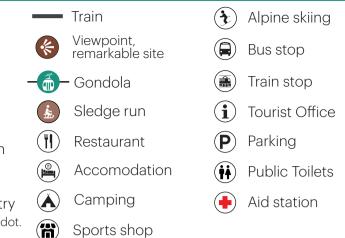


# **MAP LEGEND**

- Cross-country skiing track
   (1.6) Distance (km)
- ---- Snowshoeing track
- Winter hike trail
- Ski touring track
- 1.0 Loop, recommended direction
- +++ Ski lift
- Circuit de Coufin (cross-country skiing) : Follow the signs with a red dot. Possible in both directions.



# **SOME RECOMMENDATIONS**

# SECURITY

The time given are from SuisseMobile, they are for guidance only and may vary depending on the weather conditions and your physical condition.

The Nordic routes can only be used during the opening periods of the ski lifts (www.tvgd.ch) under your own responsibility and in good visibility (in case of fog or uncertain weather conditions, do not go on your walk). Do not stray from the marked routes and respect the signposting, diversions and closures.

Don't overestimate your physical abilities.

We decline all responsability in case of an accident, distraction or problems caused by the forces of nature.

Make sure to have appropriate equipment.

Shared trails, everyone in their lane: pedestrians must stay on the left and cross-country skiers on the right going uphill (the opposite when going downhill).

# PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT

Together, let's protect the mountain environment

In order to respect the flora and fauna:

- Don't leave rubbish behind.
- Careful and efficient map use reduces paper waste.
- Use public transport when possible to access the mountain.

# THE 4-LEGGED COMPANIONS

- Hiking and snowshoeing are accessible to dogs on a leash.
- Dogs are not allowed on the cross-country ski tracks and on the ski area.

To be able to go on these routes for a long time with your companion, we remind you here of the importance of picking up your dog's droppings, keeping him on a leash and being in control of your dog at all times for a good cohabitation.

# **CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING**

Cross-country ski passes are on sale at our Tourist Offices, Cergnement snack bar (Gryon), sport shops, the Sport Centre in Villars, Café de la Gare in Bex, and the Relais Fermier at Les Plans sur Bex.

Travel ticket are sold at the BVB train station and at the Gryon, Villars and Bex tourist offices.

# INFORMATION

 Tourist Offices :

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 Villars
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 Bex
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# **SNOWSHOEING TRACKS**

E = Easy — M = Medium — A = Advanced

### **1** LES BOUQUETINS - VILLARS

Take the train from Villars to Les Bouquetins. At your destination, reach the Maison de Montagne de Bretaye. Go around the terrace of this building and follow the ridge path and then descends into the forest on two bends. As you leave the forest, cross the railway tracks, then follow them for a while. passing the Auberge du Col de Soud. The last part of your route takes you to a ridge in the forest. The road on the left side is reserved for sledgers.

Take the path in the forest on your right. After this last climb, follow the path that zigzags down to the junction with the railway line. A few more bends and you are in the forest estate. At the end of the path, take off your snowshoes and walk back to the village centre, which is just a few steps away.

E 4,8km 2h20 +126m/-541m → Les Bouquetins - Col de Soud - Villars

### 2 LE GOLF - ENSEX - BOIS DES TINES

Take the train from Villars to Bretaye and get off at the Golf train stop (3rd stop). Head towards the Golf Club Villars Restaurant. You will cross a ski piste, so be careful! Your route then takes you through the charming mountain hamlet of Ensex, and onto the Col de la Croix road. You can choose to return by the same route, or you can walk down the cross-country ski route to Villars. Remember the Col de la Croix route is not a snowshoeing track and that you are sharing the track with cross country skiers and walkers, so stay on the walkers' side to the right while descending.

Le Golf - Ensex - Bois	s des Tines	Μ	4.8km	2h15	+254m/-219m	

### **1 LES ECOVETS - LA TRUCHE - LES ECOVETS**

From Les Ecovets car park go up the Chemin de la Bergerie, which leads into the forest. At the exit, take the path on the left. After 2 km, turn right towards La Truche. On arrival at La Truche you then walk downhill through fields and back to your departure point.

Les Ecovets - La Truche - Les Eco	ovote	Δ	5.7km	3h05	+394m/-394m	C)
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### COMBE DU SCEX (Alpe des Chaux) - TAVEYANNE - LA VERNEYRE (Villars)

From the Scex valley (at the end of the Alpe des Chaux road) head up through the forest. Then turn downhill to your right and carefully cross the ski slopes. Pass through the Taveyanne hamlet, and walk downhill close to the cross-country ski piste towards La Verneyre. Follow the river and head up again to your right towards the cross-country ski track. Return to Villars along the cross-country ski piste arriving in Rochegrises just above the centre of Villars. It is also possible to descend from the Chaux gondola's arrival point down to Taveyanne.

Combe du Scex - Taveyanne	E-M	3.5km	1h35	+140m/-70m	$\rightarrow$
Taveyanne - La Verneyre	E-M	3.2km	1h30	+48m/-269m	$\rightarrow$
La Verneyre - Les Rochegrises	Е	3km	1h	-73m	$\rightarrow$

### A CIRCUIT OF THE LAKES

Take the train from Villars to Bretaye. Leave Bretaye and head towards the Hotel du Lac. Continue on towards the Lac des Chavonnes. Be careful as you cross the ski slopes ! Continue into the forest close to the restaurant at the Lac des Chavonnes, which leads to Vy Boveyre, then Conche, which is near the Villars-Diablerets link chairlift. Follow the signs for Bretaye to complete your circuit.

Bretaye - Lac des Chavonnes - Conche - Bretaye	Μ	5.6km	2h30	+225m/-225m	Q
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### CIRCUIT AROUND BRETAYE LAKE

Take the train from Villars to Bretaye. On arrival at Bretaye set off towards the Hotel du Lac and follow the route through the nearby chalets towards the Lac de Bretave. Walk around it and return to your starting point.

Bord du Lac de Bretaye	Е	1.4km	33min	+35m/-52m	Q
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# LES CHAUX - TAVEYANNE - COMBE DU SCEX (Alpe des Chaux)

After arriving at the top of the cable car, turn left, carefully cross the ski slopes, and pass the Swiss Ski School on the right-hand side; at the start of the cross-country ski track to Taveyanne, enter the forest on the left and head downhill until you reach a forest track. Continue on it for about 200 metres, then turn right and head downhill to Le Luissalet. Head downhill through the forest for about 300 metres. When you reach the junction with another trail, turn right and follow this trail to the Alpine meadows at Taveyanne. Continue onward to the hamlet; head back for about 2 km and then along the hillside (Chemin des Raies) to the ski slope (passing under the chair lift). Carefully cross the 4 ski runs and climb the little knoll to your left. Enter the forest and continue downhill for 100 metres to the car park. (option: take the Gryon shuttle down to the Combe du Scex stop).

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Les Chaux - Taveyanne	Μ	3km	1h30	+74m/-196m	$\rightarrow$
Taveyanne - Combe du Scex	E-M	3,5km	1h25	+70m/-140m	$\rightarrow$

### **1** LES CHAUX - FRIENCE (Alpe des Chaux) - BARBOLEUSE

As you leave the gondola building, go around it to the left. After crossing the arrival of the ski lift (crossbow), continue as far as the hut and then carefully cross the slopes. Go down to the right at tree level, then enter the forest on the left to join the ski run down to Frience. Follow the ridge along the edge of the piste and then descend to the right towards the forest. Descend to the right until you reach the Frience parking lot, cross it carefully, and continue downhill to the small hamlet and the sledge runs towards Solalex/La Poreyre. Walk alongside the frozen lake, past the curtain of trees and on to the chalet. Leave the track, then descend to the right and follow the wooded path to Les Ernets car park. Go 50m up the road, then cross over and go down the track on the left. Enter the forest, cross a stream and continue until you pass behind a large log cabin. Go down the road for 50m, then up to the right, towards the edge of the forest, through the curtain of trees, then down. Go past the chalets, over the small bridge and join the road that will take you back to Barboleuse.

Les Chaux - Frience - Barboleuse	E-M	4.9km	2h15	+37m/-601m	$\rightarrow$
Frience - Barboleuse	E	4km	1h45	+42m/-391m	$\rightarrow$

# CERGNEMENT - SOLALEX - CERGNEMENT

Follow the road from the Cergnement parking to the Cergnement snack bar/creperie. Continue on to the bridge, then turn up to the left towards the «Benjamine». The track carries on to the right before the bridge, following the river and passing through the forest before arriving at the Solalex Plateau situated at the foot of the Miroir d'Argentine. You may return to your starting point by the same route. Cergnement - Solalex - Cergnement M 6.2km 2h45 +252m/-252m ↔

### **(9)** CIRCUIT DES RENARDS

An initiation trail, close to Barboleuse. Follow the Route des Renards opposite Gryon Tourist Office for about 800m. Turn right just past the waste collection center and cross the clearing. Then follow the trail through the forest for 200m. Follow the signs on the circuit to complete the trail. Circuit des Renards E 1.8km 45min +55m/-34m ()

# **CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING TRACKS**

### **1** CERGNEMENT - SOLALEX AREA

There are many different cross-country ski trails between Cergnement and Solalex, ranging from beginners level to advanced level. Pistes are prepared for classic and skating styles with the trails bringing you through the impressive Cergnement valley. The upper part of the trail takes you along the base of the majestic face of the Miroir d'Argentine. A guaranteed alpine experience!

Cergnement introduction circuit	Е	1km	+18m/-18m	U
Cergnemet circuit	E-M	3km	+50m/-50m	U
Cergnement - Solalex - Cergnement	А	7km	+213m/-213m	$\leftrightarrow$
Solalex circuit	Μ	3km	+74m/-74m	Q

### **2** FRIENCE AREA

In the heart of Alpe des Chaux, facing the imposing Massif d'Argentine, Frience is ideal for families and individuals. The loop is close to the Frience winter recreation area. Ö Loop of Frience

E-M	1km	+35m/-35m	
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# **3** LES ROCHEGRISES - COL DE LA CROIX - COUFIN - TAVEYANNE - LES FRASSES AREA

Leaving from Villars or Gryon, our cross-country pistes are prepared for skating or classic styles for moderate level skiers. You can rejoin either the Col de la Croix road or the gondola at Les Chaux by passing through Taveyanne, a beautiful snow covered alpine village lying under the winter snow.

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Circuit de Coufin	M-A	9km	+245m/-245m	U
Les Chaux - Coufin	Μ	3.8km	+1m/-239m	$\rightarrow$
Le Golf - La Plâne	E-M	2.4km	+27m/-154m	$\rightarrow$
Les Frasses - Coufin	E	5.1km	+161m/-6m	$\rightarrow$
Les Rochegrises - Col de la Croix	А	7km	+427m/-8m	$\rightarrow$
La Plâne- Coufin	Е	1.9km	+63m/-28m	$\rightarrow$

# 4 PLANS-SUR-BEX AREA

At the foot of the Grand Muveran mountain, the cross-country ski piste at Les Plans has a variety of runs through the village and the forest. There are 7 km of pistes in total, prepared for classic and skating styles. Cross-country skiing is also possible at night with a floodlit 2.5km piste available. The village Les Plans-sur-Bex is at 7 km from Bex, it's accessible by car or by TPC bus. F-M Ö

# **5** CIRCUIT PLAN MEUNIER

From Rochegrises walk 1.5 km to Plan Meunier where a 500m loop for beginners awaits you. **Circuit Plan Meunier** E 0.5km +15m/-15m

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# WINTER HIKE TRAILS

#### **1**THE ARGENTINE BALCONY

Magnificent trail accessible to all starting from Villars-Rochegrises. Go to the Verneyre refuge, then continue the walk towards the Col de La Croix. You then branch off in the direction of the Golf and pass under the Rasse chairlift. Return to Villars either by train (Golf stop) or by the same route. This walk in the direction of the descent is also possible.

Frience - La Poreyre	E	1.2km	30min	+17m/-101m	$\rightarrow$
Les Ernets - La Poreyre (Frience)	E	1.1km	30min	+105m	$\rightarrow$
La Poreyre - Solalex - Cergnement	Μ	5.7km	1h50	+98m/-301m	$\rightarrow$
La Poreyre - Cergnement	E-M	3.2km	1h	+13m/-218m	$\rightarrow$

### FROM THE CERGNEMENT VALLEY TO THE SOLALEX PLATEAU

A hike of moderate difficulty, stretching the length of the Cergnement valley before climbing up through the forest towards the Solalex plateau situated at the foot of the Miroir d'Argentine and the Diablerets Massif. Return by the same route.

Cergnement -	Solalex - Cergnement	М	6.6km	2h15	+215m/-215m	$\leftrightarrow$

### AT THE HEART OF THE SKI AREA :

### 4) LES CHAUX - FRIENCE

From Les Chaux, pass underneath the Les Chaux cable car building, then cross the valley and go down to Frience, where you will discover an incredible mountain panorama. From Frience, there is the option of descending towards Les Ernets (via la Poreyre) or Cergnement (via Solalex or directly) to reach Barboleuse. Sticks recommended.

Les Chaux - Frience	E-M	1km	30min	+6m/-222m	$\rightarrow$
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### LES CHAUX, SODOLEUVRE AND LES FRASSES

This is a panoramic hike of moderate difficulty, through forest in the heart of the Les Chaux ski area, with magnificent views over the Rhone valley towards the Dents du Midi.

Les Chaux - Combe du Scex (Alpe des Chaux)	E	1.3km	30min	-195m	$\rightarrow$
Combe du Scex - Les Frasses via Sodoleuvre	Е	3.5km	1h15	+41m/-250m	$\rightarrow$
Combe du Scex - Les Frasses direct	Е	2km	50min	+36/-240m	$\rightarrow$

#### LES ROCHEGRISES (VILLARS) - LA VERNEYRE - LE GOLF

Magnificent trail accessible to all starting from Villars-Rochegrises. Go to the Verneyre refuge, then continue the walk towards the Col de La Croix. You then branch off in the direction of the Golf and pass under the Rasse chairlift. Return to Villars either by train (Golf stop) or by the same route. This walk can also be done in the downhill direction. For the more athletic, once you reach La Verneyre, you can continue up to the summit of the Col de la Croix staving on your left, and then descend by the same route.

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Les Rochegrises - La Verneyre	E	3.5km	1h10	+122m/-5m	$\rightarrow$
La Verneyre - Le Golf	М	3.3km	1h15	+215m/-27m	$\rightarrow$
La Verneyre - Col de la Croix	M-A	3,8km	1h35	+345m	$\rightarrow$

### BRETAYE – LAC DES CHAVONNES - BRETAYE

Hop on the train from Villars to Bretaye. Upon arrival, head towards the Hôtel du Lac, and let yourself be guided to the picturesque Lac de Bretaye. Continue your walk through charming chalets towards the peaceful Lac des Chavonnes. Please note, you will cross a ski slope, so remain vigilant. Once you reach the restaurant of the same name, turn back to return to Bretaye and complete this delightful alpine escape.

Bretaye – Lac des Chavonnes - Bretaye	E	3.2km	1h10	+132m/-132m	$\leftrightarrow$

# **SLEDGE RUNS**

### 6 FRIENCE AREA

EASY/MEDIUM/ADVANCED - 200m

Access by bus from Gryon (Frience stop) or by car, parking at Golèze or Frience. Tobogganing and ski runs with a conveyor belt, free installation. Sleds and bobsleds for hire on site.

### COL DE SOUD - VILLARS

MEDIUM — 1.6 km

Access by train Villars - Bretave, stop Col de Soud, Upon exiting the train, follow the road in front of you at the edge of the forest. A sign will guide you towards the sledging run. At the end of the descent, you will reach Villars at the Rochegrises. No sledges for hire on site, hire from sports shops in the resort.

### VILLARS FUN PARK (next to the Sport's Centre-Tennis)

### EASY — 100m

Access on foot from the centre of Villars or from Rochegrises. A conveyor belt allows you to go up the slope without effort. No sledges for hire on site. Hire in sports shops

# **SKI TOURING**

The Dynafit Rando Parc is intended for people who have the necessary technique. physical condition and equipment. The routes are signposted but without security, you use them at your own risk. There are no lifeguards or patrollers on the uphill trails at any time.

### **1** VILLARS - BRETAYE

Take the cross-country ski trail on the road to the Col de la Croix and start the route. After about 1.5 km, turn left and walk up towards the golf course, leaving the Col de Soud on your left. Join the ski slopes shortly before Bretaye.

Les Rochegrises (Villars) - Golf - Bretaye M-A 4.5km 2h15 +471m

### **2** VILLARS - GRAND CHAMOSSAIRE

Starting from the Chemin des Margueronnes, this route passes through pasture and forest on steep slopes to the Route des Tailles. Continue gently down the road for 1.5 km, then turn left to reach the Roc d'Orsay by passing under the gondola. Once at the Roc d'Orsay, then there are a few hundred metres to the Grand Chamossaire. Villars - Route des Tailles - Roc d'Orsay - Grand Chamossaire

#### **6** VILLARS - ROC D'ORSAY

A 3.9km 3h15 +798m

From Roc d'Orsay cable car, follow the pylons for the first kilometre. Then join the Bouquetins track and follow it briefly, then turn left and join the Route des Tailles. Cross the road and join the Roc d'Orsay.

Villars - les Bouquetins - Roc d'Orsay M-A 3.3km 2h30 +691m  $\rightarrow$ 

#### 4 FRIENCE - LES CHAUX

From the car park at the top (Refuge de Frience), retrace your steps and go up the snowy path on the right at the beginning of the car park. After a short climb and 2 bends, exit and climb carefully to the left of the edge of the Leurrins piste, then turn left. Go up to the right and at the end of the forest, follow the trees on your right then cross the slopes carefully, go up and around the arrival of the crossbow of the Fracherets ski lift, then the arrival is on your left above the Chaux gondola.

Frience – Les Chaux E-M 1.2km 45min +227m/-10m →

### **5** LES CHAUX - LA CROIX DES CHAUX

At the arrival of the Chaux gondola go up to the left of the slopes, until the bend. Continue to climb to the right along the piste and pass slightly above the arrival of the Sololeuvre chairlift.

Les Chaux - La Croix des Chaux

M-A 1.2km 45min +222m →

### **6** LES FRASSES - LES CHAUX

From the Frasses car park, go up a few metres into the copse, then follow the track which climbs on your right. Before the big chalets, cross the ski slope on the left, then enter the forest. At the end of the forest, go up to the right and follow the sloping track. Cross the ski slope on your right and go up towards the Combe du Scex. Continue, then at the end of the flat, go up along the water reservoir on the left, avoiding the ski slope. From there, go up to the right of the ski run until the start of the ski lift. Cross the start area and then walk along the left side of the lift to the finish. The finish of the course is located near the Chaux gondola.

Les Frasses - Les Chaux

M 2.6km 1h40 +410m