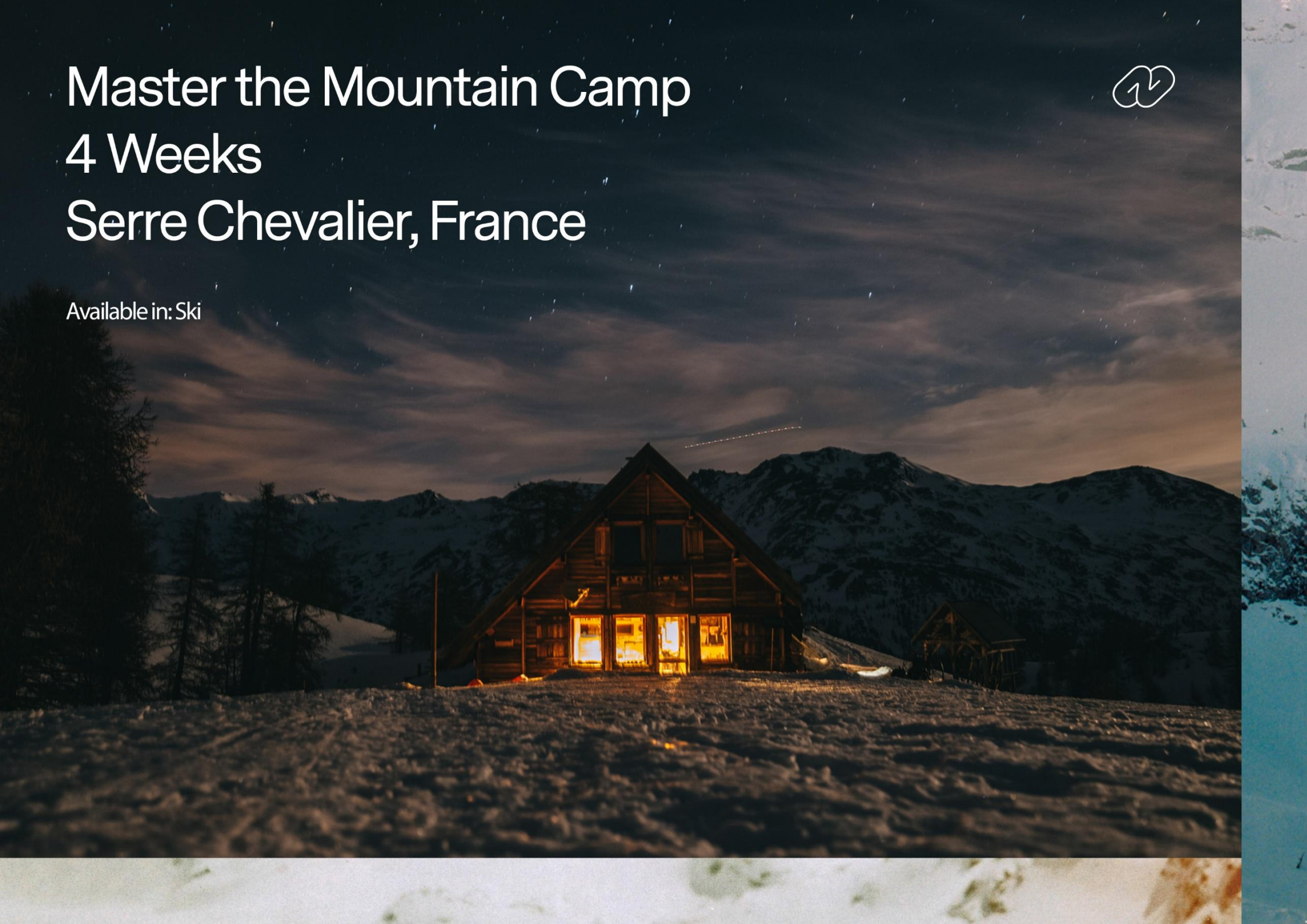


# Master the Mountain Camp

## 4 Weeks

### Serre Chevalier, France

Available in: Ski



## CAMP OVERVIEW

### Bio

This is four weeks in the Southern Alps of France, with the perfect blend of skiing, coaching, backcountry, downtime and off-grid adventure. Based in freeride paradise Serre Chevalier, this camp features all-terrain coaching, avalanche workshops and backcountry guiding to furnish you with the skills to ride uninhibited. Guided trips to nearby zones in France and Italy, including off-piste mecca La Grave, enhance the experience, culminating in a multi-day, hut-based touring adventure.

### Location

The camp is set in Serre Chevalier, one of France's most underrated freeride destinations. Known for its expansive terrain, Serre Chevalier is a playground for adventurous riders, featuring everything from challenging couloirs to some of Europe's finest tree skiing. After long days exploring the mountain, unwind in one of the charming local bars in the valley's cosy villages, where a vibrant mountain culture comes to life. With its local vibe and endless terrain options, Serre Chevalier is the ideal base for a month away.

### Goal

The goal of this camp is to enhance your all-mountain capabilities while building confidence and skill in backcountry terrain. Throughout, you'll refine your off-piste technique, master freeride manoeuvres, and gain essential knowledge on avalanche safety, backcountry touring, and decision-making. Expert coaches will guide you every step of the way, ensuring you have the skills needed to confidently explore untouched powder fields and navigate the mountains safely.

### Riders

Designed for riders eager to challenge themselves, elevate their skills, and truly immerse in alpine culture. Whether you're an intermediate venturing into the backcountry for the first time, or an expert aiming to deepen your backcountry knowledge, this camp offers the ideal environment. Popular with skiers seeking a sabbatical or an extended break, it's a chance to fully immerse in skiing and the outdoors, while connecting with like-minded people. We welcome solo travellers, groups of friends and couples, united by a love for the mountains and a shared desire to progress.

## Accommodation

You'll stay welcoming alpine chalets, superbly located in Villeneuve with calming views over the snow-covered Southern Alps, featuring large common living areas, open log fires, and spacious rooms.

You can choose between twin-share or private rooms.

Cooked breakfasts are served by the chalet team Mon-Fri, with apres tea in the afternoon and a three-course meal in the evening.

## Dates + Prices

Refer to the website Course Page for upcoming dates and prices.

## Inclusions

The camp includes all your coaching, touring and accommodation, with lift passes, airport transfers, breakfasts, evening meals, hosting and more.

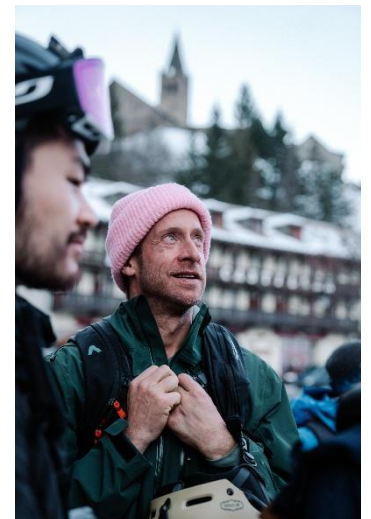
The main additional costs you need to factor in are travel, insurance and equipment.

Refer to the website Course Page for a full breakdown of inclusions.

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*Had a great time with people who share the same passion of skiing. In the first two weeks we enjoyed lots of fresh snow. Over the last two weeks the instructors found off-piste areas that were still very good to ski.*

– Martijn







## RESORT

Serre Chevalier, La Salle-les-Alpes

## Snowfall

20ft

Serre Chevalier is known for its consistently impressive snowfall, with an average of 20ft of snow each winter. The combination of local microclimates and the Mediterranean influence helps deliver a unique, light snow. With ski slopes ranging from 1,200m to 2,800m, the resort enjoys excellent snow coverage throughout the season, especially at the higher elevations. The region benefits from clear skies, sunny days and regular snowfalls, creating the perfect conditions for powder hounds.

## Ski Area

250km

Serre Chevalier offers 250km of slopes, spread across three valleys. The ski area is known for its varied terrain, with everything from steep chutes and challenging descents to wide groomers. Off-piste terrain is abundant, especially in the tree skiing areas. The vast larch forests provide exceptional tree riding, with sheltered snowfields keeping the powder fresh. With its off-piste and backcountry access, Serre Chevalier is particularly popular with those seeking varied challenge.

## Runs

80

Featuring 80 marked ski runs, Serre Chevalier provides something for everyone. The Luc Alphand Olympic Run is one of the most iconic, stretching for 9km and offering a challenging descent for advanced skiers. Other notable runs, like L'Ours, provide long and scenic descents. With a well-balanced mix of routes and 60% of the terrain rated intermediate to advanced, plus plenty of tree skiing and off-piste access, riders are able to progressively challenge themselves.

## Town

Serre Chevalier is a charming region composed of four distinct villages: Briancon, Chantemerle, Villeneuve, and Le Monetier. Each village offers its own unique atmosphere, with a laid-back vibe to boot. Briancon, a UNESCO World Heritage site, boasts a medieval feel with its a fortified town centre and picturesque streets. Chantemerle and Villeneuve serve as the main hubs for accessing the ski area, with a vibrant selection of shops, bars and restaurants, while Le Monetier is famed for its rejuvenating thermal spas, making it the perfect place for a change of pace.







## COACHING

### Sessions

#### All-Mountain

Each session features guided coaching led by a Nonstop instructor, focused on all-mountain riding, avalanche safety, or touring skills. Days off are for rest, freeriding, or exploring alternative activities. Throughout, the goal is to enhance your freeride skills and flow across varied terrain. You'll also learn essential avalanche safety techniques and the fundamentals of ski touring, with tips on ascent techniques, kick turns and transitions.

### Groups

#### By Ability

Whether off-piste newbie or a seasoned powder hound, this camp caters to a range of abilities, from advanced intermediate to expert. We organise small groups of no more than 7 riders to a coach, based on ability and attitude. This allows you to ride alongside others of a similar skill level and mindset, promoting progression and camaraderie.

### Away Days

#### Queyras / Cesana

On weekly off-piste away days, we'll explore the diverse terrains of the French and Italian Alps. We'll ski the tranquil slopes of Queyras, where you'll find untracked powder and alpine ridges in a traditional setting. We'll also head to Cesana, part of the expansive Via Lattea ski area in Italy, offering varied terrain and stunning views. With expert guidance, you'll push your freeride skills across these two beautiful regions.

### Freeride

#### La Grave

La Grave is a legendary off-piste destination known for its steep terrain and raw beauty. Led by expert guides, you'll tackle terrain accessed by the famous Telepherique des Glaciers de la Meije gondola. This day is all about pushing your limits, testing your skills, and soaking in the adrenaline of skiing in one of the most iconic off-piste areas in the world.

### Backcountry Trip

#### Refuge du Chardonnet

The grand finale: a hut trip based at the Refuge du Chardonnet, nestled in the breathtaking Mont Blanc massif. Spend your days skiing untouched powder and exploring rugged terrain, all while surrounded by awe-inspiring alpine views. In the evenings, retreat to the cosy refuge, where you can share stories, unwind, and fully immerse in the unique sense of adventure that comes with being deep in the Alps.







## A TYPICAL DAY

This is a guideline only; each day may vary with different focuses, timings, and personal choices

07:30

### Breakfast

Start your day with a hearty breakfast at the chalet, fuelling up for the adventure ahead. Once you're energised, it's time to gear up and prepare for an incredible day packed with freeride fun.

09:00

### Briefing + Morning Session

Meet your group and coach for a briefing on the day's objectives, including terrain highlights and skill focus. You'll warm up before diving into Serre Chevalier's famous bowls, trees and steeps. Your coach will provide personalised feedback to refine your technique throughout the session.

12:00

### Lunch

Enjoy a well-earned break at a mountainside restaurant and indulge in classic alpine dishes from fondue to tartiflette, all served with a side of stunning views. Whether relaxing on sun-drenched terrace or in a cosy hut, it's the perfect setting to refuel and swap stories with your fellow riders.

13:00

### Afternoon Session

In the afternoon, the focus is on solidifying the skills you worked on in the morning, as you explore Serre Chevalier's hidden zones, challenging couloirs and tree lines. Your coach will guide you through more advanced terrain, helping you push your limits and tackle new challenges.

16:00

### Après + Relax

After an action-packed day on the mountain, head to La Grotte at the foot of the slopes in Villeneuve for a lively après-ski atmosphere. If you're in the mood for a quieter end to the day, return to the chalet for apres tea and cake, relax with new friends or enjoy some downtime.

19:00

### Dinner + Socials

Enjoy a three-course group dinner freshly prepared by your chalet chefs. Afterward, join the evening social scene – find some live music or head out to a cosy bar. For a more relaxed night, unwind at the chalet, play card games and recharge for the next day.







## WHY RIDE WITH NONSTOP

### Coaching

Helping riders progress at sports they love in skiing and snowboarding is at the heart of what we do. With expert local coaches and guides, we create a supportive and social environment to ensure you're challenged, progressing, and riding the best zones on the mountain.

### Authentic Travel

Run-of-the-mill is just not our thing. We focus on authentic destinations with the perfect blend of snow, terrain and culture, adding local twists and touches of adventure to create experiences you'll remember long after your time with us.

### People

Designed for like-minded skiers and riders, you'll join a diverse group of people bound by a love of the mountains and shared desire to progress together. You're guaranteed a sociable trip, and everyone leaves with new friends.

### All You Need

Just turn up and ride – we'll take care of the rest. Our packages include all your coaching and accommodation, with lift passes, airport transfers, meals, socials, hosting and more. Less hassle, more ride time.

### Experience

When you travel with Nonstop you can have peace of mind that you are booking with a trusted and award-winning travel operator with over 20 years of expertise. You can rest easy knowing you're in expert hands.

### Responsible

We're a proud member of 1% for the Planet, dedicated to fostering positive environmental change. By donating 1% of all sales to environmental non-profits, including Protect Our Winters, we're committed to supporting meaningful initiatives that make a difference.

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