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SIXT-FER-À-CHEVAL



# Sixt-Fer-à-Cheval MAGICAL WALKS

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#### HIKING ITINERARY

-  3:00
-  348 m
-  348 m
-  Go / Return
-  Marked Route
- 

#### SIXT-FER-À-CHEVAL

Parking des Fardelay  
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## Walking itinerary: Refuge and Fonts mountain pasture

Departure: Parking des Fardelay - Altitude: 1020m - Climax: 1368m

A 3h15 loop filled with breathtaking scenery, that's what the Cirque des Grand Fonts has in store for you. Escape the crowds and let yourself be carried away by the soothing sound of the waterfalls.

NATURE OF THE GROUNDS: Stone - Ground - Not suitable for strollers

Start from the first group of chalets after the Rouget waterfall, the Fardelay chalets, where you can park your vehicle on the side of the road (limited spaces). Take the footpath that goes off to the left across the field (signpost). The path leads down to a small bridge, passes the "Tines des Fonts" gorges, then goes up through the trees, mingling with the roots of the spruces, before joining the vehicle track at Célière. This track is sometimes bordered on the left by a succession of narrow waterfalls. Cross the bridge over the Gorges des Fonts and follow the path that winds uphill - your last effort before reaching the Alpine pasture of Les Fonts! The first large chalet seen on the left is the "Nid d'Aigle" (eagle's nest) built in 1858 by Sir Alfred Wills, a British judge and mountaineer who fell in love with Sixt and the surrounding mountains. He achieved a series of "firsts" in the mountains of Sixt-Fer-à-Cheval and left quite an impact on the history of the village.

After passing the Nid d'Aigle, you'll come across the chalets and Cirque of Les Fonts. The refuge stands at the top of the track, slightly towering over the other chalets. Greeted by the refuge guardians, you'll be able to enjoy a drink or a bite to eat as you admire the beautiful scenery!



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Allow 3 1/4 hours there and back.

The return trip is via the same path.

Variant: from Nant Sec car park (Salvagny hamlet), cross the bridge and follow the wide track which heads up through the woods. Look down to your right for an unusual view of the famous Rouget waterfall. Continue straight on towards Les Fonts, ignoring the Grenairon refuge path on your left. Past Célière, you'll see the Fardelay path on your right. Continue on the wide track.



#### HIKING ITINERARY

-  2:00
-  200 m
-  200 m
-  Go / Return
-  Marked Route
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## Walking itinerary: the village of Le Mont

Departure: Gorges des Tines - Altitude: 772m - Climax: 980m

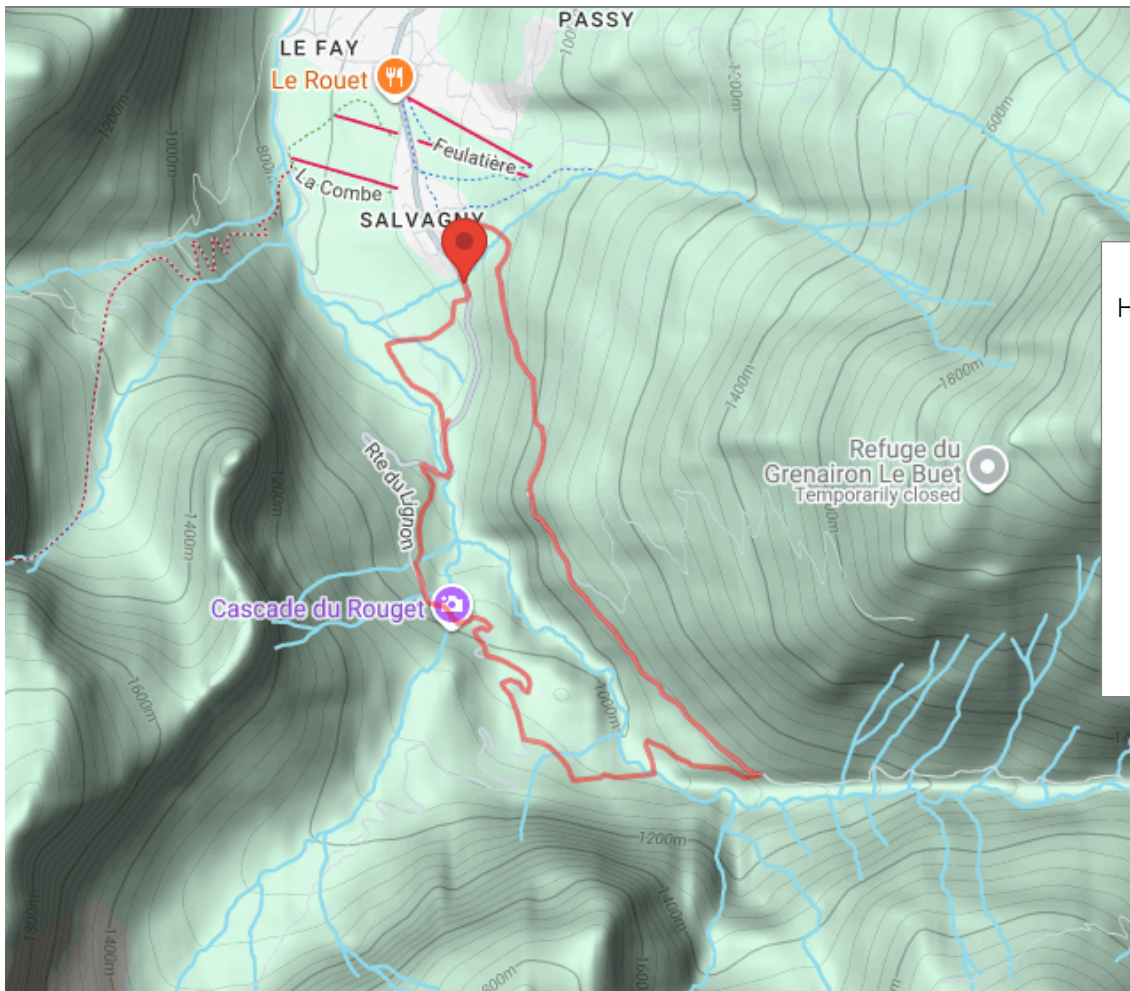
Enjoy a family walk through the forest to Le Mont, one of the most beautiful hamlets of the village of Sixt-Fer-à-Cheval. The typical Savoie-style architecture endows this hamlet with all the charm of an ancient Savoyard village.

NATURE OF THE GROUNDS: Stone - Ground - Not suitable for strollers






Starting from the Gorges des Tines car park, simply pass in front of the Gorges des Tines quarry and follow the "Le Raffour" sign on the left, following the path until you reach Le Mont.



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#### HIKING ITINERARY

-  1:15
-  139 m
-  139 m
-  Go / Return
-  Marked Route
-  

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## walking itinerary: Cascade du Rouget

Altitude: 961 m - Climax: 960m

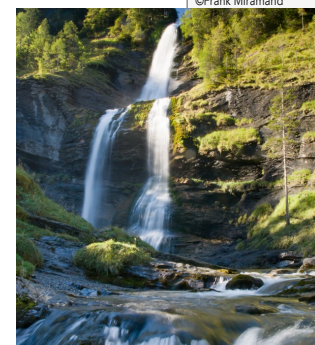
Discover the Rouget waterfall and have your efforts rewarded with this magnificent spectacle! The hike takes you to the foot of the waterfall.

NATURE OF THE GROUNDS: Stone - Ground - Grit

From the car park, head for the road, then take the dirt track immediately down to the right, below the car park. Look for the GR5 hiking itinerary and follow the panels to the Cascade du Rouget. The path leads back to the road and over the bridge across the river. Continue a little further, then after a few tens of metres, leave the road by taking the path on the left (signpost). The path climbs through the trees, crosses a small stream (bridge), then goes back up to the road. Follow the road and, in a bend, admire the Cascade du Rouget which appears quite suddenly!



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#### HIKING ITINERARY

- 1:00
- 2 km
- 180 m
- 180 m
- Loop
- Marked Route
- 

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## Walking itinerary : Les Gorges des Tines

Departure: Gorges des Tines, Les Raffourds - Altitude: 772m - Climax: 900m

TOP 25 IGN 3530ET - SAMOENS

Discover the Gorges des Tines, a natural site of Sixt-Fer-à-Cheval. An ideal walk in hot weather that will delight the whole family!

**DELICATE PASSAGES:** In wet weather, the metal ladders used for hiking can be very slippery.

**MARKING:** Departmental signposting on beige metal panels with green lettering.

**NATURE OF THE GROUNDS:** Stone - Ground - Grit - Not suitable for strollers

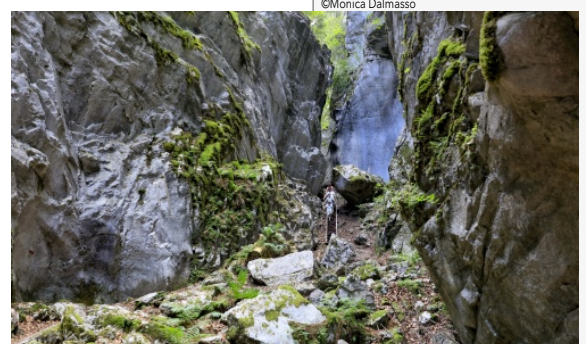
- 1/ Departure point: Les Tines parking lot
- 2/ From "Les Tines (Parking)", follow signs for "Anciennes Gorges des Tines par Bord du Giffre".
- 3/ At the "Passerelle des Tines" signpost, head towards "Anciennes Gorges des Tines". Cross the footbridge over the gorges and follow the path to the left. Continue in the direction of "Anciennes Gorges des Tines", passing the following signposts: "Bord du Giffre", "Le Béné" and "Dessus les Tines".
- 4/ At "Anciennes Gorges des Tines", follow "Les Tines (Parking) par Pelly Renadé", then return to your starting point via "Pelly Renadé".



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#### HIKING ITINERARY

-  1:00
-  45 m
-  45 m
-  Loop
-  Marked Route
-  

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## Walking itinerary : Le Frenalay

Departure: Cirque du Fer à Cheval - Altitude: 955m - Climax: 1000m

A beautiful walk in the heart of the famous Cirque du Fer à Cheval. From the foot of the mountains, admire the waterfalls and the superb panoramic views on this easy, pleasant itinerary.

NATURE OF THE GROUNDS: Suitable for all terrain strollers



From the car park, take the road towards the Frenalay chalets, then turn left onto the forest path and, at the intersection, head for the Fer à Cheval restaurant.



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#### HIKING ITINERARY

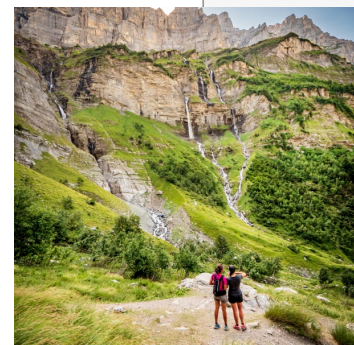
-  9:30
-  22 km
-  1485 m
-  1737 m
-  Loop
-  Marked Route
- 

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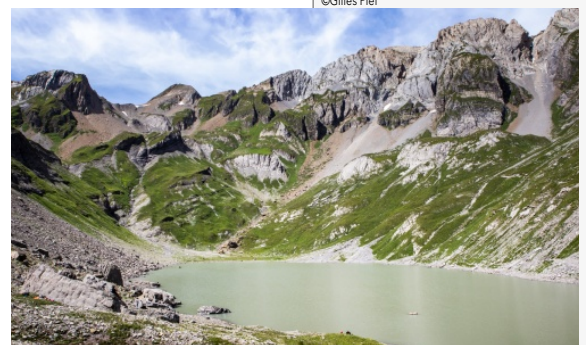
## Rando'bus Cirque du Fer-à-Cheval - Samoëns

Departure: Cirque du Fer-à-Cheval - Climax: 2284m

NATURE OF THE GROUNDS: Rock - Stone - Ground - Grit - Not suitable for strollers



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HIKING ITINERARY

-  3:00
-  4.6 km
-  270 m
-  270 m
-  Go / Return
-  Marked Route
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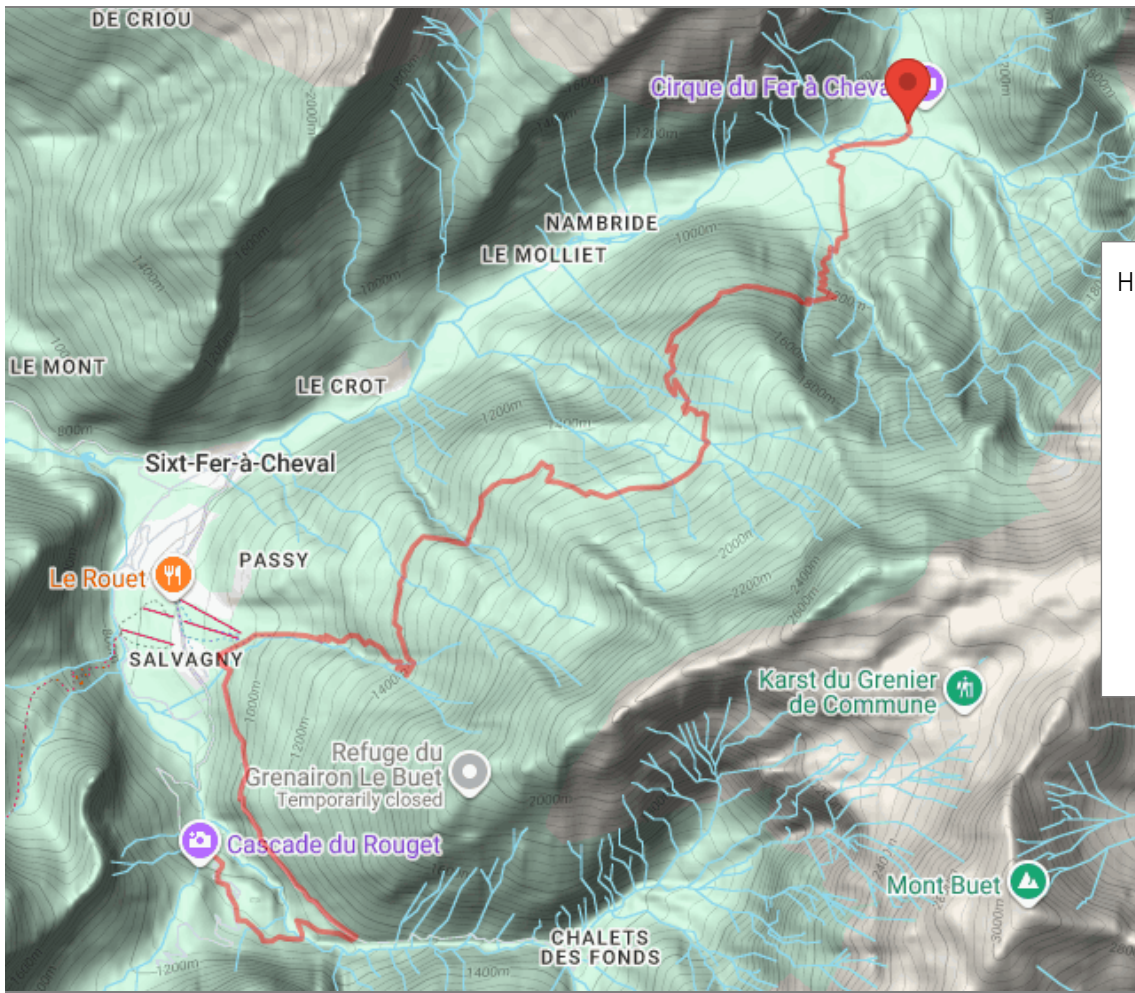
**Walking itinerary: Le Bout du Monde**

Departure: Cirque du Fer à Cheval - Altitude: 955m - Climax: 1260m

NATURE OF THE GROUNDS: Ground



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#### HIKING ITINERARY

-  7:30
-  15.4 km
-  1094 m
-  1073 m
-  Go / Roaming
-  Marked Route
- 

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## Rando'bus les Balcons de Sixt 11B

Departure: Cirque du Fer-à-Cheval - Climax: 2284m

Rando'bus is an original proposal for hiking in the Montagnes du Giffre thanks to the summer shuttle service. Use the destination's mobility network to hike for longer, without having to make the round trip.

NATURE OF THE GROUNDS: Rock - Stone - Ground - Grit - Not suitable for strollers

Shuttle departure - Sixt-Fer-à-Cheval Bus station  
 Departure Cirque du Fer-à-Cheval  
 Follow the signs for Camping du Pelly, then continue towards Penté Rocher to reach Praz de Commune, where you can admire some pretty traditional chalets.

Continue through the Commune mountain pasture towards Les Vagnys.

Head up towards Nant Sec, then down the zigzagging path to Feulatière.

Follow Les Fontaines then Grande Joux. At the crossroads, head for Cellières.

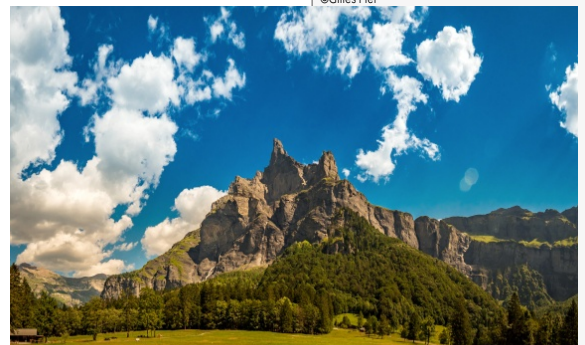
Continue along the path following Hameau des Fardelays.

Descend slightly to the Rouget waterfall, also known as the "Queen of the Alps".

Arrival at Sixt-Fer-à-Cheval Cascade du Rouget - return shuttle bus



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#### HIKING ITINERARY

-  6:20
-  13.6 km
-  845 m
-  761 m
-  Go / Roaming
-  Marked Route
- 

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## Rando'bus les Balcons de Sixt 11A

Departure: Cirque du Fer-à-Cheval - Climax: 2284m

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NATURE OF THE GROUNDS: Rock - Stone - Ground - Grit - Not suitable for strollers

Shuttle departure - Sixt-Fer-à-Cheval Bus station  
 Departure Cirque du Fer-à-Cheval  
 Follow the signs for Camping du Pelly, then continue towards Penté Rocher to reach Praz de Commune, where you can admire some pretty traditional chalets.  
 Continue through the Commune mountain pasture towards Les Vagnys. Head up towards Nant Sec, then down the zigzagging path towards Feulatière.  
 Reach the hamlet of Salvagny.  
 Follow the departmental road to the main town of Sixt-Fer-à-Cheval, where you can admire the 12th-century Abbey, among other buildings.  
 Arrival Sixt-Fer-à-Cheval bus station - shuttle bus return

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#### HIKING ITINERARY

- 3:25
- 6.53 km
- 1062 m
- 0 m
- Go / Roaming
- Marked Route
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## 2-day hike on the Grenairon mountain pasture - Stage 1

Departure: Parking de la Feulatière, Route des Fonds - Altitude: 891m - Climax: 1953m

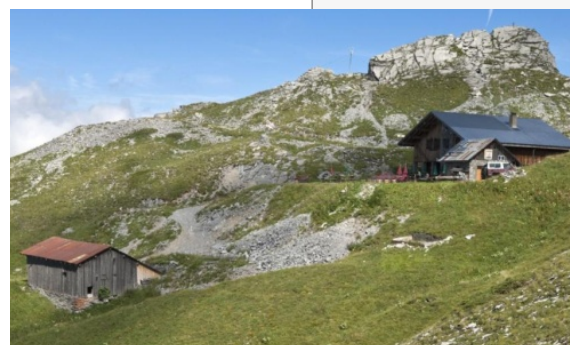
TOP25 IGN - 3530ET - SAMOENS

A short, sporty itinerary to the Grenairon refuge, formerly known as the Chalet Hôtel du Buet. Nestled at an altitude of 1974 metres, it offers magnificent views of the Fiz mountain range and the Anterne valley.

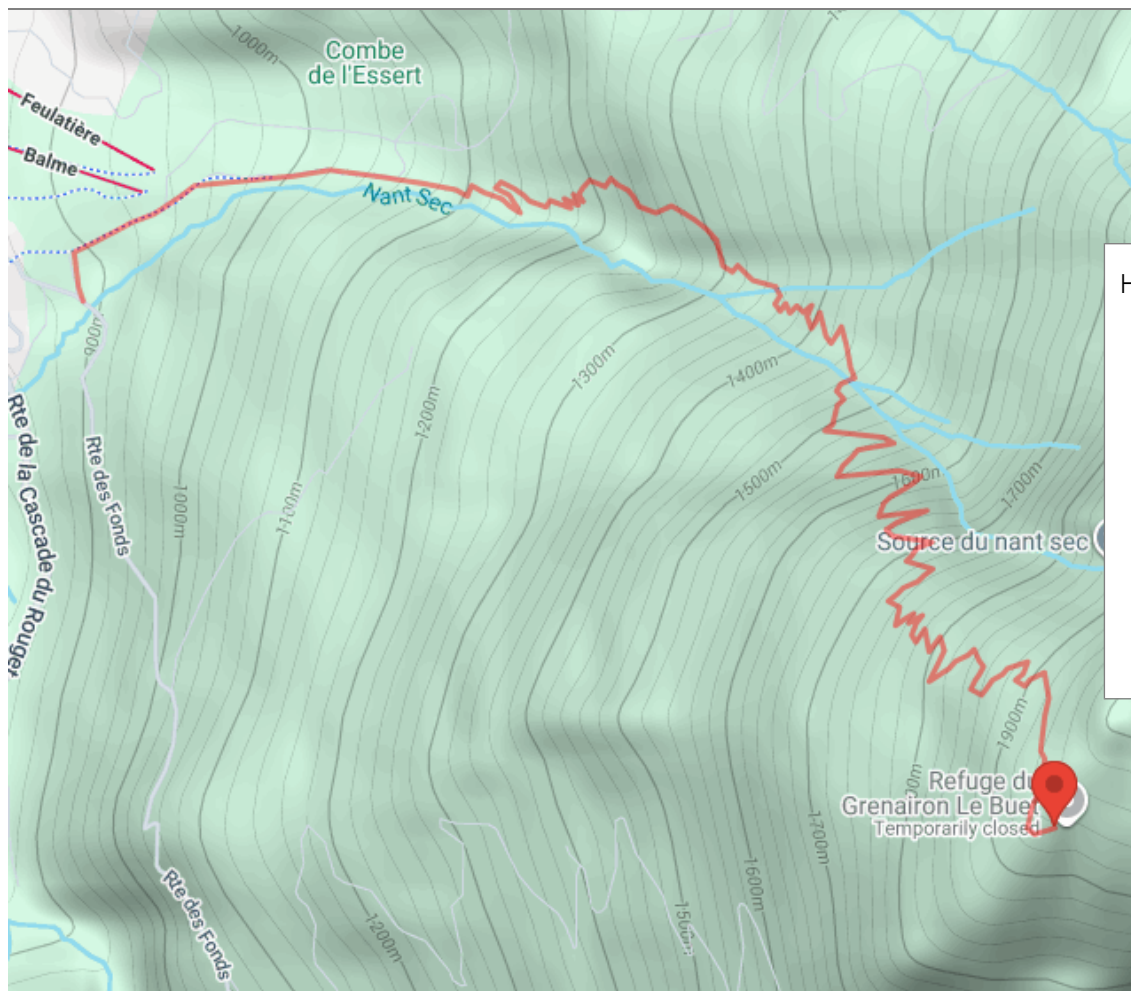
MARKING: Departmental signposting on beige metal panels with green lettering.

NATURE OF THE GROUNDS: Rock - Stone - Ground - Not suitable for strollers

1/ From "La Feulatière (Parking)" head towards the Refuge de Grenairon via Les Crépines. Still following the signs for the Refuge de Grenairon, you will pass through "Les Fontaines (Parking)", "La Grande Joux" and "Les Crépines" before arriving at the Refuge de Grenairon.



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#### HIKING ITINERARY

-  2:10
-  6 km
-  0 m
-  1062 m
-  Go / Roaming
-  Marked Route
-  

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## 2-day hike on the Grenairon mountain pasture - Stage 2

Departure: Refuge de Grenairon - Altitude: 1952m - Climax: 1954m

TOP25 IGN - 3530ET - SAMOENS

A short, sporty itinerary to the Grenairon refuge, formerly known as the Chalet Hôtel du Buet. Nestled at an altitude of 1974 metres, it offers magnificent views of the Fiz mountain range and the Anterne valley.

MARKING: Departmental signposting on beige metal panels with green lettering.

NATURE OF THE GROUNDS: Rock - Stone - Ground - Not suitable for strollers

1/ From the Refuge de Grenairon, follow the signs for "La Feulatière (Parking) par le Nant Sec".

2/ Always follow the signs for "La Feulatière" at "Nant Sec" to reach your starting point, the "La Feulatière" parking lot.



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#### HIKING ITINERARY

-  1:20
-  4.6 km
-  0 m
-  697 m
-  Go / Roaming
-  Marked Route
-  

#### SIXT-FER-À-CHEVAL

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## 2-day hike to the Sales refuge - Stage 2

Departure: Refuge de Sales - Altitude: 1870m - Climax: 1870m  
 TOP 25 IGN - 3530ET - SAMOENS

This second stage takes you back to your parking lot and starting point, the Lignon parking lot. The return journey takes the same route as the outward journey, giving you another opportunity to enjoy the waterfalls and panoramic views this route has to offer.

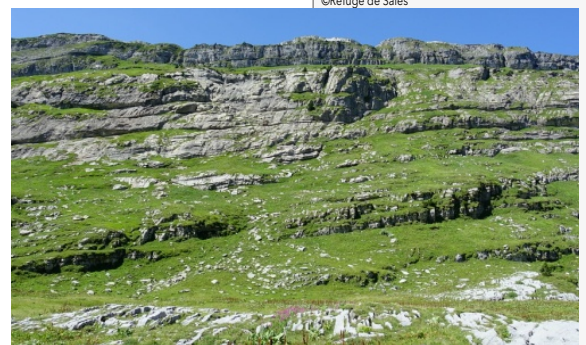
**MARKING:** Departmental signposting from the Plan Départemental des Itinéraires de Promenade et de Randonnée on beige metal panels with green lettering.

**NATURE OF THE GROUNDS:** Stone - Not suitable for strollers

1/ From the Refuge de Sales, return to your starting point by the same route as the outward journey, following the signs for "Le Lignon (Parking)". You will pass the following signposts: "Chapelle de Sales" and "Cascades de la Pleureuse et de la Sauffaz".



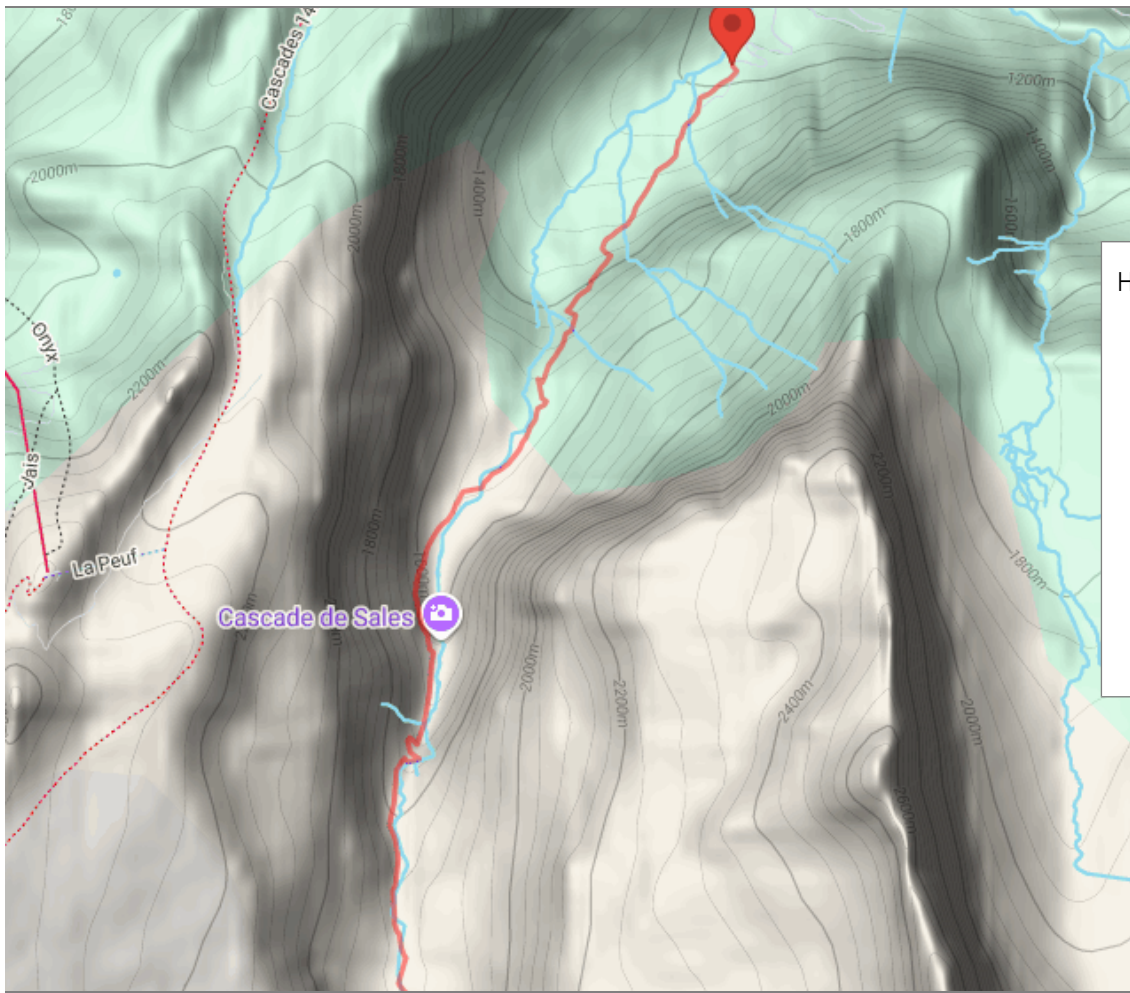
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#### HIKING ITINERARY

- 2:00
- 4.6 km
- 697 m
- 0 m
- Go / Roaming
- Marked Route
- 

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## 2-day hike to the Sales refuge - Stage 1

Departure: Parking du Lignon, Route du Lignon - Altitude: 1194m  
 - Climax: 1870m

TOP 25 IGN - 3530ET - SAMOENS

The first stage of this short itinerary takes you to the Sales refuge, set in the heart of an ancient alpine pasture in the Sixt-Passy nature reserve. Along the way, you'll encounter a succession of resurgences, waterfalls and exceptional panoramas.

**MARKING:** Departmental signposting from the Plan Départemental des Itinéraires de Promenade et de Randonnée on beige metal panels with green lettering.

**NATURE OF THE GROUNDS:** Stone - Not suitable for strollers

1/ From the "Le Lignon" parking lot, follow signs for "Refuge de Sales". Always follow this direction, passing the following signposts: "Cascades Pleureuse et Sauffaz" and "Chapelle de Sales" before arriving at the Refuge de Sales.



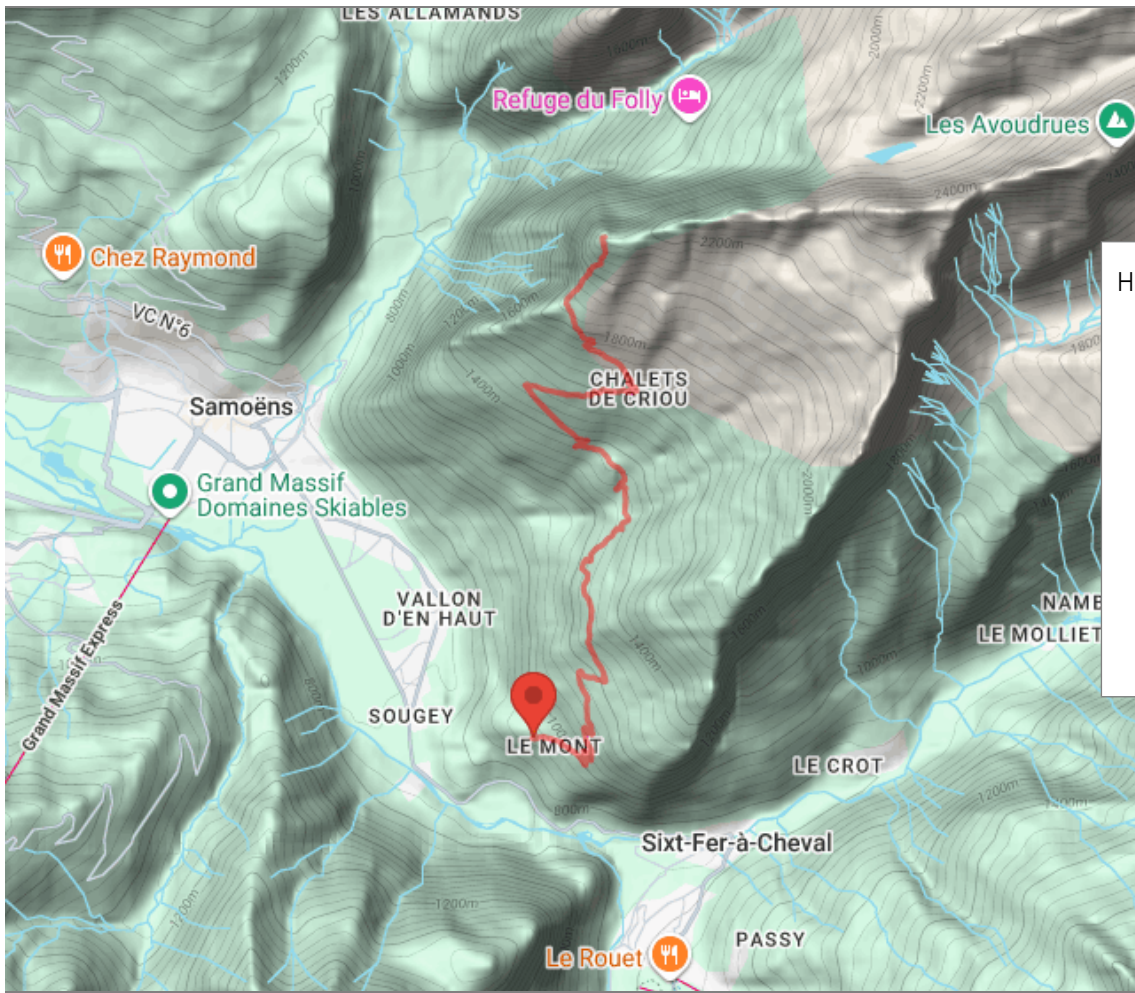
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**HIKING ITINERARY**

- 8:00
- 15 km
- 1490 m
- 1490 m
- Go / Return
- Marked Route
- 

**SIXT-FER-À-CHEVAL**  
 Montée de la Voie communale n°5 de Salmoiry du Mont - Altitude: 717m - Climax: 2207m  
 IGN TOP 25 - 3530 ET Samoëns map - on sale at the tourist office and in shops. Montagnes du Giffre hiking map - CCMG - on sale at the tourist office.  
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**Walking itinerary: the chalets and Aouille du Criou**

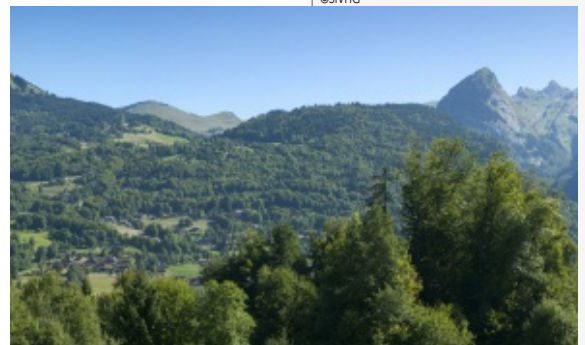
Departure: Montée de la Voie communale n°5 de Salmoiry du Mont - Altitude: 717m - Climax: 2207m  
 IGN TOP 25 - 3530 ET Samoëns map - on sale at the tourist office and in shops. Montagnes du Giffre hiking map - CCMG - on sale at the tourist office.

This hike takes you to the summit of the Criou, the symbolic mountain towering over the town of Samoëns. There is a breathtaking panoramic view from the summit over the Giffre Valley, Mont Buet, Rouse des Chambres and Les Dents Blanches.

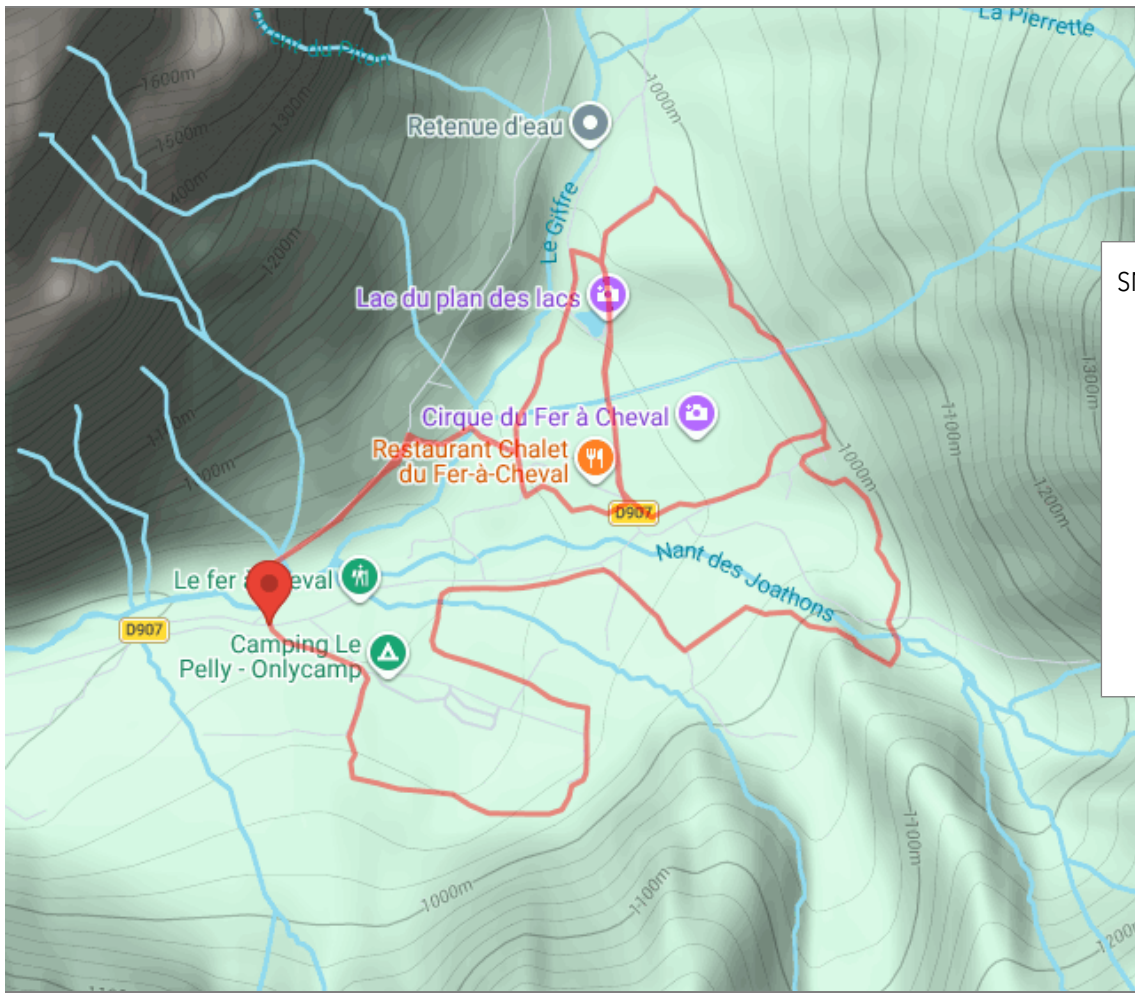
**MARKING:** Wooden posts and yellow signs, indicating the names of the localities and the remaining journey time.  
**NATURE OF THE GROUNDS:** Stone - Ground - Not suitable for strollers










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#### SNOWSHOE ITINERARY

-  1:00
-  7 km
-  45 m
-  45 m
-  Loop
-  Marked Route
- 

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## Snowshoe itinerary : Cirque du Fer-à-Cheval

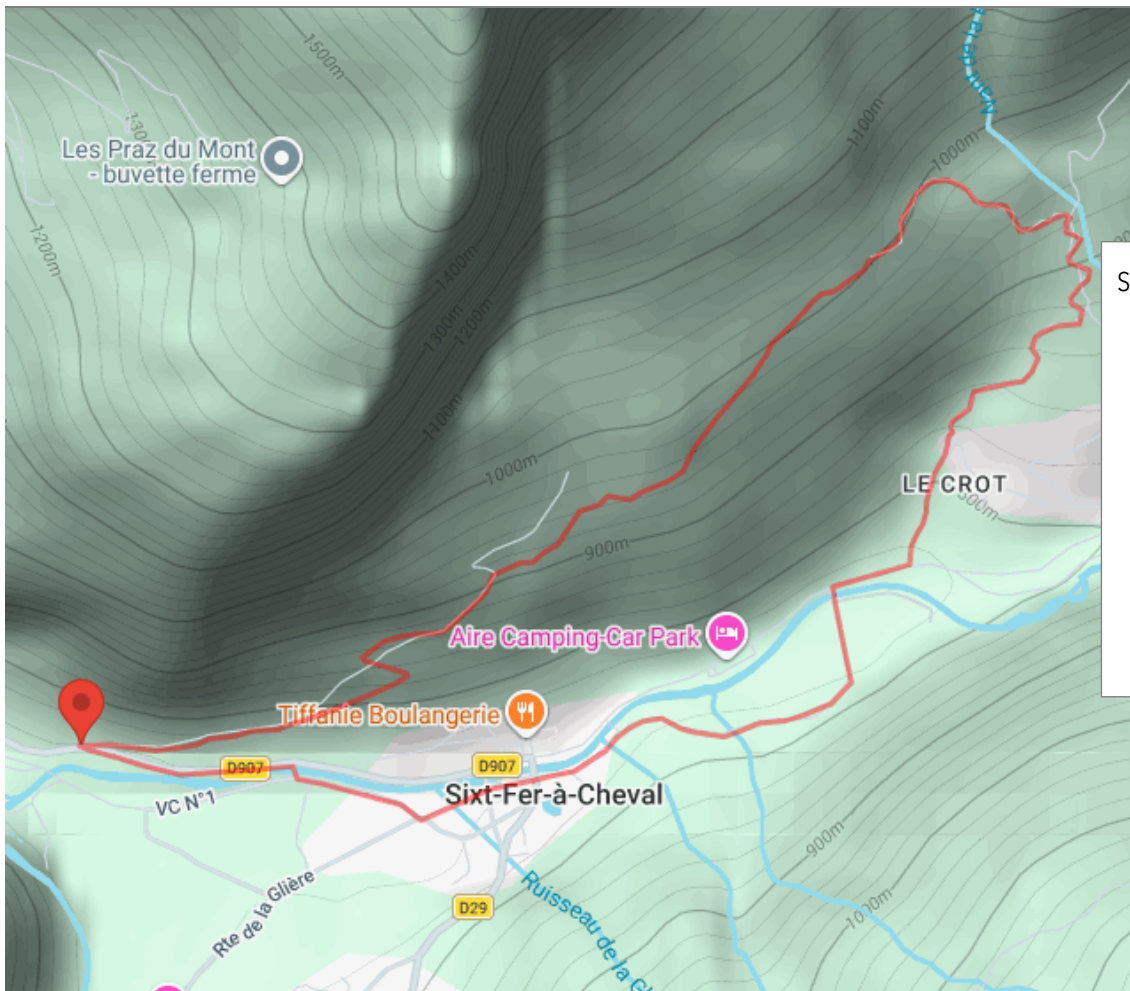
Altitude: 1000m - Climax: 1010m

For the pleasure of everyone, you will can discover the Fer-à-Cheval Cirque in snowshoe !








MARKING:  
 NATURE OF THE GROUNDS: Groomed trail



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#### SNOWSHOE ITINERARY

-  4:00
-  5 km
-  273 m
-  273 m
-  Loop
-  Marked Route
- 

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## Snowshoeing itinerary: the Sixt balcony

- Climax: 1029m

This snowshoeing itinerary takes you above the village of Sixt-Fer-à-Cheval on a natural sun-drenched balcony. The walk culminates with a beautiful aerial view over the village.



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MARKING:  
 NATURE OF THE GROUNDS: Non-groomed itinerary



**SNOWSHOE ITINERARY**

- 2:00
- 6 km
- 200 m
- 200 m
- Loop
- Marked Route
- 

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**Itinéraire raquettes : Boucle des 3 villages**

DELICATE PASSAGES:  
 MARKING:  
 NATURE OF THE GROUNDS: Non-groomed itinerary



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#### HIKING ITINERARY

-  1:30
-  160 m
-  Loop
-  Marked Route
-  

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## Springtime tour of the Cirque du Fer-à-Cheval

Immerse yourself in the heart of the Fer-à-Cheval cirque in spring, when the melting snow reveals the full power of nature. Between the renewal of landscapes and the distant echoes of avalanches, experience an atmosphere as wild as it is unforgettable. *Covered picnic area.*



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MARKING:



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Le Chalet du Haut-Giffre