

Roc des Tours

Sunday - 01 June 2025 Medium

Alt. 1994m; Ascent/descent: ±650m; Length: 15.6 km; Hiking Time: 4h



Roc des Tours on the left Aiguille Verte on the right

This is a short but very beautiful hike. The Roc des Tours (alt. 1,994m) and its neighbour the Roc de Charmieux (alt.1,877m) dominate the Grand-Bornand valley. It borders the long NE/SW oriented Chaîne du Bargy that runs to Grand-Bargy (alt. 2,301m) and which has a number of well-known peaks (Aiguille Verte, Buclon, Pic de Jallouvre, Pointe Blanche, and Pointe Dzérat.

From the parking area, follow the trail up to the plateau de Samance. From there the trail is fairly steep, up to the pass at 1887m. Turn left into the field of lapiaz, where the trail winds among the rocks and trees. We reach the vast plateau of lapiaz of the **Roc des Tours** inclined SE which the path crosses to its W end and then allows access to the summit along the ridge (a path without difficulty but requiring a certain caution and care.

<u>Directions</u> Autoroute Blanche, take exit 16, then drive to Grand Bornand. At the roundabout, turn left towards Chinaillon. Just at the end of the village of Chinaillon, turn left up the hill towards Samance. (If you go past the garbage collection site and the Pont de Venay you have gone a few metres too far). After a series of hairpins, park on the flat area near the track that goes up to the Samance mountain pasture (wooden sign "Lac de Lessy - Le Chinaillon" - alt. start 1,345 m). Park there, the trailhead is on the uphill side.

Hike is limited to 16 people.

Hike Leader: Marilyn Blaeser

Inscription: by email: mblaeser@gmail.com

I need to know:

- Your full name
- An email address you read on weekends
- Your mobile phone number
- If I don't know you, what is your walking/hiking experience?
- Are you a SCIG member?
- Are you willing to drive?

By registering, you agree that you are fit for this level of hike and/or that you have previously participated in a hike with SCIG. By registering, you confirm that you carry insurance against accidents and mountain rescue, in particular helicopter rescue operations. (See

REGA: https://www.rega.ch/en/home.aspx) Check with your employer to see if you are properly insured. The Hike Leader and SCIG disclaim any and all liability for accidents related to this hike

Transport: By Car Sharing

Meeting Point at Rue de Varembé 1 at 8:50 am

COSTS: CHF 25.00 per person paid to the driver. The driver will pay the tolls.

Price: CHF 5 club tax. **CHF 15** for non-members.

You can get a membership online at www.scig.ch (CHF 50/year)

PLEASE BRING THE CORRECT AMOUNTS OF CHF.

Cancellation: In the event of bad weather and rain, or insufficient participants, the hike will be cancelled. All participants will be notified by GO/NO GO decision by email, Saturday Noon, 31 May 2025

Withdrawl: In case of withdrawal, please inform the hike leader no later than Friday 30, May 2025, by 18:00 pm so that those on the waiting list may be considered. NB If you cancel on Sunday morning, please TELEPHONE me (+41 79 502 32 37), (NOT TEXT or EMAIL) so that we do not wait for you.

To Bring: Appropriate clothing, good boots, sun hat, picnic lunch, water, spare warm layer, waterproof rain gear, wind gear, sunscreen, sunglasses. Walking poles (if you use them).