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FRENCH ALPS SPECIALIST EXPANDS RAIL OFFERING WITH OVERNIGHT SLEEPER TRAIN

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Available from 18 December 2026 to 27 March 2027, skiers travel by Eurostar from London to either Paris or Brussels before boarding the overnight sleeper train and waking up in the French Alps the following morning. The service allows skiers to maximise their time in the mountains, arriving on Saturday morning and returning overnight the following weekend after a full day on the slopes.

The new rail option provides access to some of the French Alps' most popular ski destinations, where Peak Retreats features a range of accommodation options. Passengers can travel to Bourg St Maurice, Albertville, Moûtiers, Aime and Landry, providing convenient connections to resorts including Les Arcs, La Rosière, Sainte Foy, Tignes, Val d'Isère, Courchevel, Méribel, Val Thorens, Les Menuires, La Plagne and Les Saisies.

Guests can choose from a single berth 'couchette' or a private compartment for up to six people. The sleeper train features bar and restaurant facilities onboard.

For those travelling via Paris, the journey combines an evening Eurostar from London St Pancras with the overnight train from Paris Austerlitz to Bourg St Maurice. Alternatively, passengers can travel via Brussels, where the overnight service departs directly from Brussels Midi station, the same station served by Eurostar.

Alison Willis, Managing Director of Peak Retreats, said: "Sleeper trains are enjoying a real resurgence, they are part of a wider trend that makes the journey part of the holiday experience. We are excited to add this route for skiers to our range of rail options, which already includes the Eurostar Snow service and trains via Paris. There's something really special about leaving London on a Friday afternoon and waking up the next morning in the mountains, ready to start your holiday."

The addition comes as demand for rail travel to the French Alps continues to increase. Peak Retreats saw rail bookings rise by 35% year on year last season and is continuing to see growth in both bookings and enquiries this winter, reflecting growing interest from skiers seeking convenient alternatives to flying.

The overnight sleeper train can be booked as a one-way or return journey as a package with Peak Retreats' hand-picked collection of accommodation across more than 70 French Alps resorts.

SKI BY TRAIN: BOOKING INFORMATION

The overnight sleeper train operates weekly from 18 December 2026 to 27 March 2027.

For more information and to book a package with the sleeper train, visit peakretreats.co.uk

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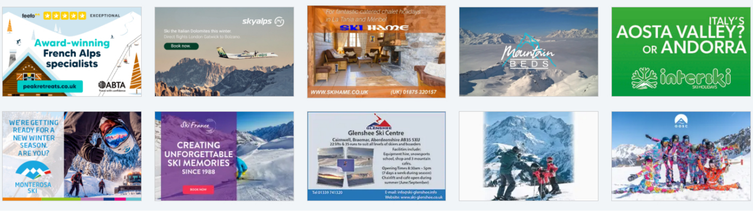

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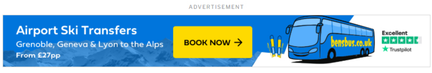

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