

# Val d'Isere



## Resort Information

Val d'Isère is justly regarded as one of the best ski resorts not just in France but in the world. Along with nearby Tignes, Val d'Isère makes up the fabulous Espace Killy ski area in the Tarentaise Valley. This ski area is one of the best in the Alps and boasts over 300km of slopes.

Val d'Isere is a long standing ski destination with some of the most stunning scenery in France. At an altitude of 1850m it is a high altitude resort with slopes up to 3455m.

Val d'Isère has a reputation for being one of the best resorts in the Alps for eating, drinking and having fun. Although restaurants can get busy this only adds to the buzzing atmosphere so characteristic of the resort.

Our favourite restaurant is Edelweiss above Le Fornet where their meats are excellent, especially when enjoyed on the sunny terrace. There are also a number of high-end shops which are perfect for a day out shopping. For a night out there are lots of bars where you can warm up and stay that way well into the night!

## Getting There

Chambery is the closest international airport at just over two hours from Chambery and there is a frequent service in winter. Geneva is three hours away and has plenty of flights from all over the world.

Another option is the train with the Eurostar goign straight to Bourg-St-Maurice, which is just half an hour away. From there you can take a regular bus or jump in a taxi to Tignes or Val d'Isère.





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le plus bel espace de ski du monde



# Winter

The Espace Killy is the front-runner for varied slopes in the French Alps. It's regarded by many experts as having the best black runs in the region, and widely acknowledged as one of the more difficult ski areas around. It's probably not the resort to choose for beginners, but there's plenty of great runs for intermediate and expert skiers and boarders.

Both Val d'Isère and Tignes are hard to beat for snow reliability. The high altitude of both resorts means the snow arrives early and stays well into April and May. There are also an impressive 821 snow guns in the area, covering almost all the slopes in the area and helping Val d'Isère maintain a reliably long season.



## Key Statistics

- 300km of Piste
- 43% Black and Red Runs
- 42% Blue Runs
- 15% Beginner Slopes



## For Experts

Val d'Isère is one of the top mountain resorts in the world for experts. There are few resorts which can rival the amount of lift-served off-piste skiing available in Val d'Isère, including famous runs like the Tour du Charvet and the Col Pers, giving you access to some of the most dramatic scenery in the Alps.

For those who get their excitement from jumps and tricks Tignes has a 120m long winter half-pipe and Val d'Isère has an even larger terrain park. If you prefer to watch the resort hosts a lot of snowboarding events and is very popular with extreme sports lovers.



## Après-Ski

The après-ski in this area is particularly good. It could be argued that Val d'Isère has the best après ski in France, with a number of apres ski bars on the mountain, and bars and music venues in the village open well into the night.

In Tignes the best après ski is a little more hidden away. Similar to other aspects of the resorts Tignes is a little more cosy and down-to-earth. There still plenty of little bars playing live music to keep you entertained after a long day skiing though.





## Restaurant: La Vieille Maison

A great restaurant a short walk from the main centre of Val d'Isere, this is a classic charming retreat with a cosy atmosphere and fantastic Savoyarde food. The furnishing and old wood walls give this restaurant plenty of character, and despite Val d'Isere's increasingly upmarket vibe, this place retains a low-key rustic feel that harks back to the years when Val d'Isere was home only to devoted skiers and seasonaires.



## Restaurant: Edelweiss

Perched in a piste-side position with stunning mountain views, the Edelweiss is a must visit for long time Val d'Isere lovers. It's got fantastic food, a cosy atmosphere and a great terrace where you can enjoy a vin chaud on a sunny day. It does get busy though, so it's always best to book in advance.



## Summer

Both Val d'Isère and Tignes are fabulous winter ski resorts with skating and glacier skiing from mid-June to August. It is common to see professional skiers in this area for their summer practise.

There are also traditional summer activities such as hiking and mountain-biking routes, a leisure area on the lake-shore with tennis courts, basketball, volleyball and football. An excellent golf course provides the perfect place to brush up on your swing too.

On the lake in Tignes you can hire sailing boats, windsurfers, canoes, rowing boats and pedalos, with lessons available where needed. There is also an aquatic park where adventurous types can try water jumping, catamaran sailing, and kayaking.

Val d'Isère also has a fantastic leisure centre with a number of different pools, saunas, Jacuzzis and steam baths.



## Viewing

We have an intimate knowledge of all our resorts and we can recommend excellent hotels and local restaurants to ensure you have an informative and pleasurable trip. Simply let us know which dates you have in mind and we will arrange for one of our representatives to meet you and show you around. All you need to do is to book your flight and rent a hire car and we can help organise everything else for you.

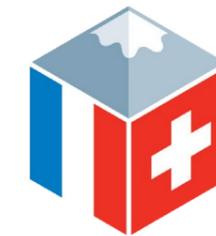
There are many cheap flights to Geneva and the transfer is easy so it is possible to make a day trip but if you would like to stay overnight, we can recommend good hotels in the area. Ask for our visits list.

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