



Megève is situated about 10km off the main road from Geneva to Chamonix and is an impossibly chic, French village. It is an absolute Mecca for foodies with six Michelin-starred restaurants. The centre oozes French charm, with deserted streets wrapped around the quaintest town square you'll ever see. There are three main ski areas; Mont D'Arbois, Rochebrune and Le Jailliet, which offer 445km of pistes. Much of the skiing in Megève itself is on beautiful, tree-lined slopes with picturesque views of the surrounding mountains. There is plenty to keep non-skiers busy too; a large sports complex, outdoor pool, horse-drawn taxis and designer shopping.

Top Runs

- There is plenty of off-piste for adventurous skiers and the powder remains untracked for several days. The main areas to go are the two highest points of the ski area – Mont Joly and Cote 2000. There are many bowls and runs through the trees, opening out into fields and glades, although skiing with someone who knows the area or a guide is advised.
- For beginners, there are hundreds of kilometres of easy-to-moderate runs that cut through the forest. Most of the beginner slopes are down by the village and a beginner's lift pass is also available.
- Intermediates will enjoy the red run down from L'Epaule to St Nicholas de Veroco, which offers particularly special views of Mont Blanc.



Best for Après Ski

- **La Folie Douce**
Modelled on the original in Val d'Isère, this is a true après favourite, with music and dancing every afternoon.
- **540 Café**
Situated at the bottom of the Jailliet cable car, there is a large south-facing terrace and the crowds usually gather here at the end of a day. Loved by locals and tourist alike.
- **Caves de Megève**
This is a smart venue with a stylish, cave-like feel. The small and intimate dance floor fills up every night.
- **Cargo**
Despite being one of the oldest nightclubs in Megève, Cargo is far from outdated. In fact, it's one of the chicest places in the whole resort. Located right in the centre, the DJ keeps the party going until the early hours.

Recommended Restaurants

- **L'Alpette**
This mountain restaurant is in a marvellous setting with a fantastic view of Mont Blanc. The service is professional yet friendly. The dessert buffet is a must for anyone with a sweet tooth! Booking advised.
- **Chalet du Radaz**
Accessible directly from the Cote 2000 slopes and is known to serve the best tartiflette on the mountain, along with a range of Savoyard specialities. Cosy and warm indoors, perfect for one of the colder days.
- **Flocons De Sel**
Expect unique gourmet cuisine courtesy of Emmanuel Renaut, one of the only chefs in the Alps to be awarded three Michelin stars.
- **Le Vieux Megève**
Serves traditional Savoyard food, well-presented and always busy. It's definitely best to book ahead.