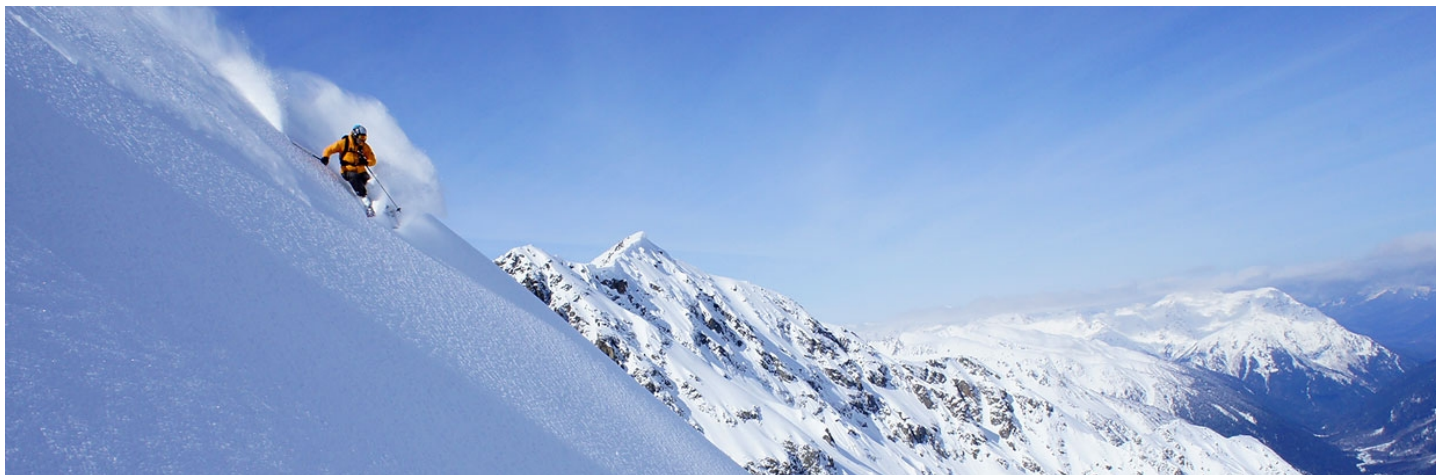


Heli-skiing in the Caucasus. Arkhyz region



Level of proficiency

good level off-piste skiing

from 8 200 Euro

7 days / 6 nights

Tour manager



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Our heliski operation is based in a ski area of Arkhyz. It is one of the most favourable heli-skiing areas in Russia, located at the border of three mountainous regions: Central Caucasus - Abkhazia - Western Caucasus, where the area brings together a diverse landscape, abundant precipitations and a lasting season (from mid-December to April), also a mild climate and considerable heights (the highest mountains are Pshish (3780 m), Sophia (3640 m), Amanauz-Bashi (3530 m)). There are various slopes with a height difference of up to 1350 meters.

We work with professional mountain guides, having had many years of experience in different corners of the world. We fly with the best pilots, having passed a special mountain training. The helicopters are Lama, AS350 B3 by Eurocopter.

Itinerary



Day 1
Sunday

Individual arrival to Mineralny Vody airport. Transfer to the hotel.

Welcome, guide meeting with presentation of the program for the next days and material check.



Daily we decide to heliski, depending on snow, avalanche and weather conditions.

In case of bad weather we can offer an alternative program in the ski resort or we will skin up around.



Heli-ski day.



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Reserve day or heli-ski.



Once we finish our last heli-ski day, we will head down to the valley. We will have an overnight stay in a town of Pyatigorsk, which is situated 30 min from the airport and makes it more convenient for early morning departure to Moscow.



After breakfast 30 minutes transfer to the airport of Mineralny Vody.

Route

Moscow - Mineralnye Vody - Arkhyz - Mineralnye Vody - Moscow

Price includes

5 possible heli-ski days

11 hours of helitime included and guaranteed

2 mountain guides for a group of up to 6 guests

5 nights at our mountain Lodge (Gorbachev Dachya)

1 night at the hotel **** in Pyatigorsk

Daily breakfast and dinner

Pic-nic in the mountains during flying days

Safety equipment (ABS backpack, avalanche transceiver, shovel and probe)

Price does not include

Additional heliski runs: □ 2200 - price per hour per helicopter

Documents required

International passport and visa

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How to get:

One has to travel via Moscow. There are number of flights running daily from Moscow to Mineralny Vody airport.

Private transfer from the airport to Arkhyz. About 200 km or 3 hours of travel.

Safety

Each guest will be given the required information concerning safety and the practical aspects of heliskiing. This will be followed by a comprehensive safety presentation and hands-on exercises to test the distributed safety equipment, including: ABS back pack use and avalanche victim search training. Every flight is prepared by the certified technicians, who have many years experience of maintenance these helicopters in the Russian conditions. Pilots of the company are the first class professionals, who thoroughly know Caucasian mountains and heliski zones. They experienced lots of save flight years, a great deal of rescue operations, requiring supreme professionalism and the ideal operating conditions of the helicopters, heliski-landings in the most hard-to-reach places, among them on the top of mountain Elbrus, 5642m.

Additional information

Single room is not available

Refund is 1700 euro/hour

Group size: In Caucasus we work with a maximum of 4 participants per guide.

We can guarantee an optimal operation with such group size and we offer our guests maximum of individuality and flexibility.

Accommodation/hotels:

Arkhyz is 1470 meters above sea level where our mountain facility is now located. We offer a plunge into the atmosphere of the mountainous residence of the first USSR president, Mikhail Gorbachev, which matches robust rest and respite standards of the Soviet government – huge rooms, crystal lusters, billiard, fireplace lounge, sauna, tableware and furniture of the past era, impressive terrain.

Price

2 skiers - 1 load 2 guides (6 hours) - 13500 euros/person

3 skiers - 1 load 2 guides (6 hours) - 9700 euros/person

4 skiers - 2 loads 2 guides (11 hours) - 10800 euros/person

5 skiers - 2 loads 2 guides (11 hours) - 9000 euros/person

6 skiers - 2 loads 2 guides (11 hours) - 7900 euros/person

7 skiers - 2 loads 2 guides (11 hours) - 7000 euros/person
Please consult us for 7 skiers group option.

Helicopter

Our main machine is Airbus Helicopter AS 350 Ecureuil B3. And we have Eurocopter Lama as the back-up option.

Group size

In Caucasus we operate in a private format only. Each week we will have up to 6 guests, split in two loads.

Each load of 3 skiers is leaded by 1 mountain guide. With this group size, we can offer our guests maximum of safety, flexibility and personal care