



Pentagon Ski Club Presents Alpe d'Huez, France



With extension to Aix-en-Provence
January 25 - February 2/February 2 - 5, 2008
\$1690/\$450

The Package: seven nights' lodging, roundtrip air and transfers, daily breakfast and dinner. Medical (not cancellation) insurance is included; lift tickets are extra. Three nights in [Aix-en-Provence](#) are extra as well. The Aix trip includes a winery tour and a one-day bus tour with local guide. That stay includes a daily breakfast.

The Mountain: [Alpe d'Huez](#) is known for more than being a mountain top destination of the Tour de France. It's got legendary sunny skiing as well; that's why it's known as the Island of the Sun. The mountain, Pic Blanc, peaks at 3,330 meters with a 2,230-meter vertical and has, amongst other things, four 2,000 vertical-meter runs and 84 lifts (including 10 gondolas and 6 cable cars) accessing 248 km. of trails on about 25,000 acres.

The Extension: Aix-en-Provence, located 30 km north of Marseilles, is in the famous [Provence](#) region of France, renowned for great food, wine and beauty. This 2,000-year old town is known as the City of 1,000 Fountains and the birthplace of Paul Cezanne. It's got great wine - what more would you want? (Aix is pronounced like "aches.")



The Lodging: We'll be staying at the 4-star [Royal Ours Hotel](#). 100 meters from the slopes; free shuttle is offered. The hotel features a sauna, steam room, and indoor pool. Rooms have balconies, hair dryers, safes, and cable TV but no wi-fi. In Aix, we will be staying at the recently renovated 3-star (reviews rate it higher) [Hotel Aquabella](#), in the heart of the old town; it has all the amenities plus thermal baths. Rooms have wireless Internet, AC, minibar, coffee maker and cable TV; hair dryers are available.

The Flights. We'll depart Dulles Jan 25 at 10:20 PM on Air France 27, arriving at Ch. De Gaul on the 26th at 11:50 AM, connecting on flight 7644 at 1:10 PM and arriving at Lyon at 2:20 PM. Return flight 7665 leaves Marseilles at 1:20 PM, arriving in Paris at 2:50 PM. AF 26 departs for the states at 4:40 PM with arrival at 7:10 PM on Feb 2. The Aix departure is three days later on the same flights.

The PSC Easy Sign-Up and Payment Plan: You can [sign up online](#) or mail a sign-up form and send the trip leader a \$500 deposit, payable to the PSC. If you aren't a club member or haven't renewed, please include a separate check and membership form. This trip is sanctioned for the BRSC. The second payment of \$700 (+\$225 for Aix) is due Oct. 9 and the final payment of \$490 (+\$225 for Aix) is due Nov. 13.

Other Details: There's too many to mention. Check with the trip leaders or read the Sept./Oct. newsletter.

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