## 46 Le Chemin des Gardes



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## Access to start point

Val Cenis - Lanslevillard, Tourist Office.
Rue sous I'Église (Street under the church) Parking nearby.


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## The circuit of the 12 chapels

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Leave your day-to-day worries behind as you go in search of nature's little pleasures. Twelve chapels await you, a treat for all your senses. The subtle way these baroque buildings blend with the forest lends a poetic tone to this walk, full of unsuspected treasures.


## Along the way

While some will enjoy basking on a sun deck, others may prefer a banquet atmosphere to enjoy a good old countryside picnic with the family.
As always, the Chemin du Petit Bonheur gives you space to stop time and enjoy a moment of peace. Not to forget a rest at Saint-Étienne chapel, inciting you to serene contemplation. And then suddenly, you're in the forest, which gradually enfolds you in shade. The sweet fragrance of resin marks the beginning of a second stage. One after another, baroque churches and chapels appear, their understated exteriors contrasting with rich interior decorations. In the intimacy of the Drayes d'en Haut stream, the water murmurs playfully among the mosses. The ski slopes are never far away. Dotted around the resort's grassy slopes, herds of dairy cows have taken the place of skiers. As you watch them greedily graze, your own mouth waters at the thought of sampling the smooth, fruity Beaufort d'Été cheese.

## The little extra

The FACIM Foundation organises guided tours throughout the year during school times. These include sensory tours, available to groups of four or more.
Information at the Tourist Offices.
At the entrance of every church or chapel, there are "fun visit" fact sheets available free of charge.

