



# Compagnie des Guides de Chamonix

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## VALLEE BLANCHE - BY MOONLIGHT

Duration: 1

Difficulty: ▲▲▲▲▲

Skiing the Vallée Blanche under the full moon is an extraordinary experience, which will take you in the heart of the high mountains. Soak up the magical atmosphere, the play of light and shade, the silhouettes and the stars. At nighttime - for over 20 km and 2000 m of elevation gain - our mountain guides will lead you on the glacier among seracs and crevasses, at the foot of the legendary Mont-Blanc summits and peaks. After making the most of the last daylight, a dinner awaits you in the welcoming refuge du Requin. Experience the special feeling given by skiing in the middle of the night.

The Vallée Blanche by moonlight is reserved to experienced skiers in good physical shape. You will need to walk around 20/30 minutes with the skis on your back to reach the Buvette des Mottets and ski down to Chamonix. According to the moon position, you could need a high power head torch in some sections. The descent to Chamonix is completely by ski, which means that the programme is subject to actual snow conditions.

**This excursion is only possible for private groups**

### PRIVATE BOOKING

Private booking is the historic relationship between a guide and their clients. It allows you to be alone or in a group of friends with your guide where the guide organizes your outing to suit your specific needs. It is undoubtedly the ideal formula to ski the route of your choice. You can book online your private guide to ski the Vallée Blanche by moonlight. Don't hesitate to ask for every details to be sure that this activity meets your expectations. Your booking and payment commit you to do this activity on the booking date. You will be fully refunded in case the weather does not guarantee the safety of the activity.

**Dates (private guiding) :** See on-line booking

**Guiding policy :** Group from 1 to 6 people per guide. The number of participants per guide may vary depending on the glacier. **Children minimum 16 years old, no snowboarder**

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

**Prices 2025 (private guiding) :**

Group from 1 to 2 people : 430€

Group from 3 to 4 people : 460€

Group from 5 to 6 people : 490€

The price includes :

- guiding fees
- security pack (harness and transceiver)
- head torch

The price does not include :

- lifts tickets
- dinner at the Requin hut
- a backpack on which you can attach your skis (mandatory)
- a pair of crampons properly adjusted on your ski boots (mandatory)

### FURTHER INFORMATION

Find in this section, all the information about this activity. For any further information please contact our advisors (contact details above).

**Duration** : Departure at 4.00pm - Return around 11.00pm

**Guding policy** : Group up to 6 people per guide. The number of participants per guide may vary depending on the glacier. The Vallée Blanche is an off-piste and ungroomed route, taking place on glaciers. Supervision by a qualified guide is the safest way to take full advantage of the activity.

**Ability level** : The descent of the Vallée Blanche is for skiers who can control their speed and know how to skid and make turns **determined by the route**. The technical difficulties are comparable to those of a **black run**. In case of fresh snow, the descent of the Vallée Blanche is similar to off-piste skiing in powder snow. It therefore requires adequate experience.

**Season after season, global warming profoundly alters the morphology of glaciers. The Vallée Blanche is no exception; if you've skied this route before, you're likely to be very surprised. The crevasses are more present than before and wide slopes have given way to cramped passages. The level required to ski the Vallée Blanche has therefore significantly increased overall in recent years.**

**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

Find in this section all the information about the different equipment that is required. Since weather conditions can be very variable, it is better to have several thin layers rather than to have one big garment.

### Equipment

- The normal ski equipment is sufficient. Have the bindings checked before departure to avoid any unpleasant surprises !
- A backpack on which you can attach your skis is obligatory. This will also allow you to carry drinks, picnics and clothes that you will take off if it's hot
- Your guide will provide you the necessary safety equipment : avalanche transiver and harness
- A pair of crampons properly adjusted on your ski boots (mandatory)

### Clothing

- Clothing should be adapted to the cold and wind that we often have at the start. Gloves, hats, sunglasses and sunscreen with a high degree of protection are essential

### Accessories :

- Sunglasses or goggle
- Sunscreen
- Snack
- Camera

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