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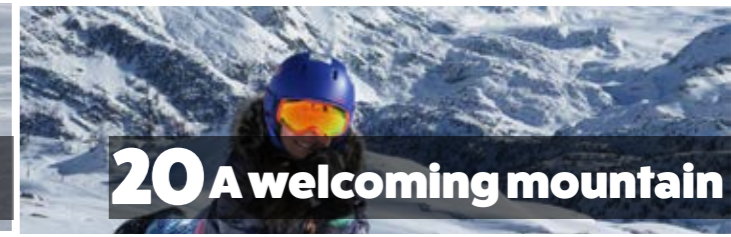
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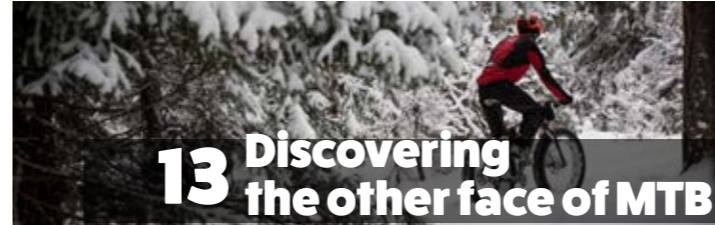
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LA THUILE ON TOP OF YOUR EMOTIONS



Real pearl of the north-western Italian region of Valle d'Aosta, hamlet on the border with the French department of Haute Tarantaise, at an altitude of 1.441 meters, La Thuile opens the doors to an exciting journey to discover and enjoy a land which mountains are capable to offer breath-taking scenarios, and the nature welcomes you, gentle and wild at the same time. Exceptional destination for winter sports enthusiasts, La Thuile combines the pleasures of outdoor activities with the sensorial delights, leisure with wellness, to live and exclusive experience on the highest heights.

In the sight of Mont Blanc and the Ruitor massif, this little burg is a treasure chest full of emotions, a nature spectacle, which turns into pure magic for the soul. Here, among the Europe's highest peaks, senses are enchanted by glimpses of daring mountain outlines, the verticality of the eighth wonder of the world, the perpetual snows of the Ruitor glacier, in a continual succession of outstanding and thrilling perspectives. Formerly ore deposit, now esteemed skiing destination, it boasts an extensive and international ski area, the San Bernardo Espace, shared with La Rosière touristic station, right beyond the Colle Piccolo San Bernardo. Destination of choice for every winter sport lover, La Thuile has entered as a full member in the great ski Olympus. On February 2016, on the famous black slope 3 "Franco Berthod", indeed, took place [three races of the FIS Ladies Ski World Cup. The international spotlights will be lighted again at La Thuile on the same slope on January 19th and 20th 2017, in the occasion of the Telemark World Cup.](#)

The magnificence of the sceneries, the purity and the authenticity of places, and the great variety of the touristic offer make La Thuile the ultimate destination to loosen tensions and re-discover your rhythm, feeling comfortable and carving out a tailor-made vacation, dedicated to snow, sport, relax and excellent cuisine. Breathing crystalline air, and the scent of history.



ESPACE SAN BERNARDO ENDLESS FUN

The Espace San Bernardo is the widest ski area which, with the help of a favorable microclimate, gives to every winter sport enthusiast the opportunity to ski during the whole season with the best snow quality, in a natural scenery of immense beauty, on more than 150 kilometers of ski slopes, among Italy and France. The Italian side, facing north, is characterized by thicker snow and technical slopes, which wink at more panoramic and relaxing slopes, the French side instead, facing south, is very sunny and offers more simple slopes.

The 2016/2017 winter season, snow permitting, starts on **November 26th 2016** and ends on **April 18th 2017**.
Info: [FUNIVIE PICCOLO SAN BERNARDO](http://FUNIVIE.PICCOLO.SAN.BERNARDO)
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ESPACE SAN BERNARDO: ALL THE NUMBERS

1 unique skipass, which allows the access to the whole Espace San Bernardo international ski area.

2 snow parks: Wazimu, in La Thuile and Poletta, in La Rosière, places meant to have fun with jumps, acrobatics and a hint of folly.

2650 is the highest altitude value of the mountains among the Espace San Bernardo ski area. The data refers to the Belvedere area, which offers a privileged panorama of the Valle d'Aosta and French Alps highest peaks.

37 modern and fast ski lifts, with a payload per hour of 58.000 people, which are able to cross off the queues and to permit to ski open-ended on the ski tracks among Italy and France.

1 Boardercross itinerary: Du Fort in La Rosière, ideal to whoever is looking for velocity and adrenalin.

3000 is the people payload per hour of the cable car Doppio Mono Cavo (DMC) which goes up to Les Suches, guaranteeing a regular flux of skiers.

1 SnowCross zone: Des Zittieux in La Rosière, to run fast on the snow, saddling up on a snow mobile.

3 are the cabins of the DMC Piccolo San Bernardo cable cars, personalized with pictures of Nadia Franchini, Lara Gut and Tina Weirather, placed first in the occasion of the three FIS LADIES SKI WORLD CUP races (which took places in La Thuile on February 19th, 20th, and 21st 2016).

80 ski slopes, among different levels of difficulty, to satisfy every users taste, from the beginner to the expert.

1 wide snowkite area, in the Piccolo San Bernardo zone, which is easy to reach with the ski lifts, and which gives to any enthusiast of this discipline the possibility to "surf" on the snow, freely and totally safe.

73 points of percentage is the declivity of the wall of the black ski slope n.3 Franco Berthod, which has been the scene of 2 downhill and a superG races during the FIS LADIES WORLD CUP on February 19th and 20th 2016

400 snow-cannons, fueled from an artificial basin made to collect 120.000 cube-meter of water which, joined with the efficient work of the Piccolo San Bernardo cable cars staff, guarantee the perfect condition of the snow cover from the very first ski area opening days.

ESPACE SAN BERNARDO SKI SLOPES TO YOUR TASTE

Beginners, experts, moderates and tireless users: the snow of La Thuile, and its ski slopes meet the tastes of the different kinds of skiers, thanks to the **great variety of ski paths**.

A unique skipass allows the access to the whole international ski area, and the ski system, efficient and fast, pledge a non-stop ski experience without meeting any queue. Lots of “blue” slopes for who is just beginning or loves to ski safely, many “reds”, for who is looking for some more challenge, and 13 “black” slopes for the most expert and trained skiers.

On these last ones, bend after bend, the thrill rises up, and along with this, the will to confront yourself with the inclines that, this year, have been the stage for the champions of velocity during the Women Ski World Cup (one for all: the number 3 Franco Berthod). To reach the ski area from the village, just few minutes are needed, thanks to the fast cable car, which is able to carry up to Les Suches (2.200 meters) more than 3000 people per hour, or with the convenient chair lift named Bosco Express, which starts from the Planibel area, right next to the Ski School.

ESPACE SAN BERNARDO THE SKIPASS? DO IT ONLINE!

At La Thuile, skiing meets technology. In fact, you are just a click away to get the skipass. Thanks to the skipass Online facility, the Key Card owners are able to buy the skipass online using their PC or smartphones; With the Teleskipass service, instead, the balance of your account (using credit card) is calculated upon the real usage of the ski area, depending on the hour of entrance tagged by the turnstile. The service activation is upon payment.

To get to know the ski tracks and to visualize all the information regarding the ski area, like forecast, openings and special offers, it is possible to look the apps **iSkiViewer** and **My Ski Espace San Bernardo**.

PICCOLO SAN BERNARDO CABLECARS SKIPASS RATES AND SPECIAL PRICES ESPACE SAN BERNARDO LOCKED PRICES

DAILY TICKETS FOR ADULTS

- Regular : 40,00 €*
- High Season: € 43,00**
- Last Ski: € 36,00***

BABY TICKET

Tickets for children under 8 years old are free, if they are with adults who have purchased any kind of skipass of the same kind and duration.

2 DAYS IN A ROW

- Adults - Regular : € 77,00*
- Adults - High Season: € 83,00**
- Adults - Last Ski: € 70,00**

6 DAYS

- Adults - Regular: € 210,00*
- High Season: € 225,00**
- Last Ski: € 189,00***

SPECIAL PRICES FOR

University students, beginners, Over 65, under 18 with their family, along with seasonal tickets, annual tickets, membership cards and more-than-one-day tickets.

*Regular:

from 11/26/2016 to 12/23/2016
from 01/9/2017 to 3/10/2017
from 3/6/2017 to 3/31/2017

**High Season:

from 12/24/2016 to 1/8/2017
from 2/11/2017 to 3/5/2017

*** Last Ski

from 4/1/2017 to 4/18/2016

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AT SCHOOL, ON THE SNOW

Passion, emotions, safety, and lots of fun. These are the success ingredients of the **Ski School La Thuile**, which has two headquarters, one situated in town and another settled up at Les Suches (2.200 m). On its back, the school has a more than fifty years of history; ahead, the certainty to instill a strong passion for winter sports and the love for the mountains, and to offer tailor made classes, to perfect your technique and improve adults and children ski style, always considering the capability level of every pupil.

On this point, more than 80 Ski School instructors are enrolled, who are all members of Ski Instructors Register, among which there are also great sport athletes, as well as Federal trainers specialized in several disciplines, and teachers for aspiring ski instructors. To complete the team: Alps Guides. All the ski instructors speak fluently French, English and Spanish.

La Thuile Ski School offer includes also individual and collective classes of Alpine skiing, Nordic skiing, snowboard, telemark, freeride, carving and snow blade, as well as **formula Treg**.



EXPERIENCING THE TOP, WITH ELISKI AND FREERIDE

Exciting activity, reserved to the most expert and capable skiers, heliskiing permits to reach by helicopter the highest peaks, to face freeride itineraries which, otherwise would be impossible to explore. A highly exciting sport, to practice carefully and respectfully, always with Alpine guides or ski instructors. The activity considers the ascent at heights, and the downhill on pure white and immaculate slopes, away from the ski tracks, carrying Arva, shovel and probe in the backpack. In La Thuile, the ski area destined to heliskiing is included between la Point Lechaud, the Miravidi Mountain, the Ouille Mountain, the Freudaz Mountain, the Becca Bianca and the Head of the Rutor, and has several rescue points and numerous downhill possibilities, both on the Italian and French sides. Not to miss, the landing on the Rutor glacier, under Les Vedettes, which gives the start to an unforgettable experience: the Rutor tour. In La Thuile, **heliskiing**, is regulated by a regional law which governs its execution in well-defined trails. **Heliskiing can be performed since the first days of January to the end of April.**



FEELING THE MOUNTAIN

Forging a special relationship with the mountain, feeling its sounds, breathing its own essence is easy with the countless ski tours and snowshoes itineraries, or simply with walks in the nature, which are possible to take when in La Thuile.



DISCOVERING THE OTHER FACE OF MTB

The snow can't freeze the desire for bike activities. To warm up heart and muscles, Fat Bikes is the mastermind, the new trend imported from Alaska which has been the protagonist in the Italian sport rumors since 2014, the year when the "la Thuile FAT MOUNTAIN" took place in La Thuile. Evolution from the mountain bike, presents itself a little bit "chunkier", with implemented wheels and tires, but despite of that it isn't heavier than a MTB, the Fat Bike is able to perform at its best on softer bottoms, such as snow and sand. The most expert bikers can vent all their longing for freedom riding countless paths covered with snow, and enjoying the most fascinating views offered from the surrounding nature. In the Arly plain there is a dedicated fat bike itinerary. It is possible to rent the equipment needed.

WINTER AND SUMMER ALWAYS ON A MTB

During the summer period, the Espace San Bernardo turns into a wide bike park, for the entertainment of kids and adults.

This Natural Trail Area has been several times the stage for renewed national and international MTB competitions, the last was the **ENDURO WOLRD SERIES (4th stop-over of the international circuit) took place on July 16th and 17th 2016.**



TELEMARK WORLD CUP 2017

Another great success for La Thuile, again under the international spotlights: the FIS has officially announced the 2016/2017 Telemark World Cup competitions calendar, and for the first time an Italian destination has been included: La Thuile. The races will take place on January 19th and 20th 2017.

It has been a great accomplishment for La Thuile, says Davide Dallago – responsible for the Telemark agonistic sector at the Winter Sport Italian Federation, and delegate for the FISI also at the FIS Telemark Committee – because we are talking about a ski discipline which until today has never been the stage for World Cup competitions in Italy.

I strongly supported La Thuile candidacy, and I am sure that the number 3 Franco Berthod slope, which this year hosted the velocity races of FIS LADIES SKI WORLD CUP, will be able to offer to the public who will attend the Telemark races a really thrilling show.

The number 3 Franco Berthod slope is a highly

technical downhill path and will be interesting to see how the athletes will perform it.

With the La Thuile assignment of the Telemark World Cup, the FIS board has awarded the tracks high level, but also the facilities and welcoming structures quality, as well as the capability to be able to organize and manage great sport events like this one.

La Thuile confirms that, to supervise this remarkable event will be the same organizational board of the FIS LADIES SKI WORLD CUP, and that, during the World Cup days, there will take place several collateral events to enliven the environment between the races.

This assignment has thrilled the institutions, first of all the ones belonging to the Autonomous Region of the Aosta Valley and La Thuile municipality, as well as the Army Sport Center, the town Community and the local sport clubs (Sci Club La Thuile and ASIVA), institutions which will be involved and that will give their real support.



3 – FRANCO BERTHOD

This track is entitled to an athlete and ski master who wrote La Thuile alpine skiing history: [Franco Berthod](#).

The race track has been designed by [Bernard Russi](#) and [Franco Berthod](#), and the very first international validation was given on January 1st 1994. At the end of that year, the first FIS downhill races took place, while from 16th to 18th of the same year La Thuile was hosting two downhill and two Supergiant races during the Europe Cup. Then, from February 5th to 8th 1997 La Thuile was the stage for other two downhill and Supergiant races, attended also by the young internationally promising skier [Hermann Maier](#), who was placed second in the first DH, right after few seconds from [Roland Assinger](#), and fourth in the second DH. The tracker of both races was [Danilo Sbardellotto](#).

This ski track had the leading role for many important international and national events, hosting in **2011** the Absolute Italian Alpine Skiing Men Championship, in **2012** the Finals of Men European Cup (Downhill, SuperG), in **2013** two Men Supergiant races always during the European Cup circuit, up to La Thuile crowning in the great ski Olympus with three **FIS LADIES SKI WORLD CUP** (two downhill and one SuperG), which took place on **February 19th, 20th and 21st 2016**.



RELAX AND TASTE AN ALL-ROUND EXPERIENCE

The white of the snow, the spectacular surrounding mountain sights frame the wellness and relaxing moments. Whether your choice is one of the numerous restaurants in town, a lodge up on the heights, a café dehor, or one of the wellness areas in a hotel or maybe on the really close Pré-Saint-Didier thermal resort, eyes, heart and soul will be gratified with wellness and gusto. La Thuile opens the doors of taste to a wide and various culinary selection. DOP products, such as fontina and toma chees, lard, boudin, Jambon de Bosses, game, blackberries, apples and honey triumph in the regional cuisine, in every typical restaurant settled up on the peaks and in town. And for a dessert in La Thuile, elected as Chocolate City, the “Food of Gods” cannot be missed: temptations for your eyes, sense of smell and palate.

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A WELCOMING MOUNTAIN

Being gems of traditional Alpine elegance, the reception facilities in La Thuile shine bright in the valley, in a romantic atmosphere, able to give you unforgettable memories. La Thuile, indeed, saves for every tourist a warm welcome, being able to satisfy any budget and vacation need, with its 26 hotels, ranging from the chambres d'hotes to a unique five stars hotel, also with the possibility of a tourist residence, with a total amount of more than 2.000 bed places. In La Thuile there is also an equipped camping and a camper area with more than 80 pitches, with a 24 hours video surveillance, which are ideal to enjoy the nature silence and calm.

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YOUR VACATION IN A PACKAGE

Perfect for planning your vacation with a small price, the "Formula Libertà" packages offered by the La Thuile Tourist Operators Consortium are solutions which provide the possibility to enjoy 7 nights in 3 or 4 stars hotels, with a B&B or half room and board service, including in the price (per person and in double room) also 6 daily Skipass to access the international ski area Espace San Bernardo. On www.lathuille.it it is possible to find all the promotional solutions offered.

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LA THUILE IDENTITY CARD

HOW TO REACH LA THUILE

La Thuile is easy to reach from the greatest Italian cities and, through the Mont Blanc tunnel, also from France. From June to October the Colle Piccolo San Bernardo represents an access to the France territory, while, during the winter the area remains closed to the traffic in order to be used for the ski activity.

By car

La Thuile is less than 1 hour far from Chamonix (France), 1 hour and 30 minutes from Geneva (Switzerland) through Mont Blanc Tunnel, 1 hour and 40 minutes from Turin, 2 hours from Milan, 3 from Genoa.

By train

The closest train station is Aosta, linked with La Thuile by a coach service.

By bus

Buses from and to Milan, Turin, Courmayeur, Chamonix and every other locations of the Aosta Valley.

Bus and minibus rent

Airport Transfers La Thuile - Sanlorenzo Gabriele
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Airports close to La Thuile

Torino Caselle • Milano Malpensa • Bergamo Orio al Serio • Genoa • Geneve

Touristic transport (plane, helicopter)

Pellissier Helicopter www.pellissierhelicopter.com

Name of the inhabitants: Tchuiliens
Nr of inhabitants: 791
Surface: 126,13 Km²
Height: 1441 mslm
Patronal Festival: San Nicola, 9th May





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