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# SUMMER EMOTIONS



## A DESTINATION LOOKING TO THE FUTURE



In the months when the Cervino Spa lift company celebrates its 90th anniversary, a major and forward-looking project is now taking shape. Cervino The One will redefine the face of Breuil-Cervinia and Valtournenche. It is a project that has long been conceived, studied, and envisioned, allowing intervention in areas that are currently underused or no longer meet modern standards, carrying out a profound redevelopment and offering new opportunities for growth.

It is a complex undertaking that encompasses multiple levels of innovation and aims to expand the tourism offering, particularly by modernizing the Bardoney and Plan Maison areas.

The system is set to become a new strategic infrastructure, enabling a connection between the center of Breuil-Cervinia and Plateau Rosa in just over fifteen minutes. Cervino The One places the iconic mountain - recognized worldwide - at its core, restoring the uniqueness of a project designed to represent a new standard of excellence.

The high-altitude travel experience will become an integral part of the holiday: a more comfortable, faster, and more efficient ascent will significantly reduce waiting times, turning them into added value on the slopes. The 350 kilometers of the Cervino Ski Paradise area, among the largest in the world, will become even more accessible to skiers with greater fluidity.

The new lift system will once again revolutionize the concept of seasonality, already transformed in recent years by Cervino Ski Paradise with the removal of the traditional spring closure. Cervino The One will in fact double the line to Plateau Rosa and ensure continuous operation 365 days a year.



SKIIN HAS  
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## SKIING HAS NO MORE SEASONS



Between Breuil-Cervinia and Valtournenche, the concept of the “shoulder season” has already been outdated for several years. Snow lovers can enjoy the highest slopes of the Cervino Ski Paradise area every day, where the ski season will continue uninterrupted until September 6, 2026.

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>

## 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.

## MATTERHORN ALPINE CROSSING



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.

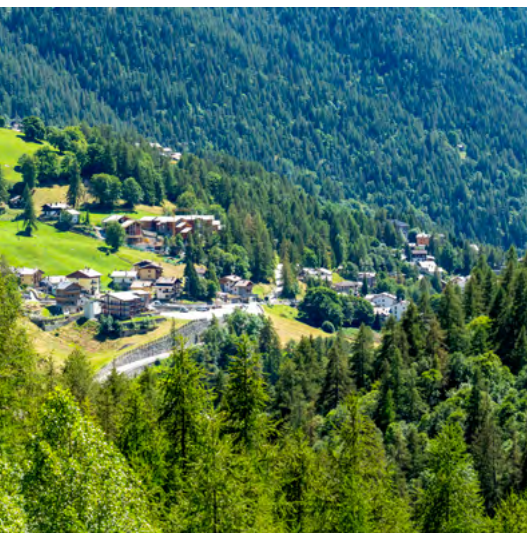
Continuing your journey and taking advantage of the Matterhorn Alpine Crossing, you can reach the Ice Grotto (located at the arrival of the new international connection) and have a look at some very impressive sculptures. It is open every day, passing through a 50-meter tunnel that will take you to a 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.

## 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

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



A valley at the foot of the Matterhorn, the most photographed mountain in the world, with its unmistakable silhouette—a natural pyramid of rock and snow rising into the sky. Breuil-Cervinia is a small village that developed through tourism and has become increasingly international over the years. In winter, snow sports take center stage, while in summer the area transforms into a true paradise for trekking and mountain biking, as well as a cradle of mountaineering.

Valtournenche, on the other hand, is a cluster of small hamlets, each with its own history, stretching from the shores of Lake Maen to the summit of the Matterhorn. Here too, skiing in all its forms is the main winter activity, while in summer the area offers a wide variety of trails suitable for all levels, along with the opportunity to experience a glimpse of traditional mountain life, thanks to a strong connection to agriculture that is open to visitors.

Throughout the entire Matterhorn valley (which also includes Chamois, a pearl of the Alps reachable only by cable car, and Torgnon, a charming village particularly suited to family holidays), visitors can enjoy a wide range of mountain sports or choose to relax in the many wellness centers and indulge in the flavours of local cuisine.

# TREKKING AND MOUNTAINEERING



## FASCINATING ASCENT OF 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).



OUTDOOR  
PARADISE



## MOUNTAIN BIKE: CYCLING AMONG THE PEAKS



Amid green pastures reflected in the perennial glaciers of Plateau Rosa, the Cervino Bike Park unfolds, offering a wide range of trails specifically designed for bikers.

A special lift pass is available, granting access to over 100 kilometers of downhill trails. Berms, wooden features, and thrilling wall rides—built by the Cervino “bike patrol”—add to the excitement. In recent years, the park has grown significantly and has become a regular destination for mountain bike enthusiasts from all over the world.

The trails of the Cervino Bike Park offer seemingly endless descents (one of which starts from the glacier), with record-breaking lengths and vertical drops. Particularly impressive is the renovated “Rock & Wood Trail,” which stretches for about 1 kilometer through one of the most beautiful forested areas of the resort. With an average gradient of 16.6%, it can be considered the most challenging trail in the bike park. Around 30% of it is built with wooden structures, and it can be reached after approximately 3,000 meters of descent along Trail 2 from Cime Bianche Laghi.

During the summer season, the first bicycle rental service directly managed by Cervino S.p.A. will be launched, in collaboration with the new technical partner THOK E-Bikes. The service will offer a fleet of 15 pedal-assist mountain bikes, aimed at expanding the destination’s outdoor offerings and promoting an accessible and sustainable experience.

Bikes can be booked quickly and easily via the website [cervinia.it](http://cervinia.it) or through the Lokki Rent platform, one of the leading rental portals, with over 5,000 registered rentals and a user base of 2.5 million.

Thanks to a fully digital system, bookings can be made directly from a smartphone in just a few steps, ensuring fast and intuitive access to the service.

Bicycle pick-up will take place in the Bardoney area, at the central ticket offices, in a strategic location just a short distance from parking facilities and the lift departure points, supporting an integrated experience between sustainable mobility and access to the mountains.

## FAMILY BIKE AND DOWNHILL IN TORGNON



In nearby Torgnon, visitors can enjoy 16 kilometers of the Tour des Alpagnes and over 50 kilometers of additional routes immersed in nature and suitable for all levels, including families, who can choose the Family Bike itinerary accessible via the Collet chairlift.

For those seeking adrenaline, there's the 4.5-kilometer Easy Downhill track in Torgnon, starting at 2,250 meters at the top of the chairlift and descending to 1,850 meters in the Chantorné basin. The route features an average gradient of 6.40%, with maximum sections reaching 17%.

## 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.

## 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](http://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.

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".

## 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 Oriond  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.

## PADEL: TRENDY SPORTS AT BREUIL-CERVINIA



The two padel courts at the Valtur Cervinia Cristallo Ski Resort are located in the splendid setting of the Matterhorn, at an altitude of around 2,000 meters. They are open from 23 June to 8 September and are accessible to players of all levels. QuickSand equipment can be rented and private lessons are available with qualified instructors. A perfect refuge to have fun, challenge yourself and create unforgettable memories with the Gran Becca looking on.



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](http://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](http://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](http://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.

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### **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 unrepeatable fruit 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.

## 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.



SPORT,  
CULTURE,  
ENTERTAINMENT  
AN EVENT  
FUL SUMMER



## CERVINO SPRINGTIME APRIL 25

For many, it might represent the end-of-season celebration, but for Cervino Ski Paradise it marks the transition from spring to summer—always with skis and snowboards on, as lifts and slopes never close.

A day of fun at over 2,000 meters in Breuil-Cervinia: jackets and pants off, skiing in swimsuits from Plan Maison to Campetto Cretaz. And right after, a DJ set and a toast to a season that never ends.

## CERVINO MATTERHORN ULTRA RACE JUNE 26 > 28

At the beginning of summer, the Cervino Matterhorn Ultra Race returns—an international trail running event that attracts athletes from over 35 countries. The sixth edition will take place from June 26 to 28, when more than 1,200 competitors will gather in the heart of the resort.

Four routes of varying difficulty are planned, all starting and finishing in Breuil-Cervinia:

- CMUR70 (70 km with 5,000 m elevation gain), run in pairs and across glaciers
- CMUR50 (47 km with 2,900 m elevation gain)
- CMUR30 (28 km with 1,800 m elevation gain)
- CMUR15 (16 km with 700 m elevation gain)

## E-BIKE ENDURO WORLD CUP FMI JULY 10 > 12

The Cervino Bike Park trails once again host thrilling two-wheel events. From July 10 to 12, the Enduro E-Bike World Cup will take place—also valid for the Italian Championship and the Italian Cup of the Italian Motorcycling Federation.

This event precedes the traditional Ion Cup stage, which brings together downhill, enduro, and e-bike enthusiasts, returning on August 1–2.

**CERVINO  
WEEK  
JULY 13 > 19**

The history of the Matterhorn is rich in charm and fascinating stories. Each year, Valtournenche and Breuil-Cervinia dedicate a week of events to celebrate the “Gran Becca.” A varied program of talks, meetings, and discussions related to the mountain world, featuring numerous guests. Visitors will also have the chance to try many outdoor activities, with special rates offered specifically for Cervino Week.

**LES SENTIERS  
DES VALDÔTAINS  
MONTEROSA  
WALSERWAEG  
BY UTMB  
JULY 17-18**

Valtournenche will take center stage in this major UTMB event, now in its second edition. The race route will pass along the spectacular balcony overlooking the majestic Matterhorn.

Refreshment point in the beautiful Cheneil area, with a life base in the heart of Breuil-Cervinia. Then, after reaching the Cime Bianche valley, the international race—attracting thousands of competitors—will head toward Val d’Ayas.

The race starts in Aosta and finishes in Gressoney, covering 120 kilometers with an elevation gain of 8,300 meters.

**CERVINO  
CINEMOUNTAIN  
JULY 25 > AUGUST 1**

Cervino CineMountain is the highest international mountain film festival in Europe. Founded by the Municipality of Valtournenche and curated by the Monte Cervino Cultural Association, it has been a benchmark for alpine cinema for nearly thirty years.

It brings to the foot of the Matterhorn the best international film productions dedicated to mountain themes, gathering climbers, writers, artists, scientists, and experts from around the world.

**CERVINO SPA:  
90 YEARS OF HISTORY  
AUGUST 2**

The 50th edition will take place between Valtournenche, Maën, and Breuil-Cervinia.

This traveling event is an opportunity to celebrate the return home and holiday period of Val d'Aosta emigrants and their descendants. This annual summer gathering brings together locals and those coming from abroad—a perfect occasion to discuss current affairs, share memories, and take part in convivial, socio-cultural, and folkloric initiatives, as well as to engage with local and regional representatives.

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**ALPINE GUIDES  
AND SKI INSTRUCTORS  
FESTIVAL  
AUGUST 14-15**

The festival of alpine guides and ski instructors of Breuil-Cervinia is one of the most heartfelt and evocative events of the summer season.

A celebration honoring local mountaineering tradition and paying tribute to those who, with passion and expertise, guide guests and athletes in discovering the mountains. Ceremonies, technical demonstrations, music, and social moments involve the entire Valtournenche community.

The celebration takes place on Ferragosto, preceded the evening before by the traditional *veillà*.

**TOR100  
CERVINO  
MONT BLANC  
SEPTEMBER 16**

Third edition of the race included in the TorX program. One hundred kilometers of adventure with 8,000 meters of elevation gain, connecting two 4,000-meter peaks where outdoor activities thrive.

The race starts on Wednesday, September 16 at 9:00 PM from Breuil-Cervinia and finishes within a maximum of 40 hours at Jardin de l'Ange in Courmayeur.

**DÉZARPA  
OF VALTOURNENCHE  
SEPTEMBER 26**

An unmissable traditional event marking the festive descent of herds back to the valley after spending the summer months in high-altitude pastures.

The Valtournenche dézarpa is one of the largest in the Aosta Valley and is accompanied by music from local folkloric groups. The event includes a farmers' market featuring locally sourced products, organized in collaboration with Coldiretti, as well as educational workshops for children. It marks the final event of the summer season.



# GETTING TO VALTOURNENCHE

## MULTIMEDIA AREA



## ELECTRIC MOBILITY: THE HIGHEST CHARGING HUB IN EUROPE

Cervino Ski Paradise has further strengthened its commitment to sustainability with the creation of the highest electric vehicle charging hub in Europe, located in Breuil-Cervinia, in the Bardoney area.

The infrastructure allows multiple vehicles to charge simultaneously, thanks to a network of fast and standard charging stations designed to meet the needs of an increasingly sustainability-oriented clientele.

Strategically positioned just steps from the central ticket offices and lift departures, the hub is a key service for those traveling by electric vehicle, ensuring convenience, accessibility, and optimized charging times.

In its first months of operation, the hub has already recorded significant usage, contributing to a tangible reduction in CO2 emissions and confirming the growing interest in electric mobility solutions even at high altitudes.

This project is part of a broader sustainable development vision promoted by Cervino S.p.A., aimed at combining innovation, environmental respect, and high-quality tourism experiences—helping position the destination at the forefront of the international Alpine scene.



## 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](http://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).



## MULTIMEDIA AREA

Summer events:

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

Photographic archive:

<https://www.archivio.acmediapress.com/-/galleries/cervino-ski-paradise>





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