

# TO SEE ON THE WAY...



## ✓ scenery:



La Pointe Percée

The Aravis mountains and its highest peak: the "Pointe Percée"...

Mont-Blanc...



Le Mont-Blanc

## ✓ flora:

This woodland track also winds nicely through lush Alpine meadows at Encrenaz pass. Riders are treated to a classic Alpine floral display with Hellebores taking pride of place.

## ✓ fauna:

Cows from the Abondance breed graze happily here, along with other breeds.



What's in a name?

"Char des Quais": "char" means "little walkway" and "quais" denotes plants from the dock family (which look like spinach).



"Pâquis": denotes a meadow or prairie.

"L'Encrenaz": gap, notch or in other words, a pass.



## USEFUL INFORMATION

This route follows a suggested itinerary which participants undertake at their own risk.

### Before you go:



Check the weather forecast because storms happen frequently in the mountains.

Tel. Chamonix weather station: +33 (0)8 92 68 02 74



Let someone know where you are going.

Avoid walking alone.

**EMERGENCY NUMBER: 112**



Take water and food, warm and waterproof clothing, suitable shoes and a map showing footpaths.

### During the walk:

To ensure you enjoy your walk or ride to the full, in complete safety and with total peace of mind, please observe the following guidelines:



Please be mindful of the Alpine meadows and private property. Please remember to close gates behind you and try not to disturb cattle or wild animals!

Dogs should be kept on a lead.



Out of respect for the beautiful surroundings, please stay on marked routes and take your litter home with you.



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## Char des Quais tour



Difficulty level: easy



Duration: 1hr50 (+ 10 mins to reach Char des Quais summit)



Altitude change: 300 m



Weather guide: in fine weather



Starting point: col de l'Encrenaz car park, above la Côte d'Arbroz village



Signposts: PDIPR approved



Map: IGN TOP 25, 3528 ET, Morzine

Walks in Vallée d'Aulps





# Char des Quais tour

Directions...



**Starting point:** col de l'Encrenaz car park

- 1** From the col de l'Encrenaz (1433 m), follow the trail behind the cafe. At the fork in the trail, go right towards Les Praz.
- 2** Once you reach a signpost for Les Paquis (1475 m), take the pathway to the left, up to the col de la Basse.
- 3** From the col de la Basse (1636 m), follow the forest track down through lush flower-filled meadows until you reach the col de l'Encrenaz.

## Detour

Take the detour below from col de la Basse to reach the top of the Char des Quais.

- D** At the col de la Basse, strong walkers can climb to the top of Char des Quais (1677 m), by crossing the Alpine meadows on the right of the col de la Basse. The views are stunning, with panoramas of Mont-Blanc and the Aravis mountain range your reward!

