Additionally, chalet guests can opt to have breakfast at the hotel or have it delivered directly to the chalets. They are also granted use of the hotel's ski room at the foot of the slopes. A cosy bar welcomes guests for some relaxing après-ski in a mountain atmosphere.

GUILLESTROIS - QUEYRAS

A new star on the heights for Ferme de l'Izoard hotel

Perched at 1,700 m of altitude at the foot of the legendary Izoard pass, in the village-resort of Arvieux-en-Queyras, Ferme de l'Izoard has just earned its fourth star. A faithful reconstruction of a traditional Queyras farmhouse, the hotel features all the modern comforts of a 4-star hotel with restaurant, spa and heated indoor pool. For the owners, who want to keep the style humble, friendly and intimate, this is a wonderful reward.

ORCIÈRES MERLETTE 1850

New 4-star holiday residence: Rochebrune 2 (Les Cimes)

A brand new 4-star holiday residence takes up winter quarters in Orcières Merlette 1850: 3,800 m² divided into 2 chalets. The residence has a total of 50 accommodation units with 250 beds, from studios to T4. It also features a wellness area (sauna, hammam, jacuzzi) and heated indoor pool, also accessible from the Rochebrune 1 residence, known as Le Vallon.

VARS

The 16 | 150** Spa Nuxe & the Panorama Vars 2000**

The 16 | 150 is an Authentic Design Boutique Hotel & Spa nestled at 1,650 m of altitude. Redesigned by its new owners, it now offers guests a new and original mountain experience.

The decor is loosely styled on the late 60s', with a lounge atmosphere and a distinct party feel, featuring a Nuxe Spa and a wellness area of nearly 300 m².

The Skitchen, a "bistronomic" restaurant also open to customers from outside the hotel, is run by executive chef Vincent Poette who gives pride of place to fresh, organic and local products.

The new ski in, ski-out Panorama Vars 2000 holiday residence receives guests in a magical setting on the heights of Vars les Claux. It has almost 50 accommodation units.

APRÈS-SKI



SERRE CHEVALIER

A second giant zip line in the Hautes-Alpes

Following Orcières Merlette 1850's example, it's now Serre Chevalier's turn to get its very own giant zip line.

1,100 m long with 300 m of elevation drop, for a 95-second descent at speeds of 70 to 110 km/h, the zip line extends from Grand Serre (2,491 m) to Grand Alpe (2,193 m).

A whole new way to get to know the peaks..

PAYS DES ÉCRINS

Sylvotherapy, a first in France

Initiation to Shinrin-Yoku, therapeutic "forest bathing" at the heart of Ecrins national park. A 3-hour walk along mostly easy and flat terrain. This outing involves small groups, allowing you to take full advantage of the sensory guidance offered by the leader, whose role it is to help practitioners interact with the natural environment.

Lie down and watch the clouds passing, listen to the forest and let your senses explore the environment, as Lucas Bessy, nature therapy guide, takes you on a sensory journey. Forest bathing encourages you to let go of your mental processes and focus on what you feel, thus allowing you to gradually reconnect with the essential, in the present moment.

GUILLESTROIS - QUEYRAS

A mushroom farm and cheese plant in Mont-Dauphin

Civilian life returns to Rochambeau barracks in the Mont-Dauphin fortress (Vauban Fortification).

This former military building, classed as a national monument and listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is now a mushroom farm and cheese ageing plant.

At the start of the year, Nicolas Wagner installed up his organic mushroom farm across six of the building's rooms. He now produces oyster mushrooms and is planning to grow shiitake soon.

The Monbardon cheese dairy and the Southern Alps dairy cooperative, for their part, are using six other rooms which they've converted into ripening cellars for their cheeses. The micro-climate brings extra taste to the cheeses, which include Bleus du Queyras, raclette and various others.



VARS

The ice cave

Accessible by the Chabrières telemix, on skis or on foot, the new ice cave in Vars boasts 30 snow or ice crystal sculptures on the Caribou theme. Of course, this changes every year since, come springtime, nature inexorably takes back what's rightfully hers and melts these ephemeral masterpieces.

Eight sculptors from all over Europe spend a week each year creating their art in the cave's nooks and crannies, to the delight of visitors. The cave's interior is made up of a network of about 100 metres of galleries decorated with all kinds of sculptures.

You'll be surprised by how soft the snow and ice are, in what must surely be a very cold environment. A site you can't afford to miss.

SKI AREAS**GAP-TALLARD / QUEYRAS****New cross-country skiing trails**

Until this year, the Col de Gleize had not been used for cross-country skiing for 15 years. It will now be ready for the winter, equipped with 12 km of track at 1,700 to 1,900 metres of altitude. Tinged with nostalgia, this new ice-skating and alternative cross-country skiing venue boasts stunning views.

Queyras is all set for a new cross-country trail, marked and regularly groomed: the Grande Trace Izoard, going from Souliers to Cervières, passing through Arvieux and the Col Izoard at 2,360 m. This hilly area is ideal as it includes some faster downhill sections, with picturesque scenery as it passes right through the Queyras village-resorts.

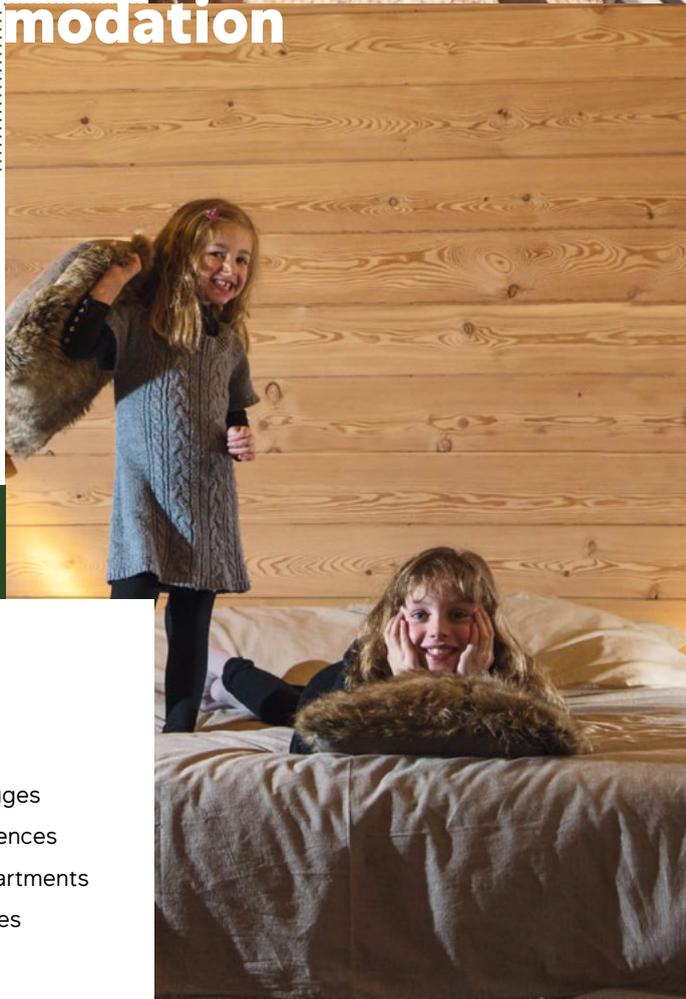
LES ORRES**Le Pic Vert, a new high-altitude restaurant**

Following the opening of Le Pic Vert chairlift in 2018, a mountain restaurant of the same name completes the picture for this part of the resort. Lying at an altitude of 2,230 m, it serves traditional food in a family atmosphere and has a takeaway section. The restaurant boasts a large terrace with a capacity of 250 seats where skiers can enjoy breathtaking views of the Embrun valley and the Serre-Ponçon lake.

Accommodation

LARGE PANEL

- Hotels
- B&B
- Gîtes
- Mountain refuges
- Holiday residences
- Furnished apartments
- Holiday villages
- Youth hostels
- Campsites
- Unusual accommodations



COUPS DE



SMALL PRICE

Lovely weekend in the Champsaur region

A weekend to enjoy the slopes in Champsaur's ski resorts and savour the tranquillity of its charming mountain villages. Relaxation guaranteed, as a family or with friends, at low cost.

From
80€/pers.

NATURE

Immerse yourself in nature in Montgenèvre

Stay in a treehouse and experience Montgenèvre from a whole new angle. Go for a guided snowshoeing excursion in the evening and stop at an authentic Mongolian yurt, immersed in nature, to discover an ecological way of life.

From
635€/pers.

GRAND FORMAT

Ski week in Serre Chevalier

Hit the slopes of an outstanding ski area and enjoy unparalleled après-ski.
7 nights in a rented chalet or apartment and 6-day ski pass.

From
266€/pers.

More offers:

www.hautes-alpes.net



Diary

[NOVEMBER - DECEMBER]

From 18 to 21 November | GAP
Mountain Film Library Meeting

4 and 5 December | BRIANÇON
Mountain guides gathering

From 5 to 24 December | GAP
Christmas Market

From 6 to 8 December
MONTGENÈVRE
Sant'Ambrogio, 20th anniversary of
the twinning of Montgenèvre and
Sant'Ambrogio

From 11 to 13 December | DÉVOLUY
Winter Car Rally

12 December | VARS
Vars en scène

From 12 December to 4 January
SERRES
Path of the Christmas Cribs

19 and 20 December | LA GRAVE
Mountain Film Meeting

From 19 December to 28 March
PAYS DES ÉCRINS
Igloo Pelvoo Village Edition

December | LA GRAVE
First snow at the Lautaret pass

[JANUARY]

3 January | VARS
Vars Winter Trail

10 January | DÉVOLUY
Dévol'ice Trail

10 January | CLARÉE
La Clarée White Trail

From 13 to 17 January | VARS
Outdoormix Winter Festival

16 January
ORCIÈRES MERLETTE 1850
Trail étoilé d'Orcières

16 and 17 January | SERRE CHEVALIER
Andros Trophy

From 16 to 19 January
PAYS DES ÉCRINS
Ice Climbing

From 17 to 22 January | RISOU
French song Festival

From 18 to 24 January | GAP
Monte-Carlo Rally

From 20 to 30 January
SERRE CHEVALIER
Altitude Jazz Festival

22 and 23 January
SERRE CHEVALIER
Serre Che Snow Trail

24 January | QUEYRAS
Traversée du Queyras cross-country
skiing

From 25 to 29 January
ORCIÈRES MERLETTE 1850
European Ski Cup

From 26 to 29 January | VARS
Speed Skiing World Cup

30 and 31 January | VARS
Speed Skiing World Cup

From 30 January to 05 February
LES ORRES
Snowattack Ski Festival

30 January | NÉVACHE
Biathlon race

January 2021 | LES ORRES
Les Orres Winter Trail

[FEBRUARY]

6 February
ORCIÈRES MERLETTE 1850
Imagine Pop Song Live

6 and 7 February | GAP BAYARD
Gap Bayard au féminin

14 February | DÉVOLUY
Winter Grande Trace, Alpine ski
French Cup and Alpine ski World
Championship

From 27 February to 06 March
LES ORRES
Rirozor Festival

**Every Tuesdays during February
holiday**
LA CLARÉE
Nordic Nocturnes

[MARCH]

6 March | VARS
Speed Skiing French Youth
Championship

6 March | DÉVOLUY
La Joue du Loup's 60 minutes
(mountaineering race)

7 March | CRÉVOUX
The Coraline Hugue
(cross-country skiing)

13 March | RÉALLON
Trail des neiges

From 15 to 31 March | VARS
Speed masters

20 March | SERRE CHEVALIER
Serre Chevalier Grand Prix

20 and 21 March
ORCIÈRES MERLETTE 1850
Ski Games Rossignol

27 March
ORCIÈRES MERLETTE 1850
Derby d'Orcières

From 31 March to 2 April | RISOU
Festival du rire (humour festival)

From 31 March to 2 April
LA GRAVE
Derby de la Meije

March | LES ORRES
Red Bull Tout Schuss

March | DÉVOLUY
Derby du Dévoluy

[APRIL]

3 and 4 April | LES ORRES
La Dévale des Orres

From 9 to 11 April | LA GRAVE
Meidjo Télémart

11 April | ORCIÈRES MERLETTE 1850
Color ski

From 12 to 17 April | VARS
French Ski School Instructors
Challenge

April | MONTGENÈVRE
La 1,000 Pattes race





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