ALPINE VIEW
Exceptional properties in the French and Swiss Alps

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The mountains wait for no man and our last year has certainly echoed this view across the French and Swiss Alps. We have grown our knowledge and breadth of offerings since last year’s Alpine View and I hope you’ll agree that this year’s edition brings a wider range and a higher quality than ever before, supported by a growing and more focused team in the resorts and here in London.

The alpine world has never been such big business and our observations last year on the growth of investment have been very much supported by continued investment across the Alps, with resorts such as Chamonix looking to invest more than 400m Euros in the lift system over the next 10 years.

Our latest ski index continues to support this growth across the international spectrum with an ever growing number of International HNWIs looking to add an Alpine property to their wealth portfolios. We are also seeing a return to the Alps of a more traditional purchaser, aided by currency fluctuations and, perhaps more importantly, the arrival of a number of flagship development schemes.

On the ground we welcome a new associate partnership in Chamonix, where we are joining with a young and dynamic team at Mountain Base in covering the Chamonix Valley; from the year round bustling town centre to a growing appearance of high quality, architect designed and luxury chalets.

Our established relationships are no less important and we continue to grow in Courchevel, Meribel and Megève. A new scheme in Courchevel Village (p14) provides a gateway to Les Trois Vallées (at every price point). As Geneva’s sphere of influence continues to grow we are seeing continued growth in those looking to be within an hour or so from the airport.

In all, snow willing, we have seen a slowly improving marketplace across the mountains. France continues to hold some of the resort destinations of choice whilst the recent vote in Switzerland reaffirms its position as an investment destination. We cover all these options, from Val d’Isère to Villars and look forward to sharing them with you in this year’s Alpine View.

We very much look forward to working with you in the coming year and would be delighted to discuss your personal property requirements at any stage.

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Prime alpine property continues to be big business across the world’s ski areas as chalets and apartments have become a key component of global property portfolios as well as giving the opportunity to make a lifestyle acquisition that provides an investment return across all price ranges. Traditional international sources of alpine ownership are being joined by a growing passion for skiing from sources such as China, India and the Far East.

Part of the reason for this noticeable uplift in sentiment is that we are seeing a clear resurgence in intensive and significant infrastructure programmes across the Alps, both French and Swiss. Resorts who have led the way in investment over the last five years or so, such as the Courchevel Valley, are not resting on their laurels and continue to pour resources into their lift and leisure networks, with over €100m being invested in the Valley wide ski lift system together with a €67m aquatic centre scheduled for completion in 2015. Following close on their heels other resorts have recognised the importance of improving their offering to an ever more mobile and discerning global skiing community and none is more striking than in rival Chamonix where we are seeing perhaps even more of a statement of intent, a proposed €477m improvement programme over the next decade to support its reputation as a leading year round resort.

These improvements have been accompanied in 2014 by a growth in the breadth and depth of the luxury chalet market as well as a return of the core market business across the Alps. Whilst the established resorts have always held super prime chalets we are now seeing properties of a similar quality appear in new destinations, most noticeably driven by renewed demand for a luxury all year round chalet within easy distance of Geneva, especially from a more international clientele. New architect designed chalets can now be found in the heartland of the Chamonix Valley and on the heights of the Portes du Soleil that compare in style, class and specification with those in Megève, Courchevel or Verbier.

One of the best markers for continued development in these resorts is the continued health of the alpine tourist and hotel business, coupled with the reappearance and growth of a number of significant residential developments. In Megève, a Four Seasons hotel demonstrates the strength and popularity of the resort whilst in Courchevel the Cheval Blanc and Les Airelles are joined by the K2 as Palace hotels; the only ones in the Alps. It is clear that the touristic health of the prime alpine resorts has never been stronger.

Equally assuring is the arrival of the luxury residential development schemes, headlined by the Carre Blanc development in Courchevel Village which, with a completion date of 2016, has already sold over 30% of the apartments. New developments in Morzine and Les Gets
continue to support growth in the Portes du Soleil whilst new schemes in Val d’Isère have provided a renaissance, and indeed price growth for 2013-2014, for the Espace Killy. Balancing this expansion in new build opportunities, Courchevel 1850 has seen a restriction in planning permissions for large super prime chalet redevelopment making those chalet schemes with planning in place ever more desirable (one of only three chalets on the open market can be found on page 13).

Continued legislation in Switzerland has added restrictions to entry to the Swiss Prime chalet market although this has, so far, reduced supply and kept prices stable especially in resorts such as Verbier and Villars. There are a number of excellent properties available for non Swiss purchasers and demand, whilst continuing to be strong in the 2m CHF to 5m CHF range has now been matched by activity in the 10m CHF+ bracket.

Recent changes in Sterling’s relationship with the Euro (seeing a Q2/Q3 high) have seen considerable benefits for UK buyers looking in the French Alps taking into account currency and price movements during 2014. Whilst these traditional buyers in the Alps are clearly returning to the market (61% of activity is still from European buyers) it is clear that global UHNWIs are also viewing alpine prime property as being a future component of their global property portfolios. As the number of UHNWIs grows (forecast to rise by 28% over the next decade) the demand for ski homes in the key centres of future wealth creation continues to grow.

Source: Knight Frank Residential Research 2013 - 2014.
Chamonix, sitting pretty at the foot of the magnificent Mont Blanc, is the historical heart of the French Alps. The first ever Winter Olympic Games were held here in 1924 and to this day it is held in great affection by skiers and mountain enthusiasts across the globe.

But, not content with its fine history, Chamonix is also forward looking and enterprising and, together with substantial public and private investment, has over the last decade developed into an exciting modern centre of sport. Chamonix today serves as a base for almost all types of outdoor activity (especially the dangerous ones) and is almost always at the forefront of major new trends. For example ski touring has seen huge growth with numerous new companies getting people out to the remote back country and trail runners are growing in significant numbers every year.

The off-piste skiing in the Chamonix Valley is nothing short of legendary with immense free ride playgrounds, linked by glaciers and further punctuated by formidable black runs down the valleys.

On piste there are five separate ski areas, two of which are linked, and here you will find a diverse range of skiing, enough to satisfy the keen adrenaline junky and beginner alike. Brévent-Flégère, Aiguille du Midi, Argentière & Les Grands Montets, Le Tour & Vallorcine and Les Houches make up the main villages in the valley and all deliver some of the most stunning Mont Blanc scenery and natural wonders that the Alps have to offer.

Life in Chamonix is very pleasant all year-round. Many families seek more from their summer holidays than lying on a beach who want variety and adventure – in Chamonix there is no shortage of either! Offering everything from paragliding and mountaineering to swimming pools, spas and hiking, Chamonix also has one of the most beautifully positioned golf courses in the world. Nor is Chamonix quite as rugged as she used to be. These days there are more gorgeous architect designed chalets and sumptuous accommodation opportunities than ever before. The luxury alpine explorer will find more than enough to delight, challenge and amuse.

Chamonix, full of energy and verve, clearly has a bright future. This forward thinking and vibrant Savoyard town will always be very firmly on the map.

‘The off-piste skiing in the Chamonix valley is nothing short of legendary’.
Set over three floors and in an exclusive area of Les Tines, this chalet is a Prestige et Passion designed chalet and benefits from the style, ambience and natural expression that the company brings.

Accommodation includes:

- 4 bedrooms
- Double grand salon with central fireplace
- Lofted kitchen
- Large south facing terrace with panoramic views
- Garden

Guide price €2,590,000
Located in the desirable Les Tines area of Chamonix, this magnificent new build chalet sits alongside the golf course and benefits from a private location bordered by the firs of the Chamonix Valley.

Accommodation includes:
- 5 bedrooms
- Triple aspect living room with grand feature fireplace
- Cinema room, grand sized sauna and massage room
- Outdoor swimming pool
- Exterior roof terrace with heater

Guide price €6,500,000
Beautifully renovated farmhouse located in Taconnaz, with spectacular views of the Mont Blanc mountain range. Independent, one bedroom apartment, barn and workshop with potential for further development subject to necessary planning consent.

Accommodation includes:
- 5 bedroom suites
- Grand salon with double height ceiling
- Mezzanine TV room/study
- Garage
- Chamonix centre approximately 5.3km

Guide price €1,395,000
CHAMONIX

Exceptional refurbished ski chalet, set over three floors, located in a private, tranquil position within the exclusive Plaine des Praz, with spectacular views of the Mont Blanc mountain range.

Accommodation includes:

- 5 bedrooms
- Open plan living area with bifold doors
- Large decked terrace with hot tub
- Garage and external parking
- 2 storey Mazot

Guide price €2,575,000
CHAMONIX

Voted No.1 by The Times as the coolest chalet on the slopes for 2012, this property has been specifically designed to soak up the dramatic mountain views with extensive glazing, and a palette of materials that include exposed timber finishes and rough-hewn natural stone.

Accommodation includes:

- 6 bedroom suites
- Reception room with floor to ceiling windows
- Gym and indoor climbing wall
- Outdoor swimming pool
- Located alongside the golf course

Guide price €3,950,000
Courchevel is a resort that constantly strives for excellence – year upon year it seeks to offer an Alpine experience that exceeds all expectations.

It is almost avant-garde in its approach to improvement. For example recent huge investment in the infrastructure included the installation of heated pavements. The state-of-the-art lift systems are famous for being virtually queue free even at the height of the season and the much anticipated opening of their new 10,000 sq m aquatic center next year will confirm, without doubt, Courchevel’s place as the premier resort of the French Alps.

It has geographical advantages: its slopes are north facing, which means they receive snow earlier and the snow stays for longer than in other resorts, it is part of Les Trois Vallées, which forms the biggest linked ski area in the world, with 600km of piste accessible direct from the villages. This is ski-in ski-out at its best. You can ski from your front door to the local boulangerie and back, if you wish.

Courchevel has 11 hotels with a 5* ranking. In 2011 France introduced a 6th star ranking for hotels, named ‘Palaces’. The palace 6th star is awarded to the most prestigious, exclusive and luxurious hotels in France. No more than twenty hotels in the whole of France have been awarded this rating and three of them are in Courchevel. You will find a host of Michelin starred restaurants (with seven restaurants sharing an incredible twelve stars in 2014) and ample luxury shopping opportunities. Unsurprising then that many of the finest and most exclusive chalets, particularly in Jardin Alpin and Bellecote, have price tags that leave Hong Kong, London and Monaco in the shade.

Yet there is more to Courchevel than simply exclusivity. The four villages that make up Courchevel each have distinctly differing personalities and between them offer a range of accommodation, entertainment and activity choices to please all tastes from careful young families to challenge-hungry skiers. All the villages have huge international appeal, which adds vibrancy to the atmosphere.

The overall impression is of a cosmopolitan and eclectic resort that has more than enough energy and dynamism to stay one step ahead of all future trends.

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Courchevel
One of only a handful of chalets in Courchevel with planning permission for a sizeable development giving the incoming purchaser the chance to rebuild a 769 sq m (8,277 sq ft) chalet in a most desirable and tranquil part of Courchevel.

Accommodation includes:

- 6 bedroom suites
- Top floor living room and kitchen
- Cinema room
- Swimming pool and spa area
- Underground parking

Guide price €8,500,000
COURCHEVEL VILLAGE

An outstanding new residential development incorporating traditional alpine and contemporary styles. Located at the foot of the piste, with easy and direct access to Courchevel 1850, completion due 2016.

Development includes:
- 38 units
- 1 to 4 bedrooms
- New build
- Fully serviced
- Private parking/garage

Guide price €335,000 – €2,490,000
COURCHEVEL

This outstanding chalet provides a contemporary design with a chic and modern interior. Benefits from a location that provides private access together with a position between the fir trees and the ski runs.

Accommodation includes:
- 5 bedroom suites
- Swimming pool and hammam
- Indoor and outdoor Jacuzzi
- Garage and wine cellar
- Near the ski slopes of the Pralong lift

Guide price €11,000,000
COURCHEVEL

Opportunity to purchase a ‘turn key’ chalet in the Bellecote area over six floors, giving a wonderful view out over the Vanoise National Park.

Accommodation includes:
- 7 bedroom suites
- Living space on the top floor
- Swimming pool and spa
- Cinema room
- Ideally set for the nearby ski slopes

Guide price €23,320,000

COURCHEVEL

Set over 4 floors, this elegant chalet is built in the style of the most state-of-the-art chalets in the resort providing an excellent mix of living and entertaining space in the resort, with a rare indoor pool.

Accommodation includes:
- 5 bedroom suites
- Living area with views over the valley and mountains
- Swimming pool and bar area
- Garage parking
- Located near the Cospillot piste

Guide price €8,800,000
Duplex apartment located alongside the Bellecote ski slope with excellent views over Courchevel and the surrounding mountains. Designed in a contemporary and modern style combined with an excellent skiing location.

Accommodation includes:
- 3 bedrooms
- Living area with central feature fireplace
- Balcony access
- Garage parking
- Ski-in ski-out

Guide price €1,950,000

A stunning penthouse apartment covering the whole top floor of the residence. There are two separate apartments that can be joined each with their own entrance and access to the south facing balcony.

Accommodation includes:
- 5 bedrooms
- 2 receptions
- South facing balcony
- Overlooking the Bellecote slope
- Ski-in ski-out

Guide price €5,360,000

COURCHEVEL
The ski resort of Méribel was founded in 1938 by British skier Peter Lindsay. Working with a French team of architects and investors Lindsay designed traditional style chalets as accommodation for his new resort.

Méribel has grown outwards (rather than upwards!) remaining true to its founders’ architectural principals. Today Méribel is made up of several picturesque villages, all surrounded by gentle, wooded slopes. These villages together form one of the most charmingly crafted resorts in the Alps.

A variety of woodland red and blue runs connect the whole area making the perfect village touring conditions and creating an intermediate skiers paradise. Not only this, Méribel can argue it is almost perfectly located, sitting as it does in the middle of Les Trois Vallées, it has 600km of seamlessly linked skiing on its doorstep.

Méribel can also boast the fastest lift system in the world – getting skiers up into the highest reaches faster than any other resort. Even in a lifetime of skiing you’d be hard pressed to discover everything Les Trois Vallées has to offer.

Méribel is a great favourite with the British skiing community partly because it is supremely easy to reach being only 1.5 hours from Chambery, or just over 2 hours from Grenoble or Geneva International Airports.

Méribel Centre is perhaps the more refined of the villages and while there is a lively après-ski scene and much to entertain all ages and tastes, it is distinctly more relaxed than its higher up, party orientated neighbours of Val Thorens and Les Menuires – if you like to be crowd surfing by 6pm these are your go-to destinations. Méribel is well-known for its excellent live music with a growing number of lounge and wine bars.

A superb modern mountain resort, Méribel is ideal for most beginner and intermediate skiers. The villages themselves are incredibly pretty with all the amenities one would expect. However, take into account the vast reach of Les Trois Vallées and Méribel becomes one of the Alps pre-eminent ski areas.
MERIBEL

Semi-detached chalet set over four floors located in an exclusive enclave of Méribel. Mezzanine study area, cinema room, billiards area, ski room and terrace with a hot tub.

Accommodation includes:

- 5 bedroom suites
- Double height living room
- Wine cellar
- South facing terrace
- Views over the surrounding mountains
MERIBEL

Chalet set over four floors with excellent entertaining space. Tucked away in a private enclave of Méribel Village, it benefits from the ski run into, and the lift out of Méribel Village.

Accommodation includes:

- 6 bedrooms
- Double height living area
- Wellness area with Whirlpool bath and steam room
- Ski room and garage
- Direct access to the slopes of Les Trois Vallées
MERIBEL
Rebuilt luxury chalet located in the Mussillon area of Méribel. A contemporary living space with feature fireplace and well-appointed kitchen, opening onto a magnificent, south facing terrace.

Accommodation includes:
- 6 bedroom suites
- Light and airy living space
- Guest house/garage
- South facing terraces
- Approximately 850m to Méribel centre

Guide price €2,300,000

MERIBEL
A charming and original semi-detached chalet located on one of the most sought after roads in Méribel. Ideally located in the centre of Méribel itself and close to the ski slopes.

Accommodation includes:
- 6 bedrooms
- Secondary accommodation
- Ski rack and boot warmer
- Refurbishment opportunity
- Approximately 1.5km from Méribel centre

Guide price €3,200,000
This new build chalet in the peaceful enclave of La Gittaz provides a sense of privacy and individualism. Built with modern materials in a traditional style, the chalet mixes this ambience with modern amenities.

Accommodation includes:

- 5 bedroom suites
- Elegant living space
- South facing terrace
- Garage parking
- Approximately 2km from Méribel centre
Megève was developed as a ski resort in the twenties by Baroness Noemi de Rothschild, who was looking for an alternative to St Moritz in Switzerland.

The charming little farming village of Megève caught the imagination of the Baroness and she bought a guesthouse and transformed it into a chic hotel. Et voilà, Megève quickly became the favourite skiing resort of the wealthy, the famous and the cultured.

Today Megève retains that same aura of exclusivity and alpine charm - there are no modern high-rise apartments to be found here - the architecture is picturesque and traditional. It is also still very much a farming village with an authentic sense of community, you will find children playing in the playgrounds and the many local farmers going about their daily lives.

Megève remains a great favourite with the international and sophisticated. English, French, Swiss, Italians, Northern Europeans (especially Dutch) and Middle Eastern visitors make up the regular clientele, their evenings spent strolling through its pretty streets, sipping vin chaud bought from street stalls.

The surrounding slopes are not so high but this is really pleasurable skiing and suitable for all types of skier. Everywhere there are beautiful views of the mountains, especially the magnificent Mont Blanc and as such it is an ideal ski base for families.

There is plenty to amuse away from the slopes. Megève is perfect for food lovers being home to more than 90 restaurants and 8 of them with Michelin stars! The nightlife, from wine bars to nightclubs is lively and glamorous. During the day there are cafes and patisseries (especially on the picturesque Place d’Eglise) in which to while away a morning and a wonderful choice of up-market shops to be distracted by. Also there is ice-skating, a swimming pool and even horse drawn sleigh rides to add amusement.

Megève is truly a year-round destination; in the spring and summer sunshine fills the vast open views, the fields turn a lush green and flowers abound in colourful gardens and meadows. As if that wasn’t enough, being only 1 hour from Geneva by car, it is also extremely easy to get to.

Since the time of Baroness Noemi de Rothschild, Megève has consistently offered its guests a discreet and luxurious experience. Megève is a beautiful and beautifully positioned resort possessed of an old-world refinement that many ski resorts across the globe aspire to but few can evoke with such authority.
A fantastic modern chalet combining original alpine features and ambience with a modern finish. Located in a popular residential area of the well-known and desirable Le Jaillet area of Megève.

Accommodation includes:

- 5 bedroom suites
- Good size living space
- Secondary living space with terrace access
- Hammam and spa area
- Panoramic views of Mont Blanc

Guide price €6,500,000
MEGEVE

Two magnificent chalets on a plot of approximately 2,016 sq m (21,700 sq ft) with easy access to the ski resorts and superb views of the surrounding mountains. Comprises underground garage for 12 cars, wellness area with spa, hammam and shower.

Accommodation includes:

- 13 bedrooms
- 9 reception rooms
- 2 ski rooms
- Cinema room
- Chalets joined by underground parking

Guide price €17,800,000
MEGEVE

Beautiful recently built chalet with panoramic views of the mountains, in a quiet area approximately 2km from the centre of Megève.

Accommodation includes:
- 5 bedrooms
- Living room with mountain views
- Independent one bedroom apartment
- South terrace
- Garage parking

Guide price €3,150,000

MEGEVE

Top floor apartment located in the popular and desirable Rochebrune area of the chic alpine ski resort of Megève. Well located for the village and ski lifts.

Accommodation includes:
- 3 bedroom suites
- Double height living room
- Recently refurbished
- 2 storage cellars
- Garage parking

Guide price €2,100,000
MEGEVE
Chalet comprises two separate and recently built chalets, offering outstanding amenities. Approximately 332 sq m (3,573 sq ft) in total, master chalet 235 sq m, guest chalet 94.40 sq m set on a 164 sq m garden.

Accommodation includes:
- 8 bedroom suites
- 2 reception rooms with fireplaces
- 2 separate chalets
- Small “Mazot” in the garden
- Approximately 500m to the Jaillet slopes

Guide price €5,670,000
MEGEVE
Chalet set over three floors located in the Demi Quartier area of Megève. Panoramic views of the surrounding mountains including Mont Blanc, Mont d’Arbois and Mont Joly. Master bedroom with dressing room and en suite bathroom.

Accommodation includes:
- 4 bedroom suites
- Grand salon with feature fireplace
- Sauna
- Garage parking
- Approximately 4km from Megève centre

Guide price €3,675,000
A wonderful new build ski chalet located in a quiet and well lit setting in a traditional style hamlet approximately 2.5km from the centre of Megève, conveniently located for the surrounding skiing.

Accommodation includes:
- 4 bedrooms
- Significant main salon with feature fireplace
- Fitness room, hammam, ski room
- Wrap around terrace
- Garage parking for 2 vehicles

Guide price €3,350,000
MEGEVE
This contemporary style chalet associates old timber with high-standard amenities. Located close to the village.

Accommodation includes:
- 4 bedrooms
- Spa
- Terrace
- Newly built
- Private parking

Guide price €3,200,000
Morzine and Les Gets are extremely pretty villages made up of chalet style buildings with wooden façades and carved balconies. Under a fresh fall of snow they make a picture perfect Alpine scene.

Morzine is a working village with an authenticity that has become in much demand in recent years. A permanent population goes about their business in and out of season. The farmers still run their horses round town and the slate mine is still open producing mainly roof tiles as it has done for hundreds of years.

These resorts also have a tremendous natural advantage; they sit at the gateway to the magnificent Portes du Soleil ski area which, along with Les Trois Vallées, rank as the two largest linked ski areas in the world! Another happy result of geography – height, northern facing and proximity to Lake Geneva means Morzine and Les Gets enjoy a long season receiving both the earliest and the latest snowfall. They are also among the most easily accessible resorts in the Alps, if you catch an early flight to Geneva you can be skiing by lunchtime!

These are well-established mountain resorts, as popular in winter as they are in the summer. During the summer Morzine has in recent years become a Mecca for road biking and mountain biking enthusiasts and professionals. More than one Olympian trains regularly from this area and with good reason – the downhill mountain biking in the Portes du Soleil and Morzine is some of the best in the world.

For a more relaxed approach there are walking opportunities for nature lovers and a fabulous 50m outdoor swimming pool and 25m indoor swimming pool complete with hammam area to unwind in. A great selection of shops, bars and restaurants completes the picture.

Lively and busy resorts, Morzine and Les Gets offer some of the most family friendly year-round activities and amenities in the Alps. Take into account the vast Portes Du Soleil on their doorstep and the possibilities expand exponentially!
MORZINE/LES GETS

Completely renovated farmhouse in a tranquil and stunning area of Montriond. The chalet offers over 600 sq m (6,458 sq ft) of habitable area and is currently run as a very successful chalet operation during the winter months.

Accommodation includes:
- 7 bedroom suites
- Reception and dining area with vaulted ceilings
- Separate 1 bedroom studio
- Bar and TV area
- Garden

Guide price €2,300,000
Stunning south-west facing new build chalet with panoramic views and modern design throughout. Located with easy access to the centre of Morzine and the ski slopes.

Accommodation includes:
- 6 bedroom suites
- Grand reception room
- 2 terraces
- 2 double garages
- Potential to convert garage to extra living space

Guide price €2,200,000
**LES GETS**

Beautifully renovated chalet situated in a very private area between Les Gets and Morzine. Garden with barn with potential to be converted into further habitable space.

Accommodation includes:
- 5 bedroom suites
- Large open plan sitting room
- Sauna and shower room
- Covered terrace with hot tub
- Private driveway

Guide price €1,700,000

**MORZINE**

Set on the top two floors of the Picaron Residence, benefits from an enviable location and panoramic views. A superb base to explore the Portes du Soleil with plenty of potential.

Accommodation includes:
- 5 bedrooms
- Terrace and balcony
- 2 ski lockers
- Ski-in ski-out
- 2 garages

Guide price €1,365,000
Val d'Isère has a special attraction for truly dedicated skiers from across the world and these like-minded souls are all pursuing one thing – world class skiing and boarding.

The town of Val d'Isère sits at the bottom of the valley, flanked by dramatic steep slopes. Although it is a 3 hour drive from Geneva International Airport it is worth the effort. When you get there it is easy to see why so many people flock to this resort every year; the skiing here is quite simply phenomenal!

Val d’Isère enjoys a long skiing season which stretches from November into early May. The pistes of Val d’Isère and Tignes are naturally linked without the need for long connecting trails or lifts. The standard of maintenance is exceptionally high and the lifts are regularly over-hauled and upgraded.

At its heart, Val d’Isère is an action resort for experienced skiers looking for a challenge. Both terrain and town create what is essentially the ideal ski resort. Every year the resort hosts major skiing competitions (the most important of which is the Criterium de la Premiere Neige, a Federation Internationale de Ski (FIS) competition in mid-December that has been running since 1955) which also make for great spectator events.

Val d’Isère itself is an attractive and lively town. A wide street runs the length of the town replete with busy shops and excellent restaurants. Every Monday the market comes to town and adds an authentic French feel. The western and central areas of Val d’Isère are characterised by their chalet style architecture. Whilst there was a period when some high-rise buildings appeared in the eastern area, traditional Savoyard style is making a come back across the Alps, helped in Val d’Isère by recent strict legislation on building regulations.
VAL D’ISERE
Located in the exclusive enclave of Les Carats in the alpine resort of Val d’Isere, this pair of semi-detached chalets provide a luxurious living arrangement, with ample and well-appointed accommodation.

Accommodation includes:
- 9 bedroom suites
- Excellent living space
- Indoor pool
- Direct access to the pistes
- New build

VAL D’ISERE
This charming chalet set over four floors is located in the Hameau du Cret. Benefits from south facing exposure and is a perfect mix of modern alpine chalet, coupled with traditional style and materials.

Accommodation includes:
- 4 bedroom suites
- Grand salon with pantry
- Future wellness area with swimming pool
- Ski room
- Garage parking and wine cellar

Guide price €4,750,000
VAL D’ISERE

Spectacular chalet set over two floors. Grand salon and separate dining area separated by the stunning atrium and glass walkway. Further facilities comprise indoor swimming pool, sauna, Jacuzzi and treatment rooms.

Accommodation includes:

- 7 bedroom suites
- Tremendous living space
- Fitness room/gym
- Garage parking and additional storage
- Approximately 600 sq m (6,458 sq ft)

Guide price €9,000,000
At the turn of the century Verbier was little more than a hamlet, home to a few herdsmen and their cows.

In 1925, possibly inspired by the first Winter Olympics which took place in 1924, a group of bright young things hiked up 15km from Sembrancher (10km from Verbier) and skied back down. This was the beginning! In 1946 the first lift system was installed and during the 1960s Verbier’s reputation grew steadily.

Today Verbier is the main resort in Switzerland’s biggest ski area, Les 4 Vallées. Easy access from Geneva airport has made the resort popular with the British, Dutch and Scandinavians, as well as with the Swiss.

Its sunny, scenic location and exciting terrain alone would confirm it as one of the premier resorts in the Alps. But it’s all about speed in Verbier! Its steep slopes attract high-octane competitions that use these angles to their advantage - the Freeride World Tour, the Verbier High Five and the XSpeedSki Competition.

The shops, restaurants and hotels are concentrated in a relatively small area between Palace Centrale and the main gondola at Medrán. There is no shortage of cafes and bars. For entertainment look no further than the legendary Farinet, perhaps the ultimate après ski destination, expect dancing on the tables before sundown! This famously vibrant nightlife attracts a lively A-list clientele.

Restless Verbier is always looking ahead. The eagerly anticipated W Verbier hotel opened last year to rave reviews, a veritable palace of modernism in glass, colour and light. Two long-awaited lift connections were also completed: one accesses the heart of the Bruson ski area and the other is a high speed gondola between Les 4 Vallées resorts of Siviez and Nendaz.

This is a stunning resort, full of natural drama and a love of the Good Life. As reliable and practical as a good Swiss watch with a youthful perspective that works as hard as it plays.
Chalet consisting of master and guest chalets located in the Chevillard area overlooking Verbier. Main living space on the first floor with a substantial kitchen and dining area as well as a TV room.

Accommodation includes:
- 8 bedrooms
- Fitness room, hammam and sauna
- Charming views over Verbier
- South facing aspect
- Available to non-Swiss residents

Guide price CHF 14,000,000
VERBIER

Designed and built in 2003/2004 this elegant Verbier chalet sits at a height of nearly 1,800m. Benefitting from panoramic Alpine views from the chalet’s wrap around terrace which includes a stone gas barbeque and hot tub.

Accommodation includes:
- 4 bedrooms
- Grand salon with bar area
- Floor to ceiling fireplace made of natural stone
- Wrap around terrace
- Garage parking

Guide price CHF 8,950,000
VERBIER

Occupying a commanding position in the heights of the Sonalon, with unparalleled views of the village and surrounding mountains. One of the most outstanding luxury retreats within the Alps, cleverly and sensitively designed to capture the most of its surrounds.

Accommodation includes:

- 7 bedroom suites with balcony or terrace access
- Grand salon with floor to ceiling windows
- Pool, spa and cinema
- Underground parking
- Secondary accommodation

Guide price CHF 35,000,000
VERBIER

Elegant ski chalet located in the Sonalon overlooking the village. Provides an excellent location for exploring and enjoying both the ambience of Verbier and its extensive ski area. Plans currently exist for a chalet enlargement including construction of a garage.

Accommodation includes:

- 4 bedrooms
- Living area with views over Verbier
- Elegant open plan kitchen
- Hammam
- Terrace and balcony

Guide price CHF 5,900,000
VILLARS
Ski-in ski-out south facing chalet located in Les Frasses area above the small village of Barboleuse. Ideally located alongside the piste, the chalet is set out in a contemporary yet traditional style over three floors.

Accommodation includes:
- 5 bedrooms
- Grand salon with eat-in kitchen
- Mountain room and drying room
- Sauna
- Garage annex with ski storage and games area

Guide price CHF 3,500,000

AROSA
Nine expertly designed 2 or 3 bedroom apartments, each offering generous open-plan entertaining spaces, designer kitchens and stunning uninterrupted south-facing views. These stunning pied-a-terres will be ready for occupation in time for Christmas 2016.

Development includes:
- 9 apartments
- Open plan living space
- Wood burning fireplaces
- Views across Arosa
- Designed and created by Peter Byrne

Guide price CHF 1,200,000 – 2,300,000
This attractive chalet is offered with spacious accommodation of circa 280 sq m (3,014 sq ft), wonderful views and ideally positioned in this quiet position on a sizeable plot of 1,800 sq ft. The property can be purchased by non-Swiss residents.

Accommodation includes:

- 5 bedrooms
- Reception room with fireplace
- Wrap around balcony
- Private garden
- Garage parking

CRANS MONTANA

Luxurious newly constructed chalet of circa 850 sq m (9,149 sq ft) built entirely of larchwood, combines the latest ecological and economical technology with breath taking alpine views. Ideally located on the edge of the Ballesteros Golf Course and within walking distance to the new International School.

Accommodation includes:

- 5 principal bedroom suites
- Staff apartment
- Spacious open plan reception room
- Wellness spa and home cinema
- Extensive terracing
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