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SKI TOURING - LOGNAN GRANDS MONTETS

Duration: 2

Fitness: ▲▲▲▲▲ Technique: ▲▲▲▲▲

Price from: 445 €

The Col du Passon is one of the emblematic passes of the Mont Blanc Massif, offering a magnificent winter crossing between the Argentière and Tour glaciers. This traverse provides the opportunity to explore vast glacial areas while enjoying exceptional views of the surrounding peaks, such as the Aiguille Verte (4,122 m) and the Chardonnet (3,824 m). We offer a two-day program that begins with a warm-up day, including an overnight stay at the Lognan Hut. The following day, you will tackle the ascent of the Col du Passon, followed by a long and splendid descent to the village of Le Tour. Designed for skiers with prior ski touring experience, this trip is an ideal opportunity to refine your skills, particularly in mastering kick turns and using crampons.

For an even more immersive experience, we recommend our [Glacier du Tour program](#), scheduled from the beginning of winter. This similar program includes a third day with an additional night at the Albert ler Hut, providing more time to fully enjoy this magnificent setting.

ITINERARY

Day 1

We take the ski lifts from the Grands Montets resort to the top of the Bochart cable car (2,766 m). From there, we make a short descending traverse to reach the Glacier de Lognan (2,700 m). We then ascend via the Col des Rachasses to the Col des Grands Montets (3,225 m). We then embark on a magnificent descent to the Glacier d'Argentière, which we follow to the Lognan Hut (2,067 m), where we spend the night.

Elevation gain: 575 m / Elevation loss: 750 m

Day 2

Col du Passon (3028m). We climb up the length of the Argentière glacier, which we cross to reach the Passon moraine (2380m). We cross the moraine on foot, we may require crampons. The climb continues on skis. The slopes here are wide up until the col, which we reach using crampons and roped together via a couloir about a hundred metres high. The views from the col, over not only the Argentière basin but also the Le Tour basin, are simply breath-taking. The ski down to the village of Le Tour via the Le Tour glacier is a must of the Chamonix valley ! 1 600m of great skiing!

Vertical ascent: 960m / Vertical descent: 1600m

GROUP BOOKING

Group session associates several people who don't know each other. It allows for a planned program to benefit from an attractive price on fixed dates. This formula is ideal for people looking for the friendliness of a group.

Dates : See below for the group booking module

Price 2025 : 445€ per person based on minimum of 4 participants

Registration possible from the age of 18.

Included in the package :

- IFMGA English speaking mountain guiding service
- half-board in mountain huts (dinner, breakfast and night)
- lifts

- avalanche transceiver (DVA), shovel, probe and harness rental

Not included in the package :

- take out lunches and daily snacks - *impossible to buy your lunch at the hut.*
- personal drinks in huts and other personal expenses (we recommend you bring Euros)
- cost of getting to meeting point and cost of getting back to Chamonix
- personal technical equipment

PRIVATE BOOKING

A 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 :

- 2 people : 885€ per person
- 3 people : 640€ per person
- 4 people : 520€ per person
- 5 people : 450€ per person
- 6 people : 400€ per person

Included in the package :

- IFMGA English speaking mountain guiding service
- half-board in mountain huts (dinner, breakfast and night)
- rental of full safety kit (avalanche transceiver/DVA, shovel, probe)

Not included in the package :

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

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 point : Meeting point at 09:00 in front of the Grands Montets (Argentière) ticket office. In order to limit traffic in the valley, we recommend using public transport (bus or train).

Itinerary : This is provided as a guideline and may be adjusted according to the group's level and mountain conditions

Technical level : Suitable for skiers skilled in off-piste skiing across various snow conditions and with prior experience in ski touring. The terrain features wide slopes with occasional narrow sections and inclines of up to 35° with sections that may require boot packing with crampons

Physical level : Designed for individuals who regularly engage in physical activity. Expect a positive elevation gain of up to 1000 meters per day and an effort of 5 to 6 hours each day

Guiding policy : 4 to 6 people. *Registration possible from the age of 18.*

Accommodation : During the trip: half-board in hut. Before & after the trip: We have some hotel partners in Chamonix with special prices for our customers.

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 to pay particular attention to the choice of your equipment. It contributes greatly to the success of your stay. Weight is decisive: you always have to evaluate the ratio weight/comfort, to find the best compromise.

Equipment

- Comfortable frameless rucksack of 35l on which you could fix your skis & ice-axe, *rentable*
- Ski touring skis & shoes, *rentable*
- Adhesive climbing skins & ski knives adapted to your skis, *rentable*
- A pair of poles with large discs, *rentable*
- A pair of light crampons & an ice-axe, *rentable*
- We recommend an helmet for ski touring / mountaineering
- A security pack including harness, DVA, shovel & probe - this pack will be lend by your guide

Clothing

- Waterproof and windproof, non-insulated parka with hood (Gore-tex or equivalent), *rentable*
- Waterproof and windproof, non-insulated pants, *rentable*
- Thick polar-pile fleece jacket or equivalent
- A light down jacket
- 1 long-sleeve shirt
- Medium weight thermal underwear (top + bottoms, silk or polypro, double as pyjamas)
- Warm ski socks
- Warm ski hat and light sun hat with brim
- Warm ski gloves or mittens
- A pair of thinner/finer gloves (in leather or fleece)
- Neck protection
- Spare thermal underwear (for sleeping and change)

Accessories

- High-altitude sunglasses (grade 4 is recommended)
- A pair of goggles
- 1.5L water bottle
- An isotherm bottle
- A mini toilet bag including: sun block for face and lips, aspirin, elastoplast, 2nd skin kit, earplug, toilet paper
- A headlamp with spare batteries
- A cotton or silk sleeping sheet: compulsory in every hut. - Hut provide blankets, slippers or clogs
- A plastic bag containing your ID card & Euros for extras

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](#)