



Ski and Snowboard Val d'Isere, France plus Carnival in Nice! February 10 – 21, 2023

\$3832 per person, sharing DOUBLE room

Based on north-facing room in Val d'Isere and comfort room in Nice (single rooms available)

Please join S'no Joke Ski Club and Jerry Fitts on an epic European winter adventure!

Val d'Isère (www.valdisere.com) when combined with neighboring **Tignes**, is one of the world's largest ski areas. It offers 25,000 acres of skiable terrain (combine Whistler Blackcomb, Park City, Big Sky, and Vail to get a sense of its vastness!), over 6,000 feet of vertical drop, 76 lifts, 163 marked runs (13% beginner, 41% intermediate, 25% advanced, and 21% expert) plus nearly endless off-piste opportunities. The lively town sits at an altitude of 6,000 feet and receives exceptional snow coverage with a long season that runs from late November to early May. There are also miles of Nordic, snowshoeing, and walking trails. For further adventures, consider dog sledding, electric mountain biking, ice floating, moonbiking, snowmobiling, ice skating, and more. A free bus service operates to and from the slopes and around the village during the day and evenings. The **3-star Hotel La Savoyarde** (www.la-savoyarde.com) is well-located in the village just 100 yards from the nearest lifts. It features a restaurant, bar, wellness area (sauna, steam room, Jacuzzi, and fitness area), ski lockers, and free WIFI.

After our week in the Alps, we'll travel by private motor coach to the south of France to enjoy three nights in Nice (www.explorenicecotedazur.com/en/) where we will celebrate the 150th year of Nice Carnival. This is the hottest event of the Riviera winter and one of the world's largest carnivals! The **4-star Aston La Scala** (www.hotel-aston.com/en/) is in the center of town just five minutes from the beach.

Package Includes:

- Economy Class air on Lufthansa from Seattle to Geneva and from Nice to Seattle (with 1 free checked bag)
- Private motor coach transfers throughout tour
- 7 nights lodging in Val d'Isere at 3-star Hotel La Savoyarde
- 3 nights lodging in Nice at 4-star Hotel Aston La Scala
- Buffet breakfast and four-course dinner daily in Val d'Isere
- Buffet breakfast daily in Nice (boxed breakfast on departure morning)
- All local taxes in Val d'Isere and Nice
- Bus driver tips
- Airfare fuel surcharge and air taxes

Lift tickets are NOT included. Rates for 2022/23 are not yet available. A 6-day ADULT pass costs approx. \$365 – **just \$58/day!** Reductions for seniors and passes of shorter duration are available.

For more information and to reserve your spot, visit www.snojoke.org or contact:

Jerry Fitts (jerryfitts@gmail.com, 206-226-0767) or

Guido Papa, Snow Tours (guido@snowtours.com, 201-348-2244 or 800-222-1170, ext. 103)



IMPORTANT TOUR DETAILS AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS

READ THIS FIRST!!

Credit card payment is available – advertised price reflects cash/check discount. Club/vendor(s) cancellation policies apply. Trip insurance is strongly advised. Airline taxes are subject to change, and the exchange rate is not guaranteed.

DEPOSIT AND FINAL PAYMENTS

A **\$1100 per person** deposit is due at sign up and no later than **September 16, 2022**. Final payment is due by **December 9, 2022**.

COVID AND FUEL SURCHARGE INFORMATION

Since there are currently no COVID-related travel restrictions, the hotels and airlines do not have any special COVID cancellation policies. Standard cancellation policies currently apply for all situations. Lufthansa's current fuel surcharge of \$400 round-trip per person is INCLUDED in package prices. This fuel surcharge is guaranteed by Lufthansa not to increase. The motor coach company reserves the right to impose a fuel surcharge if needed. Additional transportation costs/fees must be paid by the participants.

PRICING – IMPORTANT!

Package prices are based on a minimum group size of 20 participants, Economy Class airfare on Lufthansa that includes one checked bag, and an exchange rate of USD \$1.09 = Euro 1.00. If group size is between 15 and 19 people, the package price increases by \$121 per person. Prices are subject to change due to motor coach fuel surcharge and airport tax increases, currency fluctuation, general tariff increases, or for any reason beyond the control of Snow Tours. Prices include reasonable charges for administration and planning of tour. Prices reflect a discount for cash/check payment. Visa/MasterCard/American Express rates are 4% higher than cash/check discount rates.

STANDARD CANCELLATION/REFUND POLICY

From September 16 – November 7, 2022, forfeit \$400 per person.

From November 8 – December 9, 2022, forfeit \$500 per person.

From December 10, 2022 – January 4, 2023, forfeit full land costs per person.

From January 5, 2023 – arrival, forfeit 100% of package price.

Trip cancellation and accident insurance is strongly recommended.

VAL D'ISERE ROOM PREFERENCE OPTIONS

Refer to hotel website for descriptions and sample photos of the various room types. Indicate your preference on the registration form. We are holding a limited number of each room type, so your first choice may not be available.

Double Room Options

\$3832 per person, double occupancy in NORTH-facing room (2 twin beds or 1 king bed)

\$4062 per person, double occupancy in SOUTH-facing room in Val d'Isere (2 twin beds or 1 king bed)

Single Room Options

\$4700 per person, single occupancy in NORTH-facing room in Val d'Isere

S'NO JOKE MEMBERSHIP

If you are not a member of S'no Joke Ski Club, you are welcome to join this tour for a temporary membership fee of \$40 per person. Ask for membership details.

AIRLINE FUEL SURCHARGES AND TAXES – IMPORTANT!

The package price includes air taxes of \$168 and a fuel surcharge of \$400. Fuel surcharge is guaranteed, but air taxes are subject to change until tickets are issued.

AIR ITINERARY

Group space in Economy Class is being held for your group as follows:

10FEB	LH491	Depart Seattle	2:10 p.m.	Arrive Frankfurt	9:25 a.m. (+1)
11FEB	LH1216	Depart Frankfurt	11:55 am.	Arrive Geneva	1:00 p.m.
21FEB	LH1069	Depart Nice	7:20 a.m.	Arrive Frankfurt	8:55 a.m.
21FEB	LH490	Depart Frankfurt	10:35 a.m.	Arrive Seattle	12:20 p.m.

Flight numbers and times are subject to change. You will be advised if the airline makes any changes to this itinerary.

LAND ONLY

Deduct \$954 (airfare, fuel surcharge, and all taxes) from the package price. You are welcome to make your own air arrangements. It is your responsibility to coordinate your flight times so you can join the group transfers. There are no refunds for unused transfers.

SKI WEEK ONLY

Deduct \$430 from package price for Val d'Isere only. NOTE: There will be significant additional costs. A private taxi transfer from Val d'Isere to Geneva Airport will need to be booked at the best available price at the time. In addition, a hotel night in Geneva may be necessary, depending on flight schedule. Also, a new air reservation will need to be made with Lufthansa (round-trip), and the price may be higher than the group fare.

AIR DEVIATIONS AND EXTENSIONS

You may arrive in Europe before the group or stay longer. Contact Snow Tours for assistance. A new air reservation will be required, and there may be an airfare differential. It is your responsibility to coordinate your flight times so you can join the group transfers. There are no refunds for unused transfers.

SEAT SELECTION POLICY

Lufthansa automatically blocks seats for the group. No special requests can be made. Couples with the same last name will be seated next to each other. Couples with different last names may not be seated together. Windows, aisles, and middle seats will be randomly assigned. Snow Tours has no control over this procedure. To avoid this situation, passengers can purchase seat reservations AFTER tickets have been issued. On the transatlantic flights, approximate prices range from \$47 (rear of the plane) to \$67 (further forward) to \$132 and higher (more leg room) per flight. On the inter-European flights, approximate prices range from \$21 - \$56 per flight. To purchase seats, participants must contact Snow Tours with their preference and their credit card details. Snow Tours will then call the Lufthansa Group Desk and ask for the seats. If available, they will be assigned by the group department, and the participant's credit card will be charged immediately. If the requested seats are not available, the group department will assign the next best available seats, and the participant's credit card will be charged immediately. Seat assignment fees are non-refundable and non-changeable.

PASSPORTS, NAME ON PASSPORT, PASSPORT VALIDITY, AND VISAS - IMPORTANT

The name on your air ticket must be EXACTLY as it is on your passport. You are responsible for providing the correct information to Snow Tours no later than December 9, 2022. Once names have been submitted to the airline, and before ticketing, name changes/corrections will be permitted on an exceptional basis by the airline. Once tickets are issued, any name changes may result in an itinerary cancellation that cannot be recovered. If the name change is possible, a fee of \$350 per name change will be charged.

U.S. and Canadian citizens must travel with a valid passport. **A valid passport means that its date of expiration is SIX MONTHS OR MORE past the return date of the trip.** Visas are not required. Non-citizens should consult their consulate.

TSA PRECHECK KNOWN TRAVELER NUMBER

If you are a Nexus, PreCheck, Global Entry, or Sentri card holder, provide your 9-digit Known Traveler card number on the registration form, and Snow Tours will submit it to the airline. For information or to apply for a card, go to: <https://www.dhs.gov/comparison-chart>.

BAGGAGE – IMPORTANT!

Please consult www.lufthansa.com for complete, up-to-date baggage information. The group airfare used in this package includes one piece of checked luggage free of charge. It must weigh 50 pounds or less. **Ski or snowboard equipment – (one set of skis or one snowboard, one set of boots, poles, and helmet in maximum two bags weighing 50 pounds or less in total) may be checked for a fee of \$287 from the U.S. and the equivalent in Euro from Europe.** Baggage rules are subject to change at any time.

RENTAL EQUIPMENT

There are many rental shops in Val d'Isere. Rental prices for ski equipment will be provided. It will be less expensive to rent skis in Val d'Isere than to bring them due to high fees charged by the airline. Most skiers bring their boots and rent skis and poles. The best prices will most likely be available through advance purchase on the shop's website.

MILEAGE CREDIT

Include your mileage number on your registration form to receive credit. Group air tickets are NOT eligible for mileage upgrades.

NOT INCLUDED

Lift passes, beverages at meals, meals not specified, portage of bags at airport and hotels, and tips to hotel staff.

HELPFUL WEBSITES

Val d'Isere video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=40chiB2UB1w&t=234s>

Lift map: chrome-extension://efaidnbmnnnibpcajpcglclefindmkaj/https://www.valdisere.com/download/plan_des_pistes.pdf

TRIP PROTECTION INSURANCE

Trip cancellation and accident insurance is strongly advised. You may purchase a policy from any company you prefer. Snow Tours recommends Trawick International. This comprehensive insurance package includes the following benefits: full reimbursement of all non-refundable invoiced expenses if trip is cancelled for an approved medical reason; \$25,000 medical expense; \$500,000 medical evacuation and repatriation; \$1000 baggage loss; \$200 baggage delay, \$500 missed connection and more. Optional upgrades are available. All baggage is carried at passenger's own risk. All claims must be filed directly with the insurance company. If traveler purchases insurance within 15 days of making initial deposit (based on the date on deposit check or the date of the credit card transaction), the pre-existing conditions exclusion is waived. Visit www.snowtours.com, scroll to the bottom of the home page, and click on Travel Insurance for complete coverage details. **The premium amount currently equals 5 to 11% of total invoiced trip costs, depending on traveler's age.** Conditions and exclusions apply. Insurance should be purchased with initial deposit for full value protection. The insurance company reserves the right to change or increase prices at any time. By law, Snow Tours is not allowed to collect payment for trip insurance. For more information about the insurance product, call Trawick International at 888-301-9289.

RESPONSIBILITY

Snow Tours the operator and/or their agent, and/or the tour escort's responsibility is limited. They act only as agent for the passenger in regard to travel, whether by railroad, motor coach, private car, boat or aircraft or any other conveyances and assume no liability for injury, damage, loss, accident, delay or irregularity which may be caused either by reason or defect in any vehicle or through the acts or default of any company or persons engaged in conveying the passenger or carrying out the arrangements of the tour. **Snow Tours can accept no responsibility for loss or additional expenses due to delay or changes in schedule or other causes. Snow Tours is also not liable for any expenses that are incurred by participants due to circumstances beyond its control. For example, if weather delays or flight cancellations cause days to be lost from the trip, refunds will not be given. Any extra hotel or transfer costs must be paid by the individual.** The right is reserved to decide to accept or retain any person as a member of any tour, to make substitutions or change, or withdraw the tour in the interest of the passenger as circumstances warrant it. All rates are based on tariffs and currency exchange in effect at the time that the tour was planned and are subject to change in the event of adjustment thereafter. Baggage is carried at the owner's risk. Insurance is recommended. The issuance of tickets and vouchers will be deemed to be consent to the above conditions. Tour operator will not grant refund for the unused portion of the tour. Amenities listed for facilities are based on information supplied by the properties. Snow Tours cannot guarantee that all facilities will be available and operating. WST #600173050.

I WANT TO SKI AND SNOWBOARD IN VAL D'ISERE, FRANCE plus Nice Carnival! with JERRY FITTS and the S'NO JOKE SKI CLUB – February 10 – 21, 2023

1st participant name (all names as SHOWN ON PASSPORT) _____ Frequent flyer # (United) _____ Date of birth _____

2nd participant name (all names as SHOWN ON PASSPORT) _____ Frequent flyer # United) _____ Date of birth _____

**DOUBLE CHECK that the name you have submitted matches your passport exactly.
Once tickets are issued, name changes may not be possible, or a \$300 fee will apply.**

YES, my passport meets validity requirements for this trip: _____

Initials of participants _____

A valid passport means that its date of expiration is SIX MONTHS OR MORE past the return date of the trip.

TSA Pre-Check Known Traveler Number (if you have one) _____

Mailing address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Home phone _____ Cell/Work phone _____ E-mail _____

S'no Joke Ski Club member: YES _____ NO _____ (\$40 will be added to your invoice for temporary club membership)

Sharing room with _____ or I prefer a single room _____

Val d'Isere room preference:

____ North-facing, double occupancy (\$3832 per person package price)

____ South-facing, double occupancy (\$4062 per person package price)

____ North-facing, single occupancy (\$4700 package price)

Enclosed is a check for my/our \$1100 per person deposit for _____ persons = \$ _____ total.

Or Enclosed is my check for full payment in the amount of \$ _____ per person for _____ persons = \$ _____ total.

Or charge above payment to my credit card and add 4%. VISA _____ MasterCard _____ American Express _____

Account number _____ Expires _____ Security code _____

Signature _____



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