



## Things to do and how to get here

Part of the "Four Valleys" ski area, with 400km of runs over the ridge from Verbier La Tzoumaz, on the other side of the crest from Verbier, is a quiet family focused resort amidst the wonderful skiing of the four valleys. Situated at 1500 meters, the village boasts the longest floodlit toboggan run (10k) in the French speaking alps and being north facing benefits from high quality snow all day long. The village has an excellent ski school and for non-skiers it's possible to take a lift over the mountain to enjoy the spoiling shops and restaurant terraces of Verbier nearby.

The village has a small natural ice-rink, outdoor tennis court, indoor swimming pool, 12km winter hiking trails and 13km snowshoe trails. Additionally, in the Riddes valley there are beautiful thermal baths. For children there is also a lovely playground overlooking the valley and there is a creche adjacent to the ski school.

A handful of restaurants are within walking distance of the chalet including one who can deliver a catered dinner for the evening. The village also has a newsagent, baker, supermarket for essential provisions, cash machine and of course the compulsory ski-hire / bike-hire shops.

You can get a feel for the surroundings, and of course check the weather, on the local village [webcam](#).

## Winter

Set at the 4 Vallées, La Tzoumaz offers you an extraordinary skiing paradise with more than 30 [mountain restaurants](#). From beginners to experienced skiers, everybody will find slopes to enjoy.

The resort has 40km of piste on snow-sure north facing slopes where it is possible to ski until the end of April. In just nine minutes, the La Tzoumaz telecabin takes you to the top of Savolyeres, 2,354 meters above sea level, where a wide variety of ski tows, chair lifts and cable-cars, provide connections to other resorts in the 4 Valleys region. Together with Verbier, Nendaz, Veysonnaz, La Tzoumaz form one of the largest ski areas in Switzerland offering over 400 km of runs and 100 lift installations.



With a length of 10 km and a difference of 848 min altitude, the [La Tzoumaz toboggan](#) run is extremely long and fairly fast! Small children should definitely be accompanied by adults on this run. Tobogganing events are held each Friday and Saturday full moon in January, February and March including fondue at the mountain restaurant in Savoleyres.

### **Discounted ski passes / ski rental / ski lessons**

For guests booking their ski passes [Televerbier](#) offer dynamic discount rates from 0 - 20% according to season /demand. Please ensure that you request collection from the La Tzoumaz ticket office or postal to your home address.

For advanced intermediates we recommend the Four Valleys Pass.

Verbier sector passes are aimed at intermediates and available for durations of up to 6 days. They are slightly cheaper than full-area passes. After 6 days the price is the same and so you are automatically upgraded to a full-area pass so to order 7+ days please order full 4-Valleys area skipasses.

Savoleyres (La Tzoumaz) sector is aimed at very young children and beginners. They are available for durations of up to 6 days, and are cheaper than full-area passes. After 6 days the price is the same and so you are automatically upgraded to a full-area 4-Valleys pass so to order 7+ days please order full 4-Valleys area skipasses.

A downloadable piste map is available [here](#)

[Monnet Sports](#) kindly offers Chalet Alexia guests 15% discount off sportswear and ski hire when booking via our resort manager. Ski touring equipment is also available to hire.

The [La Tzoumaz ski school](#) runs lessons every day of the winter season. Full details about lift prices, ski lessons and weekly ski courses are detailed on the Tzoumaz booking portal. When purchased in advance via our resort manager we are able to offer you 10% off the published rate. In peak weeks it is advisable to book in advance as the kids group lessons fill up fast

Heli skiing is available at Croix de Coeurs, the alpine peak located between La Tzoumaz and Verbier.



## Summer

La Tzoumaz is a perfect base for walking and hiking in the Valais with 150 kilometres of signposted trails. Summer guests can stroll through the forests and meadows and take in an alpine lunch or visit the nearby summits of Pierre Avoire and Mont Fort. A favourite walk of ours is The “Bisses” are relatively flat footpaths that follow the water as it trickles around the ours are the ‘Bisses’ relatively flat footpaths where for centuries farmers and villagers channelled these streams for their own uses. The tourist office has many maps and routes.

## Golf

Verbier is a 25 minute drive via the summer road and offers a beautiful [18 hole golf course](#) at an altitude of 1600 meters. Each hole provides stunning views of the surrounding mountain ranges, Combin, Rogneux and Mont-Blanc. On the other side of the village there is also an [18 hole pitch and putt course](#) which is perfect for beginners and families.

## Road / Mountain Biking

The 8 seater telecabin takes you from La Tzoumaz to the top of Savolyeres where graded tracks for all abilities give you access to the alpine pastures - [Col des Mines](#) is just one example. The purpose built downhill courses in the [Verbier / La Tzoumaz Bike Park](#) caters for those seeking additional adrenaline!

The obvious challenge when you live in La Tzoumaz is to bike from [Riddes to Croix de Coeur](#). It is a 1700 meter ascent over 22 kilometers with a steady 7-9% climb the whole way. The top part of the road is a dirt track, doable on a road bike but better suited to a mountain bike. There is a restaurant at the top. Another ride we like is the [Grand St Bernard Pass](#) where you can take your photo next to the signpost for Italy before turning around to head home

## Tennis

The outdoor tennis court is a five-minute walk from the chalet and can be booked through the La Tzoumaz tourist office.

## Wine Tasting

Just 20 minutes away, the vineyards of Valais are laid out below La Tzoumaz where you have the chance to taste some of the finest Swiss wines and liquors.



## White water rafting

On the Rhone Located at [Sierre](#), a 1 hour drive from the chalet, white water rafting along the rapids of the Rhone is a great adventure. Canyoning

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This is one of the best things we have ever done during our summer holidays. It's a 50 minute drive from the chalet and if you like jumping into [gorges and sliding down waterfalls](#) then this is for you. It's easy for those who do not want to participate to walk along the gorge / waterfall and watch / take photos.

## Mont 4 Zipline

This is the highest zip line in the world. It reaches speeds of 130km / hr over a distance of 1400 meters with a drop of 383 meters. You can book tickets [online here](#).

## Paragliding

Croix de Coers between Verbier and La Tzoumaz is one of the four popular takeoff zones for this exciting sport.

## Watersports

There is a small indoor swimming pool in La Tzoumaz with an outside sunbathing area.

A 25 minute drive from the chalet, the [thermal hot baths in Saillon](#) offer indoor and outdoor hot baths, swimming pools, a riverpool, Jacuzzis, steam rooms and saunas. In summer they have a water slide, grass play area with trampolines and games. It is a beautiful place to unwind and relax in summer or winter.

A 40 minute drive from the chalet is [Les Iles de Sion](#). Here you can swim in a turquoise coloured lake, sunbathe on the edge of the lake, play min golf, ride the mini train or even have a go at bungee trampolining.

Finally if you like jumping from rocks into a natural made pool then [Maracottes](#) is the place for you. There is also a small zoo next door with local animals. Not the most exciting place....but ok for any smaller children not keen to swim.

In Villeneuve, a 45 minute drive from the chalet, you can hire a variety of boats from pedalos and kayaks to motor boats with ski equipment and catamarans. This is a wonderful way to enjoy the scenery of the Alps.



## Getting here

1 hr 45 minutes from Geneva Airport

La Tzoumaz is located 160 km south-east of Geneva Airport. The journey takes about 1.45hrs. From Geneva, follow signs to Lausanne, Martigny, and then Sion. Fifteen kilometers beyond Martigny and before you reach Sion, exit the motorway for Riddes and then follow signs to La Tzoumaz.

Before reaching the village of La Tzoumaz you will pass a sign for Hammeau de La Tzoumaz on your left. At the next hairpin bend immediately after this sign you will see a bus stop in front of you and a large round waste unit. Go straight ahead at this bus stop (do not take the hairpin bend and continue up the hill) and follow the road for a couple of kilometers until you see a small road to the right signposted 'Impasse de la Chapelle.'

Take the Chapelle road. After 350 meters you will see Chalet Alexia on the left side. There is parking beneath the chalet on the right hand side of the road.

If you are travelling by train between Geneva Airport and Riddes you will need to change at Martigny. The journey time is 2hrs 5 minutes. From Riddes it is necessary to take a bus or taxi.

**Train times:** <http://www.sbb.ch/home.html>

**Taxi:** <http://www.espacetourisme.ch> (cost CHF 100)

If you are driving to La Tzoumaz and enter Switzerland at one of the border crossings you will need to purchase a vignette (motorway tolls). You can purchase this at the petrol stations before the border or at the border itself.

Winter tyres are essential in winter. If you do not have a 4x4, we also recommend having snow chains with you. We use these more often than we think.