



OVAL
SKI CLUB



Club Holiday 2020

St.Christoph/ St.Anton, Austria

Dates: Saturday 11th April - 18th April 2020

(Second week of Spring break/ Easter holidays)

Price: £595 - Children under 12 (Subject to availability)

£725 - Adults & aged 12+

Price Includes: Half board at 4* chalet-hotel, Free wine with the evening meal, Return flights from Manchester (*other regional airports on request*), Transfers, All taxes & supplements.

The holiday is open to all Oval Ski Club members, however under 18s should be accompanied by an adult member who will be responsible for them at all times.

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St. Christoph

Set in a spectacular open snow-bowl 500m above neighbouring St Anton, and easily accessing neighbouring Stuben, Lech & Zürs, Strocken and Warth on skis by the new link; the village shares Austria's No. 1 world-class ski area, the Arlberg. At 1800m St.Christoph offers snow sure skiing, and puts the savvy skier at the centre of its thinking. Efficient, high speed lifts take you from the village to the heart of St.Anton's slopes; whilst St. Christoph has its own nursery slopes and excellent ski school making it also perfect for beginners and young families. The village is small, pretty and quiet, attracting a more exclusive clientele; whilst neighbouring St.Anton (a 10 minute free bus ride — busses run until after 1:00am) offers the main night life, bars, shops, and non-ski leisure activities (ice skating, curling and sports centre.)



The Arlberg Ski Area

Famed in Austria as 'the birthplace of skiing', the magnificent Arlberg is one of those few select ski areas which fully justifies its 'world-class' reputation. Renowned for its challenging slopes, both on and off-piste, the area also includes many wonderful miles of picturesque intermediate skiing, from high altitude, snow-sure open bowls to picturesque tree-lined pistes down to the valley. The area has two distinct halves, with St.Christoph perfectly positioned in the middle. St.Anton, and its even higher neighbours of St.Christoph and Stuben, are linked with some new lifts connecting this side of the region with the huge network of slopes surrounding Lech and Zürs, including the excellent 'Borderpark' above Lech.



The off-piste runs in the huge bowl beneath the summit of the Valluga, are justifiably world famous. In good snow, this whole area is an off-piste delight.

The Arlberg area offers superb skiing and snowboarding for all ability levels. On offer are some of the best off-piste skiing to be had, together with 300km of pisted runs, the highest at over 2,800m. Snow reliability is excellent, with good conditions lasting to late spring. The adjacent chart shows the average snow depths on the upper and lower slopes. The Club holiday will be during week 2 in April.

Historical snow reports



Accommodation

The St. Christoph hotel has an amazing location, giving the convenience of skiing to and from your own ski room door, combined with great food, wine included with dinner and the warmest and friendliest of welcomes.



The Maiensee button lift starts just outside the ski room door, or take the 2-minute walk to the St. Christophbahn covered quad chairlift, which takes you straight up into the heart of the St. Anton side of the mighty Arlberg ski area. If you fancy the spectacular slopes of Lech and Zürs for a change, and the wonderful 'White Ring' circuit for a great day out, the ski bus stops 50m from the hotel. Beginners and families are spoilt, with the ski school meeting place and nursery slopes immediately alongside the hotel.



The comfortable facilities on offer inside the Chalet Hotel start with a welcoming lobby and reception area, connecting through to the excellent value residents only bar and comfy fireside lounge. The attractive dining room sets the scene for our fine Chalet Hotel dining, and there is a sauna and large indoor swimming pool with mountain views and relaxing

loungers on which to unwind after a great day's skiing. Well-appointed bedrooms, many with interconnecting doors, complete the picture for a thoroughly comfortable stay. Free Wi-Fi is also available.



A generous buffet breakfast, with cooked options, can be expected each day; afternoon tea welcomes you off the slopes with a selection of cakes and soup. A 3-course evening buffet is served for 6 of the 7 nights (chef has a night off), including a pre-dinner aperitif, choice of quality wines, tea/ coffee. An alternative children's menu can be offered to younger guests; however, all children can dine with the main party if they choose. Complimentary tea & coffee is available all day. Vegetarians, and those with special dietary requirements can also be expertly catered for.



Flights & Other Information

The outbound flight is a late morning charter from Manchester to Innsbruck (2 hr flight.) The transfer time to the resort is 1.5 hrs. The return flight will get to Manchester around mid-morning.

The holiday is booked with Inghams, through the ski club's travel agent, Iglu. Both are established companies with ABTA and ATOL bonding. Further holiday details can be viewed on the operator's website: www.ingham.co.uk

Additional and Optional Costs

Holiday Insurance (NOT included in the package price)

Holiday travel insurance is NOT included in the package price. A suitable winter sports travel policy is essential soon after booking to protect against unexpected insured cancellation.

(All prices below are approximate & based on information in the tour operator's brochure. The actual prices are likely to be cheaper.)

Lift Passes

Children born 2012 & later:	£8
Children born 2004 - 2011:	£130
Youth born 2000 - 2003:	£195
Adult born 1956 – 1999:	£220
Born 1946 - 1955:	£195
Born 1945 & earlier:	£125 (Season pass)

Full Arlberg Area

Ski/ Board Hire

	<u>Under 12</u>	<u>Age 12 – 14</u>	<u>Age 15+</u>
Skis/ Board & boots	£45	£95	£213 - £240
Skis/ Board only	£30	£75	£154 - £182

Ski/ Board Tuition

	<u>Adults and All Children</u>
Ski & Snowboard lessons (3 x 4 hrs)	£225 <i>(NOTE: Children must be age 6+ to board.)</i>

Carriage of Own Skis/Board

The tour operator charges £40 (return) per ski/board bag, for carriage of this additional luggage on the plane.

Further Information

Places can be booked on a first come basis at the Club's AGM (Sunday 16th June 2019), or from Monday 17th June 2019, secured with a part deposit of £50/ person (cheques payable to 'Oval Ski Club'). The remaining £100 deposit payable by the end of September. The holiday balance must be settled by no later than 2nd January 2020 and can be paid by bank transfer or credit/debit card; by phone or online. To book you must become a member of the Oval Ski Club for the 2019/20 season.

Any further questions, or to book, please contact Andy Kearney (PD) on 07855 662891; or email: holiday@ovalskiclub.com