Snowmobiling Madesimo

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Snowmobile Tour Package „Rustico"

Season 2011/2012

Large Snowmobile Tour incl. two nights at the „Berghaus Maitardi" (incl. breakfast / dinner), starting at only CHF 49.00 per person

Description

Day 1	Individual arrival in Madesimo Transfer with Snowcat or Snowmobile from the main car parking up to „Maitardi" mountain lodge (Dinner)
Day 2	
09:30	Breakfast followed by a hike down to the location of our Snowmobile base
10:00	Instructions about the tour, driving techniques and safety. Tour start via Cava to Lago Nero, up to Splügen pass and back to the base
12:30	Transfer by Snowcat to Rifugio Baitella (Lunch)
14:00	Ride back to the base or hike to „Maitardi" mountain lodge (15 min)
Day 3	Individual program

What's included

The „Rustico" package includes:

- Snowmobile tour to Splügen pass and Lago Nero (1 Snowmobile for 2 persons)
- 2 Nights with half-board at the „Maitardi" mountain lodge (incl. the transfers Madesimo-Maitardi-Madesimo by Snowmobile or Snowcat)
- Lunch at Rifugio Baitella, including transfer by Snowcat or Snowmobile, 4 course meal, wine, coffee and other non-alcoholic beverages)

Not included in the package are:

- Arrival/Departure arrangements to/from Madesimo
- Meals or beverages not mentioned above
- Trip cancellation insurance
- Any further services not explicitly mentioned above

Prices and Options: Package „Rustico"

	Code	Price p.P. in CHF
Package Rustico (2 persons sharing 1 snowmobile)	R2	499.00
Package Rustico (1 person per snowmobile)	R1	629.00
Additional night half-board)	R5	95.00

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Snowmobile Tour Package „Classic"

Season 2011/2012

Large Snowmobile Tour incl. 1 Night stay and lunch in Soglio
starting at only CHF 379.00 per person

Description

Day 1	Individual arrival in Soglio (Bergell) Check in & Dinner at the Hotel La Soglina in Soglio
Day 2	
09:00	Breakfast followed by 45min transfer to our Snowmobile base in Madesimo
10:00	Instructions about the tour, driving techniques and safety Tour via Cava to Lago Nero and up to Splügen pass, then back to base
12:30	Tour end

What's included

The „Classic" package includes:

- Large Snowmobile Tour „Classic" to Splügen pass and Lago Nero
- 1 Night at the Hotel La Soglina in Soglio (double occupancy, half-board). All rooms have private shower/bath, TV, telephone)
  Hotel website: www.lasoglina.ch

Not included in the package are:

- Arrival/Departure arrangements to/from Soglio
- Meals or beverages not mentioned above
- Trip cancellation insurance
- Any further services not explicitly mentioned above

Prices and Options: Package „Classic"

	Code	Price p.P. in CHF
Package „Classic" (2 persons sharing 1 snowmobile)	C2	379.00
Package „Classic" (1 snowmobile per person)	C1	499.00
Lunch at mountain lodge incl. transfers by Snowmobile or Snowcat, 4 course meal, wine, coffee and other non-alcoholic beverages)	C3	55.00
Extra charge for single occupancy	C4	20.00
Additional night (double occupancy, breakfast)	C5	125.00
Additional night (single occupancy, breakfast)	C6	145.00

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Snowmobile Tour Package „Deluxe"

Season 2011/2012

Deluxe Snowmobile Tour including lunch at a Mountain Rifugio and 2 nights in a Hotel in Soglio (incl. 1x dinner, 2x breakfast), starting at only CHF 599.00 per person

Description

Day 1	Individual arrival in Soglio (Bergell) Check in & Dinner at the Hotel La Soglina in Soglio
Day 2	
09:00	Breakfast followed by 45min transfer to our Snowmobile base in Madesimo
10:00	Instructions about the tour, driving techniques and safety Deluxe Snowmobile Tour via Cava to Lago Nero and up to Splügen pass, plus two extra routes.
12:30	Lunch at the Rifugio Lodge (accessible by Snowmobile or Snowcat)
14:00	Transfer back to our base. End of tour.
Day 3	Individual program, check out and departure
16:00	End of program

What's included

The „Deluxe" package includes:

- Upscale Snowmobile. Rides on all available tracks, to Lago Nero and Splügen pass. (1 Snowmobile per 2 persons), lunch at Rifugio mountain lodge (incl. wine, coffee, non-alcoholic beverages)
- 2 Nights at the Hotel La Soglina in Soglio (double occupancy, breakfast, all rooms are equipped with private shower/bath, TV, telephone)
  Hotel website: www.lasoglina.ch
- 1x Dinner at Hotel La Soglina

Not included in the package are:

- Arrival/Departure arrangements to/from Soglio
- Meals or beverages not mentioned above
- Trip cancellation insurance
- Any further services not explicitly mentioned above

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Prices and Options: Package „Deluxe"

	Code	Price p.P. in CHF
Package „Deluxe" (2 persons sharing 1 snowmobile)	L2	599.00
Package „Deluxe" (1 person per snowmobile)	L1	769.00
Extra charge for single occupancy	L4	20.00
Additional night (double occupancy, breakfast)	L5	125.00
Additional night (single occupancy, breakfast)	L6	145.00

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Snowmobile Package „Exclusive"

(4 persons minimum)

Season 2011/2012

The ultimate driving experience: Privately guided day tour featuring lunch at a Rifugio mountain lodge, 2 nights at a ** Hotel in Madesimo, dinner at a local specialty restaurant**

Description

Day 1	Individual arrival in Madesimo Check in at our local **** Hotel Dinner at the Restaurant „Dogana Vegia" serving local specialties
Day 2	
09:30	After breakfast short hike to our Snowmobile base. Instructions about the tour, driving techniques and safety
10:30	Snowmobile Tour using all available tracks and routes to Lago Nero Short break at a mountain lodge, then via Cava all the way up to Splügen Pass. Lunch at a Refugio. Continuation of the tour.
15:30	Back at the Snowmobile base Dinner at the Hotel
Day 3	Individual program, check out and departure

What's included

The „Exclusive" package includes:

- Privately guided Snowmobile tour using all available tracks and routes, up to Splügen pass and Lago Nero (3 hrs net driving time)
- 2 Nights at a local **** Hotel (double occupancy, breakfast, private shower/bath, TV, telephone)
- 1x Dinner at the Specialty Restaurant Dogana-Vegia (incl. wine and coffee)
- 1x Lunch at a Rifugio mountain lodge (4 course meal incl. wine and coffee)

Not included in the package are:

- Arrival/Departure arrangements to/from Soglio
- Meals or beverages not mentioned above
- Trip cancellation insurance
- Any further services not explicitly mentioned above

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Prices and Options: Package „Exclusive"

	Code	Price p.P. in CHF
Package „Exclusive" (2 persons sharing 1 snowmobile)	E2	879.00
Package „Exclusive" (1 person per Snowmobile)	E1	1,139.00
Extra charge for single occupancy	E4	20.00
Additional night (double occupancy, breakfast)	E5	125.00
Additional night (single occupancy, breakfast)	E6	145.00

If on the days when the tour is scheduled there are no rooms available at the Hotel in Madesimo, guests will be accommodated at the Hotel La Soglina in Soglio.

More possibilities..

- Additional Snowmobile tours
- Skiing/Snowboarding in Pizzo Groppera (offering about 70 Km of slopes and runs. Possibility for Free riding. Cross country skiing.
- Snowshoe excursions
- Kite sailing (with instructor)
- Ice climbing
- Guided Ski tours/excursions (Springtime offer)

Transfer to/from by Helicopter
On request we will be happy to arrange for your arrival/departure by helicopter. Possible pick up/drop off locations are: St. Moritz/Samedan, Zürich, Locarno, Lugano, Interlaken/Reichenbach and St. Gallen/Sitterdorf.

Further Information

- These offers are valid from the start of the season up and until December 24, 2011, and from January 8th, 2012, until the end of the season (easter holiday excluded).
- Requirements for operating a Snowmobile: valid driver's license (passenger car or motorcycle) or being accompanied by a person with a license.
- The full package price must be paid no later than 5 days before arrival
- Refund for Snowmobile tours cancelled by operator: CHF 180.00 per Snowmobile
- No refund in case of weather-related adjustments to the tour (i.e. due to local snow and avalanche risk advisory)
- The Snowmobile tours are operated in cooperation with the local Yamaha Snowmobile Dealer (TeamExtremeTeam), using only new and well-maintained equipment. The Snowmobile tours are approved by local authorities and take place on private as well as public grounds. All tours are accompanied by local instructor/guides.
- German speaking guides/instructors are available on request. Please contact us well in advance.
- For more information, please refer to our general terms and conditions at: http://www.hb-as.ch/d/terms_d.shtml

Customized Tours / Programs

For groups (6 persons and up), we organize customized programs and tours. Please contact us directly.

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Hotel La Soglina, Soglio (CH Bergell)

Mountain Lodge Maitardi, Madesimo

Hotel Andossi, Madesimo

Mountain Restaurant Baitella

Snowmobile-Exkursion mit grosser Gruppe

Our Snowmobile base, Madesimo

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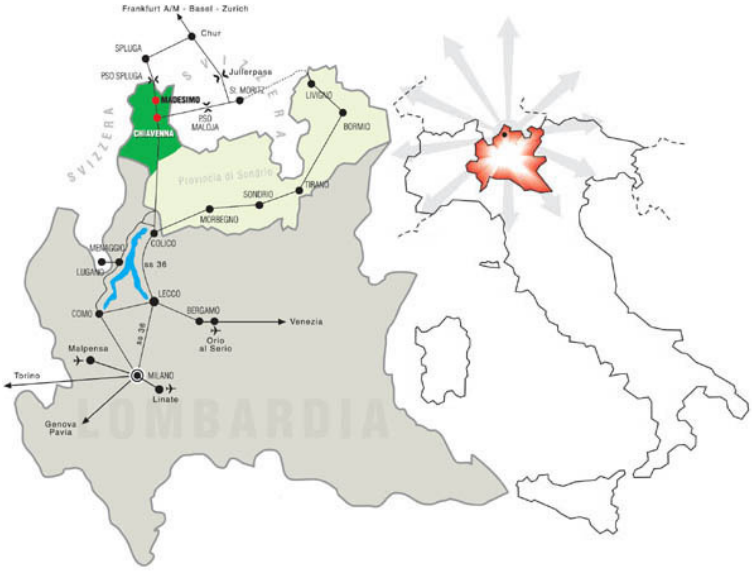
Snowmobile Information
How to get There

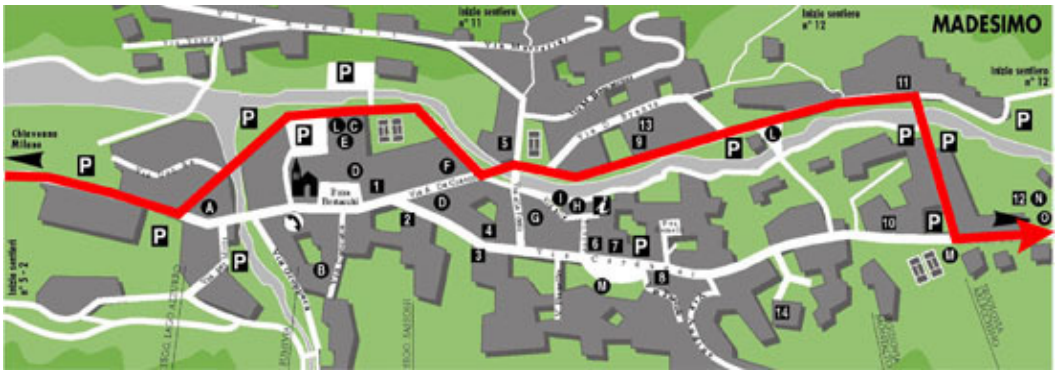
Driving Directions

Madesimo is accessible by car via the following route: Chur, Julier Pass, Maloja and Chiavenna (turn right at the first roundabout).



An alternative route takes you via Lucerne and Lugano to Chiavenna. Note: coming this way the road to Madesimo will be curvy and narrow on the last few kilometers (max. allowed vehicle height is 2.5 meters, max. allowed length is 5 meters). However, there is an alternate route for bigger vehicles (follow the respective signs).

After you have arrived in Madesimo, follow the path marked red in the map below until you reach our Snowmobile base (look for a building with flagpoles and the TeamExtremeTeam flag).



Red path: Way to the Snowmobile base at TeamExtremeTeam

IMPORTANT: When coming from the North Do NOT rely on the driving directions of your satellite/GPS navigation device, as it will likely try to guide you over the Splügenpass road. This road is usually CLOSED from December through May.

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Snowmobile Information
The Region

Bergell

Known for its characteristic mountain peaks, rocky formations and its unspoiled, beautiful landscapes, the Bergell is also rich in history and culture and is ideal for hiking (for example on famous trails such as the „Panaoramic‟ or the „Sentiero Storico‟. Paying a visit to the Bergell brings you to where many artists live and have lived, most famous among them the „Giacometti" family. Their great art can be admired at the Museum of Stampa.

Maloja is the first village of the Bergell. The valley itself extends over 40km until the border with Italy in Castasegna, and it is home to only 1200 people who live spread out in 7 small communities.

The most famous Bergell village: Soglio, 1100m (3700ft) above sea level
This old, picturesque village is located on a sunny terrace-like slope above the valley and offers great views on the Bondasca. Towering high above the humble farm houses are the luxurious villas and palazzi of the well-known Salis-Soglio family. Cà Aelta, Casa Battista (nowadays Hotel Palazzo Salis), Casa Antonio, Casa Gubert and the Palazzo Max all give an idea how the noble people used to reside. Soglio is the perfect vacation spot for the seeker of tranquility and silence as well as untouched natural beauty. A number of spectacular hiking paths lead through extensive Chestnut forests where locals bring in their harvest in autumn. It's the time when the so-called "cascine" (the traditional chestnut smoking chimneys) release their bluish fumes which then somewhat mystically well up between the tall and strong trees in the peak of their foliage colors. That is why Segantini used to say: "Soglio, la soglia del Paradiso." (Soglio, the only one Paradise).

Albigna

Very impressive indeed, the Albigna dam, which was built by the Electric Power Company of Zürich in 1955 – 1959, is situated at 2100m (6900ft) above sea level and stands 115m (380ft) tall. A small cable car brings visitors from Pranzaira crossing a deep canyon right to the base of the dam. In summer, guided tours take you inside the structure of the barrage. The dam does not only serve for the production of electricity but it also protects the valley from flood disasters as it regulates the water flow. The water is channeled down through a series of 5 more dams and barrages and produces the power needed by the city of Zürich.

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Chiavenna

The Italian town of Chiavenna is located about 25km north of Lake Como, on the right bank of the river Mera. Historically, it was here that two main paths for the crossing of the Alps already known to, and used by, the Romans originated. One of the two paths leads north through the San Giacomo valley, over the Splügen pass to Chur; the road was opened in 1822. The other heads east first throughout the Bergell valley (Val Bregaglia) and then splits again, climbing high over Septimer pass (a mere mule track even in our days) onto the Julier pass route. Nowadays, about 7'500 people live in Chiavenna. Chiavenna belongs to the province of Sondrio in the region known as the Lombardy. In summer, state street #36 which connects Madesimo and the village of Splügen, is a renowned, spectacular alpine road loved by car drivers just as much as by motorcyclists.
This route, by the way, is also one of George Clooney's favorites; he has a summer house not far from Chiavenna on Lake Como.

Madesimo

Madesimo is a prime location when it comes to risky winter sports. On the steep slopes of the Pizzo Groppera or the narrow terrace of the Alpe Motta, daring downhill skiers put their skills to the test. On the other hand, those who prefer deep, untouched powdery snow will be pleased to delve into the slopes of the Val di Lei. A rather sophisticated network of ski lifts and rides directly connects all slopes and runs to the village of Madesimo, and, by an additional cable car, also to the village of Campodolcino. A total of 70km (44mls) of tracks slopes and ski runs up to altitudes of 3000m (9800ft) above sea level are available to the visitors.

Snowmobiling in Madesimo is unique in the Alps: over 70km (44mls) of tracks and routes outside the skiing areas are available. Starting in Madesimo, they extend high up into alpine zones.

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Snowmobiling
About Our Tours

Large Tour (Included as part of the Packages „Rustico" and „Classic")

After a thorough briefing and instruction about the Snowmobiles, the driving techniques, and safety in general, we start the tour at about 1600m above sea level. Soon after, a steep climb leads us to Alp Andossi which is inhabited only in summer. From there on, following a mountain crest, we ascend to Cava where you'll enjoy fantastic panoramic views. Climbing even further on an old mining road we reach Lago Nero at 2300m above sea level. After a steep drop of roughly 400m our curvy road winds down to Lake Monte Spluga. Following the lake shoreline we leave behind the deserted village of Monte Spluga and go up all the way to the top of Splügen pass, partly using the official (but for regular traffic closed) mountain pass road with its innumerable curves. Here, at the Italien-Swiss border, we take a well-deserved break and drive back to our base in Madesimo. Depending on group size and driving experience/style, the tour lasts about 2 hours.

Deluxe Tour (included as part of the Package "Deluxe")

The Deluxe Tour is identical with the Large Tour, but instead of driving back from Top of Splügen pass directly to the base in Madesimo, it takes us on a detour to Stuetta and farther south until we reach the Baitella mountain lodge where we have lunch (weekdays only). After lunch, we drive back to Madesimo.

Private Day tour (included as part of the Package „Exclusive")

This privately guided tour includes all of the Deluxe Tour, but after lunch we will take you on a 2nd tour through untouched and unspoiled wilderness (the route will vary according to actual weather/snow conditions). At the end of this intense driving experience awaits us an Apéro at our base in Madesimo.

Snowmobiling: What to expect/to bring

Good winter clothing (Ski dress, Snow shoes, gloves, Ski cap and Ski glasses) or similar protection against the cold are indispensable, as even in springtime temperatures in the area can be extremely low and wind chills are harsh. A special Ski helmet or Snowboard helmet helps protect against the coldness and is also recommended.

IMPORTANT: We do NOT offer winter clothing for rent. Helmets maybe rented at the nearby ski rental store (200m down the road).

Our Snowmobile Park consists of up to 40 new or almost new machines (Type Yamaha). They are either equipped with 500cc or 1000cc engines. A valid driver's license for passenger cars and/or motorcycles is required. Operating the Snowmobile is easy, and instructions are given before the tour begins.

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Booking Form for Snowmobile Packages
Season 2011/2012

Please indicate clearly the number of participants and options chosen.

Rustico Code/ Price CHF p.P.	**Number of Persons**
R2 / 499.00	
R1 / 629.00	
R5 / 95.00	

Classic Code/ Price CHF p.P.	**Number of Persons**
C2 / 379.00	
C1 / 499.00	
C3/ 55.00	
C4 / 20.00	
C5 / 125.00	
C6 / 145.00	

Deluxe Code/ Price CHF p.P.	**Number of Persons**
L2 / 559.00	
L1 / 769.00	
L4 / 20.00	
L5 / 125.00	
L6 / 145.00	

Exclusive Code/ Price CHF p.P.	**Number of Persons (min. 4)**
E2 / 879.00	
E1 / 1,139.00	
E4 / 20.00	
E5 / 125.00	
E6 / 145.00	

Total number of participants: _____

Desired Date of Arrival: _____

Booking- and Billing Address

Company: _____

Title/First +Last name: _____

Address: _____

Country/ZIP/City: _____

Telephone: Daytime: _____ Evening: _____

e-Mail: _____

Signature: _____

Please send this form by Fax to +41 56 424 31 37 or by e-Mail to info@hb-as.ch. In case we have availability for your tour and dates you will receive a booking confirmation and payment instructions. In case of no availability we will contact you with alternate dates/suggestions.

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