

# The area



View from the terraces of the chalets on the Dents du Midi at sunset

**Troistorrents** is a little village in the peaceful valley known as Val d'Illeiez, one of the first valleys beyond Lake Geneva, easily reachable within a 20 minute drive.

All mountain and water sports are close by and there are many choices for winter and summer activities. Well signposted hiking trails pass just behind the houses. Many overnight lodges are available on the hiking routes. Regular hikers know that the most colourful and quietest period in the mountains is autumn.

The main winter attraction is of course downhill and cross country skiing which are renowned in this area. From the house you can reach four major ski resorts within a 15 minute drive. These are part of the Portes du Soleil, the largest linked ski area in the world. You can even ski off piste back to the house, weather permitting. Villars, Verbier and its glacier, Gstaad, Crans-Montana etc. are within reach for an alternative day's skiing.

The area also offers cultural highlights in many towns like Montreux, Martigny, Lausanne and Geneva. Thermal baths are available in several nearby places.

## Distances from the chalets:

The nearest ski resort (Morgins)	7 min (6 km)
Thermal baths (Val d'Illeiez)	5 min (4 km)
Bakery/grocery store/next village/next restaurants (Troistorrents)	5 min (4 km)
Doctor/pharmacy/post office/police (Troistorrents)	5 min (4 km)
Rural mountain railway stop (Troistorrents)	5 min (4 km)
Large supermarket in Switzerland (Monthey)	15 min (10 km)
Large supermarket in France (La Chapelle)	15 min (10 km)
Discotheque (Morgins)	7 min (6 km)
French Border	7 min (7 km)
Lake of Geneva (boats, sailing, water skiing, aqua park...) (Bouveret)	20 min (20 km)
Golf (Aigle/Montreux)	15 min (15 km)
The next hiking track	0 min (0 km)
Swimming pool/tennis/bungee-jumping/skating ring (Champéry)	10 min (8 km)
Next local airport (grass strip in Bex)	15 min (15 km)
Highway	15 min (12 km)
Montreux/Martigny	25 min (20 km)
Geneva	1 h 30 min (100 km)

## Sports you can do in the area (this list is not exhaustive):

Sports	Season	Hyperlinks for more information
Downhill Skiing, Snowboarding, Squale (Morgins)	December-April	<a href="http://www.myswitzerland.com">http://www.myswitzerland.com</a>
Cross Country Skiing (Morgins, ...)	December-April	<a href="http://www.matterhornstate.com">http://www.matterhornstate.com</a>
Touring Ski (All over the area, from the house)	November-May	<a href="http://www.mychablais.ch">http://www.mychablais.ch</a>
Ice Skating (Champéry)	All year	<a href="http://www.portesdusoleil.com">http://www.portesdusoleil.com</a>
Snow-Shoe hiking (All over the area, from the house)	November-May	<a href="http://www.morgins.ch">http://www.morgins.ch</a>
Hiking (All over the area, from the house, Dents du Midi)	April-November	<a href="http://www.valdilliez.ch">http://www.valdilliez.ch</a>
Mountain Climbing (Barme, Plaine Dranse, St. Triphon, Cornettes de Bise)	All Year (also indoors)	<a href="http://www.champéry.ch">http://www.champéry.ch</a>
Swimming (Champéry, ....)	All Year	<a href="http://www.bouveret.ch">http://www.bouveret.ch</a>
Thermal Baths (Val d'Illeiez, Lavey)	All Year	

Horse Riding (Morgins, ...)	All Year	
Cycling	All Year	
Mountain Bike (All over the area, from the house)	April-November	
Sailing (Bouveret, ...)	All Year	<a href="http://www.chablais-grimpe.com">http://www.chablais-grimpe.com</a>
Windsurfing (Bouveret, Vernayaz)	May-October	<a href="http://www.cmc-aigle.ch">http://www.cmc-aigle.ch</a>
Water Skiing (Bouveret)	June-October	
Diving (Lake of Geneva)	All Year	<a href="http://www.gouille.ch">http://www.gouille.ch</a> ,
Roller Blades (Lowland, 32 Km along the river Rhone)	March-November	<a href="http://www.montreuxgolf.com">http://www.montreuxgolf.com</a>
Tennis (Morgins, ...)	All Year (also indoors)	<a href="http://www.golf-villars.ch">http://www.golf-villars.ch</a>
Parasailing, Hang Gliding (Champoussin, ...)	All Year	
Golf (Aigle, ...)	All Year	
Cannoning	June-August	
Caving	All Year	

Leisure Centres, Exhibitions, Festivals and other Attractions nearby (this list is not exhaustive):

<b>Leisure centres and other attractions</b>	<b>Activities</b>	<b>Hyperlinks for more information</b>
Thermal Baths (Val d'Illiez, Lavey)	Inside and outside pools (in Lavey also sauna, jacuzzi, hammam, massages)	<a href="http://www.lavey-les-bains.ch">http://www.lavey-les-bains.ch</a> <a href="http://www.thermes-parc.com">http://www.thermes-parc.com</a>
Aquaparc (Bouveret)	Pools, slides, 30° celsius, fun	<a href="http://www.aquaparc.ch">http://www.aquaparc.ch</a>
Swiss Vapeur Parc (Bouveret)	Large miniature train system. Great for children	<a href="http://www.swissvapeur.ch">http://www.swissvapeur.ch</a>
Labyrinthe Aventure (Evionnaz)	The largest labyrinth of Switzerland, fun and education	<a href="http://www.labyrinthes.ch">http://www.labyrinthes.ch</a>
Salt Mines (Bex)	Visit of hundreds of years old salt mines, fun for children and interesting for adults	<a href="http://www.mines.ch">http://www.mines.ch</a>
Fun Planet (Villeneuve)	Go-kart circuits, discotheque, billiard room, games room ...	<a href="http://www.funplanet.ch">http://www.funplanet.ch</a>
Underground Lake (St. Léonard)	A great boat ride on Europe's largest underground lake	<a href="http://www.lac-souterrain.com">http://www.lac-souterrain.com</a>
Gorges du Trient (Vernayaz)	A walk in spectacular gorges	<a href="http://www.vernayaz.ch/tourisme">http://www.vernayaz.ch/tourisme</a>
Grotte aux Fées (St. Maurice)	Spectacular cave	<a href="http://www.grotteauxfees.ch">http://www.grotteauxfees.ch</a>

Trésor de l'Abbaye de St. Maurice (St. Maurice)	A treasure dating back to Roman times	<a href="http://www.saint-maurice.ch">http://www.saint-maurice.ch</a>
Fondation Giannada (Martigny) Fondation l'Hermitage (Lausanne)	Great art exhibitions all year round	<a href="http://www.gianadda.ch">http://www.gianadda.ch</a> <a href="http://www.fondation-hermitage.ch">http://www.fondation-hermitage.ch</a>
Casino of Montreux Casino of Evian	Famous gambling Casinos	<a href="http://www.casinodemontreux.ch">http://www.casinodemontreux.ch</a> <a href="http://www.casino-evian.com">http://www.casino-evian.com</a>
Montreux Jazz Festival (Montreux)	The legendary jazz festival takes place in July	<a href="http://www.montreuxjazz.com">http://www.montreuxjazz.com</a>
Festival Tibor Varga (Sion) Festival de musique classique Montreux-Vevey	Unique festivals of classical and lyrical music. Summer and fall	<a href="http://www.concours-violon.ch">http://www.concours-violon.ch</a> <a href="http://www.septmus.ch">http://www.septmus.ch</a>