

PISTE GUIDE

Verbier 4 vallées



Discover the Mountain: Your Piste Guide to Verbier

Verbier is a mountain of contrasts. Bold and untamed in places, wide and welcoming in others. Whether you're linking your first turns on gentle blues or carving down steep black runs above the clouds, there's a rhythm to be found here for every skier.

This guide is your companion to Verbier's marked pistes. It offers a curated overview of the terrain across **Verbier**, **Savoieyres**, and **Bruson**, along with the resort's renowned yellow itineraries for those seeking something wilder within the lift-served domain.

Wherever your skis take you, our team is here to shape your perfect day on the mountain. From instructor-led sessions and guided laps to expert advice on where to go next, we'll help you make the most of every turn. Let the piste unfold.

VERBIER PISTE GUIDE

Main Access: Médran Gondola (central Verbier)

Terrain: Blue to Black

Blue Runs (Beginner Intermediate)

Verbier's blue runs are mainly concentrated in the La Chaux and Ruinettes areas. These runs are wide, open, and sun-exposed, ideal for confident beginners and relaxed intermediates. Expect long, sweeping descents with excellent grooming and stunning views – particularly in the La Chaux bowl. Blues here are perfect for building confidence before progressing to steeper reds.

Red Runs (Intermediate)

Verbier's red runs offer an exciting mix of terrain: wide, rolling pistes, steeper pitches, and long descents with panoramic alpine views. Many are located between Attelas, Ruinettes, and Médran, making them perfect for fast-paced, flowy laps.

For a higher-altitude challenge, take the Jumbo cable car from La Chaux up to Col des Gentianes and enjoy the long red run back down toward La Chaux – a favourite among confident intermediates for its length, snow quality, and scenery.

Black Runs (Advanced)

Black pistes in Verbier are steep, long, and often ungroomed – especially the legendary Mont Fort descent. While some are groomed occasionally, many remain challenging with moguls and changing snow. They require solid technique and confidence. These runs are not suitable for timid skiers, but offer exhilarating descents for those up to the task.

Key Lifts for Pistes

Médran Gondolas – Main access

La Chaux Express / Funispace – For blues and reds at altitude

Jumbo Cable Car – For access to Mont Fort black

Mayentzet Chair – Red piste access

Attelas Chair – Red + black run entry

Lac 1 & Lac 2 – Access out of Lac Des Vaux



VERBIER Yellow ITINERARIES

Verbier's itinerary routes offer the thrill of freeride terrain within the controlled ski area. Marked on the map with yellow lines, these runs are not groomed, often steep and variable, but are avalanche-controlled by ski patrol. They provide a "backcountry feel" with the added security of being inside the resort boundaries – ideal for expert skiers who want raw terrain without needing a guide.

Mont Gelé Itinerary-Only Summit

Access: Small cable car from Attelas

Descent: No groomed pistes, only yellow-marked routes

Difficulty: Expert only

Conditions: Steep, rocky, narrow in places, always variable

Main lines: There are two official freeride itineraries: you can either opt for the Grande Journée route, which goes down the east face towards Tortin, or ski down the south face, which leads to La Chaux and the Mont-Fort hut.

Vibe: Big-mountain freeride – raw, iconic, intimidating

Note: Itineraries change based on snow; always check status before entry

Overview:

Mont Gelé is Verbier's freeride icon. A summit served by lift but entirely composed of unpisted, yellow-marked runs. It offers steep couloirs, cliff bands, and serious vertical, with options ranging from gnarly chutes to wide powder bowls. With no groomed piste exits, every descent demands strong technique, route-finding skills, and confident legs. Best skied early in the day, when snow is stable and light is good.

Clambin Itinerary Route

Access: From Attelas or the Fontanets area

Descent: Down through the forest toward the Clambin hamlet

Difficulty: Advanced

Conditions: Tree-lined, narrow in places, variable snowpack

Vibe: Hidden and natural – a classic "locals' line" through quiet terrain

Exit: Links back to Verbier base via piste or road connection

Overview:

The Clambin itinerary is a lower-altitude yellow route that offers a different flavor of freeriding. Unlike the wide alpine bowls of Col des Mines or Mont Gelé, Clambin snakes through forest and meadows, delivering a more playful, natural descent with rustic charm. It's especially good on snowy days when visibility is low higher up. Snow can be heavier due to elevation, but on the right

Vallon d'Arbi

Access: From the bottom of the Lac des Vaux piste (left-hand side)

Descent: Long valley run through open alpine terrain and forests to La Tzoumaz

Difficulty: Advanced

Conditions: Ungroomed, avalanche-controlled, varied terrain

Vibe: Remote, wild, and deeply immersive

Exit: Returns via La Tzoumaz gondola

Overview:

Vallon d'Arbi is Verbier's signature itinerary – vast, scenic, and untamed. The descent flows through cliffs, trees, and untouched valleys, offering a true backcountry feel. Best skied in good conditions with stamina and awareness.

Col des Mines

Access: From Attelas or the Fontanets area

Descent: North-facing alpine bowl

Difficulty: Advanced

Conditions: Wide, open, wind-affected in places

Vibe: Spacious and playful after snowfall

Exit: Rejoins piste above Carrefour

Overview:

A local favourite on powder days, Col des Mines offers wide freeride terrain with space to roam. It's avalanche-controlled but ungroomed. Best enjoyed when fresh snow and visibility align.



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Main Access: Savoleyres Gondola (above Patier)

Terrain: Mostly Blue with some Red

Best for: Quiet, cruisy skiing; long scenic blues

Savoleyres is Verbier's most relaxed sector, with wide blue runs, tree-lined pistes, and sweeping alpine views. Quieter than central Verbier, it's perfect for families and cruisers. The new TMX 10/6 lift now connects Savoleyres directly to Verbier, making access smoother and faster. A hidden gem, newly unlocked.

Blue Runs

This is one of the best zones in Verbier for blue-run skiing. On the Verbier-facing side, expect sunny, gentle pistes – perfect for progression in a peaceful environment. On the La Tzoumaz side, blues are tree-lined, quieter, and slightly cooler, making them ideal for sheltered skiing and calm cruising. Great for families, improvers, and those who prefer space and flow over speed.

Red Runs

There are a few red runs scattered throughout Savoleyres and La Tzoumaz. These are not especially steep or technical, but they add a little more challenge than the blues. They're great for building confidence before tackling Verbier's central reds. Conditions here tend to be softer due to fewer skiers and good grooming.

Key Lifts for Pistes

Savoleyres Gondola – Primary access

Les Etablons Chairlift – Local uplift for blues

Taillay T-bar – Connects back to mid-station



BRUSON PISTE GUIDE

Access:

Take the Le Châble Verbier gondola, and transfer to the Bruson gondola

Bruson lies just across the valley from Verbier, easily reached via gondola from Le Châble. Its quiet, tree-lined, north-facing slopes offer excellent powder retention and visibility on storm days. With red and black runs, uncrowded lifts, and a back-to-basics feel, it's a favourite for confident skiers seeking calm.

Blue Runs

Bruson has very few blue runs, mainly serving as connectors or warm-up areas near the Moay lift. These are short, mellow, and tree-lined. Good for transitions but not a destination for beginners.

Red Runs

Red pistes make up the core of Bruson's offering. These runs are flowy, quiet, and set through forest, often with excellent snow. Perfect for confident intermediates who want long, uninterrupted skiing away from the crowds. Ideal for mileage, rhythm, and refining technique in peace.

Black Runs

Bruson's black pistes are steep, technical, and natural-feeling, often with tight fall lines and changing pitch. They're groomed but retain a wild, old-school character. Expect solitude and a serious descent – great for seasoned skiers looking for a quieter challenge away from Verbier's busy blacks.



