

 Enjoy the unique atmosphere of Ch<sup>◆</sup>el, a traditional styled mountain village which, in winter, transforms into ski resort. The village has been carefully developed in order to keep all the old charm and character but at the same time offering all the modern amenities of a new ski resort. The soul of vibrant Ch<sup>◆</sup>el along with the quality of the skiing and its personal charm continue to shape its identity and ever growing reputation.

If the seduction of traditional architecture and fabulous setting of Ch<sup>◆</sup>el weren't enough, then the quality of the skiing area also contributes a lot to the attractiveness of the resort. The skiing is separated between two different mountain ranges: Super-Ch<sup>◆</sup>el / Barbossine and Linga / Pre la Joux / Plain Dranse.

Since Ch<sup>◆</sup>el is part of the Portes du Soleil area, there are direct links with the resorts of Avoriaz, Morgins and Torgon to name but a few.

The international ski area, the Portes du Soleil combines twelve French and Swiss resorts. The total area boasts 650 km of ski runs with around two hundred ski lifts! The exceptional Portes du Soleil has skiing for all and certainly delivers a comprehensive view of why skiing can be so pleasurable. Nestled between Lake Geneva and Mont Blanc, the Portes du Soleil also benefits from exceptional snowfall.

Rails, kickers, slide boxes, hips, boarder cross... The Smoothpark has them all and is awaiting the new freestylers from beginner to pro. The park has been developed to allow all skiers to develop and practice in a fun and friendly environment (Music, BBQs, Contests...)

## Chatel, Chapelle Abondance

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Ch<sup>◆</sup>el is a great family-oriented resort and is officially recognized as such. They have been rewarded the French Family Plus certificate. For a stress free family ski vacation and also the well-being of your children, the day-care "The Mouflets" welcomes kids from 3 months to 6 years old. The centre provides a range of activities both indoors and out.

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Every week of the ski season there is a multitude of recreational and leisure activities organised in the town, as well as new sports to be tried out.

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Just before you get to Chatel, you pass through the beautiful village of Chapelle Abondance, which as the starting point for the Portes du Soleil ski region and has access to the full Porte du Soleil pistes. ◆ La Chapelle d'Abondance is an all year round village - offering a range of outdoor summer pursuits including mountain biking and hiking for all abilities. The village is unspoilt by modern tourism offering the rustic charm expected of French mountain life yet, offers all the facilities expected when skiing - including an ESF ski school, ski hire shops, supermarket, bars and traditional restaurants. It also ◆ has 2 of its own ski areas. These are perfect for beginners and intermediate skiers - particularly families. A single pass links both areas and offers 22 lifts and 75km of runs combined.

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