

# Chalet Emerald

Region: Chamonix Sleeps: 24

## Overview

Sit back in your hot tub with a glass of champagne, looking up at the Mont Blanc mountain range and feel totally immersed in the relaxing surroundings of your ski chalet.

Chalet Emerald offers space, warmth and a homely ambience alongside modern comforts and wonderful hospitality. Sleeping 16-24 guests in the winter months, across nine bedrooms offering flexible sleeping options, gather together in a welcoming living space with its wooden sofas, cosy fireplace, Sky TV as well as DVDs, a music system, books and board games. Help yourself to tea and coffee by the drinks machine and make the most of the well-stocked honesty bar. With high ceilings, artwork on the wall and other pretty touches across the lounge and dining area, there's a real sense of rustic elegance across this beautiful home.

The staff here take great pride in the high level of hospitality, not just the chef who prepares high-quality three-course evening meals but also the friendly team who service the chalet most mornings and can assist with ski-equipment hire, delivery and fitting, ski passes and anything else you may require.

The cuisine is second to none – you will be greeted with a champagne reception when you first arrive and every afternoon, on your return from the slopes, delicious cakes, nibbles and hot drinks are served by the roaring fire. Breakfast is prepared daily – expect pastries, warm bread, fruit and yoghurt as well as hot items most days. The evening meal is a special affair, often by candlelight with gastronomic delights of a restaurant standard, accompanied by classic French or Italian wines chosen perfectly to complement the food.

Six mornings a week an 8-seater mini-bus will pick you up



and whisk some of you away to your chosen skiing area in the Chamonix Valley, bringing you back late afternoon. Whether you feel like a day skiing the slopes of Le Brévent, challenging yourself off-piste around Aiguille du Midi or family time at one of the snow parks of Les Houches, there is skiing, snow-boarding and other activities for all ages and abilities. There are also shuttle buses departing from the bus stop just 100m away taking you to various parts of the valley.

It also takes just five to ten minutes by car or bus to reach Chamonix itself with its bustling atmosphere and incredible Mont Blanc views. Enjoy lunch in one of the excellent restaurants or take advantage of the 'apres-ski' scene after your evening meal (most days the staff can drop you off in Chamonix before 10pm).

So whether spending your time skiing, exploring Chamonix or just enjoying the hot tub, sauna and warm hospitality of this lovely home, Chalet Emeraud offers something for everyone surrounded by the stunning scenery of the Mont Blanc massif.

## Facilities

Bus/Shuttle To Slopes • Weddings • Wellness • Ski Chalet • Skiing • Historical Sites • Catered • Walk to Village • Ideal for Kids • Chef/Cook Included • Special Offer • Has Discount • Great Value • Ideal for Teens • Maid Service Included • Cots (Cribs) • Ground Floor Bed & Bath • Walk to Restaurant • Wi-Fi/Internet • Lakes and Mountains • Washing Machine • Outstanding Landscapes • Hairdryer • Outdoor Pursuit & Activities • Tourist Towns & Villages • DVD • Hot Tub • Tumble Dryer • Dishwasher • Satellite TV • Sauna/Steam • Working Fireplace/Woodburner • Heating • Transfers Available • Board games • Breakfast Included • Ideal for Babies & Toddlers • High Chair(s)

# Interior & Grounds

## Chalet Interiors (340m2)

### Ground Floor

- Bedroom 1 with double/twin bed and sink
- Bedroom 2 with double/twin bed and sink
- Bedroom 3 with double/twin bed and en suite shower room with WC
- Bedroom 4 with double/twin bed and en suite shower room with WC
- Bedroom 5 with double/twin or three single beds
- Bedroom 6 with double/twin or three single beds
- Shower room with WC
- Shower room with separate WC
- Boot room

### First Floor (via curved open-tread stairs, or via outdoor balcony)

- Open-plan lounge with fireplace and dining area with three tables
- Kitchen, well-equipped
- Honesty bar
- Sauna
- Bedroom 7 with double/twin bed, set of bunk-beds and en suite bathroom with WC
- Shower room with WC

### Second Floor (via curved open-tread stairs)

- Mezzanine hallway
- Bedroom 8 with two doubles or four single beds and en suite shower room with WC (sloping ceilings)
- Bedroom 9 with double/twin bed (in low eaves with 1.6m ceiling, best suited for children)

## Outside Grounds

- 5-person hot tub with mountain views (8am-10pm)
- Balcony
- Alpine gardens (2000m2)



- Private parking

## **Facilities**

- Wi-Fi
- Heating
- Fireplace (and logs)
- Large TV with Sky TV (including Sky Sports)
- DVD player and DVDs
- Music system with iPod connection and CD player
- Books and board games
- Honesty bar
- Tea and coffee making facilities (winter)
- Hot tub
- Sauna
- Boot/ski room with boot warming facilities

## Location & Local Information

Chalet Emeraud can be found around 4km from the centre of Chamonix in a nearby hamlet with glorious views of the Mont Blanc massif, at the foot of an impressive glacier. There are a couple of restaurants within walking distance and you are only 100m from the nearest bus stop with shuttles taking you to many skiing areas across the Chamonix Valley.

It's about a one-hour drive from Geneva Airport (transfers can also be arranged). The 'Route Blanche' leading through the valley and on to the Mont Blanc tunnel is very close by, making many of the towns, hamlets and skiing lifts particularly accessible.

Included in the catered price is a morning drop-off service at 9.00 a.m. in an 8-seater mini-bus that will take some of you to your chosen skiing area for that day, bringing you back around 4 or 5.00 p.m (six days a week). When working, the staff are also happy to drop a group of you off in Chamonix after your evening meal before 10.00 p.m. or they can also arrange taxis. The local shuttle bus usually comes back from Chamonix just before midnight if you wish to experience the 'apres-ski' scene in this bustling town.

Chamonix is also well-loved for its restaurants, many serving regional Savoyard cooking as well as international options. There are various skiing options from the town – the Aiguille du Midi and the Vallée Blanche offers challenging off-piste skiing for the most experienced winter-sport enthusiasts whilst Le Brévent and La Flégère feature skiing for a variety of abilities in stunning scenery.

Les Houches, around 4km away, is another great spot with its challenging Kandahar piste, well-known amongst professionals, alongside its gentler slopes passing picturesque Alpine forests and scenery. The snow parks here are great fun for children with sledging and all sorts of family activities.

Another option for a great day out is Courmayeur in Italy,



reached via the nearby Mont-Blanc tunnel – experience intermediate skiing, Italian hospitality and yet more incredible vistas.

For a day out without the skis or snowboards, visit the largest glacier in France, Mer de Glace, and even see the ice caves, reached via the old red railway from Chamonix to Montenevers.

## Local Amenities

Nearest Airport	<b>Geneva Airport (84km)</b>
Nearest Restaurant	<b>In the local hamlet (Within 500m)</b>
Nearest Supermarket	<b>Nr Chamonix (3km)</b>
Nearest Town	<b>Chamonix (4km)</b>
Nearest Bar/Pub	<b>Chamonix (4km)</b>
Nearest Piste	<b>Chamonix/Les Houches ski-lifts (4km)</b>
Nearest Ski Hire	<b>WONDERLUST Les Bossons (1km)</b>
Nearest Ski Lift	<b>Aiguille de midi (1.7km)</b>

## What we love

- The views of the Mont Blanc mountain range from the hot tub and balcony are spectacular
- Enjoy high-end cuisine in the evenings paired with excellent French or Italian wines
- Other wonderful services include daily breakfast, maid service, afternoon coffee and cakes as well as a daily 8-seater shuttle service to your desired skiing area
- Wander out to a couple of restaurants serving typical Savoyard cooking
- Just 4km from the centre of Chamonix, experience the 'apres-ski' scene in the town's bustling bars

## What you should know...

- The pricing is based on 16 guests. Any additional guests are at an extra cost - please enquire for details and full pricing.
- The catered package includes services six days a week. Wednesday is the staff's day off but they will prepare breakfast the evening before for guests to self-serve the next morning.
- A self-catering package is also available – please enquire.
- The ceilings on the top floor are low, especially Bedroom 9 in the eaves which is best suited for children (maximum height 1.6m).
- The large grounds also feature a separate 3-bedroom chalet that is sometimes rented out – please enquire for prices and availability.
- Please note that published rates are only valid for the current year. Any bookings for subsequent years will be on request only and correct rates will be confirmed at the time of booking.
- Please note that any event rental may be subject to additional charges, venue hire fees and to a higher security deposit, which will be in addition to any published rental rates and fees.

# Terms & Conditions

- **Security deposit:** €2000 charged to client's credit card by the owner as a pre-authorisation before arrival and refunded a week after departure, subject to full inspection.
- **Arrival time:** Check-in 2.00 PM.
- **Departure time:** Check-out 10.00 AM.
- **Energy costs included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Linen & towels included?:** Yes, including bathrobes. Towels are changed weekly on a Thursday.
- **Pets welcome?:** No.
- **Other Ts and Cs:** Hot tub heating is included. The hot tub is available to use from 8.00 a.m. to 10.00 p.m. The catered package is for six days a week, excluding Wednesdays which is the staff's day off (breakfast will be pre-prepared for self-service on this day). Please note that published rates are only valid for the current year. Any bookings for subsequent years will be on request only and correct rates will be confirmed at the time of booking. Weddings, stag/hen parties and any special events are on request only and subject to prior arrangement with the owner and additional charges. A cot and highchair are available on request. The large grounds also feature a separate 3-bedroom chalet that is sometimes rented out – please enquire for prices and availability. The pricing is based on 16 guests. Any additional guests will be subject to an extra per person cost, up to a maximum of 24 guests in total. Please enquire for exact details and a full quotation. All events are on request only and subject to prior agreement from the owner, who reserves the right to refuse all events without their prior authorisation.
- **Changeover day:** Sunday.
- **End of stay cleaning:** Standard changeover clean included in the price. Guests are required to leave the accommodation clean, tidy and in the same condition as on their arrival. Any extra cleaning, laundry, maintenance and/or rubbish disposal required will be charged against the security deposit.
- **Other Cleaning:** Daily chalet service included (except Wednesdays)
- **Smoking Allowed?:** Outside only.
- **Minimum stay:** 7 nights.
- **Heating costs included?:** Yes, included in the rental price.
- **Tax:** French Visitors Tax payable to Oliver's Travels at the time of balance payment (typically costs €1-€10 per adult per night - please enquire if exact amount is required).