

# Nearby Hiking Tours

## Tour 1:

**Departure:** from the Chalets

**Map:** 1304 Val d'Illiez of the Swiss Office for Topography

**Waypoints:** the Chalets, Crie d'en Bas, Val-d'Illiez, Bains de Val-d'Illiez, Stade de Foot, Chiesey, the Chalets

**Effort:** approx. 400 vertical meters, distance approx. 5 km, scheduled time approx. 2 1/2 hours

**Specificity:** very wild area crossing the torrent below Crie d'en Bas

**Level of Difficulty:** easy tour, ideal for acclimatizing

## Tour 2:

**Departure:** from the Chalets

**Map:** 1304 Val d'Illiez of the Swiss Office for Topography

**Waypoints:** the Chalets, les Prés, les Saves, le Jorat, Séchau, Délifrête, Forêt des Mérennes, Lavy, Crie d'en Bas, the Chalets

**Effort:** approx. 450 vertical meters, distance approx. 8 km, scheduled time approx. 3 1/2 hours

**Specificity:** very pretty swamp area between Jorat and Délifrête

**Level of Difficulty:** easy tour, ideal for acclimatizing

## Tour 3:

**Departure:** from the Chalets

**Map:** 1304 Val d'Illiez of the Swiss Office for Topography

**Waypoints:** the Chalets, les Prés, les Saves, Bossat, Savolaire, Plan des Mériaux, Morgins, La Cergnat, le Bois, the Chalets

**Effort:** approx. 600 vertical meters, distance approx. 8 km, scheduled time approx. 4 hours

**Specificity:** Savolaire is a particularly beautiful high pasture. A longer stop right on the top nearby a little sanctuary is an absolute must.

**Level of Difficulty:** easy tour, ideal for acclimatizing

#### **Tour 4:**

**Departure:** from the Chalets

**Map:** 1304 Val d'Illiez of the Swiss Office for Topography

**Waypoints:** the Chalets, les Prés, le Bois, Pont du Rière, Pia de Sex, Champérene, Chanso, Pointe de Bellevue, Culet, Forêt des Ecottis, le Sépa, Morgins, la Cergnat, le Bois, les Prés, the Chalets

**Effort:** approx. 1000 vertical meters, distance approx. 12 km, scheduled time approx. 6 1/2 hours

**Specificity:** breathe taking views from the Pointe de Bellevue

**Level of Difficulty:** slightly more engaged tour, requires good physical fitness

#### **Tour 5:**

**Departure:** from Champéry, below the garage at the end of Champéry

**Map:** 1304 Val d'Illiez of the Swiss Office for Topography

**Waypoints:** Champéry, Galerie Défago, les Rives, les Planchamps, Champéry

**Effort:** approx. 200 vertical meters, distance approx. 2,5 km, scheduled time approx. 1 1/4 hours

**Specificity:** the Galerie Défago is a path partially excavated into the vertical rock

**Level of Difficulty:** easy walking accessible to all ages and levels of physical fitness

#### **Tour 6:**

**Departure:** from Champéry, Grand Paradis

**Map:** 1304 Val d'Illiez of the Swiss Office for Topography

**Waypoints :** Grand Paradis (Champéry), Forêt de la Lui, Roc Coupés, Rossétan, Bonavau, Signal de Bonavau, Sous la Dent, Barne, Grand Paradis

**Effort:** approx. 500 vertical meters, distance approx. 8 km, scheduled time approx. 3 hours 40 minutes

**Specificity:** a beautiful and physically not very demanding tour

**Level of Difficulty:** medium

### **Tour 7:**

**Departure:** from Champéry, Grand Paradis

**Map:** 1304 Val d'Illiez of the Swiss Office for Topography

**Waypoints :** Grand Paradis, Forêt de la Lui, Roc Coupés, Rossétan, Metecou, Lacs d'Antème, Tinderray, Sex Bornay, below Signal de Soi, below Dent de Valère, Valerette, Chindonne

**Effort:** approx. 1250 vertical meters, distance approx. 18 km, scheduled time approx. 7 hours 40 minutes

**Specificity:** beautiful tour through an amazing countryside. The points of departure and arrival are quite distant which makes the planning a little more complicated

**Add on:** a little further up from Signal the Soi is a very beautiful mountain lake, the lac de Soi.

**Suggestion:** some parts of this big hike can be worked out in more modest, independent tours (Lacs d'Antème, Signal de Soi, Lac de Soi, Dent de Valère, Dent de Valerette)

**Level of Difficulty:** tiring and long but very beautiful hike

### **Tour 8:**

**Departure:** la Chappelle d'Abondance, Chalets de Cheyenne's, France

**Map:** 1284 Monthey of the Swiss Office for Topography

**Waypoints:** Chalets de Cheyenne's, Chalets de la Château, east of Pas de la Bosse, summit of Cornettes de Bise, Sex de la Calle, Col de Verne, Chalets Toper, Chalets de Chevennes

**Alternative Route:** from the summit descend a valley further north towards the Lake of Taney

**Effort:** approx. 1150 vertical meters, distance approx. 5 km, scheduled time approx. 5 hours 10 minutes

**Specificity:** breathtaking views from the summit on the lake of Geneva, the French and the Swiss Prealps, the Mont Blanc massif and the high Alps of Bern and Valais. You will further see herds of half tame mountain goats.

**Level of Difficulty:** difficult tour

### **Tour 9:**

**Departure:** Fontaine (on the way between Vacheresse und chalets de Bise), France

**Map:** 3528 ET Top 25 IGN (French National Institute for Geography)

**Route:** Fontaine, le Bouaz, Darbon, Col de la Case d'Oche, Lac de la Case, Chalets d'Oche, Col de Rebollion, summit of Dent d'Oche , Lac de la Case, les Portes d'Oche, Lac de Darbon, col de Floray, just below the summit of Pointe de Bénévent, le Bouaz, Fontaine

**Effort:** approx. 1700 vertical meters, distance approx. 9 km, scheduled time approx. 8 hours

**Specificity:** hike containing a great variety of country sides, passes and lakes. The summit of the Dent d'Oche offers great views. Many wild animals can be seen all along the way, especially mountain goats

**Level of Difficulty:** difficult but very rewarding tour

### **Tour 10:**

**Departure:** Châtel, Linga, shortly before the col de Bassachaux, France

**Map:** 3528 ET Top 25 IGN (French National Institute for Geography)

**Waypoints:** shortly before the Col de Bassachaux, les Grand Plans, Chalets de Lens, Refuge des Linderets, Chalets d'Ardens, Ardens, Lac de Tavaneuse, Col de Tavaneuse, Chalets de Lens, Lac de Montrion, le Choseau, la Barme, les Roulainnes, Col de Bassachaux

**Effort:** approx. 1500 vertical meters, distance approx. 14 km, scheduled time approx. 8 1/2 hours

**Specificity:** tour with a great variety of beautiful country sides. The tour is mainly taking place in the midst of erosion shaped Sandstone Mountains

**Level of Difficulty:** difficult but very rewarding tour