

Press kit

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New Accommodation

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NEWLY RENOVATED HOTEL IN THE TOWN CENTRE - L'AUBERGE DU LYONNAIS

Annecy





Nestling right in Annecy's historic town centre and steeped in more than 100 years of history, L'Auberge du Lyonnais, a cosy 4-star hotel, is reopening.

Boasting sweeping views over the town, the Canal du Thiou and the rooftops of Annecy, the hotel's 12 rooms are open again after 18 months of

renovations: One 55m² suite (with a 16m² terrace and views over the Thiou, castle and mountains) and 11 rooms (7 with town views and 4 with canal views, between 14m² and 18m², 2 categories).

Owners Camille and Charles welcomed their first guests in May 2023. Camille brings her experience as sales manager for a renowned 5-star hotel and Charles has formerly managed Sofitel hotels in Marseille and Corsica.

After opening the restaurant last year, the couple are now expanding their business by providing personalised hospitality too, in a friendly atmosphere to be shared. Both the hotel and restaurant are decorated in the same relaxing, understated style, championing natural, noble materials like wood, stone and concrete, deftly blending in with greenery.

The restaurant is now 'Maître Restaurateur' certified for its authentic, home cooking.

Prices start at €117/night, including breakfast www.auberge-du-lyonnais.com/o/hotel 9, rue de la République

A GREEN KEY-CERTIFIED FURNISHED — HOLIDAY RENTAL - LA VILLA SÉRANDITE

Annecy



This quaintly charming town house, located in the old town of Annecy not far from the castle, has embraced a sustainable, responsible approach to tourism, and has thus been awarded Green Key certification, the leading international ecolabel for tourism accommodation. Why Sérandite? Did you know that Serandite is a mineral, discovered in Guinea and named after Jules Serand?

La Villa Sérandite can cater for 2 to 10 guests, welcoming families, friends or professional teams in its 2 furnished apartments, 'Maison Nemours' and 'Villa Sérandite', which are rated 3- and 4-star respectively. These are the only Green Key-certified furnished holiday rentals in Greater Annecy. www.laclefverte.org and www.greenkey.global

Furnished accommodation, from €550/night www.maison-de-famille.net 2, place du Château

EU ECOLABEL CERTIFIED LAC D'ANNECY CAMPING

Saint-Jorioz

Run by Sarah Klilib, this family campsite located at the heart of the Massif des Bauges Regional Natural Park extends over 2.5 hectares, offering 131 accommodation spaces (including mobile homes, eco-lodges and tent pitches) that take a refreshingly different, more sustainable approach to tourism.

Earning the European Ecolabel in 2022, Lac d'Annecy Camping is firmly committed to protecting nature and the environment (waste recycling, no single-use packaging, shared compost).

This year it is supporting eco-mobility by encouraging green travel means that everyone can enjoy with the 'Lac d'Annecy car-free' stay. Holidaymakers who choose this option can get a 50% discount on weekly bike rental.

The cycle path is within direct reach of the campsite!





Nesting boxes for swallows and hotels for bugs and ladybirds will also be installed to provide a sanctuary for wildlife. Ecology-themed activities for parents and children alike are organised, including treasure hunts and orienteering.

Open from May to September Mobile home prices start at €315/week www.camping-lac-annecy.com 1184, route d'Albertville

New Restaurants

A RESTAURANT WHERE **EVERYONE CAN FIT IN -**L'ATOUT CŒUR

Annecy



Marie-Bénédicte and Xavier Tessier, in their concern for their disabled son, founded the charity Atout cœur for families dealing with the question of the employability of people with learning disabilities. This charity led to Annecy's first restaurant designed to welcome workers with disabilities.

The aim is to change perceptions of disability by offering an identical service to a traditional restaurant, while adapting the working conditions. The restaurant seeks to encourage the social and professional integration of people with disabilities by employing them as front-ofhouse and back-of-house staff.

The restaurant menu is short, giving pride of place to seasonal produce, most of which is locally sourced. The dishes change weekly. For their thematic evening events, Marie-Bénédicte and Xavier are supported in this unique local initiative by traditional cheesemonger Pierre Gay, a recognised Best Craftsman of France, and Stéphane and Magali Dattrino from the fine dining restaurant L'Esquisse in Annecy.

Set menu costs €21 (starter & main course or main course & dessert) or €26 (for three courses) - Main course only: €16.50.

Open Mondays to Fridays from 9am to 6pm www.restaurantlatoutcoeur.com 41, rue Sommeiller

A BLOSSOMING **RESTAURANT** -LE BOURGEON

Alby-sur-Chéran

Halfway between Annecy and Aix-les-Bains, located in a mediaeval village centre, this old village restaurant has been renovated by Adrien Lavorel and Enzo Duchesne. The two friends met in 2011 when they were both studying at Lycée Hôtelier Savoie Léman in Thonon-les-Bains. Adrien specialised in wine stewardship, while Enzo went on to become a chef. After respective experiences working in different restaurants in Franceand abroad. they met up again with the shared ambition of opening their own restaurant.

Le Bourgeon bloomed back in their home region. Enzo, a committed and creative young chef, crafts flavoursome dishes using natural, fresh, seasonal produce that is locally sourced. Adrien, elected best wine waiter in 2021 by Le Chef magazine, is always on the look-out for original, eclectic wines, showcasing his home region with a selection that gives pride of place to Alpine wines.



The restaurant interiors highlight the site's original features while instilling a modern and contemporary feel. The wood panelling graces the place with a sense of elegance and warmth and the opening-up of recesses lets in the natural daylight. The decoration has been chosen to provide a nature-inspired setting. Four tables are joined up to create a clover leaf at the centre of the dining room. In the lobby, a ceiling light with three contemporary shapes is reminiscent of birds perched on

28 place settings - Set lunch menu from €20 - À la carte menu from €35 - Taster menu costs €70

Open Tuesdays (evening meal only) to Saturdays from 12pm to 1.30pm and from 7.30pm to 9pm -

www.restaurantlebourgeon.com

8, place du Trophée

A CHEERFUL AND FRIENDLY VENUE BISTRO SAUVAGE

Annecy



In Annecy's Romains neighbourhood, not far from the town centre, you'll find a quirky local pub on the ground floor of a town house with a cosy outdoor seating area surrounded by climber and creeper plants. Aurore, formerly a senior manager in natural cosmetics, and Olivier, a chef who graduated from the Paris Ferrandi

school in 2014, celebrate shared mealtimes. Their dishes are lovingly prepared using the finest, hand-picked ingredients. The restaurant upholds the principles of slow food: sustainable cooking with a short menu, using locally sourced, fresh and seasonal produce. It seeks to be a welcoming venue for people to share quality time together, and puts on events at intervals through the year. In the morning, enjoy their pick-me-ups in a cup, served with sweet treats. At lunch time, the fixed-price set menu is short, made with local, vibrant produce. In the evening, indulge in their signature 'plartages' sharing platters. All washed down with biodynamic wine, local beer and aromatic cocktails.

Open Tuesdays to Fridays from 10am to 2pm (from 11am on Saturdays) and from 6.30pm to 11.30pm.

www.bistrosauvage.com

9. avenue des Îles

A LOCAL RESTAURANT **VIBE - GAMIN**

Annecy



Wholesome, home-cooked cuisine from around the world, using fresh, seasonal ingredients, mostly locally sourced, at affordable prices.

At lunchtime, choose from a selection of 'gamineries' (sharing platters) or the week's daily special. In the evening, there is a wider choice of 'gamineries' on offer (such as the Labneh with Zaatar (a Lebanese speciality), served with brick pastry parcels, fennel and celery. Follow that up with a dish like confit lamb shoulder with baby potatoes and gravy, to be enjoyed on your own or

There is a list of sixty or so wines to choose from, plus a selection of craft beer. Not forgetting the hearty buffet every Saturday where you can help yourself (serving different cheeses, pastries, scrambled egg, savoury loaves and sweet cakes, mixed salads, dips and hot and cold drinks)

Open Tuesdays to Fridays from 12pm to 1.30pm and from 7pm to 9.30pm - Saturdays for brunch from 11am to 3pm and for dinner from 7pm to 9.30pm

15, avenue de Cran

A FOOD & DRINKS CONCEPT WITH LA GALERIE FILATERIE

Annecy

Near the old town, beneath the arches, a food court has opened up bringing together several original fast food joints: the first of its kind in Annecy!

Choose from the 5 eateries: one serving burgers, another cuisine from around the world and a third Italian fare, as well as a coffee shop and a dessert stand. This is a street food concept within a fully redeveloped 350m² space, able to cater to one hundred or so diners indoors and fifty or so on the two outdoor decking areas.



can meet, chat and share good times in an industrial inspired setting. The site also hosts the first Stand up comedy club in Annecy, where young talents have 5 minutes to win over their audience, as well as after-work socials led by guest DJs!

Metal beams and exposed pipes make up the décor, while the lobby is decorated with graffiti and upcycled furniture. In short, an utterly unique place you won't find anywhere else!

Open 7 days a week from 9am to 1am www.lafilaterie.fr 16, rue Filaterie

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New Restaurants

L'ABÎME -A NEW LEASE OF LIFE Gruffy



Nestling in the Bauges mountains, the Pont de l'Abîme inn & restaurant, which had been closed since 2014, has been taken over by 31-year-old chef Maxime.

Maxime grew up in this region, bathing on the banks of the River Chéran and indulging in ice creams with his granddad on the other side of the bridge as a child.



So he could think of no better place to set himself up and share his local and creative cuisine, in a welcoming and friendly atmosphere.

His idea is to serve seasonal fare using the fresh ingredients that he can get daily from his local producers and market gardeners.

For those who want to stay longer, the inn has 4 guest rooms offering bed & breakfast, that can sleep 2 to 4 people. Prices start at €85/ night.

Lunch menu costs €24 (three courses) during the week - 4-course menu served evenings and weekends, costing €45.

Open from Wednesday evening to Sunday lunchtime, 12pm-1.30pm and 7pm-8.30pm

www.auberge-abime.com

991, route du Pont de l'Abîme

ÉBO - A NEW CONCEPT ON THE BANKS OF LAKE ANNECY

Annecy-le-Vieux

Located on the banks of Lake Annecy, a stone's throw from Annecy-le-Vieux, this outdoor restaurant opened in May.



Ébo ('fire of joy' in local Savoyard dialect), embodies the desire for mealtimes to be all about sharing once again, by shaking up established protocols: sustainable, crowdpleasing dishes for sharing, made from local, seasonal produce over a wood fire.

A wide choice of meats as well as fish or vegetables, cooked over a fire pit. The 360-degree bar around a tree is open from 5pm to midnight, serving bespoke cocktails, perfect for socialising after work!



Set menu costs €25 (starter & main or main & dessert) or €29 (three courses) - Main course only: €19 - Mondays to Friday only - À la carte dining available evenings and at the weekend.

Open daily from 12pm to 2.30pm and from 7pm to 9.30pm

www.ebo-annecy.fr
19, avenue du Petit Port

Chefs' News...



L'AUBERGE DU PÈRE BISE JEAN SULPICE - special anniversary stay

Talloires-Montmin

To celebrate its 120th anniversary, this lakeside hotel is organising a special break for two guests: one night in a double room with breakfast, a festive welcome and souvenir, plus a meal at the restaurant Le 1903 (3-course menu, drinks included).

Prices starting at €935 www.perebise.com 303, route du Port



CHANGE OF MANAGEMENT AT CLOS DES SENS Thomas Lorival & Franck Derouet

Annecy-le-Vieux



This year, Laurent and Martine Petit have handed over Clos des Sens to their two co-directors, Thomas Lorival and Franck Derouet Franck became Clos' Executive Chef in 2011. Thomas, Chef sommelier - Floor manager (who initially trained as a chef!), now combines these 3 skill sets. He joined Clos des Sens in 2016 as chef sommelier, and his responsibilities have grown ever since - to his current position as co-managing director and owner with Franck.

2022 was a double anniversary year: Clos des Sens turned 30, and Laurent celebrated 40 years in the profession. Laurent and Martine decided this landmark year was the right time to hand over their establishment to their two most loyal and legitimate staff members, a decision that made complete sense.

So that everything they had wholeheartedly worked for might continue, and embark on new chapters of growth. Clos des Sens has thrived thanks to their joint efforts alongside Franck Derouet and Thomas Lorival. Back in the summer of 2021, so a year and a half before handing over, Franck and Thomas were appointed co-directors, setting the establishment on a new path.

They have developed it along 5 key lines, which are only going to be enhanced in the future: crafting of food-juice pairings, opening of Le Cortil: a pop-up summer restaurant in the kitchen garden, unveiling of a unique feel in each of the 11 guest rooms, workshops for kids from the Annecy region out in the garden, and educational projects in hospitality schools, an increasingly participatory form of management that is ever more meaningful and relevant.

The 3-star fine dining restaurant is open from Tuesday evening to Saturday evening (except on Thursday lunchtimes) and on Sunday evenings from 18 June to 2 September 2023.

The pop-up restaurant Le Cortil is open from 1 June to 2 September, daily (weather-permitting), with its sharing platters

www.closdessens.com

13. rue Jean Mermoz



Chefs'

AUBERGE DE MONTMIN A new star is shining above Lake Annecy

Talloire-Montmin



In the summer of 2019, Florian Favario and his wife Sandrine Delay established their restaurant overlooking Lake Annecy, on Col de la Forclaz. Last March, the chef was awarded a 2nd Michelin star for his local, generous cuisine

A wholly worthy sign of recognition for Florian Favario, who worked at Clos des Sens, trained under Thierry Marx and won his first star in 2020, only five months after opening.

The couple define their restaurant as a 'maison de cuisine'. "In an inclusive, friendly atmosphere, we prepare hearty, delicious home-cooked dishes using hand-picked local ingredients, cooked with taste, care and passion. It's an instinctive cuisine that changes every day depending on what Mother Nature has to offer."

Open Thursdays to Sundays from 12.30pm to 2pm and from 7.30pm to 9pm (and from 1 July to 31 August 2023, open from Wednesdays to Sundays, for lunch and dinner)



www.aubergedemontmin.com

Col de la Forciaz - 1983. route de Talloires-Montmin

Sweet treats to try...

THE RESTAURANT RACINES awarded a Bib Gourmand

Annecy



Located on Place des Cordeliers, on the banks of the Thiou, Racines has been distinguished by a Bib Gourmand, awarded by the Michelin Guide last February.

The concept behind this accolade is simple: diners can enjoy a 3-course meal there for around €40.

The restaurant has been recognised for

its generous dishes at affordable prices.

The owners, Eva and John, trained professionally in Bonneville and Thonon-les-Bains. Today, they showcase the best of Haute-Savoie through sustainable fare, using fresh, local ingredients. The menu changes at regular intervals, in step with the seasons.

Open Tuesdays to Sundays: Tuesdays and Wednesdays, from 12pm to 1pm Thursdays to Saturdays, from 12pm to 1pm and from 7pm to 9pm Sundays from 12pm to 1pm



www.racines-annecy.fr 8, passage des Bains

LES HALLES DE SAINT MARTIN

Fillière



On an original site 10 minutes from Annecy, you'll find the first indoor food market in Haute Savoie. 17 independent shopkeepers, including local businesses, food and beverage professionals as well as restaurants have set up here to provide customers with high-quality, carefully prepared products, 90% of them made on-site.



The idea was to be able to get something to eat at any time of day. Mai sells Asian beer, there are light bites, more substantial meals, teas, spices, caterers, takeaways, tapas as well as tastings and Ginette's Burger and co, with her authentic, homemade burgers. The bakery (Le pain des halles) opens at 6am every morning, the fishmonger (La Source bleue) comes from the Thorens-Glières fish farm, you'll also find a cheesemonger (Alain Michel), greengrocer (Les jardins d'Manon), butcher (Le coin fermier), coffee shop (CaféOphil), wine merchant (Cave à vins des Halles), pub (Bistrot des halles), caterer (Boucle d'Or) selling local, traditional produce, a florist (Esprit nature) and laundrette.

There's plenty of parking space, an outdoor seating area, pétanque pitch and you can eat on-site, with inside and outside seating options.

Open Tuesdays to Saturdays from 9am to 7.30pm Sundays from 9am to 1pm

www.noshallesdesaintmartin.fr

Route des Sauts - Mercier - Saint-Martin-Bellevue

THE PASTIS D'ANNECY comes to the Distillerie du Saint-Esprit

Annecy



As a boy, Ludovic Roche was fascinated by a small ornamental still on display in the family home.

From an early age, his curiosity for distillation was piqued by this symbolic object, as was his interest in the home distillers who stopped by his village. Later on, Ludovic became a metal sculptor, a calling which nurtured his creative side but also his sense of precision. His enthusiasm for liqueurs did not dim for all that, and the plans for the Distillerie du Saint-Esprit began to take shape in 2019 after he discovered quince liqueur. A revelation that sparked a change in career!



Ludovic trained in craft distilling and arboriculture. He learned how to blend and create sensory profiles at the International Centre for Spirits in Cognac. After building up his training with various craft distillers, he opened his production workshop in Annecy. Today, he pours his inspiration and enthusiasm into making spirits which are appreciated for their character and authenticity.

One of the spirits, Pastis, is made by infusing 7 different Alpine plants: wormwood, peppermint and ... the rest is a secret! Each plant is macerated separately in rectified spirit for several days. The macerated liquids are then subtly blended to reveal a bouquet that packs a floral and fragrant punch.

Last May, the distillery was voted World Champion and Vice-World Champion in the Pastis category.

www.distillerie-saint-esprit.fr

8 bis, route des Creuses

ol abuse is dangerous for your health, please consume in moderation

Our talented craftspeople



JULIE'S STUDIO with decorative pottery and cookware

Héry-sur-Alby

Based at the old family farm for the past 18 years, Julie crafts slipware (red clay, often coated in an engobe that may be white or coloured with metallic oxides).

Whether plain or decorated, the slipware is coated in a clear glaze and fired to around 1000C, creating crockery with clean lines and understated, colourful decoration.

If you're interested, you can come and watch Julie work in her studio adjoining the shop.

Shop open Tuesdays to Saturdays from 2.30pm to 6.30pm - Studio open from 1 April to 24 December www.poteriedejulie.fr 1380, route de Liaudy

A HOBBY TURNED INTO **A CAREER** for ceramic artist Isabelle Héry-sur-Alby



In a small Savoyard village between Annecy and Aix-les-Bains, on the edge of the Bauges mountains, Isabelle mainly fashions earthenware (low-fire pottery clay, which can be decorated with glazes in a vibrant array of colours). Her designs are mostly round, but there's more!

She also draws inspiration from figures like nomads, following a trip to Senegal, as well as animals.

Studio-shop open Mondays to Saturdays from 2.30pm to 6.30pm (except on Tuesdays, from 9am to 12pm).

www.isabelle-lemel-ceramiste.fr

75. route de la Pesse



A WOOD-CARVER Meilleur Ouvrier de France (Best Craftsman of France) 1997

Fillière

Philippe Duret expresses his creativity through his Art by shaping volume, space, lines and curves. He creates original pieces that take a variety of forms including statues, figures, objects, ornaments or animals.

The works may be accurate depictions of reality or completely abstract, conveying a vision and perception that ultimately demonstrate that Matter and Artist are but one. Philippe Duret also harnesses his expertise for the benefit of the catering sector.

www.art-sculpteur-duret.fr

60, chemin des Terrets - Aviernoz

Culture scene

THE FONDATION RÉAL A venue awash with history dedicated to contemporary art

Annecy-le-Vieux

The art foundation set up 15 years ago by Christian Réal is a corporate foundation. Its purpose is to support artists by providing them with exhibition space. It is committed to forging links between artists and the public, and thus to enabling mainstream access to art through free admission where dialogue is encouraged. It would also like to help awaken artistic creativity by welcoming schoolchildren and other groups for artist-led sessions.

The Foundation has built up a collection of artworks, particularly monumental sculptures that are on show in the grounds. The perfect place for a peaceful walk amidst a change of scenery.

Current exhibition: Touati Toufik Peinture, interwoven with deep Mediterranean influences, bathed in light and colour, from 2 June to 23 July 2023.

Guided tours available, delving into the current exhibition. Free admission.

Open Fridays to Sundays from 2pm to 6pm, except on bank holidays.

www.fondationdartchristianreal.fr

La Cour de l'Abbaye - 15, chemin de l'Abbaye



PHIL'ARTS A centre dedicated to art exhibitions

Thorens-Glières

The name of this exhibition space, from the Greek word 'philia', conjures up a love of art, and that sums up its whole ambition: to give

locals an opportunity to admire exceptional pieces from private and public collections alike. But in its pronunciation, it also evokes the Fillière, the river that flows through the region, and harks back to the term PHILatélie in memory of this building's former function as a postal sorting centre.

Current exhibition Street Art and an offsite trail through the streets of Fillière from 22 April to 2 July 2023.

On-site, the Phil'Arts

centre exhibits paintings and organises the creation of collective and participatory works. Off-site, there's a street art trail through Fillière's five villages. A dozen or so pieces on the local terroir theme.

EVENTS AGENDA IN CONNECTION WITH THE EXHIBITION **AND TRAIL**

Guided tour of the exhibition – free – registration required (lasts 90 mins):

Sunday 2 July - 5pm

Guided tour of the exhibition, with two tour guides (Claire Favrat, exhibition curator, and Pierre Gevaux, Street Art collector)

Every Sunday at 5pm

Guided tours of the trail - free - registration required (lasts 60 mins)

Sunday 25 June – 11am

Meet at Aviernoz church (bring a vehicle for the tour)

Sunday 2 July - 11am

Meet at MJC in Thorens-Glières

Open Wednesdays to Sundays from 2pm to 6pm except on bank holidays, free admission.

philarts@commune-filliere.fr

38, rue de la Poste - Thorens-Glières - 74570 Fillière

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Shopping made in Annecy

Sustainable travel ideas for exploring Lake Annecy

PANGOLIN

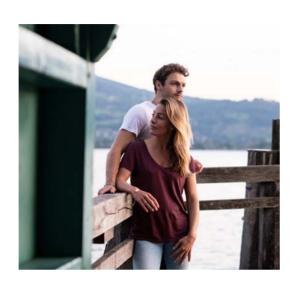
Annecy

A clothing line made in Annecy, designed by Laurent Gallo. Similar to the movement that is already taking the food scene by storm, this brand champions slow fashion by revisiting how fashion is consumed, giving precedence to better quality, eco-designed, sustainable clothing.

The Savoyard brand embraces a virtuous production method using a raw material for which France is the world's leading producer. Flax is grown and woven almost exclusively in Normandy and Hauts-de-France, where the climate is ideal for it to thrive. Part of this production therefore crosses the country to Laurent's studio

www.pango-lin.fr

T-shirts from €45 - Dresses from €119 - Shorts from €129



RESCAPÉ Annecy



French sporty bracelet brand designed by Annecy-born Félix when he was an engineering student. The unisex bracelet is adjustable, featuring a type II paracord and a carabiner clip or ice axe in stainless steel. A whole message is encapsulated in the design of this bracelet.

www.rescapefrance.fr Each bracelet costs €29.90

ODE ANNECY An inclusive, sustainable olfactory souvenir

Annecy

Ode Annecy is a range of reed diffusers that work by capillary action, founded by Edouard Maumeiean.

Made-to-measure in Haute-Savoie in keeping with the highest Luxury Perfume standards, Ode Annecy is 95% natural and celebrates summer with a fragrance imbued with aquatic notes and harmonious hints of white flowers.



Each bottle symbolically contains one drop of water from the lake. The summer range, Ode Annecy Eté, is launching on 21 June!

www.odeannecy.com
Reed diffusers from €30 (100ml)

VÉLONECY

nearly 70 docking stations region-wide



VélOnecy is the self-service cycle hire scheme in the Greater Annecy area, in operation for 3 years already. Popular with locals and holidaymakers alike, the scheme has expanded annually.

From 1 June to 30 September, you can find nearly 69 docking stations region-wide. New terminals are installed every year (18 new ones were added in 2023).

Free for the first 30 minutes, then \in 1.50 for 60 minutes.

www.velonecy.com

TOP TRAVEL TIP

Free buses this summer

Greater Annecy's 'm o b i l' é t é 'summer scheme encourages people to travel car-free this summer.

All of the bus lines will be free from 1 July to 31 August. Around the lake, two daily lines will operate along the



lake's shores every 20 minutes from 6.30am to 11pm, one on the West side (Annecy, Saint-Jorioz, Duingt) and one on the East side (Annecy, Veyrier-du-Lac, Menthon-Saint-Bernard, Talloires-Montmin). Between the villages, 2 lines will run services every 30 to 40 minutes for short journeys in the neighbouring villages (Sevrier and Menthon-Saint-Bernard Bluffy).

Lastly, up in the mountains, there are 3 lines to Semnoz and 2 lines to Col de la Forclaz and Planfait.

www.mobilites.grandannecy.fr

THE FIRST ZERO-EMIS-SIONS PILOT LINE OF LAKE TRANSPORT

Annecy Marquisats -Veyrier-du-Lac



Seabubbles is an Annecy-based startup that designs and builds next-generation boats. Combining zero-emissions propulsion with the sensation of flying thanks to its carbon fibre hydrofoils, SeaBubbles are supporting initiatives driving low-carbon lake transportation. Designed for passenger transport, they provide an environmentally friendly and enjoyable way of getting around. These are the first 0-emission, 0-wave, 0-noise electric hydrofoil boats to be launched on the lake.

From 1 July to 31 August, Greater Annecy will operate a lake shuttle in addition to its land-based transport services, including the SeaBubbles 0-emission mobility solution.

Six round trips a day will run between Annecy-Marquisats and Veyrier, and SeaBubbles will be used for two of these journeys. Two other operators already based on Lake Annecy have been selected to round off the SeaBubbles service. These are the local businesses Alpine Boat and Water Taxi, which will use fully electric boats.

Timetable: departures from Annecy at 2pm and 4.30pm and departures from Veyrier-du-Lac at 1.30pm and 4pm

Prices: €9 per trip, for an adult; €4 for a child (2-to-12 year olds), and free for infants under 2 years old.

4 seats on a SeaBubbles boat and 11 seats on an Alpine Boat and Water Taxi.

www.seabubbles.com



Activities in the area

A TIMELESS CRUISE WITH ESPÉRANCE III The lake craft with lateen sails

Annecy

The association Espérance III has revived the Espérance, a craft with lateen sails that ferried thousands of tonnes of goods across Lake Annecy from 1911 to 1930. An exact replica of this old boat has been rebuilt by passionate shipwrights. Equipped with battery-powered electric motors, Espérance III is part of the lake's environmentally-friendly transport offer.

Following the project's initiation at the end of 2019 (for a budget of €1.5m) and the craft's launch in June 2021, the general public can now climb aboard to sail around the lake.



2-hour outing, every Wednesday and Saturday, at 10am and 2pm.

Prices: adult: €30 - child (4-12 year olds): €22

www.esperance3.org

Quai Napoléon III

GO FOR AN OUTING ON LAKE ANNECY with the Compagnie des Bateaux

Based right next to Annecy's old town, the Compagnie des Bateaux organises guided cruises lasting 1 or 2 hours aboard one of its six boats on Lake Annecy.

Choose from a cruise with a stopover to sightsee in one of the towns around the lake, or a full tour with no stopover to see the whole of the lake, or its most bustling stretch, during the day or the evening.

This year, the Compagnie des Bateaux has begun to switch its boat fleet to electric propulsion. The first touring cruise boat, the Savoie, will set sail at the end of June, joined by the Libellule, a restaurant cruise boat, in early August. The transition will continue on the company's other boats through the winter of 2023.



Prices: touring cruises from €18/person - restaurant cruises from €65/person

www.bateaux-annecy.com

LE CHEMIN DES TYROLIENNES

Talloires-Montmin



This unusual activity combining walking and the thrill of being in the air operates half an hour or so from Annecy, in Talloires-Montmin. The guide leads adventurous visitors through woodland, up mountains and particularly to the foot of the Tournette: the tallest peak overlooking Lake Annecy. The walk begins at the Pré Verel refuge, at 1,200m of altitude, amidst the mountain pastures, and continues with a trip through the trees via several zip wires: two on the way up and three on the way down. Option during the activity: trip to the Col de l'Aulp farm with lunch at the restaurant.

Prices: return outing lasting 90 minutes (per person) - adult: €28 - child (40kg minimum): €22 - group (more than 6 people): €25 - specific equipment supplied: helmets, harnesses, lanyards, pulleys

www.chemin-des-tyroliennes.com

A NEW BOATING CENTRE with no polluting emissions, noise or fumes!

Veyrier-du-Lac



Located on La Brune beach, with sunset views, Le Deck provides a unique range of boats for hire.

Various crafts are available:

 Licence-free 8-seater electric GoBoats: these boats can be hired to enjoy the lake with your family or friends, thanks to their central table perfect for lunch or drinks and nibbles out on the lake... Everyone can be their own captain! The central seating area can even be turned into sun loungers! Prices start at €120 for 90 minutes.

- A pilot-led 11-seater electric boat, running cruises and crossings. This bowrider-style boat has a central area furnished with a large table for lunch, tea time or early evening cruises ... The sun loungers to the rear are ideal for soaking up the views over the lake and its shores. Cruises start at €190 for 1 hour and crossing prices vary depending on the journey - available from July.
- 5-seater pedalos, the only ones you can reserve online around the lake! These streamlined paddleboats are great fun, and some even have a slide (prices from €25/ hour).
- Paddleboards for 1 person, prices from €15/hour.

www.ledeck-veyrier.com

CYCLING ROUND THE LAKE: you can now go all the way around!



Lake Annecy is known for its famous cycling circuit: the Tour du Lac à Vélo!

Along this 40-km circular itinerary, there is a greenway laid out on the west side, while on the eastern shores there's a series of cycle paths along shared traffic lanes or separate from the roadway.

We'd recommend doing the route clockwise, to avoid having to climb the Côte de Talloires-Montmin. There are drinking water points along the greenway for filling up your bottles, and you'll also find cycle repair stations with a pump and other basic tools as well as lakeside bike cafés (La Petite Reine in Veyrier-du-Lac, Au coup de pompe in Doussard, Le Bon Wagon in Duingt or L'Abri Cyclette in Saint-Jorioz).

It takes about 3 hours to cycle all the way around the lake.

www.lac-annecy.com/immanquables/la-voie-vertedu-lac-d-annecy At the new rental shop **Outside bike**, you can hire powerful, comfortable, on- and off-road bikes, by booking them online first. Thanks to their impressive range (the distance you can cover on a single charge), you can use the electric assistance as much as you like. The bikes are equipped with baskets and locks and a child seat can also be loaned out free of charge. But remember! No bookings are taken at the bike collection point, so reserve them online first! To collect your bike, go to the Outside Rivage desk at the lakeside Rivage Hotel & Spa in **Annecy-le-Vieux**.

www.lac-annecy.com/commerce-et-service/outside-bike-annecy or www.outside-bike.com

33, avenue du Petit Port

Voted the year's best three-wheeled cargo bike at the Cargo Bike Festival 2023, **Eco-Triporteur**, based in **Saint Jorioz**, has a range of cargo bikes available for hire for families with small children, together with a child seat, as well as three-wheeled cargo bikes for travelling with adults with impaired-mobility

www.lac-annecy.com/commerce-et-service/ecotriporteur-saint-jorioz

130, route des Marais



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THE HIGHLINER Antoine Mesnage

28-year-old outdoor sports enthusiast Antoine Mesnage is a particular fan of highlining. This involves rigging slacklines high up off the ground between two different spots.

Antoine's interest was first piqued through the Flying Frenchies, a Frenchhighlining community for whom the sky really is the limit, while his dad, Dominique, a climbing veteran, passed on his love of being above the void. The Annecy-born highliner has practised his hobby across some 15 countries, but his favourite crossings are back in his home town. Never without his harness, he is always on the look-out to open new crossings. He has already opened up some twenty lines around Lake Annecy. As an expert of being above the void, he can guide people who would like to sleep on a mountain top, and connect two peaks in Norway.

Over the years, Antoine Mesnage, at once artist, photographer, film maker and producer, has become an elite athlete in his discipline highlining. This summer, he has set his sights high: to rig up a highline more than a kilometre long between the Dents de Lanfon and Pointe de Talamarche, more than 500 metres above the ground. His ambition now is to add a poetic and philosophical dimension to highlining, by shooting his own films so that he can share this extraordinary activity with the widest possible audience.

Find out more at www.antoinemesnage.com

Instagram account @antoine.mesnage

ANNECY-STYLE ELEGANCE

Liz

DJ Liz Candy has successfully made a name for herself on the overwhelmingly male-dominated clubbing scene. She decided to leave school at age 16 to turn her musical creativity into a career. Liz began to mix for the famous Parisian night club: the Queen, and has travelled to some thirty different countries. Gradually, she has caught the eye of luxury brands and, for the past few years, she has mainly been DJing in her home town, Annecy, as well as in the Aravis and Geneva. She thus creates the musical soundtracks for an array of establishments.

Today, she is Artistic Director of the Airelles and PVG hotel group and, in December 2021, founded her own company, Liz & co. You can listen to her playlist in the Château de Versailles hotel & restaurant as well as in the outdoor decking area of Le Pélican hotel in Annecy, where she performs regularly in the summer.

Booked mainly for after-work events, she stirs up the crowds with her Electro-Deep House playlist, while reworking the classics of traditional French pop music. Alongside her career, Liz is also a huge snowboarding and surfing fan. In the winter, she loves nothing better than to let off steam on her snowboard amidst the mountain scenery while, come summer, she wakesurfs on Lake Annecy. With freedom as her compass, DJ Liz Candy still has loads of ideas up her sleeve for entertaining the Annecy population.

Find out more at www.liz-and-co.com

contact@liz-and-co.com











Events you don't want to miss

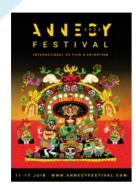


11-17 June: **Animation Film Festival**

The world's largest event dedicated to animation.

Since it was created 60 years ago, this festival in Annecy has become a major global event for animation, attracting the foremost professionals from the sector and providing an opportunity to celebrate the creativity and diversity of styles and techniques in the world of animation.





16. 23. 24 & 25 June: Festival La Presqu'île de l'Imaginaire

4 musical, poetic dates in the gardens of Château de Duingt



La Presqu'île de l'imaginaire made its 'poetic' debut on the shores of Lake Annecy in 2018, in the grounds of the iconic Château de Duingt whose walls are steeped in history. For its 5th year, the festival's programme is focusing on our relationship with nature. The castle's gardens are gearing up to host dancing. singing, music and theatre, overlooking Lake Annecy. This unique setting reflects the festival's commitment to

celebrating the connection between people and their natural surroundings

Over four dates, festival-goers will gain an insight into evolving landscapes where nature intertwines with art to reinvent itself: the festival will feature 1 screening, 1 show, 3 concerts and 1 poetic walk. Its guest of honour is the author, composer and performer Gaël Faure.

www.festival-presquile.fr

8 July 24 September: Annecy paysages

Organised by Bonlieu Scène nationale Annecy since 2018, Annecy paysages is an outdoor itinerary through the town, dotted with artistic and landscape installations in landmark sites representative of Annecy's heritage and natural scenery.

In the three main sites (the historic centre, the Jardins de l'Europe and Parc Charles Bosson), landscape gardeners, sculptors, architects and designers provide fresh interpretation of the town's landscapes.

Whatever form they may take, the works will encourage the public to look at their surroundings from a whole new angle. Each showpiece highlights a different aspect of the urban landscape, broaching questions of development and the balance between towns and nature

For this sixth edition, Annecy paysages is unveiling over thirty installations as well as a trail of ten or so exhibitions curated by their partners as part of the event,



www.annecy-paysages.com

Saturday 5 August: Lake Festival 'Comédies Musicales'

Inspired by the great Venetian-style celebration in honour

of Napoleon III's visit, this event has evolved over time, to keep up with new technology for the display, fireworks and in working in partnership with well-known creators of emotion.

Close to 200,000 spectators come to the shores of the lake to witness this enjoyable evening of amazement and



New this year: the fleet of drones has expanded for a truly sensational show.

www.lac-annecy.com/

15 August: Traversée du Lac d'Annecy

The open-water swim across Lake Annecy is back for its 91st edition. As always, the various swimming events will take place on 15 August, a French public holiday: there will be distances of 1 km, 2.4 km, 5 km and 10 km, to suit all levels of ability.

www.traverseedulacdannecv.fr

13 to 25 August: Impérial Annecy Festival An extra special edition

Jazz, classical music and comedy enthusiasts have a real treat in store at this 8th Impérial Annecy Festival! Two formats: free concerts at 6pm on the outdoor terrace and at 9pm in the Salle de l'Europe venue. Inter-generational programme with up-and-coming artists performing alongside global superstars.

www.imperial-annecy-festival.fr

19 August: The Ultra race des Géants



This is the cycling race through the Alps for those who want to tackle France's most beautiful mountain peaks!

Departing from the Pâquier lawn in Annecy, choose from three race formats. on your own (solo) or in pairs (duo): 300 km, 500 km or 1,000 km.

www.matchycycling.com

9 to 17 September: Coup de Théâtre Festival

The festival dusts off some of the greatest texts from literature and theatre of the past and present, so visitors can listen to and see them performed on stage. The festival will be held in a variety of venues around the whole area, such as a Château, private garden, mill, school playground or public square.

www.coupdetheatre.org

Events at Château de Montrottier



25 June: mediaeval afternoon

2pm-5.30pm: juggling, mock battles, parade.

12 & 13 July/16 & 17 August: à l'assaut!

Shows at 10.30am, 1.30pm, 3pm and 4.30pm How to capture a mediaeval fortress

20 & 27 July / 3 & 10 August: birds of prev flying displays

11am, 2pm & 3pm: parade and photo shoots with the public at 12.30pm & 4.30pm

21 July: nuit des étoiles (special stargazing evening)

Starts at 9pm.

10 September: day devoted to board games

10.30am-12.30pm and 1pm-5pm; mediaeval theme



A spot of culture

Musée Château Annecy

1 June-30 September: Exhibition - animation films by Theodore Ushev

Musée du Film d'Animation

Exhibition on motion pictures - Free admission

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Impérial Convention Centre of Lake Annecy Tourist Information Centre

Overlooking the lake, at the foot of the mountains and on the doorstep of Annecy town centre, the Impérial Convention Centre run by Lake Annecy Tourist Information Centre since last November organises conventions, meetings, seminars and receptions.

The Convention Centre has 21 flexible-lavout rooms, with a surface area of 17 to 562 m², and can accommodate up to 600 people., These areas are bathed in natural daylight and equipped with all the necessary equipment for hosting successful events.

www.annecy-centre-congres.com Allée de l'Impérial - Annecy





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