

Peak Retreats expands range of accommodation, introduces new resorts and celebrates award win

Award-winning French Alps specialist, Peak Retreats, has added new accommodation to its programme for winter 2023/24, as well as expanding its extensive resort list, additions include Plagne Montalbert and the hamlet of Manigod, linked to La Clusaz. Peak Retreats is also celebrating being named Best Ski Operator at the Telegraph Travel Awards 2023; retaining its title from the previous awards in 2019.

This season, Peak Retreats continues to develop the range of properties in its resorts, which includes stunning standalone selfcatered chalets on the slope side and luxury self-catered apartments with superb spa facilities, as well as an extended collection of premium properties; whilst also updating its resort programme and adding great resorts in ski areas already well known to its clients and team. Peak Retreats also continues to develop its rail options with a new route for those looking to take the train to the Alps

"New additions to our programme in popular resorts such as Méribel and Flaine means more choice for our clients. We're excited to add new resorts that we've had our eye on for a while too, the addition of hidden gem Manigod and the excellent value Plagne Montalbert, furthers our standing as **the** French Alps specialist with a comprehensive range of world-class resorts, hidden gems, and snow-sure ski villages." – Alison Willis, General Manager

<u>Manigod</u> : A great choice for beginners and families, Peak Retreats has added Manigod to its programme this season. In the Aravis Valley with links to La Clusaz, this resort is a friendly authentic village situated between 1460m and 1780m. With great access via road, air and rail and a superb 209km of skiing, Manigod fits well into Peak Retreats' repertoire. Opening for December 2023, <u>Hameau de l'Ours</u> is a 4* luxury residence with facilities including indoor heated pool, hot tub, and sauna.

<u>Plagne Montalbert</u> : A new resort to the Peak Retreats programme is Plagne Montalbert, located at 1350m in the massive high altitude La Plagne ski area, and consisting of traditional mountain style buildings made of wood and stone. The village centre is car-free and has a family-friendly atmosphere. Brand new in 2023, <u>Snoroc</u> is a ski-in/ski-out residence with shops, bars, and restaurants accessible on foot within 5 minutes. Facilities include indoor heated pool with counter-current swimming area, separate teens and kids aquatic areas, sauna, steam room, hot tub, and fitness room, as well as outdoor seating in clear domes, perfect for après ski.

<u>New in Val Cenis</u> : Located in a quiet area of Val Cenis, just a few minutes' walk across the river from the Vieux Moulin gondola, <u>Chalets Turra and Arcelle</u> are two stunning new chalets to the Peak Retreats programme. Facilities include shared ski room with lockers and boot warmers, private parking (with electric charging points), and private hot tubs on each chalets terrace, overlooking the river and ski area.

<u>New in Méribel</u>: Brand new for 2023, <u>Falcon Lodge</u> offers exclusive apartments and chalets in the heart of the Morel area of Méribel. This 4* luxury accommodation has facilities that include an indoor pool and wellness area, hot tub, sauna, steam room and ski room; fitting in perfectly with the Peak Retreats Premium collection of properties.

<u>New in Val d'Isère</u> : Peak Retreats is offering the brand new 4* luxury <u>Silverstone Lodge</u>. New to the <u>Peak Retreats Premium</u> collection, this residence is formed of exclusive chalet-like apartments, located directly on the Santons ski slope for perfect skiin/ski-out access. Each apartment has a selection of facilities that could include indoor heated pool, outdoor hot tub, cinema room, hammam, and sauna, as well as a private chef and a dedicated butler for all needs, including helping with ski boots and carrying skis to the slopes.

<u>New Eurostar Snow Train travel option</u>: Peak Retreats is offering the Eurostar Snow Train this winter. This new service runs on Saturdays in the early part of the season from London St Pancras to the Alps with a simple change in Lille, and a return 8-nights later. Clients can choose from a selection of hotels in resorts just a short transfer from the stations served, including <u>Méribel</u>, <u>Tignes</u> and <u>Arc 2000</u>. Alternatively, they can book a 7-night apartment stay and add an extra night in a hotel in <u>Bourg St Maurice</u> or with a stay at <u>Les Balcons de Belle Plagne</u>, a final night can be added at the sister hotel to this property. Throughout the season, Peak Retreats can offer travel by train to the Alps via Lille or Paris by Eurostar and high-speed TGV.

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Editor's notes:

Peak Retreats (<u>peakretreats.co.uk</u>; 023 9283 9310) is an award-winning French Alps specialist offering accommodation for summer and winter holidays in over 70 mountain resorts, traditional and high altitude, chosen for their charm, easy access to great skiing and superb amenities. All holidays include travel by Eurotunnel, with a free FlexiPlus upgrade, except at some school holiday weeks. Accommodation only and travel by

ferry and train can also be arranged. Peak Retreats is a member of ABTA. With a passionate UK-based team, who provide authentic personal service tailored to each customers' needs, Peak Retreats has had loyal clients since its inception in 2002.

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