

# FRANZ & Friends

## *Skiing with Champions*

Verbier, Switzerland & Zürs/Lech, Arlberg, Austria  
Wednesday, Jan 28 – Wednesday, Feb 4, 2015



### *Champion Ski Guides and Social Hosts*

#### *Franz Klammer*

Olympic, World & World Cup Champion  
4x Hahnenkamm Winner DH  
*The Greatest Downhiller of All Time!*

#### *Franz Weber*

Olympian & 6x Consecutive  
World Speed Skiing Champion

#### *Christa Höllrigl*

World Champion – Powder Ski & Technical Skiing

#### *Stephan Keck*

Extreme Mountain Climber, Nanga Parbat 8125m  
Shisha Pangma 8027m; GII 8045m  
Manaslu 8156m

#### *Patrick Ortlieb*

Olympic, World and World Cup DH Champion

### *Swiss Olympians and World Cup Champions & Hosts*

*Martin Hangl, William Besse, Roland Colombin, Philippe Roux*

## Planned Agenda



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### Level of Ability Recommended: Low-Intermediate to Expert

*We can accommodate beginners with prior notice in order to hire qualified instructors.*



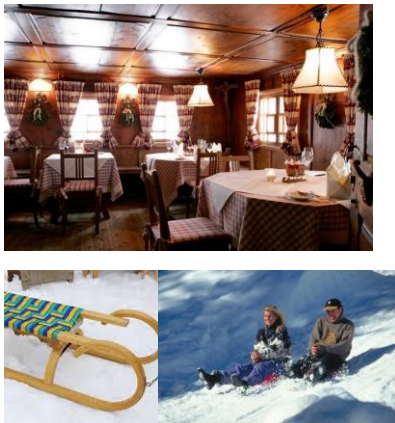
<p><b>*Attire Recommendation:</b></p> <p><b>C:</b> Casual, Warm Layers, Outerwear, Gloves and Hats</p> <p><b>S:</b> Skiwear</p> <p><b>ME:</b> Mountain Elegant, Sports Coat, Business Casual</p>	<p><b>**T</b> VIP Transportation</p> <p>Luxury Coach with Walk-In Humidor, Havana Room, Draft Beer and Fine Wines. Helicopter or private plane.</p> <p><a href="http://www.arlbergexpress.com/intl/limoservice01.asp">http://www.arlbergexpress.com/intl/limoservice01.asp</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.arlbergexpress.com/intl/golfbus01.asp">http://www.arlbergexpress.com/intl/golfbus01.asp</a></p>
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<p>Wednesday January 28, 2015</p>	<p>Arrival at the Five-Star <b>W Verbier</b> and welcome dinner.</p>
	<p>Individual arrival from Zürich or Geneva to Verbier.</p> <p><b>Arrival/Departure:</b></p> <p>The nearest International Airport to Verbier is <b>Geneva Cointrin</b>, 160km from Verbier. The airport of Sion, 50km from Verbier can be accessed by private aircraft and SWISS International Airlines has flights from Sion to London, UK. The SWISS service is limited to the ski season and is infrequent. If you use the same arrival and departure airport, Zurich may be best. Zurich to Verbier is 3 hours by car and Zürs to Zurich is 2 hours.</p> <p>We are pleased to provide you with recommendations for ground transportation or heli-transfer.</p>
 <p><b>W Verbier</b> Address: Rue de Médran 70 1936 Verbier, Schweiz ph:+41 27 472 88 88 Webpage: <a href="http://www.wverbier.com/en">http://www.wverbier.com/en</a></p>	<p>The <b>W Verbier</b>, the newest and finest ski-in/ski-out hotel in town, is conveniently located next to the ski run/gondola and will be our home for the next three nights. This stylish hotel offers excellent cuisine, a variety of music and entertainment, uniquely designed rooms and a welcoming atmosphere with a friendly and enthusiastic staff.</p> <p>Simply pick up your key at the front desk and you will be escorted to your room. Enjoy some relaxation in the hotel's new <b>AWAY</b> Spa or check out the village of Verbier as the hotel is located in the center of town.</p>
<p><b>7:30 p.m. (ME)</b></p>	<p>Cocktails in the <i>Living Room</i> bar of the hotel.</p>




Thursday January 29, 2015	Ski the best of the 4 Vallées surrounding Verbier. Enjoy local Valais specialties for dinner followed by a fun night sledding experience.
7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. (*S)	Breakfast at the hotel.
9:00 a.m. (*S)	Meet in the ski/boot room where we'll receive our ski passes and meet with our new local champion guides. Take Médran gondola to the top of the mountain.
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (*S)	Ski various villages and passes from Verbier to the village of Thyon back to Verbier (lots of thrilling on and off-piste possibilities and spectacular views)! Verbier has 90% modern/10% nostalgic style ☺ Once reaching the back side of the mountain, there are fewer people, wide open runs with an older lift system including T-bars – almost a country club skiing experience! To rest your legs, you can always take the gondola.
1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. (*S) 	Lunch at <i>Le Dahu</i> at La Chaux – a hearty mountain restaurant where our non-skiers will meet us. <i>Le Dahu</i> offers great local specialties, international food and absolutely fantastic pizza!
<b>Non-Skiers Morning</b>	After a relaxing breakfast, we may take the Médran Gondola to les Ruinettes mountain and either go for a winter hike (45 minutes to the lunch spot) or ride with a husky-drawn dog sled.
2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. (*S)	We will ski following the sun and explore the La Chaux part of the valley ending up at the base of the mountain – right at our hotel.
4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Your choice – visit the spa, enjoy local shopping or explore the village!
7:30 p.m. (*C)	Meet in the lobby to depart for dinner followed by night sledding (depending on weather and snow conditions).
8:00 p.m. (*C) 	Dinner at <i>Le Marlenaz</i> on Savoleyres mountain or <i>Chez Dany</i> on La Chaux mountain. Both venues offer a great atmosphere, local traditional food and fun tobogganing experiences. Recommended are the world-famous fondue and raclette paired with two wines from the Valais region – Fendant white wine and Dole red wine.
11:00 p.m. (*C)	Following sledding, enjoy a nightcap to wind down at the hotel's <i>Living Room</i> lounge with music entertainment.

Friday January 30, 2015	Ski Savoleyres, Verbier and possibly Brusson Mountain.
7:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. (*S)	Breakfast at the hotel.
9:00 a.m. (*S)	Meet in the ski/boot room with your champion guides/hosts. Take the Le Châble gondola and ski to Brusson mountain.
9:00 am - 1:00 p.m. (*S)	Ski the home mountain of Roland Colombin (one of Franz Klammer's top rivals) and meet the champion!
1:00 p.m. (*S)	Lunch at <i>le Carrefour</i> restaurant one of Verbier's favorites!
<b>Non-Skiers Morning</b>	<p>Following a relaxing breakfast, you can choose:</p> <p>Option I. Take Médran gondola to Les Ruinettes and dare yourself to tandem paraglide down to our lunch spot.</p> <p>Option II. Transfer by gondola and/or snowshoe to our lunch place.</p>
2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. (*S)	Enjoy more of Verbier's slopes followed by après skiing at the bar across from our hotel. We'll drop our skis and boots off and enjoy one or two hot shots!
4:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Your choice – visit the spa, enjoy local shopping or explore the village!
7:30 p.m. (*ME)	Gather in the <i>Living Room</i> lounge for a cocktail and walk over to our dinner restaurant.
8:00 p.m. (*ME) 	Farewell to Verbier dinner at <i>Le Rouge</i> restaurant. The unexpected refined menu is inspired by fresh, quality produce from Burgundy to the Aosta valley. We will dine in the belly of the restaurant's private wine cellar surrounded by the collection of grands crus, superior local wines and a certain number of little gems from smaller estates across Europe. A wonderful experience!
After Dinner	To burn off calories, we'll explore Verbier's night life – recommendations are the restaurant's club or hit the town to enjoy a couple of drinks in <i>The Farm</i> , which is Verbier's night spot.

<p>Saturday January 31, 2015</p>	<p>Heli transfer to Ischgl, Austria and ski the Silvretta Mountains, fun après skiing and a short transfer to Zürs/Lech.</p>
<p>7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. (*S)</p>	<p>Breakfast at the hotel and check-out. Please settle all personal charges (ski shop charges, massages, telephone, etc.). We are dressed ready to ski and will meet our helicopter near the Hotel. This is a 50 minute heli-ride and group departures will be announced.</p> <p>Your luggage will take the 6 hour drive to the Arlberg and will be waiting in your room. To insure proper delivery, please have all your bags packed with a name tag and placed at the end of your bed for pick-up.</p> <p><i>Please bring a pair of walking shoes and an extra tee shirt to the ski/boot room and hand to Veronika. These items will be waiting for you at Ischgl to be more comfortable for après skiing and dinner.</i></p>
<p>10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (*S)</p>	<p>Landing on Alp Trida on the Swiss side of the Silvretta region where we meet our champion hosts and local ski guides to ski the best this Swiss/Austrian region has to offer.</p>
<p>1:00 p.m. (*S)</p> 	<p>Lunch at the one of the Alps best restaurants, Pardorama, on top of Pardatschgrat mountain. Your palate will be spoiled with culinary delights!</p>
<p>2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. (*S)</p>	<p>Ski the best of the region and end up at the Austrian village of Ischgl at our après skiing/dinner location.</p>
<p>4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. (*S)</p> 	<p>An exhilarating day on the slopes ends in fun at <i>Schatzi</i> a unique après skiing experience!</p>
<p>6:30 p.m. (*S)</p>	<p>After an eye opening après skiing experience, we are served a great Austrian dinner next door at the Elizabeth Art Hotel.</p>
<p>7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Short transfer on our VIP bus with wonderful recliner chairs and a Havana lounge. Check into our hotel Aurelio in Lech or the Zürserhof in Zürs (hotel selection pending).</p>
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<p>Sunday February 1, 2015</p>	<p>Ski the White Ring with an excursion to the region of Warth, which opened in the winter of 2014.</p>
<p>7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Breakfast at the hotel. <b>Note:</b> Breakfast is included at the hotel and anything you could want is offered from fresh fruits, cold &amp; hot cereals, jams, pastries &amp; breads to specially prepared eggs, roasted/grilled meats and fish.</p>
<p>9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (*S)</p> 	<p>We will meet in the ski/boot room and start skiing from the doorstep of the hotel. Ski the famous White Ring and cover more than 5,500 vertical meters (17,000 feet) and at least 25 km. We had the opportunity to ski the new section in 2014 – it was spectacular, and we look forward to returning! It is particularly special because of the diversity of terrain and tree skiing options when bad weather.</p>
<p>1:00 p.m. (*S)</p> 	<p>Lunch at <i>Auenfelder Hütte</i> in the ski area of Warth Schröcken or <i>Murmeli</i> in Oberlech <a href="http://www.murmeli.at">www.murmeli.at</a> Austrian home cooking meets Austrian hospitality – both are local hidden gems!</p>
<p>2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. (*S)</p>	<p>Ski and/or shuttle back to our hotel.</p>
<p>4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Enjoy the award winning spa or shopping in any of Lech's wonderful boutiques.</p>
<p>7:30 p.m. (*C)</p>	<p>Cocktails at the hotel bar – then taxi to our dinner location. A short gondola ride to Oberlech to our dinner spot the 500 year old, <u><a href="#">Restaurant Alter Goldener Berg</a></u></p>
<p>8:00 p.m. (*C)</p> 	<p>Dinner at the traditional restaurant above Lech, by the name of "Alter Goldener Berg" (The Old Gold Mountain) counts amongst one of the most popular restaurants in Lech at the Arlberg.  Following dinner, we will either bobsled or toboggan down to the village of Lech.  If up for it, stop for a nightcap at one of the local nightclubs – the Vernissage, the Zürserl in Zürs or the K-Club in Lech on our way home.</p>

Monday February 2, 2015	Ski the area of St. Anton, St. Christoph, Stuben.
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast at the hotel.
9:00 a.m. (*S)	<p>Meet in the boot room to ski the Rendel and Galzig mountain and possibly down to Stuben to ski the region of Albona with great off-piste opportunities.</p> <p><i>Please bring a pair of walking shoes and an extra tee shirt to the ski/boot room and hand to Veronika. These items will be waiting for you at the Mooserwirt to be more comfortable for après skiing and dinner.</i></p>
1:00 p.m. (*S)	 <p>Lunch at the one of the Alps best restaurants (Verwall Stuben on top of the Galzig). Director Manfred Farner will welcome and guide our group through a memorable gourmet lunch.</p>
2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. (*S)	Ski the region of Galzig and St. Anton.
4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. (*S)	 <p>An exhilarating day on the slopes ends with even greater fun at our après ski location the Mooserwirt offering the best après skiing in the world!</p>
7:30 p.m. (*S)	 <p>We are served a fabulous Austrian dinner at the restaurant Vinzenz in the Hotel Mooser next door! Taxi back to our hotel.</p>

<p>Tuesday February 3, 2015</p>	<p>Heli-skiing day starting at the Mehlsack. Off-piste skiing at the Schneetäli Mountains, ski race and farewell awards dinner.</p>
<p>7:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.</p>	<p>Breakfast at the hotel.</p>
<p>8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. (*S)</p> 	<p>Depending on weather and flight times there will be two options:</p> <p><b>Option 1:</b> Our experienced off-piste skiers will take a short run via Zürser Täli to meet the helicopter at Flexenhausl and fly up to the mountain of Mehlsack (flower bag) – great off-piste ski run!</p> <p><b>Option 2:</b> Ski with our guides to the Kriegerhorn where we will meet our helicopter to bring us up to the Schneetäli (easy, gentle slopes, also suitable for not so experienced off-piste skiers). Our guides and champions will let you know what is suitable for you.</p>
<p>11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (*S)</p>	<p>Gather at the little rustic hut of <i>Äpele</i> for an after-heli drink and snack. Take a “sleigh lift” (2 horse power) back to Zug to the ski lift network.</p> <p>We will ski to our lunch location in Oberlech to meet Olympic, World and World Cup Downhill Champion, Patrick Ortlieb and his family, at the Hotel Montana in Oberlech.</p>
<p>1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. (*S)</p> 	<p>Lunch in the sun on the beautiful terrace is booked for our group. Let's see if the “Weather Gods” will favor us!</p>
<p>2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. (*S)</p>	<p>Ski to our race course.</p>
<p>3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Our Champion hosts will have a giant slalom course ready for practice and our race. You will enjoy a unique <i>Franz and Friends</i> race format where everyone has a chance to win regardless of ability, snowboarder or skier. It promises to be a lot of fun!</p>
<p>4:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Your choice – visit the spa, enjoy local shopping or explore the village!</p>
<p>7:30 p.m. (*ME)</p>	<p>Cocktails at the hotel bar.</p>
<p>7:30 p.m. (*ME)</p> 	<p>Farewell dinner with award ceremony at nostalgic Hospitz Alm in St. Christoph – visit the world's number one magnum wine cellar. Should you feel like dancing, we can move on to the Zürserli!</p>

Wednesday February 4, 2015	Departure Day
<b>7:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.</b>	Breakfast at the hotel and check-out by noon. Please make sure to settle all personal charges (ski shop charges, massages, telephone, etc.). If you prefer to ski that day, we will provide you with a ski pass.