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SUMMER
EMOTIONS



SKIING NO LONGER HAS SEASONS



Between Breuil-Cervinia and Valtournenche, the concept of a mid-season is now a thing of the past. Snow lovers can enjoy the highest slopes of the Cervino Ski Paradise area every day, where the ski season will continue uninterrupted until September 7, 2025. Following the positive feedback from last year, the renowned resort is once again keeping its slopes and lifts open. From October to September, eleven months on the snow—from the lower elevations up to where conditions allow, and all the way to the over 3,000 meters of the Plateau Rosa, the Swiss glacier also accessible from the Italian side, ensuring snow even in the height of summer.

Breuil-Cervinia's tourist offerings have significantly expanded with the inauguration of the new Matterhorn Glacier Paradise cable car, which has been in operation for two years. This lift connects Testa Grigia to the Klein Matterhorn (Little Matterhorn), further shortening the distance to Zermatt, the famous Swiss resort that, together with Breuil-Cervinia, shares the majestic Matterhorn—an iconic mountain for climbers worldwide.

The Matterhorn Alpine Crossing project represents a true revolution in experiencing the mountains in all their facets. It is designed not only for skiers and snowboarders but also for those who have never been on a cable car and want to experience high-altitude mountain landscapes for the first time. This international link allows for a true Alpine crossing aboard elegant and modern cabins that glide over the glacier between Italy and Switzerland. A breathtaking and memorable journey, perfect to remember and share, culminating with the arrival at the Klein Matterhorn, at an altitude of over 3,800 meters.

All information:

<https://www.cervinia.it/en/matterhorn-alpine-crossing>



SPORT
AND ADRENALINE



SKIING EVEN IN SUMMER ON PLATEAU ROSA



In the Matterhorn Ski Paradise area, it is therefore possible to ski even in the hottest season, on winter snow, thanks to the high altitude at which the entire ski area unfolds. There are 25 kilometers of pistes on the Swiss glacier, which can be reached by ski lift from Breuil-Cervinia in just over 30 minutes.

Exposure and altitude are two trump cards of prime importance at this time of year. And it is precisely because of its characteristics and the quality of the slopes, even at the height of summer, that the ice is repeatedly chosen by numerous regional and national teams when they are refining their preparation for the winter season. It is quite common to see the great names of Alpine skiing at close quarters, working alongside skiers who are just looking to have fun at high altitudes without being pestered by a stopwatch. For snowboarders there is a true paradise, the "Snowpark Zermatt", renowned as being the largest in a glacier area.

SUMMER SNOW CAMP

Don't worry, for summer skiing we have an 'all inclusive' solution. It is the Summer Snow Camp, complete with a full customised programme, from accommodation to attendance at the ski, snowboard or freestyle school. It starts from a minimum of three days to a maximum of six, with packages that include hotel, ski pass, three hours of lessons per day and a ski deposit at Plateau Rosa

NOT ONLY SUMMER SKIING AT ALTITUDE



From the arrival terrace of the Cime Bianche Laghi - Plateau Rosa cable car, you can admire all the four-thousand-meter peaks of the Aosta Valley up close, from the Matterhorn to Mont Blanc, from Gran Paradiso to Monte Rosa, and on to the Swiss peaks of Valais and Monviso in Piedmont.

Continuing your journey and taking advantage of the Matterhorn Alpine Crossing, you can reach the Ice Grotto (located at the arrival of the new international connection) and have a look at some very impressive sculptures. It is open every day, passing through a 50-meter tunnel that will take you to a depth of 15 meters. There is a charge for admission and visiting hours follow the operating times of the 'Trockener Steg - Matterhorn Glacier Paradise' cable car.

CLIMBING THE MATTERHORN



The Matterhorn, also known as the Gran Becca, is without doubt the mountain that everyone dreams of climbing. The Matterhorn guides propose an excursion a little out of the ordinary, with admission of course only to trained mountaineers. Departure from Breuil-Cervinia around midday and overnight stay at altitude at the Carrel refuge (3,836 metres). The next day, wake up at four o'clock and, following the Carrel route, walk the last stretch of the ascent that leads to the summit of the Matterhorn, at an altitude of 4,478 meters, where the famous Cross is located. After the inevitable ritual photos, we return to Breuil-Cervinia and the Guides House for the classic toast and delivery of the membership certificate for the "Friends of the Matterhorn Club", an exclusive club only open to those who have reached the top of the mountain.

BREITHORN: BAPTISM OF THE FOUR-THOUSANDERS



A trip to the Breithorn, a four-thousand-meter peak that often serves as a "baptism", begins from Plateau Rosa or the Klein Matterhorn. Neophytes taking their first steps in mountaineering and dreaming of their first ascent can venture onto the slopes of the Breithorn, accompanied by a mountain guide. There are no major difficulties, but it is always better to exercise caution in the high mountains. From the border area, a three-hour walk takes you to the summit, with an all-round view of the Monte Rosa glacier and the Matterhorn.

TOUR DU CERVIN AND MOUNTAIN MUSEUM

The iconic Tour du Cervin trek, an eight-day walking tour around the Matterhorn, also starts from Plateau Rosa. If you do not ski and do not have mountaineering ambitions, a visit to Plateau Rosa's interactive museum 'A Mountain of Work', adjacent to the cable car arrival station, might be just the thing. You will find photos and vintage tools used to construct the lifts, from the 1930s to the present day. There is also a 'wind rose' on the terrace to help you identify all the most important mountains in the Aosta Valley and Canton Valais (Switzerland).

BREUIL-CERVINIA AND VALTOURNENCHE SPORT, RELAXATION AND FUN BEYOND THE SNOW



The two resorts lie nestled at the foot of the Matterhorn, the most photographed mountain in the world with its instantly recognizable silhouette, a natural pyramid of rock and snow rising into the sky. Breuil-Cervinia is a tiny village that tourism has occupied over the years until it has become increasingly international. While in winter it is snow sports that prevail, in summer the area is transformed into a true paradise for trekkers and mountain bikers, as well as being the cradle of mountaineering.

Valtournenche, by contrast, is an agglomeration of small hamlets, each with its own history, stretching from the banks of Lake Maen to the tip of the Matterhorn. While skiing in all its forms is the favorite activity here in winter, summer offers a wide variety of trails suitable for everyone, as well as the possibility of reliving a slice of the mountain life of yesteryear through glimpses of the agricultural world made available to visitors.

In the entire Matterhorn valley (which also includes Chamois, the pearl of the Alps and only reachable by cable car, and Torgnon, a beautiful village very suitable for family holidays), it is possible to practice a variety of mountain sports or choose to relax in the many wellness centers and taste typical local specialties.

MOUNTAIN BIKE: CYCLING AMONG THE PEAKS



The Matterhorn Bike Park is located amidst greenery that is reflected in the perennial glaciers of Plateau Rosa; it offers multiple trails for bikers. A special lift ticket has been devised allowing you to take advantage of the more than 100 kilometers of downhill tracks. Parabolics, footbridges and exciting wall rides, created by the Matterhorn 'bike patrols'. Having grown significantly in recent years, it is an irresistible destination for mountain bikers from all over the world. Its trails offer endless descents (one of them starting on the glacier) with record-breaking distances and negative gradients. One highlight is the renovated 'Rock&Wood Trail', which runs for about 1 kilometer in one of the most impressive wooded areas of Breuil-Cervinia. With an average gradient of 16.6%, it can be considered the most challenging trail in the Matterhorn Bike Park. It is 30% made of wooden footbridges and is reached after a descent of about 3000 meters on the Cime Bianche Laghi trail 2. Bikes and ebikes can be rented from the shops in Breuil-Cervinia and Valtournenche.

Torgnon, on the other hand, offers 16 kilometers of the Tour des Alpapes and more than 50 kilometers of other routes to be discovered, immersed in nature and suitable for everyone, including families with the Family Bike route accessible by the Collet chairlift, which allows mountain bikes to be transported.

Adrenaline lovers can plunge headlong down the 4.5 kilometers of the Torgnon Easy Downhill course, which starts at the 2,250 meters of the chairlift arrival point and drops down to the 1,850 meters of the Chantorné basin. The track has an average gradient of 6.40%, with peaks of 17%.

CERVINO GOLF CLUB: THE HIGHEST GREEN IN ITALY



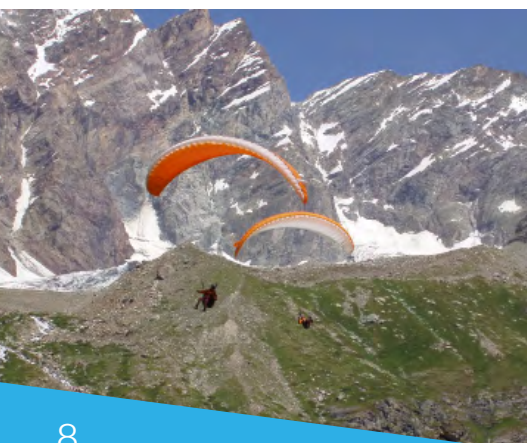
At the foot of the Matterhorn, surrounded by a unique panorama, one summer attraction is the Cervino Golf Club and the highest 18-hole course in Italy. It is a Par 69 of 5,300 meters running alongside the River Marmore, starting from the center of Breuil-Cervinia. The driving range has 15 tees, some of which are covered, putting greens and bunkers.

During the season, which runs from the beginning of June to the beginning of September, weekly golf clinics are organized, where golfers of all levels and ages can improve their technique with lessons from the top professionals. The affiliated golf hotels guarantee a high standard of quality and offer their guests a 30% discount on green fees. There is a selection of 3, 4 and 5-star premises, all located close to the course (www.golfcervino.it).

For those who wish to discover golf or get closer to this fascinating sport, promotional lessons are scheduled in collaboration with the Cervino Golf Club. These sessions are specifically designed for guests and visitors of Breuil-Cervinia and Valtournenche, at a symbolic cost of €10 per person. Each lesson is open to a minimum of 4 and a maximum of 8 participants, ensuring a personalized and engaging experience.

The golf course, set in a truly unique landscape, hosts numerous competitions at all levels. Among the most anticipated events of the summer is the National Under-14 Championship, which will bring young talents from all over Italy to the green. The event will take place from July 7 to 12 and returns after a one-year break. In the area of the Valtournenche sports center, a quarter of an hour's drive from Breuil-Cervinia, you can also have fun challenging your friends to a round of mini-golf on a 9-hole outdoor course, the last of which is the famous "Cervino Ride".

PARAGLIDING: SOARING THROUGH THE SKY



Flying 'nel blu dipinto di blu', as the famous song by Domenico Modugno goes. How to do it? By paragliding, of course, with tandem flights and qualified instructors. Seen from above, the Matterhorn valley will enchant you even more. A unique experience, to be tried at least once.

SWIMMING POOL: A SWIM IN VALTOURNENCHE



Valtournenche's municipal swimming pool is located in the sports center in Piazza Carrel. The pool is 25 metres long, 10 meters wide and has five lanes. The depth varies from 120 to 180 centimeters and is suitable for swimmers. The pool has an incomparable view, and there are also qualified instructors on hand to give you swimming lessons. Given all its facilities, its quiet location and the type of pool, Valtournenche has been chosen several times by the Italian national swimming team to refine their training in the open air and prepare for major international events.

There is also a wellness area in the building, with a sauna and Turkish bath, more suitable for those who wish to rest from the exertions of other sports. In summer, it is also possible to use the panoramic terrace for sunbathing and chilling out.

HORSE-RIDING: RIDES IN THE SADDLE TOO



Riding in the midst of nature, with a view of the Matterhorn assured: the experience is guaranteed. The Cavalieri del Cervino riding school, in the area of the Alpage restaurant in the Blue Lake area of Breuil-Cervinia, organizes rides, basic lessons for beginners and pony rides for children, as well as pony games and treasure hunts. In Valtournenche, at the La Pera Doussa farm in the locality of Loz, there are hiking trips and individual or group lessons, also for children.

TENNIS: KNOCKING UP AND PLAYING MATCHES AT 2,000 METRES



Playing tennis in August, at an altitude of 2,000 meters, is a great way to work out and a perfect opportunity for enjoying the resort and being in the open air. In Breuil-Cervinia, the synthetic grass courts are located in the Planet area, at the beginning of the road leading from the village to the Chapel of the Alpini and the Oriondé refuge. Reservations can be made at the Tourism Office and it is also possible to play at night. In Valtournenche, the synthetic grass court at the sports center is located a stone's throw from the square. There are some clay courts in Maen, just below the village of Valtournenche. Individual and group lessons are available.

NORDIC WALKING: HIGH INTENSITY ACTIVITIES



In summer, basic or itinerant Nordic walking lessons are organized by appointment. This is a dynamic walk using special poles that actively involves 90% of the body's musculature, consuming more calories than normal walking. It is easy to practice in any season and place, inexpensive, healthy and great fun.

TREKKING
IN THE VALTOURNENCHE
BETWEEN WALKS,
CLIMBS
AND VIA FERRATA



VIA FERRATA: ADRENALINE IN SAFETY



There are three Via ferratas in the Matterhorn valley, to be explored and climbed in complete safety, accompanied by the Matterhorn Guides. They are recommended for trained hikers who want to experience the thrill of their first fixed rope climbs.

Gorbeillon

Only 15 minutes on foot from the center of Valtournenche and clearly visible from the panoramic terrace of the famous 'piazzetta delle Guide' (in front of the parish church), the 'Ferrata del Gorbeillon' is an excellent training ground for mountaineers and an ideal gym for beginners. Thrilling emotions in complete safety, while admiring the natural setting of the magnificent mountains around it.

Vofrède

From the 'Baia delle Foche' lake in Breuil-Cervinia, walk up the Vofrède valley to the base of the glacier of the same name (1 hour 30 minutes' walk). From here, the via ferrata begins on the rocky spur to the right and leads to the Colle di Vofrède (1 hour 30 minutes of easy climbing). You walk through the heart of the Grandes Murailles, with a view of the Matterhorn from a unique angle.

Furggen Ride

We start at the Teodulo Pass and follow the entire watershed ridge of the Italian-Swiss border (in the direction of the Matterhorn), until it reaches the old Furggen cable car station. The walk takes about 3 hours, is of medium difficulty and mountaineering equipment with harness, ropes and crampons is required. You can also choose to continue towards the Oriondé refuge or descend to the Plan Maison station and from there reach the center of Breuil-Cervinia. The via ferrata is also practicable in winter.

TREKKING TRAILS FOR ALL ABILITIES



Trails for all tastes and levels, both in Breuil-Cervinia and Valtournenche, with the possibility of reducing walking time thanks to the ski lifts, a solution that also saves you some energy.

BLUE LAKE

Things nearly always start from the famous Blue Lake (half an hour's walk from Breuil-Cervinia), where the flat walking surface presents no problems. For those with stamina and good legs, two hours are all you need to reach Valtournenche from Alpe Manda to Salette (2,245 meters, at the arrival of the Valtournenche cable car). You will come across grazing cows and magnificent views of the Grandes Murailles. The trail follows a section of the Gra Balconata, one of the most popular treks in the entire Aosta Valley.

LAKE GOILLET

Again starting out from Breuil-Cervinia and ascending to the 2,500 meters of Plan Maison (also reachable by lift, on the Cervinia-Plateau Rosa cableway), there are several walks, such as the one to the Lake Goillet dam (2,516 meters, time 40 minutes: indicated on the trail map with no. 18). From here, you can continue to the Colle Superiore delle Cime Bianche, which can also be reached from Breuil-Cervinia along the legendary Ventina ski slope, with the Matterhorn and Grandes Murailles always in the background.

ORIONDÉ REFUGE

Staying at Plan Maison, the trip to the Oriondé refuge (www.rifugiorionde.it) is well worth while. It is located at 2,802 meters, just below the south face of the Matterhorn, and can be reached along trail no. 3, with a walking time of about one and a half hours and a medium-easy difficulty level. The refuge, also called Duca degli Abruzzi and today completely renovated with excellent catering, is the starting point for climbing the Matterhorn from the Italian side. It can also be reached from Breuil-Cervinia by following an easy dirt road (signpost no. 13). Along the way, it is worth stopping for a few moments at the Church of the Alpini, built in memory of the fallen of the Monte Cervino Alpine Battalion.

TREKKING SENTIERI PER TUTTE LE ABILITÀ



TEODULO REFUGE

Another must it's a hike and a gastronomic stop-off at the Teodulo refuge (www.rifugioteodulo.it; 3,316 meters), the watershed between Valtournenche and Switzerland. It is reached by ascending the route of the Plan Maison, Fornet and Bontadini chairlifts (trail no. 15, about 3 hours from Plan Maison). From the refuge, it is possible to observe the Plateau Rosa glacier and the Valais mountains, as well as the Matterhorn, of course.

GUIDE HUT

Still on the subject of refuges, this is the Plateau Rosa refuge, known as the Rifugio delle Guide (www.rifugioguidedelcervino.com), right at the arrival point of the cable car and highly convenient for those who want to reach it without effort. Hikers can follow the Ventina or Bontadini trails. The terrace offers a superb view over the great four-thousand-meter peaks of the Aosta Valley. Adjacent to the refuge is Europe's highest museum, "Una Montagna di Lavoro" (A Mountain of Work), dedicated to the construction of the installations in the Breuil basin.

BOBBA BIVOUAC

The Bobba bivouac (2,769 meters) is another historic Valtournenche destination, accessible from Breuil-Cervinia. The itinerary is challenging, especially in the final stretch along the southern slope of the Grandes Murailles, to right below Punta Budden. The trail starts near the golf course and football pitch and is marked on the map with no. 11 (walking time: 2 hours). The return to the village can be made along trail no. 10, in the direction of Alpe Bayettes and Avouil village, continuing then along Regional Road no. 46 (Chatillon - Cervinia).

TREKKING SENTIERI PER TUTTE LE ABILITÀ



MID-SLOPE TREKKING

In the midst of nature, just a stone's throw from the town center. In Valtournenche, the hamlets of Perrères and Liortère are linked by a flat nature trail (also for the disabled) with signposts highlighting and narrating the fauna and nature present in the area. From Valtournenche, there are several walks accessible to all hikers.

From the village to Lake Lod (trail no. 15), you will find flowers of every color. From the hamlet of Crepin, it takes 45 minutes to reach the Gouffre des Busserailles (1,727 meters), with its famous gorge and waterfalls, where it is also possible to sample local cuisine in the distinctive restaurant. From the picturesque village of Cretaz (one of the most beautiful in Valtournenche), a trail of medium difficulty overhanging the valley takes the hiker, in about two hours, to the village of Chamois (1,815 meters), which in winter can only be reached by cable car. Cretaz-Cheneil (2,088 meters) is another destination not to be missed; it takes just under two hours to reach this typical village, which also opens the way to Promindoz (1,840 meters), following a path through a forest of larches.

JEAN-ANTOINE CARREL TRAIL

This nature trail is dedicated to Jean-Antoine Carrel, the first mountaineer to reach the summit of the Matterhorn from the Italian side. It was on 17 July 1865, only three days after the Englishman Whymper had accomplished the feat from the Swiss ridge. The trail was inaugurated in 2015 to mark the 150th anniversary of the conquest of the Matterhorn. The 'Votornen' - inhabitants of Valtournenche - on the occasion of the celebrations in memory of their fellow-citizen, wanted to name an itinerary after their illustrious compatriot that starts and finishes at Perrères (a few kilometers from Breuil-Cervinia and Valtournenche at 1,850 meters). The itinerary then continues from the Oriondé refuge (2,808 meters), below the Matterhorn, reaches Plan Maison and from here (2,500 meters) extends to the Goillet dam before descending again towards Cervinia-Valtournenche, as far as the votive chapel of St Anne Notre Dame de la Garde, where John Paul II stopped to pray in 2000. After reaching the chapel, the trail dedicated to Carrel leads hikers to the Alpeggio Manda Inferiore, ending in a dense larch forest at Perrères. Thirty kilometers of a varied trail offering several paths back to the valley, can also be walked in sections. The entire walk takes about 10 hours.

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ST. ANNA'S TRAIL

This is one of the most beautiful walks in the area. On foot, you reach the green pastures of 'Tramal Damaeun', at the 2,390 metres of Alpe Promindoz, where you will find the small votive chapel of 'Sant'Anna Notre Dame De La Garde' or 'Chapelle Du Pape', where Pope John Paul II stopped to pray during his holiday in the Aosta Valley. To get there, follow trail no. 18 from Perrères, which retraces the old tracks once used to reach the alpine pastures from Valtournenche (an easy 2-hour walk, also suitable for children). You can also reach the chapel by taking the Valtournenche-Salette gondola and from there take trails 107 and 65 (J.A. Carrel). From the Cielo Alto area of Breuil-Cervinia, trail 17 can be reached from the old bobsleigh track, which joins trail 18 at Perrères in a non-challenging one-hour walk.

THE ABBÉ GORRET TRAIL

(PATH 63)

The Abbé Gorret trail takes you on an itinerary that winds round the Motta di Plété, following ancient paths once used by shepherds. The route sets out from the 2,320 meters of the Cleva de la Seya pasture and climbs to the western Motta di Plété on the south side of the mountain; its summit, located in the center of the Matterhorn valley at an altitude of 2,840 meters, is reached by crossing gorges of rare beauty. Its broad summit is flat and its location offers a 360-degree view: the Matterhorn to the north, the Grandes Murailles and the Punta Cian to the west, the valley floor to the south with the Tersiva and the Gran Paradiso in the background, and to the east the Becca d'Aran, the Roisette and the gentle slopes of the Gobba di Rollin. It feels like you are suspended in nothingness. Spreading your arms and running through fields of edelweiss you seem to embrace the whole world in a place that reminds you better than any other of the strength and compassion of Abbé Gorret. A small house built by a descendant of the Abbé, gives a touch of spirituality and magic to the scene. The descent on the north side, among rocks and scree, is a challenge. Having reached the grassy slopes again at the legendary Table de Gargantuà (a huge slab of stone where the giant would take a snack), we head towards the wild valley on the left that gradually widens and leads us back to Cleva de la Seya.

TREKKING SENTIERI PER TUTTE LE ABILITÀ



CARREL CROSS

Situated at 2,920 meters, above the Oriondé refuge, the Cross is dedicated to Jean-Antoine Carrel and was erected on the very spot where the great mountaineer died (25 August 1890) on his return from the Matterhorn, but not before saving his client, the musician Leone Sinigaglia, from a storm. The arrival point is right under the rocks of the Matterhorn, and it is actually from this spot that mountaineers start their ascent along the Italian route. From the village, the walk up to the Carrel Cross is not demanding and does not require any particular mountaineering skills: either walk along the carriage road that leads up to the Oriondé (2-hour walk) or ascend along trail 13, which shortens the walk by about half-an-hour. From the refuge, it takes another good half-hour to reach the Cross (still trail 13): the last stretch is on stone and it is best to proceed with care. From the Cross, the view sweeps over the south face of the Matterhorn to the Grandes Murailles and over much of Valtournenche.

GRAN BALCONATA DEL CERVINO

The Grand Balcony of the Matterhorn is an easy walk through stupendous scenery, crowned by the most spectacular pyramid in the Alps, the Matterhorn. Moving from refuge to refuge, you visit Valtournenche's picturesque villages one after the other, with the possibility of stopping every evening to find out more about the local scene. The route (about 70 kilometers) faithfully follows Interval Trail No. 107: it starts from Antey-Saint-André and returns to it via a circular route that passes through the most beautiful places in Valtournenche: La Magdeleine, Chamois, Cheneil, Breuil-Cervinia, Cignana and Torgnon.

THE CHENEIL BASIN

A few kilometres from Breuil-Cervinia and Valtournenche, the Cheneil basin (which can only be reached on foot or by a lift) welcomes visitors to a timeless natural setting, where nature is front and center. This is where the Grand Balcony of the Matterhorn passes, a panoramic trail that can be followed as far as Breuil-Cervinia or in the opposite direction towards Chamois, as far as Lake Lod. The tiny village which, however, still offers a restaurant and hotel, is a prime example of mountain architecture from centuries gone by. The lift is open 24 hours a day and is free of charge. It starts from the hamlet of La Barma (where there is ample parking space for cars) and leads into Cheneil. However, the walk remains unique and memorable.





CULTURE,
TRADITION
AND GOOD FOOD



THE HIGHEST ALPINE PASTURES OF THE AOSTA VALLEY



These start at 2,000 meters and continue to the 3,000 meters of the Ventina glacier, all the way to the slopes of the Matterhorn. All this speaks to the uniqueness of these alpine pasturelands, whose cheese production (particularly the Aosta Valley's celebrated Fontina) still takes place on an artisanal basis, in the mountain pastures. For guests, a trip here offers an opportunity to witness firsthand the processing of milk, Fontina and butter, as well as observe cows and goats grazing.

In honor of these animals, the Batailles des Chèvres and the Batailles des Reines are held every year in the Arena Royaume du Cervin. These horn duels are absolutely bloodless and are aimed at electing the 'queen' of the pastures. This "battle" dates back to ancient times and is part of the age-old traditions of the Aosta Valley, just like the Désarpa—the seasonal descent of the herds from the alpine pastures to the valley in the month of September. The Valtournenche Désarpa is considered the biggest in the entire Aosta Valley in terms of the number of cattle involved.

UNCOVER THE AOSTA VALLEY'S HISTORY AT THESE MUSEUMS



In Valtournenche, a museum just waiting to be discovered. Located in an old rascard (traditional stone building) that has been fully restored, the aim of the permanent exhibition of the Maison de l'Alpage is to provide an overview of the alpine pastures, analyzing various aspects: entrepreneurship, modernity, multi-functionality, knowledge, the pastoral culture created over time, the eco-sustainable aspect of the Aosta Valley system. At Plateau Rosa, near the arrival point of the cable car, stands the 'Una Montagna di Lavoro' (A Mountain of Work) museum, dedicated to the installations constructed in the Breuil basin from the 1930s onwards.

WORLD'S HIGHEST BIG BENCH



Valtournenche is home to the highest 'Big Bench' in the world: the gigantic bench number 168 has been placed on the Motta di Pleté, at an altitude of 2,860 meters, from which there is a spectacular all-round view of Valtournenche, the Grandes Murailles and the Matterhorn. The initiative is part of the Big Bench Community Project (<https://bigbenchcommunityproject.org/>), created by the American designer Chris Bangle to support local communities, tourism and the excellent craftsmanship of the countries where these outsized installations are located. BBCP passports are on sale for 10 euro in the tourist offices of Valtournenche and Breuil-Cervinia, which will also stamp them to certify the visit.

THE NEW MUSEUM: THE HISTORY OF THE MATTERHORN GUIDES

The Matterhorn Guides have just finished setting up an exhibition showcasing their storied past, made up of rich traditions and legendary feats. A novelty not to be missed for anyone really wanting to get to know the guides and their enduring legacy.

PICNIC AREAS, SCENT OF A BARBECUE



Snacking on the fly, immersed in nature, is a happy tradition for those who opt for an active holiday in the mountains. However, many prefer to use the organised areas where grills, barbecues and tables are available for sun-bathed snacks with friends. In Breuil-Cervinia, a stone's throw from the village (above the tunnel), the organised picnic area offers a special view of the golf course and the Matterhorn. Also in Breuil-Cervinia, in the Perrères locality, another organized picnic area offers a view of the Grandes Murailles on a plateau where the sun is a permanent fixture and the stream allows you to refresh yourself with ice-cold water. At Champlève (Valtournenche), along the road leading to the hamlet of Cheneil, lies one of the most beautiful areas in the entire valley. A summer barbecue in this corner of paradise is a must for those who choose Valtournenche and love this tradition. At Maen, on the shores of the lake, another enchanting area is protected by trees from the strong rays of the sun. Another relaxing area, destined for picnics and barbecues, is the one in Chamois, which from this year will be managed by Cervino Spa after the agreement signed with the administration of Chamois that can only be reached by cable car or on foot. In the lake area, it will be possible to reserve a table, as well as firewood.

FLAVOURS AT ALTITUDE: WINES, CHEESES AND SPECIALITIES



The Aosta Valley and Valtournenche are synonyms for delectable food and drink. After a long walk or after simply admiring the panorama, the right idea can only be a pleasant stop at one of the high altitude restaurants, ready for you to savor the local cuisine. The signature delicacies of the Aosta Valley recount, through their flavors, the story of this Alpine territory and its identity. A narrative of unique tastes, the unrepeatability of a particular geographical location, the quality of the raw materials and ancient production techniques. Not to be missed, among the many specialties of the Aosta Valley are those that have obtained 'Protected Designation of Origin' recognition: Fontina, Aosta Valley Fromadzo cheese, Jambon de Bosses cured ham and Aosta Valley Lard d'Arnad, to be paired with the finest DOC wines for an unforgettable experience.

STARRED CUISINE: THE FIRST WOMAN IN VALLE D'AOSTA



The Wood is the first starred restaurant in Valtournenche, the third in the Aosta Valley, but the first to have a female chef in the kitchen. Mixing the flavours and garnishing the dishes is Amanda Eriksson, a Swedish-born chef who offers a culinary experience based on Scandinavian specialties. The restaurant is located in the heart of Breuil-Cervinia. The restaurant is named after the place they come from, the Swedish mountains and forests, where their passion for cooking began.

The Wood is part of a rich offering of restaurants, inns, and farm stays that will delight guests with traditional dishes from the Aosta Valley as well as the great classics of Italian cuisine, renowned worldwide. A variety of venues between Breuil-Cervinia and Valtournenche, all in authentic Alpine style and ready to warmly welcome guests.

FOR OUR LITTLE GUESTS FUN GUARANTEED



There are several fun areas for children located in the hamlets of Valtournenche. In Breuil-Cervinia, the main one is located in the central area of Cretaz and stands out for its fantastic castle complete with Matterhorn flags. A few steps from the town center (above the tunnel) is another area organized as an athletics playground, also suitable for older children, given the gym-like equipment. Also in the Cretaz field area, the Kid Zone provides games, slides, bouncy castles and forts for the little ones. For older children, sunbeds can be rented.

In Valtournenche, in the heart of the hamlet of Cretaz, is the most popular of the playgrounds. But don't forget those in Clou, Champlève and Maen, the hamlets most popular with children for the extensive fields where they can play freely. The Summer Park lies at the arrival of the Valtournenche-Salette gondola. It is equipped with a 124-metre-long snowtubing slope, for descents with inflatable donuts to ensure fun for the whole family. There are also various types of inflatable games, as well as two lift carpets.



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VERTICAL CIGNANA MAY 31

The Vertical Finestra di Cignana – Chiapello-Ferraris Memorial is a trail running uphill race, scheduled this year for Saturday, May 31, 2025, in Valtournenche. The course is 5 kilometres long with a positive elevation gain of 850 meters, starting from Maën and winding up to the Finestra di Cignana, offering spectacular views of the surrounding mountains. The event is open to all mountain running enthusiasts aged 16 and older. A mini vertical race for children will also be organized.

CERVINO MATTERHORN ULTRA RACE JUNE 27 > 29

From June 27 to 29, the Cervino Matterhorn Ultra Race returns, now in its fourth edition. Participants will compete across four routes of varying difficulty, all starting and finishing in Breuil-Cervinia: the CMUR70 (70 km with 5,000 m elevation gain) for pairs, crossing a glacier; the CMUR50 (47 km with 2,900 m elevation gain); the CMUR30 (28 km with 1,800 m elevation gain); and the CMUR15 (16 km with 700 m elevation gain), perfect for those new to trail running. An event that combines sport, nature, and extraordinary scenery at the foot of the Matterhorn.

LA SETTIMANA DEL CERVINO JULY 14 > 20

An unmissable event involving both Valtournenche and Breuil-Cervinia: a whole week dedicated to the Matterhorn, blending sport, culture, and nature. Each day will feature a rich and varied program, including meetings and talks with numerous guests from the world of mountaineering. Many outdoor activities will also be available, with special promotional rates offered for the occasion.

LES SENTIERS DES VALDÔTAINS TRAIL BY UTMB JULY 19

Valtournenche will be at the heart of the new major event by UTMB. The race route of Les Sentiers des Valdôtains will pass along the spectacular balcony overlooking the majestic Matterhorn. There will be a refreshment station in the stunning area of Cheneil and a life base in the heart of Breuil-Cervinia. After reaching the Cime Bianche valley, the international race, which will attract thousands of participants, will head towards the Ayas Valley. The race starts in Aosta and finishes in the Gressoney Valley after covering 120 kilometers with 8,300 meters of elevation gain.

CERVINO CINEMOUNTAIN JULY 26 > AUGUST 2

The Cervino CineMountain is Europe's highest international mountain film festival. Created on the initiative of the Municipality of Valtournenche and curated by the Monte Cervino Cultural Association, it has been a landmark event for almost thirty years for films dedicated to the Alpine world. It brings the best of international mountain cinema to the foot of the Gran Becca and gathers climbers, writers, artists, scientists, and experts from all over the world.

E-BIKE ENDURO WORLD CUP JULY 26 - 27

The trails of the Cervino Bike Park will once again host thrilling events dedicated to the world of two wheels. On Saturday, July 27, the Enduro E-Bike World Cup will be held in Breuil-Cervinia, also counting towards the Italian Championship and the Italian Cup of the Italian Motorcycle Federation. This event will precede the traditional Ion Cup stage, a challenge for downhill, enduro, and e-bike enthusiasts scheduled for August 23-24.

CELEBRATION OF MOUNTAIN GUIDES AND SKI INSTRUCTORS AUGUST 14 - 15

The celebration of the mountain guides and ski instructors of Breuil-Cervinia is one of the most heartfelt and evocative events of the summer season. A moment to honor the local mountaineering tradition and pay tribute to those who passionately and expertly accompany guests and athletes to discover the mountains. Through ceremonies, technical demonstrations, music, and convivial moments, the event involves the entire community of Valtournenche. The celebration traditionally takes place on August 15, preceded by the “veillà” on the previous evening.

TOR100 CERVINO MONT BLANC SEPTEMBER 17

The second edition of a race that immediately captured the hearts of trail enthusiasts. A challenge included in the TorX program: 100 kilometers of adventure, with 8,000 meters of elevation gain, linking two iconic 4,000-meter peaks in a region where outdoor activities are a way of life. The race starts on Wednesday, September 17, at 9:00 PM from Breuil-Cervinia, with a maximum completion time of 40 hours, finishing at the Jardin de l’Ange in Courmayeur.

DÉZARPA OF VALTOURNENCHE SEPTEMBER 27

A must-attend event celebrating tradition with the festive descent of herds back to the valley after a summer spent in the high mountain pastures. The Dézarpa of Valtournenche is considered one of the largest in the Aosta Valley and will be accompanied by music from local folk groups. During the event, which involves the entire community and attracts many tourists and visitors each year, there will also be a local food market featuring zero-kilometer products, organized in collaboration with Coldiretti. Educational workshops for children will also be available. It will be the final event of the summer season.



GETTING
TO VALTOURNENCHE

MULTIMEDIA
AREA



TREK-BUS AND TRANSPORT

Demand-responsive transport service by reservation, dedicated to trekking enthusiasts and allowing tourists and hikers to explore itineraries in the Valtournenche, Val d'Ayas and Gressoney Valley areas. Without having to use one's own car, the holiday is even easier; an immediate, problem-free return is guaranteed for those who climb a pass from the adjacent valley.

CAR

Easy to reach. It is served by the A5 Turin-Aosta motorway. Exit at Châtillon/Saint-Vincent to continue on the regional road towards Breuil-Cervinia for 28 kilometres. Valtournenche is located 19 kilometres after Châtillon and 9 before Breuil-Cervinia.

AUTOBUS

From Châtillon there is a regular bus service to/from Breuil-Cervinia-Valtournenche.
(info and timetable: <https://aosta.arriva.it/>)

TRENO

The nearest railway station is Châtillon.
(info and timetable: www.trenitalia.it)

AIRCRAFT

Transfers are facilitated by the proximity to the international airports of Turin Caselle (118 km), Milan Malpensa (160 km), Milan Linate (180 km) and Geneva (CH).



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Summer events:

<https://www.cervinia.it/en/eventi>

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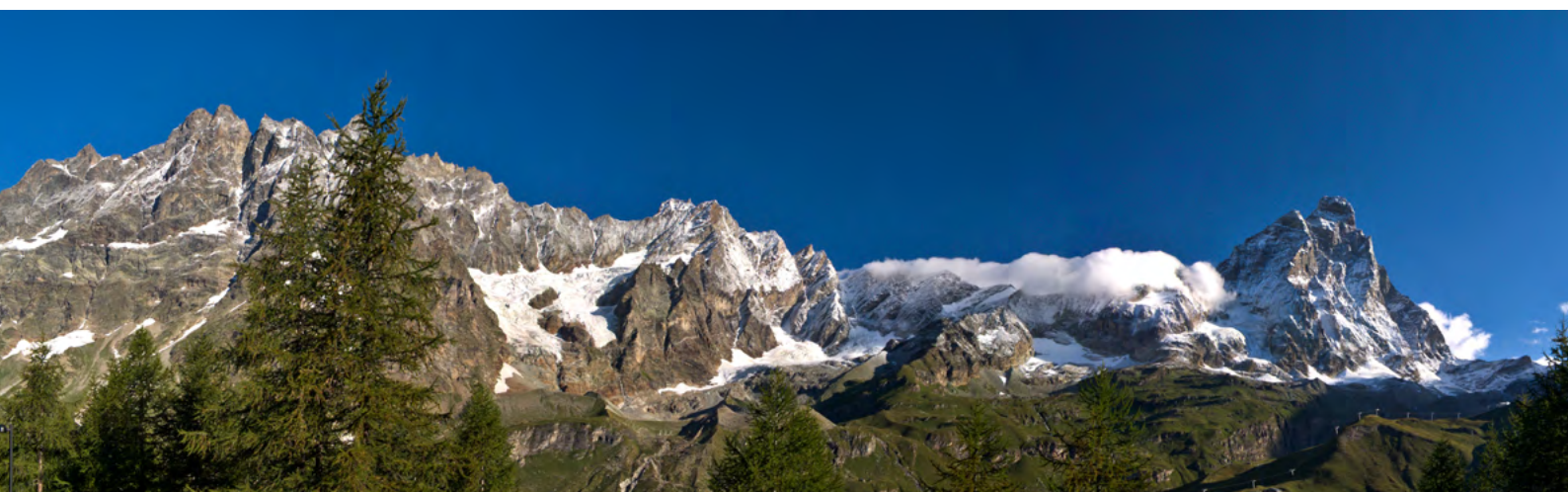
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