

Refuge of Plan du Lac



4.6 km

90 m

1 h 30

2,380 m
2,310 m



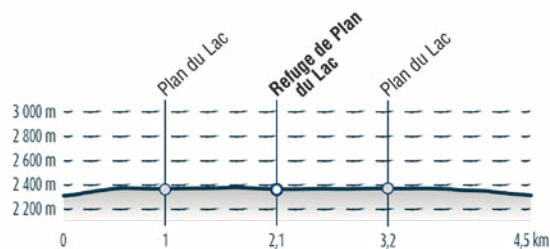
Access to start point

Val Cenis - Termignon, Bellecombe.

From Termignon, RD126 to the Bellecombe car park (paying in July and August).



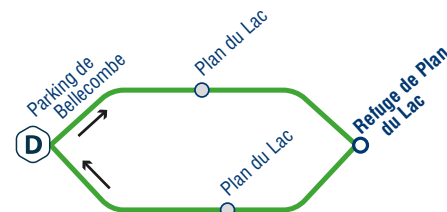
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Take a break in Vanoise to cool off



Enjoy a Vanoise ice cream flavoured with freshness, altitude, and unexpected encounters. Whatever your age, it's a treat for your tastebuds and your eyes, with the glaciers on one side and the legendary peaks of Haute Maurienne Vanoise on the other.



Along the way

Today, the promise of a blueberry tart and a nap at high altitude motivates you to tackle the only small challenge of your hike. Forgot the crowded Bellecombe parking lot! Put the big, overloaded backpack aside! Today, like an apprentice explorer, you travel light to meet Little Miss Marmot, soft cotton grass, majestic glaciers, and peaks that seem to rise up suddenly, out of nowhere.

What a surprise awaits you as you step into the valley! A well-marked and very accessible path awaits you, offering several stops along the way for both young and old to enjoy at their leisure.

Just a few more steps and... you'll be fascinated to see marmots running around! They're not shy at mealtimes that's for sure, but they like a little discretion when they're taking a nap. And yes, they have their own little habits! To get to know them close up, ask for the services of a mountain guide. You'll discover unsuspected facets of this little mammal, a real emblem of the Vanoise.

The magic of the place has worked its charm, and before you know it, you've arrived at the refuge. Time to order a snack!

Discovery mission



Little Miss Marmot spends most of her time in the dark. But don't think for a second that she's blindly bumping around in her burrow. The tiny hairs on her snout work just like a GPS system. These whiskers allow her to navigate effortlessly in the dark.

Young marmot - B. Thomas, OT HMV