

## Freeride val d'Hérens

Small resorts, big fun ! Free-riding in Switzerland's Hérens Valley – Let the pros take you (way!) off the beaten track. Switzerland's Hérens Valley is widely considered to be one of the most unspoiled valleys in Switzerland. A picture-postcard of traditional villages and superb glacier-clad mountains like the Matterhorn and the Dent Blanche, the Val d'Hérens is worlds apart from the enormous ski-factory resorts that have squeezed nature out in other areas of the Alps. Here, nature is enormous, inviting, and largely untouched.



During one day, we allow you to discover some unknown routes of the Val d'Hérens, at your own pace. We share our knowledge of the place and the local conditions to enjoy a wonderful day skiing on unfrequented itineraries, starting from the lifts. Our local guides' expert knowledge, both of the Hérens terrain and recent weather and snow conditions, means you can be assured of an unforgettable backcountry experience. And no crowds!!

### **Your freeride basecamp – Evolène (4'500ft.)**

Evolène in the Val d'Hérens is a typical village which kept its soul, ten thousand miles away from the urbanized tourist centers. Yet Evolène is an ideal base for freeride skiing and backcountry skiing .

In Evolène, a chairlift and three ski lifts take you to 8'850ft., in the heart of a breathtaking landscape, facing the Dent Blanche (14'295ft ) and Matterhorn (14'590m ) . The drops are varied and are accessible for all levels . A beautiful and little frequented freeride area is accessible by lifts.

### **Arolla (6'560ft.) – Freeride in the heart of the Alps**

Arolla has one road, a few hotels, a population of around 60 and three Poma lifts. 2 lifts up allow an access to 9'842ft and opportunities for off-piste to 360 degrees. The snow here is excellent until late in the season and skiers of all levels will find their account.

### **Nax (4'220ft)**

At the entrance of Val d'Hérens, on the heights of Sion, with an exceptional lookout with 360-degree views over the whole Valais. Mont Noble looks like a volcano and it is possible to ski on all sides. On one side, the magnificent pine forest overlooking the village allow you to ski across the trees, even when conditions are difficult. On the other side lies the wild Réchy valley from which it can reach the resorts of Val d' Anniviers.