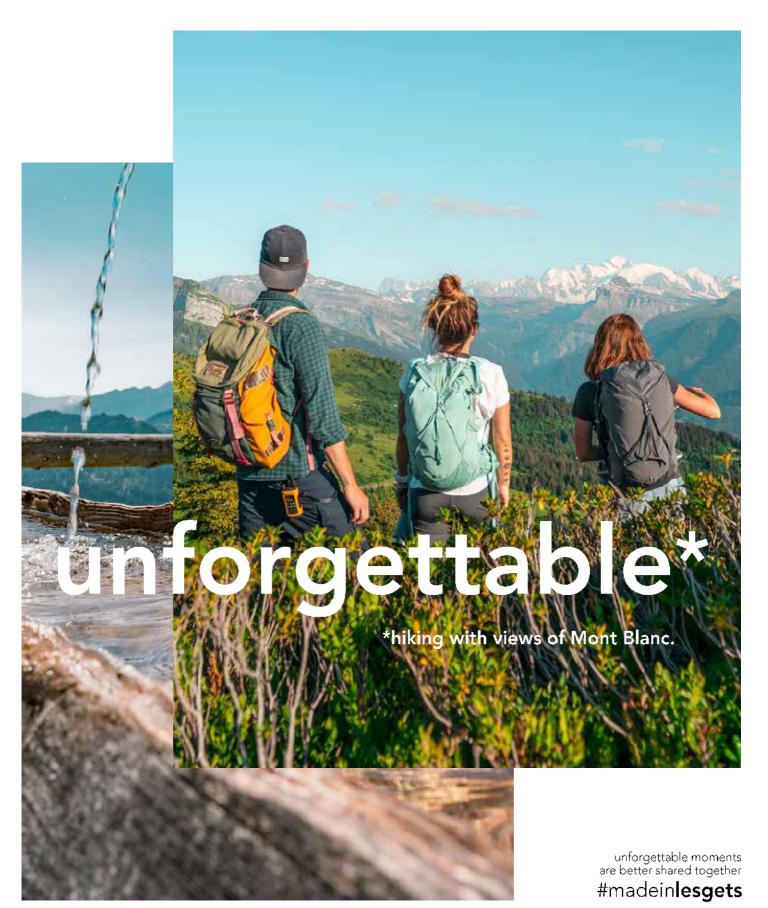
#### Press kit

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## **Editorial**

Nestled in the heart of the Portes du Soleil, Les Gets is much more than a mountain resort. It's a destination where every moment is lived to the fullest—blending sport, nature, culture and relaxation.

This summer 2025, we invite you to (re)discover our authentic village, buzzing with a wide array of experiences for visitors of all ages. Whether you're a thrill-seeker, a hiking enthusiast, or simply looking to unwind, Les Gets is your gateway to unforgettable memories...

Nathalie TELLIER,
Director of Les Gets Tourisme

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## At a glance

The gateway to the Portes du Soleil ski area, Les Gets is a family-friendly, authentic mountain village. Perched at 1,172 metres on a sun-drenched mountain pass, it's also a vast outdoor playground with two sides—Mont Chéry and Les Chavannes offering breathtaking views of Mont Blanc and the Chablais peaks.

Mountain biking and hiking are among the most popular activities, but even those less inclined towards sport will find a refreshing and enchanting escape here.

#### LES GETS IN NUMBERS:

- 1,255 year-round residents
- 3 four-star hotels, 4 three-star hotels, 1 two-star hotel, 5 unclassified hotels
- 60 restaurants, bars, tearooms, a nightclub, bowling alley, cinema and library
- 4 wellness centres (spas and institutes), 2 gyms
- 19,499 tourist beds
- 35% of overnight stays take place in summer
- 128 km of mountain biking trails through forests and alpine pastures

### **EXPERIENCES YOU'LL ONLY FIND IN LES GETS:**

- The largest bike park in Europe
- The magical ALTA LUMINA night trail
- The eco-friendly 18-hole golf course facing Mont Blanc celebrating its 30th anniversary
- The Musée de la Musique Mécanique



Feature suggestion: An unforgettable family weekend in the village of Les Gets. Explore scenic mountain biking and hiking trails, enjoy fun-filled events, and dive into thrilling and sensory experiences for all ages.





#### **KEY FIGURES**

- Over 128 km of marked trails for all skill levels
- 106 operating days the largest bike park in the two Savoies
- 567,000 lift rides recorded in summer 2024
- Direct connections to Morzine and the wider Portes du Soleil area
- 3 progression zones catering to beginners through to expert riders
- 4 difficulty levels: green, blue, red and black
- 5 trail difficulty levels: green, blue, red, black and double black
- 1 mini pump track, 1 pump track and 1 mini jump park to sharpen your technique and agility

#### **WAYS TO RIDE**

- DH (Downhill): Downhill trails accessible via ski lifts
- XCC/E-MTB: Marked trails for cross-country, enduro and electric mountain bikes
- Gravel: Signposted routes across the Portes du Soleilarea
- Road cycling: On the iconic Route des Grandes Alpes, with legendary mountain passes like Joux Plane, La Ramaz, Joux Verte, and more.



**Feature suggestion:** More than just a ski resort, Les Gets offers a wide range of exciting activities! Les Gets is now buzzing year-round—thanks to a bold shift towards outdoor adventures and a top-tier reputation in the mountain biking world.



### BIKES AND PEOPLE

In Les Gets, the whole resort lives and breathes mountain biking-powered by a wide range of passionate professionals. Just a few of the keyroles:

- Bikepark Manager Oversees the safety and quality of the trails, ensuring they're environmentally respectful and rider-ready.
- Trail Shaper Designs and maintains the tracks to offer an exciting and safe experience for all skill levels.
- Bike Patrol Keeps an eye on the trails for safety, steps in when accidents happen, and helps with upkeep.
- Digger Operator Plays a vital role in building and reshaping trails with heavy machinery.
- MTB Instructor Offers lessons and guides riders as they build skills and confidence on the trails.
- Bike Rental Specialist Equips visitors with top-quality bikes and safety gear for an unforgettable ride.









**Feature suggestion:** For your first downhill MTB experience, ride along with a pro-biker. A sport that's booming at the heart of Europe's largest bike park – ride in the tracks of the greatest MTB champions.



## 2025 MOUNTAIN BIKE WORLD CUP

#### THE MOUNTAIN BIKE WORLD CUP RETURNS TO LES GETS FROM 28 TO 31 AUGUST 2025.



The Union Cycliste Internationale (UCI), in partnership with Warner Bros Discovery Sports and the Haute-Savoie Department, has selected Les Gets to host the next edition of the WHOOP UCI Mountain Bike World Series.

Les Gets will be the ideal spot for an unforgettable four-day experience. An event for all MTB enthusiasts, families and thrill-seekers.

#### **LES GETS, A MUST-VISIT MTB DESTINATION**

A key location in the Portes du Soleil MTB area, and with 30 years of experience in organising international MTB competitions, Les Gets has once again been chosen to host the UCI World Cup rounds in Cross-Country Short Track (XCC), Cross-Country Olympic (XCO), and Downhill (DHI). These events will take place from 28 to 31 August 2025.

Les Gets is the historical birthplace of MTB. The resort has been a pioneer in Europe in developing infrastructure dedicated to the sport. Since 1992, Les Gets has hosted some of the biggest MTB competitions: French Cups and French Championships, Crankworx in 2016, 2017, and 2018, World Championships in 2004 and 2022, World Cups in 1996, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2002, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2023, and 2024!

#### **FOUR DAYS ALL ABOUT BIKES**

Since 1992, the resort has become a must-visit destination for MTB enthusiasts, thanks in part to hosting international events and exceptional competitions. This year once again, the world's best riders will compete in Downhill and Cross-Country on the resort's legendary slopes.

#### **FUN FOR EVERYONE**

On top of the competitions, which are free to attend, the village of Les Gets will turn into a true hub for all things MTB, with activities for the whole family and stands for cycling enthusiasts. On the agenda: test rides of the latest bikes, two-wheel fun for all ages, meet-and-greets with top bike brands, and a variety of demos... A unique chance to soak up the thrill of world-class racing in an exceptional natural setting.



**Feature suggestion:** Behind the wheel of a pro rider or team during MTB World Cup week, from 28 to 31 August 2025. Spend a day in the thick of the action with the pros and experience the event from the inside out.



## Other summer cycling events



#### **ALAMBIKE**

#### **21 AND 22 JUNE**

The 5th edition of this charity MTB event will take place in Les Gets on 21 and 22 June 2025. Several races will be held over the weekend: 24-hour mountain biking, solo or in teams, shorter 3-hour events (team or solo), youth races and balance bike races... New in 2025: a 6-hour time trial, solo or in teams of 2 to 4 riders. The weekend will also feature plenty of entertainment including concerts, MTB shows, food stalls and bars.



#### **PASS'PORTES**

#### 27, 28 AND 29 JUNE

One of Europe's biggest MTB gatherings returns for its 21st edition on 27, 28 and 29 June, spanning the 12 resorts of the French-Swiss Portes du Soleil area. In addition to hosting the start of various rides (MTB, e-MTB, kids', gravel and hiking), Les Gets will also be home to the MTB show. On the agenda: entertainment, shows, gear testing and sales...



#### **DH KIDS CUP**

#### 5 AND 6 JULY 2025

A downhill mountain bike competition just for young riders. Organised by the Les Gets Cycling Club, children aged 7 to 14 will take part in a downhill race just like the adults. Open to all with registration.



#### **BIKE WEEK**

#### FROM 21 TO 27 JULY 2025

A full week of bike-themed fun with creative, playful and sporty activities, shows and challenges for all ages. Organised by Les Gets Tourisme, this event is a great way to discover a wide range of activities and try out different cycling disciplines.



**Feature suggestion:** The future of biking at Les Gets with the young riders – tomorrow's champions! Spend a day with them exploring the trails, learning the ropes, and discovering the passion these young talents have for their sport and their heroes.



## New foodie hotspots in Les Gets









#### LA D'Z

#### Refined local cuisine on the slopes

Highlight: Perfect family lunch spot Tucked along the slopes and just steps service from Lacides Écoles, La D'Z is ideal for a The perfect "between two runs" pit stop! menu, there's a dedicated kids' area, a to riding in no time. pétanque court, and even a bike wash station.

#### CHEZ LES COUSINES

#### Cosy vibes and local flavours

Highlight: Creative takes on classic dishes gourmet fondues and top-quality meats. Savoy home. in a warm, welcoming atmosphere.

#### **ICE BURG**

#### Mountain fast-good

Highlight: Prime location and speedy Highlight:

midday break with the whole family, Located right at the base of the slopes, Ice whether in summer or winter. More than Burg dishes out quality burgers with quick just a restaurant, alongside a varied service so you can get back

#### L'ÉPICERIE FINE AU BON VIVANT

#### Friendly and flavourful

Highlight: Local goods, straight from the

Try before you buy! This new deli offers Right in the heart of the resort, this new tastings of its curated selection of regional "chic brasserie" concept serves up delights-from savoury tapas to local wines. reimagined alpine classics, including A must for foodies looking to bring a bit of

#### CLAUDIE

#### Gourmet sandwiches

Grab-and-go goodness, hot or cold!

Claudie brings a fresh take on sandwiches-delicious whether you're in the mood for something warm or cold. The ingredients are locally sourced, making it a tasty and sustainable snack after a day on the trails.

#### **CHOCOLATERIE** FLORIAN FONTAINE

#### Handcrafted sweet treats

local tradition.

Highlight: Local expertise After five years in a five-star hotel in Geneva, Florian is back in his home crafting mountains, exceptional chocolates made entirely in-house. A chocolate lover's paradise, rooted in





#### "TASTE OF THE MOUNTAINS" BY CHRISTOPHE PAULY, LES GETS AMBASSADOR

A lifelong lover of Les Gets, Christophe Pauly—Michelin-starred chef of Le Cog aux Champs in Soheit-Tinlot, Belgium—has naturally become an ambassador for the resort. Constantly seeking authenticity, local ingredients, and new ideas, the mountains remain a powerful source of inspiration for his cuisine.



#### A RECIPE INSPIRED BY LES GETS

#### STUFFED MORELS - WILD **GARLIC - VIN JAUNE**

#### The morel stuffing

- 1. Finely blend the poultry in a blender. Add the egg and blend again.
- 2. Next, incorporate the melted butter, sugar, salt and grated Comté, blending vigorously until you achieve a smooth stuffing.
- 3. Gradually pour in the double cream while blending, until the mixture becomes light and homogenous.
- 4. Transfer the finished stuffing into a piping bag.

#### Wild garlic coulis

- 1. Rinse and clean the wild garlic leaves thoroughly.
- 2. Blanch them briefly in boiling water, then plunge them straight 4. Stop the cooking by adding a into a bowl of iced water to lock in their vibrant green colour.
- 3. Blend the leaves very finely with a splash of the cooking water or some chicken stock.
- 4. Add a knob of butter and season lightly.
- Transfer to a small saucepan.

#### Preparing the morels

- 1. Clean the morels using a pastry brush and trim the stems.
- 3. Lightly score the top of each morel to prevent the filling from escaping during cooking.
- 4. Cook the morels in a steam oven at 4. Add the morels, walnuts, and 70°C for 4 minutes, or poach them in a vegetable, poultry or mushroom broth.
- 5. Transfer to a tray lined with paper towel to drain.

#### Walnuts and sabayon

1. Blanch the walnut halves in boiling water for a few seconds, then peel them.

- 2. Cut them in half.
- 3. Make a sabayon by gently whisking the egg yolks with the Vin Jaune over low heat.
- teaspoon of whipping cream and season with salt. (Optional: pour the sabayon into a siphon, insert two gas cartridges and keep it warm in a bain-marie at 60°C.)

#### Finishing and plating

- 1. Lightly brown the stuffed morels in a pan with a knob of butter, season with salt, and finish cooking in the oven at 180°C for 3 minutes.
- 2. Fill each one with the fine stuffing. 2. Place them on absorbent paper to remove any excess fat.
  - 3. In a shallow dish, spoon in the wild garlic coulis.
  - Comté discs.
  - 5. Finish with the Vin Jaune sabayon and a few tagetes leaves.

Tip: You can swap out the Comté for Tomme from the Les Gets cheese dairy!



## What's new in 2025

#### THE PLANETARY TRAIL

Embark on an adventure through the solar system without ever leaving Earth! The journey begins at Mont Caly, where the Sun is symbolised by a tall metal structure. Thanks to a scale reduced to one-billionth, the planets and their actual distances are faithfully represented to human scale, allowing visitors to explore the solar system on foot. The trail is accessible and easy, offering a fun and educational walk with stunning views of the surrounding mountains and an unforgettable panorama of the Mont Blanc range. All routes are open for free access.

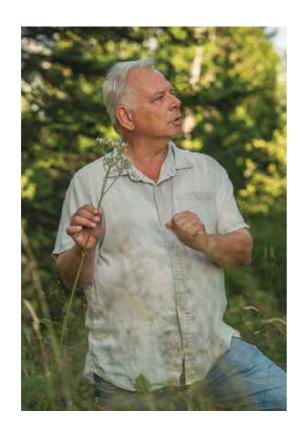
Short route: 5.7 km, 2h - Long route: 8.9 km, 3h30. https://www.lesgets.com/en/terre-sentier-des-planetes/



### A GOURMET WALK WITH THE PLANT MAN

In Les Gets, there are still ultra-protected areas called alpine pastures... These nearly wild enclaves, with acidic and poor soil, are natural pharmacies. To uncover all their secrets, Michel Rostalski, also known as the "Plant Man," takes us on a journey to discover the local flora.

Among the plants encountered is arnica, well-known to athletes, which has seen a decline in France but thrives in Les Gets due to a preservation policy and respectful harvesting practices. (In the past 10 years, its area has increased fivefold!). Yellow gentian, a trusted aid for digestive issues, is also making a comeback thanks to a policy of reseeding wild seeds... Its little sister, the rare red gentian, flourishes just like arnica... Delicious digestive liqueurs are made from it. We also find St. John's wort, an excellent natural anti-inflammatory, alpine spinach (with which unforgettable omelettes are made), meadowsweet, which contains natural aspirin, and all the small fruits used in mountain tarts: raspberries, lingonberries, blueberries, wild strawberries...





**Feature suggestion:** A gourmet walk with Michel Rostalski, exploring the local flora and crafting traditional remedies



## Summer workshops



Here's a selection of exclusive workshops and activities offered in Les Gets this summer:

#### **E-BIKE BOTANY TOUR**

A perfect blend of sport and nature for nature lovers. The journey begins with an e-bike ride through the trails on the heights of Les Gets. The excursion continues with a meeting with Michel, a plant enthusiast eager to share his secrets during a workshop on crafting alpine medicinal balms, pine syrup, and more.

For more details and reservations, please contact the tourist office.

#### **BIRDWATCHING TOUR**

The alpine meadows and forests of Les Gets are home to a rich local fauna and flora, including an abundance of birds, from the most common to the rarest species. Dominique Maire, a mountain guide and experienced ornithologist, leads the way during this introductory hike, where participants can observe golden eagles, vultures, as well as smaller species like swallows and shrikes. For more details and reservations, please contact the tourist office.

#### BAREFOOTING IN THE PEATLANDS OF THE CHABLAIS GEOPARK

A unique experience, immersing you in nature by walking barefoot through this living and little-known environment. Your senses will absorb the energies accumulated since the last glacial period, offering a weightless journey between liquid and earthy elements. For more details and reservations, please contact the tourist office.

#### **SLATE CLOCKWORK WORKSHOP**

After decades spent on rooftops, Chablais slate gets a second life—this time as a decorative piece, equipped with a clock mechanism. The workshop offered by Pulse Activity provides a chance to design your own clock, using the colours of the mountains, directly on a slate.

## LOCAL FLAVOURS ACTIVITY: "WHO WANTS TO WIN REBLOCHONS?"

In a friendly and mountain-inspired atmosphere, a series of questions will help you win local product prizes, with the ultimate goal of snatching the reblochon cheeses, which sit at the top of the prize pyramid. If your memory fails you, you can get a little help with "The Herd's Advice," "Call a Sunbather," or the "Half-and-Half Fondue"!

#### **ARTISANAL POTTERY WORKSHOPS**

Monday mornings are dedicated to wheel throwing, lasting 2 hours. Tuesday mornings focus on modelling and decorating ceramics, while Thursday mornings offer a chance to try modern watercolour techniques. **Poterie-des-gets.fr** 

For more details and reservations, please contact the tourist office.



**Feature suggestion:** Discovering the local craftsmanship and characteristics through various workshops and activities.



## Les Gets Golf Club

#### 30 YEARS OF GOLF AT LES GETS

This year, the Les Gets Golf Club is celebrating its 30th anniversary! Nestled in the hills above the village, the 18-hole course offers breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains and Mont Blanc. Each hole is named after a nearby peak, creating a unique journey through the terrain's natural curves and forest edges. With a golf school, driving range, putting green, pro shop and restaurant, the Les Gets Golf Club caters to both beginners and seasoned golfers. https://www.lesgets.golf/en/



## A GOLF COURSE SCOMMITTED TO NATURE

In October, the Les Gets Golf Club was awarded the Silver Golf for Biodiversity label. This distinction recognises the club's long-standing efforts to protect and enhance local biodiversity. A multi-year action plan has been developed and implemented, including:

- -Eco-friendly land management: responsible maintenance, no chemical pesticides for over 15 years, management plan for wetland areas, expansion of unmown zones, etc.
- Ecological improvements: creation of hibernaculums to support amphibian populations, protective measures during amphibian migration, and more.
- Protection of local flora and fauna: habitat management and conservation of diverse ecosystems.
- Sustainable resource management: water conservation, waster management, and more.

In addition to these initiatives, the club also raises awareness among visitors through educational signage, workshops and a photography contest themed around biodiversity.



#### SUMMER EVENTS

#### LES GETS GOLF VINTAGE -SUNDAY 13 JULY:

Step back in time with this unique event where participants are invited to embrace a vintage spirit.

#### MASTERS GOLF & POKER -SATURDAY 26 JULY:

A full day combining a Stableford golf competition (shotgun start) with a Texas Hold'em poker tournament! The morning's net golf score determines how many chips each player receives for the poker game.

## 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF LES GETS GOLF CLUB SATURDAY 6 SEPTEMBER:

A special day to celebrate the course's 30th anniversary, featuring a golf competition followed by a dinner in the evening, honouring the key milestones and memorable figures in the history of the club.



**Feature suggestion:** Teeing off beneath Mont Blanc: Golfing in a pristine natural setting



## The Musée de la Musique Mécanique

In an age of digital technology and artificial intelligence, punched paper is still going strong! Les Gets is home to a unique site in Europe: the Musée de la Musique Mécanique, the second most-visited museum in Haute-Savoie. Housing over 900 pieces—some dating back to the 17th century—every item in the collection is still in working order.



#### A BIG SUMMER FOR THE MUSEUM: THREE MAJOR EVENTS

#### "MECHANICAL STROLL IN LES GETS": A GRAPHIC NOVEL BY FÉLIX MEYNET

First up is the release of the very first comic book dedicated to mechanical music, two years in the making with author, illustrator, and mountain-lover Félix Meynet. Based in the neighbouring valley, Meynet brings to life Balade Mécanique aux Gets [Mechanical Stroll in Les Gets], the tale of a travelling music-seller who sets off from Les Gets before the First World War on a journey through the Vosges and Germany, visiting mechanical organ factories along the way. His adventure is packed with twists and turns... Elegant illustrations and meticulous colouring make this a highly anticipated and beautifully crafted release.

Launch: Sunday, 20 July at 10:30 a.m. - Available at the museum shop for €18

#### **PICASSO'S MECHANICAL PIANO**

And then came the unexpected announcement in February 2024: the auction of Pablo Picasso's very own mechanical piano! The sale took place in Nice, hosted by the Million-Riviera auction house. Described by La Gazette Drouot as "a precious witness, an incredible memento of Pablo Picasso's life and his children...", the piano was highly sought after by international collectors. Thanks to the support of a generous patron, the Les magicians, a face painter, a caricaturist and more!

Gets museum was able to acquire it-ensuring that this remarkable piece remains in France. The Association de la Musique Mécanique has since begun the restoration of this piano, originally crafted by the famous Nallino Workshop in Nice. The instrument has passed through the expert hands of a piano maker in Ain, a cabinetmaker and marguetry specialist in the Doubs, and a mechanical instrument expert in Isère. Diana, daughter of Maya, expressed her delight "that her grandfather's piano is now in such good hands."

#### THE MUSEUM CELEBRATES -19 AND 20 JULY 2025

Expect plenty of entertainment, original performances and delightful discoveries during this lively weekend-all decked out in Spanish colours in honour of Picasso. The highlight of the event will be the unveiling of Pablo Picasso's mechanical piano, a true "national treasure," restored to its former glory and now part of the museum's unique European collection in Les Gets. Also not to be missed: the launch of the new comic book album, with the artist himself on site for book signings. The Old Village will come alive with street organ players,



Feature suggestion: Discover a one-of-a-kind collection of mechanical musical instruments—all still in working



## Unmissable Experiences



#### ALTA LUMINA

Like stepping into a child's dream... As night falls in the heart of the forest, the Alta Lumina trail immerses you in an imaginary world where light and sound combine to stir the senses. A truly interactive adventure, perfect for families or a romantic evening under the stars.



#### THE 4-SEASON LUGE

Buckle up for an adrenaline rush! Zoom through the larch forest on a thrilling slope with a 46% gradient—reaching speeds of up to 40 km/h! Whether solo or riding tandem, the 4-Season Luge is a must-do highlight of your stay in Les Gets.



#### SPAS

It's time to unwind: bubbling baths, energizing pools, sensory showers, saunas and steam rooms, as well as a wide range of treatments and massages. Les Gets offers several wellness havens including Spa Les Sources du Chéry, Spa Sérénicimes, Spa Kinabalu and Clair Moment.



#### **ARTISAN POTTERY**

With a dedicated retail space and a separate creative studio, the Les Gets pottery workshop invites visitors into a timeless space where craftsmanship and creativity come together to form truly unique pieces, each with its own personality. New for 2025: Try your hand at decorating ceramics or watercolour painting in one of the "Apprentice Ceramic Artist" or "Apprentice Watercolourist" workshops—a chance to explore drawing techniques and let your imagination run wild.



#### THE PERRIÈRES CHEESE DAIRY

A family-run business, the Perrières dairy is a shining example of traditional local know-how. Working in a short supply chain, they source milk directly from local Les Gets farmers and sell the products on-site. Take a guided tour on Wednesdays to discover the secrets behind cheese-making—and whet your appetite along the way!



#### THE FÉLIRES FARM

A little slice of heaven for our goat friends, perched high above on the legendary Mont Caly. The Félires goat farm has become a must-visit for nature lovers and fans of goat cheese. In summer, the goats graze freely outdoors, but you can meet them on rainy days when they take shelter—and pick up a delicious souvenir to take home!



**Feature suggestion:** Between the Musée de la Musique Mécanique and Alta Lumina, here music is seen and light is heard... The unique story of a place whose DNA is made of musical notes.



## Not to be missed

### THE TRAIL DES GETS BY ROSSIGNOL

JOIN US ON 19 AND 20 JULY 2025 FOR UNFORGETTABLE RACES!

The Trail des Gets by Rossignol is the perfect opportunity to push your limits while discovering the beauty and various landscapes of the Gêtois terrain: alpine meadows, ridge trails with breathtaking views of the Mont Blanc massif, woodland passages... A mountainous terrain as we love it, sometimes technical, sometimes smooth, sure to thrill all mountain race enthusiasts! Set in a wild, preserved, and iconic area of Les Gets, on both the Chéry and Chavannes sides, the different events will take place over this weekend devoted entirely to the trails.

On the agenda: the Chéry challenge and children's races on Saturday, with three adult courses: green (10.5 km - 500 m D+), blue (20.5 km - 1,050 m D+), and red (43 km - 2,273 m D+) on Sunday, along with an exhibitors' fair. <a href="https://www.lesqets.com/en/trail-des-gets/">https://www.lesqets.com/en/trail-des-gets/</a>

**NEW** red route between the two slopes





**Feature suggestion:** Exploring a trail run alongside Jeanne Richard or Jacques Jefferies, our young international biathlon ambassadors.



## The top pick for families

### THE PORTES DU SOLEIL MULTI PASS

The Multi Pass gives you unlimited access to over 70 activities across the 12 resort villages of the Portes du Soleil, plus loads of discounts with partner businesses. Holidaymakers can enjoy unlimited pedestrian lift access, swimming pools and landscaped lakes, trampolines, mini-golf, tennis, cinemas, little tourist trains, cultural sites, and more.

## Summer calendar

 Bikepark pre-season opening (weekends only): From 29 May

Bikepark opening: 13 June
Alambike: 21 and 22 June
Pass'Portes: 27,28 and 29 June
DH Kids Cup: 5 and 6 July
Les Gets Golf Vintage: 13 July

Bastille Day: 14 July
 The Museum colebration

The Museum celebration: 19 and 20 July
 Trail des Gets by Rossignol: 19 and 20 July

Bike Week: From 20 to 27 July
 Masters Golf & Poker: 26 July
 Pottery Festival: 26 and 27 July
 4x4 Trial event: 26 and 27 July





• iF3 Festival: 26 and 27 July

• Festival of the 4 Elements: 28 July–1 August

Old Village Festival: 4 August
 Perrières Festival: 11 August
 Gourmet Rally: 15 August

- Summer clearance sale: 15, 16 and 17 August

- Tête de billes marble race: 16 August

WHOOP UCI Mountain Bike World Series: 28–31 August
 30th Anniversary of Les Gets Golf Course: 6 September

- Les Cognées Vintage: 20 and 21 September

• European Heritage Days: 20 and 21 September



# A destination committed to sustainability

#### **PRESERVING NATURAL SPACES**

From Natura 2000 protected sites to its inclusion in the Chablais UNESCO Global Geopark, Les Gets is deeply aware of the treasures—and the vulnerabilities—of its exceptional natural environment.

- Protection of the black grouse habitat (a protected species of gamebird)
- The Plateau de Loëx designated as a Natura 2000 site
- Preservation of natural areas and restoration of wetlands
- Membership in the Chablais UNESCO Global Geopark (a protected geological site), including an educational trail at Lac des Écoles (Boittets peat bog)
- Commitment to the "Zero Pesticide Objective" environmental initiative
- Summer grass reseeding: prevents soil erosion, helps ski runs blend into the landscape, improves snow retention, and restores biodiversity...
- The Père Delavay botanical garden, open in summer and certified as a recognised collection by the French Conservatory of Specialised Plant Collections (CCVS), showcasing little-known plant species.
- The eco-friendly golf course

#### **SUSTAINABLE MOBILITY**

With transport accounting for around 75% of greenhouse gas emissions in the tourism sector, soft mobility is a top priority in Les Gets. It starts in the village itself, where the centre is pedestrianised and served by a highly efficient (and free!) shuttle service. In summer, a fleet of 35 self-service electric bikes makes getting around easy, enjoyable, and—best of all—carbon-free. Then, beyond the village, Les Gets offers regular inter-resort shuttle services, including a connection to the Cluses SNCF station (just 25 minutes away). And considering that home-to-holiday travel alone accounts for 68% of total emissions, it's great to be able to get here (easily!) by train.

 Intra- and inter-resort shuttles, the tourist train, and resort shuttles all powered by renewable rapeseed-based fuel (Oleo100)

- Travel planning made simple with the Pysae app and Tictatrip route planner
- Charging stations for electric cars and e-MTBs in the village and on the slopes
- 35 GetsLib' electric bikes available in summer for self-service use.

#### **WASTE REDUCTION**

Sometimes creativity is required to achieve a remarkable reduction in waste. It also requires daring to leave your comfort zone, rethinking, reinventing and not being afraid to invite holidaymakers to change their habits too.

- Reusable SKI/MTB passes made of beechwood (zero plastic)
- A smoke-free ski area in winter, with designated smoking zones and awareness campaigns—the first of its kind in Europe!\*
   "Les Gets, cigarette butt-free zone" initiative, with collection and repurposing of cigarette waste
- Community litter-pick days
- Digital clean-up efforts—because data pollution matters too!

#### **ENERGY CONSUMPTION UNDER CONTROL**

Until we achieve zero energy consumption, we can start by limiting it. To do this, we identify energy-intensive elements and think about how to use them differently.

- A wood-fired heating plant supplying 13 municipal buildings.
- "3 Flower" community label: rainwater is collected from public buildings and reused for watering communal areas.
- A collective eco-commitment charter signed by ski area operators, including SoleGets
- Participation in the "Climsnow" study to assess climate change impacts and anticipate snow cover on the slopes
- New-generation, energy-efficient snow guns



Feature suggestion: Discover how a mountain village is leading the way in sustainable tourism—meet the people turning this vision into reality.



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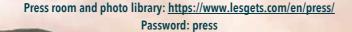
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