



MEDIA DOCUMENTATION FROM THE FAIRY-TALE MOUNTAIN SCENERY

Fairy-tale mountain scenery in summer

The days are getting longer, the temperatures and the anticipation of summer are rising. Soon Corvatsch and Diavolezza will be awash with flowers and greenery. Hiking and biking trails will be open for leisurely or more intense sporting activities. And gourmets will be savouring what their hearts desire in the restaurants.

A world of glaciers on Diavolezza

Glaciers are fascinating and beautiful, yet under threat. Diavolezza gives visitors a deeper insight into the world of glaciers. At the valley station, the Virtual Reality Glacier Experience visitor centre explains the links between climate change, glacier evolution and water balance in an interactive exhibition. The Glacier Experience Trail on Diavolezza lets visitors experience the world of glaciers up close. Visible changes to the Pers Glacier are explained in a leaflet provided for the circular hike.

For more information, go to www.glacierexperience.com

A good night's sleep on Diavolezza

It's a real pity to miss out on the star-studded sky because of the need to sleep. But a restful night is good preparation when a hike awaits the following morning. The furnishings are simple, modern and timeless, while the colour scheme is inspired by the fairy-tale mountain scenery right outside the window.

Restaurant Alpetta

The popular Restaurant Alpetta is also open in summer. In fine weather, the Alpetta team will welcome guests on the spacious sunshine terrace. Under the slogan "Grilleda Alpina", they serve fine delicacies from the grill, as well as alpine specialities. For dessert, why not try a delicious Graubünden ice cream?

Further information: www.alpetta.ch

Digital mountainscape

In the **Online Shop**, it's possible to book cable car tickets, the cable car package "Diavolezza – Cable car and lunch", and even guided tours of the ORMA distillery or trekking with the Pontresina mountaineering school – all from the comfort of your home.

Launched in winter, the **Mountain Guide app** is also kept up to date in summer, sharing key information about the fairy-tale mountain scenery in a clear and concise way. The Mountain Guide is a progressive web app – a combination of responsive website and conventional app – that has information-based content only, such as transport and weather reports, as well as the most important links to hiking trails, the restaurant reservation tool and the Online Shop. It is therefore an ideal app for when out and about – like a pocket-sized website for Corvatsch Diavolezza Lagalb. www.guide.corvatsch-diavolezza.ch

Glistening lakes and a wealth of cuisine – summer on Corvatsch

In fables, the raven is often thieving and sly. But our Corvatsch (the Romansh word for “raven”) steals only one thing: our hearts. The summer sports area nestles between the lakes of the Upper Engadin valley and the world-famous Bernina range, and it offers some amazing experiences.

The **Water Trail** is one of the most popular hikes on Corvatsch. The circular walk starts from the Furtschellas middle station and passes by six small Alpine lakes. At Lejin Rhodunit, there is a picnic area with two well-equipped barbecue sites. The mountain fairy Mara and the elf Furbaz accompany our younger guests along the way. The free **“Plitsch and Platsch”** booklet, available from the Furtschellas valley and mountain station, is full of fun and games for children, and tells an exciting story about the Water Trail. The somewhat shorter and easier Rabgiusa circular walk takes you straight to the Lejin Malachit lake where you join the Water Trail.

Walkers who enjoy fine food will love the **Via Gastronomica**: it's an easy walk, with culinary stops at selected restaurants and, as the icing on the cake, fantastic views of the mountains and lakes of the Upper Engadin. The treats for your taste buds begin with a fortifying breakfast or a tasty starter at La Chüdera restaurant. Accompanied by panoramic views of the lakes, you walk from La Chüdera into the Val Fex. At the Hotel Sonne Fex, you enjoy your main course. From the Hotel Sonne Fex, you continue via Fex Platta and down the steep gorge to Sils Maria. There, the charming Hotel Seraina puts the finishing touch to your culinary experience with a home-made dessert.

Creature comforts are also catered for at the three mountain restaurants. At the highest restaurant in Graubünden, **Restaurant 3303** on Corvatsch, it's all about sweetcorn. The typical Valtellina dish Polenta Taragna is just one of many sweetcorn specialities. And of course, there are plenty of other delicious things for anyone who doesn't feel like eating corn. **La Chüdera restaurant** on Furtschellas is something of an insiders' secret for gourmets. The sheltered sunshine terrace is a particularly lovely place to treat yourself. In front of La Chüdera restaurant is a small children's playground. The cosy **Restaurant Alpetta** lies half way along the hiking trail from Murtèl to Surlej.

Corvatsch is home to the **world's highest whisky distillery**! Swiss whisky maker ORMA (Romansh for “soul”) has partnered with Corvatsch AG to offer a unique experience at 3,303 m above sea level. Guided tours and tasting sessions bring visitors closer to the liquid gold. Before or after sampling the whisky, visitors can enjoy an ORMA menu in Graubünden's highest restaurant – Restaurant 3303. Guided tours take place on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday and can be booked in the Online Shop. For more information, go to www.orma3303.ch



Fine lunches and “Marendas” – the Alpetta is also open in summer.



Glacier Experience Trail – a new hiking adventure.

At the heart of the Alpine landscape – summer on Diavolezza!

The realm of the beautiful she-devil is sometimes called the “Ballroom of the Alps”. As you gaze all around from Piz Palü (3899 m) to Piz Bernina (4048 m), you can see that the metaphor is no exaggeration. To stand amid these mountain giants is to experience a truly amazing natural spectacle.

The **Glacier Experience Trail** runs from the Diavolezza mountain station down to the Pers Glacier and back up again. A leaflet explaining the changes to the glacier at five stations can be obtained for free at the Diavolezza valley station or right at the start of the trail. The route has white-red-white markings and is predominantly steep with some exposed sections. More difficult passages have ropes and chains for safety.

If you are fit and sure-footed and have a good head for heights, you can venture onto the **Via Ferrata** on Piz Trovat, a fixed-rope climbing route offering both an easier and a more difficult option. Other highlights include the **guided glacier walk** from the Diavolezza top station over the mighty ice masses of the Pers and Morteratsch glaciers then down to the RhB railway station in Morteratsch, and the circular walk beneath the 1000 m high north face of Piz Palü. On the spectacular **glacier trek**, mountain guides lead you up, secured with crampons and ropes, through the impressive Cambrena gaps crevasses to Crap Pers at the foot of Piz Palü. Surrounded by the most extensive mountain range in the eastern Alps, you are immersed in the fascinating world of glaciers. At the top station, you'll find a cairn garden and **Snow Climb Point**. On our viewing platform overlooking the “Ballroom of the Alps”, there is a **SWAROVSKI OPTIK ST Vista** telescope available for you to use, free of charge.

At the valley station of the Diavolezza cable car, you'll find the “**Virtual Reality Glacier Experience**” visitor centre. This interactive exhibition shows the effects of climate change on the mountains by taking visitors on a journey through space and time. Anyone who wishes can plunge into both the past and the future and explore the area around the Morteratsch glacier on four virtual tours.

Sass Queder, at 3066 m above sea level, is the location of the highest barbecue site in Europe. It takes about 30 to 40 minutes to walk to Sass Queder from the mountain inn. At the mountain inn, you can book the **Magical Fire above the Clouds** experience – a picnic rucksack packed with food to cook on the barbecue, salad and other delicacies, and even firewood, it's all you need for a relaxed picnic with fabulous panoramic views.

The fairy-tale mountain scenery can be experienced virtually once again. Visitors can partake in virtual skiing and virtually explore the winter mountainscape as ski tourers, freeriders or freestylers in the room «**360° Mountain Movie**» at the Diavolezza mountain station.

Fine dining and a good night's sleep are available at the **Berghaus**, which offers group rooms, simple dorms for two, four or six people, as well as comfortably appointed double rooms. After the four-course menu in the evening, enjoy the uninterrupted view of the night-time mountainscape and the starlit sky. Or, for the more romantically inclined, observe the stars outside in the **Jacuzzi** at almost 3,000 m above sea level.



A double room at Berghaus Diavolezza.

About the fairy-tale mountain world

The three cable cars are all in the Upper Engadin, located around the famous Bernina massif with the 4048 m high Piz Bernina at its heart – the only 4000 m peak in the Eastern Alps. On the western side of Piz Bernina towers the mighty Corvatsch, while the gentler Diavolezza and Lagalb – the sports fans' favourite – are to the east. The villages of Sils, Silvaplana, St. Moritz and Pontresina are part of this fairy-tale mountain world, along with the Bernina Pass. The cable cars run for 365 days a year, for seven months in the winter for skiers and then for five months in the summer – offering breathtaking views of Piz Bernina from different perspectives.

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Corvatsch – Fuorcla Surlej.



Diavolezza by night.



Furtschellas in autumn.