

Mürren-Schilthorn – highest snow sports area in the Bernese Oberland

A winter dream destination with snow-sure slopes and stunning panoramic views

Steep slopes for experts, long downhill runs for connoisseurs, modern transport facilities, welcoming places to stop for refreshments and an unrivalled panorama featuring the Eiger, Mönch and Jungfrau: Mürren – Schilthorn, the Bernese Oberland’s highest-altitude winter sports area with guaranteed snow, makes every snow sports fan’s wish come true.

It’s the ultimate winter dream – imagine standing on the 2970-metre high Schilthorn peak in the early morning, surrounded by breathtaking Alpine scenery and a freshly-groomed piste stretching out before you down into the valley. You might want to pinch yourself, but this is real and you’re in for a treat! Located between 1600 and 3000 metres above sea level, Mürren – Schilthorn is the Bernese Oberland’s highest-altitude ski resort with snow guaranteed. The region offers an extensive network including some 50 kilometres of perfectly prepared runs linked by a modern transport system. Travelling from Interlaken to the nearest piste takes just 45 minutes by public transport. And with the 2-seater chairlift from Allmiboden to the Allmendhubel, winter sports fans can get from the gentle slopes at Maulerhubel and Winteregg quickly and comfortably to the other side of the village and the precipitous pistes in the Schilthorn – Gimmeln area, or back down to the cable car waiting to ascend to Birg and the Schilthorn.

Winter wonderland for hiking and sledging

Sledgers and winter hikers are also superbly catered for. Toboggan runs promise plenty of fun and thrills – always accompanied by views of the Eiger, Mönch and Jungfrau. Extensive winter hiking trails invite you to explore a completely different winter wonderland, with trails leading you deep into the snow-covered landscape, weaving through enchanting forested sections and out again into the bright winter sunlight – providing all the elements you’d wish for in a true winter fairytale.

Sledging fans can enjoy on several sledge runs including the Apollo sledge run. This wide and sun-exposed run leads from Schiltgrat Station via Gimmeln back to Mürren. Why not plan a sledging safari? The funicular railway takes the guests from Mürren quickly to the Allmendhubel, where you can enjoy a great ride via the Sonnenberg to the Schiltgrat lift using the Bob Run. From there you take the chairlift to the start of the toboggan run Apollo. This wide, sunny path leads over the Schiltalp back to the valley. For this offer, the Schilthorn cableway offers half day and daily sledging passes.

Sunshine – good food – great mood

Get your winter’s day off to a great start with a leisurely brunch at the famous Piz Gloria revolving restaurant on the Schilthorn summit. The generous James Bond 007 brunch tempts with delicious food and unrivalled 360-degree vistas. You can also set yourself up for a day on the slopes by ordering our special 007 burger.

Cosy, traditional slope-side restaurants and welcoming mountain huts with expansive sun terraces beckon throughout the region. Skiers, snowboarders, winter hikers and sledgers alike are spoilt for choice with a wide variety of tasty dishes. Immerse yourself in the Alpine ambiance at a fondue evening on the Allmendhubel, where you can savour a delicious cheese fondue and folkloric entertainment (on Thursdays) at the panorama restaurant.

Before, during and after a winter day, the new SKYLINE SHOP & BAR in the Mürren station is the perfect place for a pit stop. The shop has a coffee bar, which is accessible from all sides, serving drinks and simple food to eat in or takeaway: Perfect for a good, uncomplicated replenishing break! Visitors will find everything you need before a trip into the mountains, as well as some great souvenirs.

Birg Station – Restaurant and SKYLINE WALK

The intermediate cableway station at Birg invites you to linger in winter. Its centrepiece is the Bistro, a place where hospitality and cosiness meet. With its fresh, new design and the use of traditional materials such as stone and wood, the Birg Bistro welcomes you with a modern, elegant and understated vibe. Enjoy an attractive blend of traditional and contemporary cuisine presenting light and popular dishes with a modern twist.

The “Quick Corner” on the spacious sun terrace is an easy and convenient way to enjoy tasty, freshly prepared food. The region’s sunniest panorama terrace invites you to linger, thanks to a wind protection screen, stylish pink bean bags and a spacious layout.

The Birg Bistro can also be booked for private functions with up to 80 people.

The SKYLINE WALK observation platform at Birg Station lets you take a stroll for a truly spine-tingling experience. Built as an extension of the existing Birg terrace, the walkway spans the vertical abyss, revealing prospects of panoramic splendour offset by a view into the void.

Winter fun for all ages – families welcome!

The Schilthorn area offers unlimited skiing fun for families – whatever your budget. Children under 16 can ski for free on Saturdays during the winter season. Three complimentary children’s day tickets are included when you purchase a day ticket for an adult.

But that’s not all: Intersport Rent network partners – for instance in Mürren and Lauterbrunnen – provide free rental skiing gear for your children.

Further information on:

http://schilthorn.ch/de/Angebot/Schilthorn/Winter/Kinder_fahren_samstags_gratis

In James Bond’s footsteps

From October 1968 to May 1969, the Schilthorn was a pivotal filming location for the iconic James Bond movie *On Her Majesty’s Secret Service*. The revolving restaurant served as arch-villain Blofeld’s headquarters and was called *Piz Gloria* – a name it has kept to the present day.

The interactive exhibition on the first floor of the summit centre addresses seven of the film's key scenes – visiting the BOND WORLD 007 a must-do on your itinerary! A visit to the BOND WORLD 007 with in-house cinema showing movie scenes is free of charge.

Racing the devil's downhill

Call it hair-raising, diabolical or just plain crazy – at Mürren's International Inferno Race, 1850 intrepid skiers launch themselves down the mountain in the world's most spectacular everyman and everywoman ski event.

This certainly isn't a race for the faint-hearted or the unfit. The course runs from the Schilthorn down to the valley, which, in good conditions, equals 14.9 gruelling kilometres to Lauterbrunnen. Started in 1928 by a daredevil group of English skiing pioneers, the longest amateur ski race in the world remains enduringly and overwhelmingly popular.

In January 2018, we are celebrating the 75th anniversary of the Inferno Ski Race in style. Look forward to many highlights and attractions!

Personal winter season stats and that ski race feeling

If you're into figures and would like to know how often you've hit the pistes, why not register on the internet to access your personal winter season statistics? During the season, holders of a ski pass or day ticket can view their continuously updated stats on altitude metres covered, locations and run times. The data covers every transport facility you use – whether cableway, chair or ski lift – and each day's skiing is displayed on a panoramic map. The advantages are twofold: you get to relive that perfect day on the pistes, and valuable prizes including season ski passes are up for grabs at the end of the season.

Be inspired to peak performances by Swisscom's "ski movie" attraction. Unleash your inner ski racer and take advantage of the kind of in-depth post race analysis the pros enjoy. The ski movie slope is equipped with two fully automatic video cameras to film your entire run from start to finish and record your race time.

Schilthorn area – a freeriders' and speed gliders' mecca

Accessible via cableway, the backcountry surrounding the Piz Gloria boasts several phenomenal freeride runs. In fact, those in the know rate the Schilthorn area as something of an insider tip. Schilthorn Cableway maintains a long-term collaboration with the internationally known local freerider Sascha Schmid, with the aim of enhancing the destination's exposure in freeriding circles. Measures that have already been put in place include the launch of a Schilthorn freeride team, camps and training sessions, joint appearances and a strong presence in the freeriding scene.

The acclaimed filmmaker Warren Miller shot on location in the Schilthorn area for the third time in 2014. Incredible images taken in places as far flung as Aspen, Greenland or Kazakhstan show spectacular rides and freeriding tricks. Of special interest are the sequences shot against the backdrop of the Schilthorn area, including some unrivalled speed gliding sequences.

There are clear rules in freeriding, and safety always has top priority. A checkpoint giving recommendations and up to date information on prevailing conditions has been set up on the Schilthorn. A visit to the area's Avalanche Training Center is of paramount importance.

Intensive avalanche courses are available, as well as a Freeride Map© containing all the necessary terrain info you will need when planning and embarking on freeriding tours.

SKYLINE SNOWPARK

The SKYLINE SNOWPARK is quite simply the place to be if you are a freeskiier or snowboarder. The season starts with the park and a few elements near the Kandahar chairlift. Right at the start of the season, you can practise your daring moves until the SKYLINE SNOWPARK at the Gimmeln ski lift, where more elements prepared by our shapers await. There, parallel to the ski piste, run two lines, one for beginners and the other for more advanced riders, with a further expert line for the pros as and when the snow depth allows. Numerous kickers, rails and boxes guarantee spectacular jumps and adrenaline-packed action. Annual events such as the training camp with the Hunziker brothers, the Acrobag tour stop, the legendary QParks tour and further highlights guarantee an exciting winter season.

Schilthorn Cableway is pleased to announce a collaboration with the Hunziker brothers. Starting in winter 2018, Schilthorn Cableway will be supporting Cyrill and Jonas in their pro skiing endeavours. Cyrill and Jonas will be acting as winter freestyle ambassadors for Schilthorn Cableway, among others with stunning posts from the Schilthorn area and the SKYLINE SNOWPARK on social media.

WHERE TELEMAR FANS MEET

Held for the first time in May 2016, the Telemark Only event has helped the Schilthorn area position itself as a Telemark skiing destination. The second Telemark Only Festival will be held in May 2017. The skiing governing body FIS has also selected the Mürren – Schilthorn area as a multiple competition venue in 2018. This upcoming event series will peak in the 2021 FIS Telemark World Championships.