Winter Holidays until early May: With Snow Guarantee!

Alpin Arena Senales – winter fun beneath 126 peaks towering above 3,000 m.

When gazing upon this broad expanse one cannot be indifferent to the breath-taking majesty of the Schnalstal Valley Glacier confronting you. With more than one hundred summits lining the head of the valley, this is also where the body of Ötzi lay icebound for 5,300 years. In the Alpin Arena Senales action-packed winter adventures are waiting behind every corner (and snow hill): on the slopes at an altitude of over 3,000 meters, the 3.3 km sled run, the cross-country ski trails and the Iceman Ötzi Peak viewing platform. Starting in Maso Corto/Kurzras, the comfortable high-tech Glacier Cabel Car quickly takes you right to the summit. At such dizzying heights, even the pure mountain air reeks of adventure!

Slopes – From high up on the glacier down to the valley below

At an elevation of 3,251m, the Alpin Arena Senales offers an all-round Alpine winter experience. After reaching the glacier on the newly refurbished cableway system, you're greeted by meticulously groomed slopes and cross-country ski trails, a sled run, and a special-purpose ski touring route. Adding extra zest to the exhilarating snow fun, the Alpin Arena offers an Alpine atmosphere combined with Italian flair!

The slopes stretch from the Grawand mountain station at 3,212 meters and the top stations of the chairlifts to the Maso Corto valley station at over 2,000 meters. Suited to every level of competence the ski slopes range from demanding downhill runs such as the "Leo Gurschler" training course or the 8 km valley run across the Schmugglerscharte ridge to gentle runs for beginners. The breakneck Teufelsegg course is worth the challenge with breath-taking views of the Ötztal Alps – as just reward for the brave!

Family adventures – Sharing the experiences and excitement!

In the Alpin Arena Senales even the youngest can participate in the thrilling mountain adventures – just watch their big eyes glisten in wonder! From the Iceman Ötzi Peak viewing platform, the spectacular views of the unique glacier landscape and pure mountain air are also perfect for families with children. With a SnowKids ticket costing just €5, the junior set can hop onto the Lazaun or Glocken ski lifts, practice on the slopes, and enjoy themselves in a children's ski area which includes two magic carpets and a ski carousel. With so many distractions, any misgivings the juniors may have at the beginning should evaporate in no time at all! And from the practice runs onto the real slopes, it's just a quick step away! Ski courses for children and adults alike under the supervision of a ski instructor help to improve one's performance on the slopes.

Training on the glacier – From professionals to beginners

Ideally positioned, the training camps on the Schnalstal Valley Glacier offer ideal high-altitude conditions. The Alpin Arena Senales is one of the busiest Alpine and cross-country skiing training grounds in preparation for the winter season, and in autumn it is not uncommon to see well-known professional athletes training on its slopes. As official hospitality partner of the Italian Ski Federation (FISI) and now also partner of the Bavarian Ski Federation (BSV), the Schnalstal Valley Glacier is now a well-established fixture on the first league ski training circuit.

Culinary delights – Authentic, farm-fresh, and regional fare

The numerous Alpin Arena Senales refuges all have one thing in common: they all lie in a breath-taking mountain landscape! Not only are they found in stunning panoramic locations, the Lazaun hut, the Teufelsegg hut and the Bella Vista refuge also offer extraordinary home-made culinary delights. At the edge of this fascinating glacier setting on the Hochjochferner, the Glacier Hotel Grawand & Restaurant offers something extra. During winter, when ski buffs need to take a quick break before returning to the slopes, the self-service restaurant is exactly what is needed. Sitting on the Grawand's panoramic terrace at 3,212 m, this glacier hotel is Europe's highest.

New - What awaits you in the Alpin Arena Senales

During the 2023 Christmas holiday, the latest, state-of-the-art Doppelmayr reversible aerial tramway with a mega capacity of 80 passengers will just have begun operating. Surrounded by no less than 126 peaks above 3,000m, the time it takes to reach the Grawand cable car mountain station at 3,212 m is just <u>6 minutes</u> – to the start of your Alpine adventure! Another novelty during the upcoming winter season is a special-purpose ski touring course starting in Maso Corto via the Teufelsegg hut to the Bella Vista refuge and the Grawand. In summer, the new ski touring course can double as a speed-hiking track.

See our website & social media channels: valsenales.com & @alpinarenasenales

Staying overnight – Hotel or camping?

Not only is the Alpin Arena Senales a magnet for adventurers, but also visitors from around the world. No matter whether you've come here to get away from it all and rediscover yourself in this pristine environment, on a training course, trekking across the glacier, or just a regular visitor on a relaxing winter vacation, here you'll find the right kind of accommodation.

Glacier Hotel Grawand - Above the clouds

Perched on the edge of the Schnalstal Valley Glacier at 3,212m the Glacier Hotel Grawand*** is the highest altitude hotel in Europe. Renowned for its unique panoramic views and unique position, the hotel and restaurant is conveniently close to the glacier slopes.

See: grawand.com – for more info & special offers

Smart Hotel Firn – Bringing you closer to your adventure!

The Smart Hotel Firn*** in Madonna di Senales/Unser Frau in the Schnalstal Valley lies just 9 km from the glacier. With competitive prices and in an attractive location it offers interesting some deals including an all-inclusive breakfast and a wellness area with sauna & indoor pool. Half board available from 23.12.2023.

See: hotelfirn.com – for more info & special offers

Caravan Park Senales - Your favorite place beneath the glacier

Lying at the foot of the glacier near the valley head surrounded by the gargantuan peaks, the Caravan Park Senales is both a retreat for camping vacationers and an excellent base for explorers/adventurers.

See: caravanpark-schnals.com – to book your pitch