

Portes du **Soleil**
Ski & Bike



PRESS PACK
WINTER 2025-26

Embark on an Unforgettable Franco-Swiss Adventure

Located between Lake Geneva and Mont Blanc, the **Portes du Soleil** is a cross-border ski area, with 12 resorts connected between France and Switzerland: Abondance, Avoriaz, Champéry, Châtel, La Chapelle d'Abondance, Les Gets, Montriond, Morzine, Morgins, Saint Jean d'Aulps, Torgon and Val-d'Illeiez – Les Crosets – Champoussin. Some resorts are villages with a traditional alpine style, others such as Avoriaz are purposed-built with a unique architecture.

Opening dates:
20 December 2025 to 12 April 2026



The closest airport is Geneva and there are transfers to all the resorts.

Visitors can also come by train to Cluses or Thonon in France and get a bus or taxi to the chosen resort.

Montagne Verte, a local non-profit organisation, has launched the Pass Alpin Express. The pass offers exclusive discounts for people travelling by train to the mountains.

On the Swiss side, the village of Champéry is directly accessible by train as it has its own train station.

Les Portes du Soleil In numbers



Portes du Soleil New for winter 2025-26



A new mountain hut

BETWEEN MORZINE AND CHAMPÉRY 🇫🇷🇨🇭

At 1,920 meters, the Cabane du Col de Cou is a former customs house that has been transformed into a guarded refuge accommodating up to 40 guests. Scheduled to open in autumn 2025, the Cabane du Col de Cou will welcome guests all year-round, offering an exceptional experience right on the French-Swiss border. Accessible from Morzine (7 km with 500 meters of elevation gain) or via the GR5, the Via Alpina, and Tour des Dents Blanches, it is one of the few mountain refuges open during winter, reachable by snowshoe or ski. Guests are treated to breathtaking views of the majestic Dents du Midi and the Swiss slopes of the Portes du Soleil. Committed to have as less impact as possible on the environment, the refuge prioritizes sustainable energy and responsible waste management practices.



Cabane du Col de Cou

New bedrooms at the Gîte Alpage La Chaux

MORGINS 🇨🇭

On the slopes of Morgins, at 1,700m, facing the majestic Dents du Midi, the Gîte Alpage La Chaux is a traditional chalet that dates back to 1871. It serves delicious home-cooked meals crafted from fresh, local, and seasonal ingredients. This winter, the Gîte Alpage La Chaux is opening two cozy bedrooms on the upper floor, offering peaceful accommodations for up to seven guests.

[Learn more](#)

New lifts

LA ROSTA CHAIRLIFT - LES GETS 🇫🇷

In December 2025, the old 4-seater chairlift at Les Gets will be replaced by a new, modern 8-seater chairlift. This new lift will be faster, operating at a speed of 6 meters per second, and will provide greater comfort for skiers. It is equipped with a Direct Drive motor, which helps lower noise levels, reduces energy usage, and minimizes environmental impact.

[Learn more](#)

THE LINGA CHAIRLIFT - CHÂTEL 🇫🇷

The Linga gondola will be replaced by a new, high-speed 6-seater chairlift. This upgrade will significantly reduce travel time to just 5 minutes, thanks to the lift's speed of 6 meters per second. The chairlift will also increase capacity, transporting up to 3,000 people per hour, compared to the previous 2,230. Built with fewer pylons (13 instead of 21) and featuring a quiet, hydrocarbon-free, eco-friendly motor, the new lift is designed to minimize its environmental impact.

A new building at the top of the lift will include a picnic room with panoramic views of Châtel and the valley.

Restaurant Le Centre

CHAMPÉRY 🇨🇭

A popular gathering spot since the late 18th century, Le Centre is stepping into a new era. Listed as a local heritage site, Le Centre has been thoughtfully restored, blending its rich historical character with striking contemporary design. Le Centre encompasses several areas: a gourmet restaurant open for lunch and dinner, a friendly café-bar, luxury apartments, and a contemporary wine cellar for events. Having officially reopened in mid-August, Le Centre is now preparing to welcome guests for its very first winter season.

[Learn more](#)



A new lift pass for beginners

CHAMPÉRY, LES CROSETS, CHAMPOUSSIN, MORGINS 🇫🇷🇨🇭



This winter, the Swiss side of Les Portes du Soleil offers a new discounted ski pass for beginners' slopes. From CHF10 for a day for a child and from CHF 15 for an adult. Book [here](#).

Good deals for winter 2025-26

Book your Portes du Soleil lift pass before 15 November to get a 15% discount. Book [here](#).

From 28.03 March, get a free lift pass for children under 12 years old with any purchase of an adult Portes du Soleil pass of at least 5 days. Book [here](#).



Premier Ski Festival, from 21 to 28 March 2026

LES GETS 🇫🇷

This new event is designed for beginners who want to experience skiing for the first time. Participants will enjoy a week of ski lessons with ESF instructors, take part in various activities, and share meals with others who are also new to skiing.



Portes du Soleil

Unforgettable Adventures



Fantasticable

Ice Climbing

ABONDANCE

Experience a different side of the mountain in winter: when water freezes, it forms amazing icy shapes and structures that are perfect for climbing. While ice climbing may seem out of reach for most people, it's actually an enjoyable activity you can try and learn with the help of professional mountain guides.

[Learn more](#)

Rando-Parc

MORGINS

The Rando-Parc is a safe, educational area for learning ski touring. Signs and videos guide you through skinning and de-skinning techniques. It features 8 marked routes designed for both downhill and touring skiers to share safely.

[Learn more](#)

Fantasticable

CHÂTEL

Unique in the Alps, the Fantasticable giant zipline takes you flying over the mountains. Comfortably installed in your harness, you are suspended in the air at 240 meters at the highest point and travel at nearly 100 km/h from one end of the valley to the other, on a 1,200m long cable.

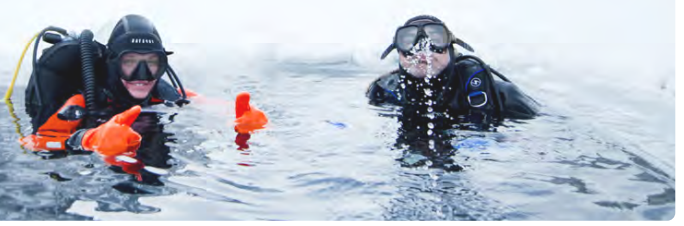
[Learn more](#)

Ice Diving

MONTRIOND

Under the ice of Lake Montriond, guided by expert divers, you'll discover a silent world. Both beginners and experienced divers can explore breathtaking formations and shimmering light and shadow in the depths of the frozen lake.

[Learn more](#)



SKI SAFARI

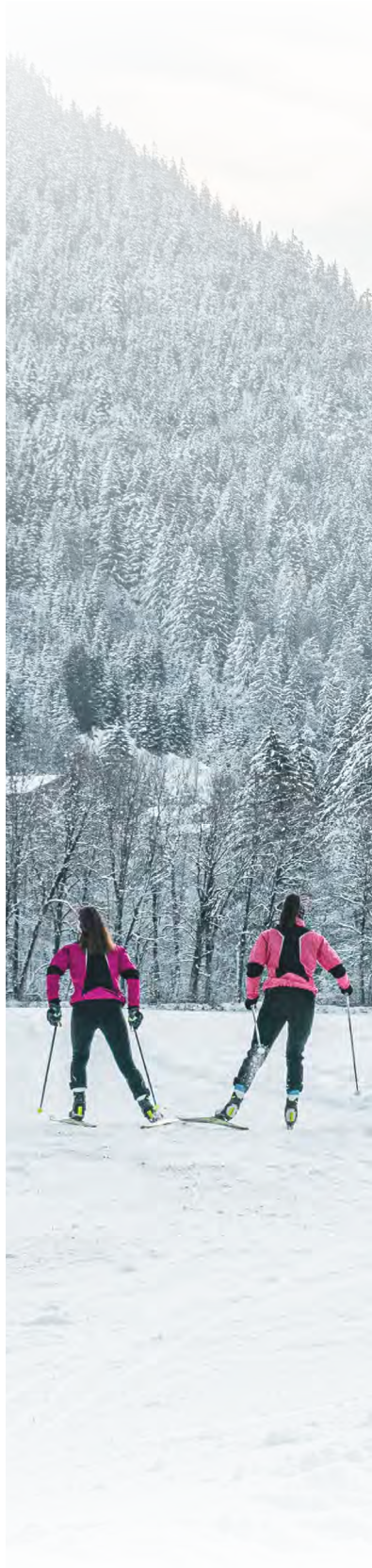
To make the most of the huge ski area of Les Portes du Soleil, spend a night in a mountain hut. Put your skis on and take your pyjamas and toothbrush in your backpack and explore further! Wake up in France and go to bed in Switzerland, or vice versa.



There are 7 mountain huts open in the winter.



At 1,820m, on the ski area of Morgins, L'Ancienne Douane is a former custom hut transformed into a welcoming refuge.



Land of events

Events

October

24.10 → 26.10 Raclette World Championships

The best raclette cheese makers will be awarded!

MORGINS

December

12.12 → 14.12 Rock on Snow

This event marks the kick-off of the winter season in Avoriaz. The Rock On Snow is the perfect opportunity to test the latest models of skis, snowboards, and accessories.

AVORIAZ

14.12 Spartan Winter trail

Participants in this obstacles race can choose to run 10 or 21k.

MORZINE

January

10.01 → 11.01 La Grande Odyssée

Renowned as the most challenging stage race in an Alpine setting, the race holds a unique status worldwide. Each year it brings together more than 65 mushers and their 600 dogs, from all over Europe. La Chapelle d'Abondance will host a stage on 12 January.

AVORIAZ

12.01 La Grande Odyssée

LA CHAPELLE D'ABONDANCE

17.01 Winter trail race

LES GETS

February

07.02 UCI Snow Bike World Championships

CHÂTEL

March

14.03 → 21.03 Snowboxx festival

A week of skiing, concerts and fun après-ski.

AVORIAZ

21.03 → 28.03 Premier ski festival

A week dedicated to beginners.

LES GETS

Pas de l'Aigle



15.03 → 21.03 Rock the Pistes festival

Rock the Pistes is the pioneer of high-altitude festivals. Every winter for almost a decade, the Rock the Pistes festival has delighted music and ski fans.

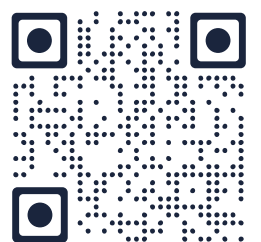
Skiers can hit the slopes in the morning and enjoy open-air concerts in the afternoon, featuring French and international rock artists such as Chinese Man, Kesiah Jones, Babyschambles, Shaka Ponk, Selah Sue, Caravan Palace, Skip the Use, Ben l'Oncle Soul, Cali, and many more. A unique event in Europe, the Rock the Pistes festival is open to ski pass holders. Every day for the duration of the festival, skiers are notified of the location of the stage and invited to join in the concerts.


[Learn more](#)


PORTES DU SOLEIL



Find the full schedule here



ABONDANCE 

AVORIAZ 1800 

CHAMPÉRY 

CHÂTEL 

LA CHAPELLE D'ABONDANCE 

LES GETS 

MONTRIOND 

MORGINS 

MORZINE-AVORIAZ 

SAINT-JEAN-D'AULPS 

TORGON 

VAL-D'ILLIEZ - LES CROSETS
CHAMPOUSSIN 

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