

OXYGÈNE 74

ZINAL GLACIER ICE CAVE

EASY/DIFFICULT – VALAIS

SUNDAY – 2020 MARCH 8



Starting from Zinal, we ascend an easy snowshoe trail to an ice cave in the mouth of the Zinal glacier. We can easily explore the entrance to the cave. Some years, we have the option to go deeper inside with an ice axe, crampons & headlamp, but every year it's different.

Inscription: no later than Friday February 28 by email | **NOT TEXT** bill_larson@bluewin.ch

I need to know:

- Your full name.
- An email address you can read on the weekend.
- Your mobile phone number.
- Have you ever used snowshoes?
- Are you fit enough to walk 4-5 hours at normal speed?
- Please tell me the hardest outing you have done in the last 12 months
- Do you plan to bring crampons & piolet?
- Are you an Oxygène 74 Member?



Rendezvous: Geneva gare track 6 at 7:20 for a 7:30 departure.

Board the second car from the back of the train. Bill will board in Nyon at 7:44.

To bring: snowshoes (initially attached to your backpack), gaiters (optional), hiking boots, warm clothing, hat, picnic, water, sunscreen, sunglasses, collapsible ski poles (optional). If you would like to try to go deeply into the cave (optional): ice axe, crampons & headlamp. I can rent equipment at 10 CHF for each item.

Price: €5 fee for non-members of Oxygène 74.

Transport: train/bus. Buy your tickets in advance: Genève-Zinal, centre Allez-Retour 1/2 price 72.80 CHF; full price 145.60 CHF

Leader: Bill Larson 079 373 4686 bill_larson@bluewin.ch

In case of bad weather: If the weather forecast is bad, we will cancel.

Also, if the avalanche danger is high, we will cancel. I'll send an email the afternoon before the hike with my decision.

Maximum: 12 people

Maximum altitude: 2158 m

Ascent and descent: 550 m

Walking Time: 4-5 hours

Transport

Genève		Dep 7:30
Sierre/Siders	Arr 9:34	Dep 10:00
Vissoie, poste	Arr 10:33	Dep 10:40
Zinal, poste	Arr 11:03	

If you choose to go by car, meet us at the Europa Hotel. at 11:03

On arrival in Zinal we will have a quick coffee at the Europa Hotel.



Return

Dep Zinal **17:04** Arr Genève 20:30 or
Dep Zinal **18:04** Arr Genève 21:21

The hike leader is not a professional guide. By registering, you agree that you are fit for this level of hike and that you carry insurance against accidents and mountain rescue. *The hike leader and SCIG disclaim any and all liability for accidents related to this hike.*

Daniel (079 689 7852) the guide (for avalanche advice)

