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Walking and Multi-Activity Holiday in the French Alps added to Family 2012 Programme

HF Holidays' 2012 Family programme sees the introduction of a new active holiday destination in the French Alps.

At Les Contamines in the French Alps, a family guided walking holiday – with a choice of three guided alpine walks each day – will run alongside a family multi-activity adventure option which offers a more action packed holiday for children aged eight and over.

Walking options – all set against the superb backdrop of snow-capped mountain peaks – include the slopes of Mont Blanc, Lac Vert and the meadows of Val Montjoie. Three core half-day activities – from a selection including rafting, climbing, canyoning and ropes course – are available on the multi-activity option.

These seven-night holidays are available starting 11 August with twin-share prices from £629 per adult, land-only or from £799 inclusive of return Heathrow flights and transfers. Child prices are from £315 and £400 for those aged five to 13, whilst 14-15 year-olds are from £472 and £600 respectively. Prices also include half-board at the three-star La Chemenez Hotel. Supplements apply for the multi-activity holiday.

Turning to the UK, families preferring some extra space on a holiday closer to home should check out the new self-contained lodge – sleeping up to eight – situated in the grounds of the company's Larpool Hall near Whitby in the North York Moors.

This accommodation has been set aside for families on two weeks – starting 2 June and 21 July – with these holidays (including full board and a full programme of guided walks) costing from £675 per adult and from £337 for children aged 11-17 years, whilst under 11s are free of charge.

Other new ideas for families for 2012 include 'Stage a Musical' holiday at Selworthy in the Exmoor National Park and 'Cycling & Walking' on the Isle of Wight.

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Editor's notes:

- Founded in 1913, HF Holidays is a co-operative society arranging walking, outdoor and leisure activity holidays for 50,000 people each year (for non-members, a £5 associate fee is payable per holiday).
- Options range from guided walking breaks and self-guided trails in Britain to challenging ascents Worldwide. The leisure activities range includes art, music, literature and mind-and-body holidays.
- HF Holidays is the recommended walking holiday partner of the Ramblers, Britain's walking charity (ramblers.org.uk), and supports the work of the Ramblers through membership initiatives and charitable donations.
- HF Holidays has 18 Houses in the UK's National Parks and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty as well as independent hotels for overseas holidays.
- HF Holidays' walks leaders are passionate about walking and keen to share their experience with guests (after passing a rigorous selection course).
- HF Holidays is committed to Responsible Tourism, contributing to environmental projects around the UK – such as footpath maintenance – through its Pathways Fund and supporting local Air Ambulance and Mountain Rescue teams as well as charities in Kenya and South Africa.
- Voted Best Large Tour Operator by Guardian and Observer readers 2010 and 2011, with a 2011 satisfaction score of 98 per cent. Also Best Short Break Operator 2011.
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