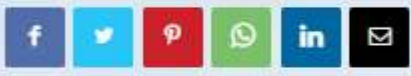


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Soak up the Sun in the Mountains with Purple Ski & Purple Summer's Year-Round French Alpine Escapes

From a Chalet in Méribel to a Savoyard Château, Purple Ski's Most Beloved Alpine Properties are Now Available to Book Year-Round



Luxury villa and chalet specialists [Purple Summer](#) and [Purple Ski](#) are delighted to unveil the newest properties to join their French summer roster, Méribel's Chalet Iona and Savoie's Château de Candie.

Offering luxurious alpine accommodation for groups of up to 15 and 60 respectively, Chalet Iona and Château de Candie cater to every type of holiday, from romantic weekends away and family adventures to wedding celebrations and honeymoons. The duo compliment one another perfectly, with Château de Candie perfectly positioned on the foothills of the alps, proving the ideal stop for a long weekend or breaking up the journey into the mountains.

As with all Purple Summer and Purple Ski holidays, each property has been carefully hand-picked and offers first-class service and facilities, family essentials and a distinctive personality.

Purple Ski's Chalet Iona, Méribel Valley *Sleeps up to 15



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Set in its own secluded orchards, [Chalet Iona](#) offers unparalleled views across 13 pretty villages and settlements – stretching towards the Vanoise National Park and the magnificent Grand Bec mountain. Perfect for large groups, Iona has an annexe property for use; accommodating up to 15 guests in total.

Completely rebuilt in 2017, there are two charming yet stylish master bedrooms and four twin or double guest rooms. The entrance opens into a large, high-ceilinged living dining area featuring a dramatic, suspended fireplace and a huge, hand-made oak dining table close to the large east-facing panoramic windows. A second spacious living room on the lower level with board games, large screen TV and an extensive selection of vinyl records are on offer for guests to enjoy along with the sauna and outdoor hot tub.

The chalet is surrounded by idyllic gardens, where deer graze in nearby meadows as guests soak in the private hot tub, and three barbecue areas and sun decks provide space for unhurried breakfasts in the morning sun. Children will love the swings and treehouse, where they can play surrounded by apple, pear, plum and cherry trees and old carts from the last century.

For those wishing to venture outside of their mountaintop sanctuary, Méribel offers an abundance of activities to enjoy throughout the summer. From mountain-biking on e-bikes to horseback riding, hiking and yoga, the Purple Summer team can arrange all activities as well as any transfers, restaurant bookings and in-chalet treatments guests desire. On the chalet's doorstep, the quaint hamlet of Le Villard is many centuries old, with its chapel dating to 1645. It is rich with farming history and one of the village's four fresh water sources is located immediately in front of the chalet, while the town's ancient bread-oven, stoked-up once a month in olden times, is also right next to the chalet

Purple Summer's Chateau de Candie, Savoie *Sleeps up to 60



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Purple Summer's Chateau de Candie, Savoie *Sleeps up to 60



Perched on the hillside overlooking the capital of Savoie and yet a world away from the hustle and bustle of city life, [Château de Candie's](#) ivy-cloaked façade and 14th-century fortifications are enchanting. Surrounded by evergreen forest, beautiful gardens, fountains, and rows of grape vines, it commands magnificent views of the Chartreuse Mountain range. Conveniently positioned close to many of the major alpine resorts and the largest natural lake in France, the castle is ideal for a short stop en-route to the Alps (or further south into Italy or onto the French Riviera), or a longer stay exploring the local area.

The historic château offers a choice of 25 lovely, individually decorated rooms and suites bookable by room or on an exclusive-hire basis, all filled with antiques and period features. For a romantic getaway or just a little extra treat, the château's impossibly quaint tower contains a truly luxurious suite spread across three floors.

Dining at the hotel's own restaurant proves to be an unforgettable experience, with an ever-changing menu of exceptional quality dishes created using locally sourced ingredients. Guests can even sample the Viognier wine made from grapes picked from the château's own vineyard, at a fascinating wine tasting workshop.



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Tucked away in the sun-soaked gardens amidst statues and flowers, the glistening swimming pool is the perfect place to cool off after a long day of hiking, cycling or sightseeing. For the ultimate evening relaxation, indulge in a restorative massage or simply curl up in the cosy bar area with a digestif.

For those looking to elope and tie the knot in true fairy-tale style, Château de Candie provides an extraordinary wedding venue option. Whether couples are dreaming of an intimate ceremony in the vineyards or a big white wedding for over 120 guests, Purple Summer offers a variety of spoiling packages including a wedding planning service and is on hand to help plan the affair from beginning to happily ever after!

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