



The Lazy Labrador GUEST MANUAL



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REACHING THE CHALET FROM SAMOENS

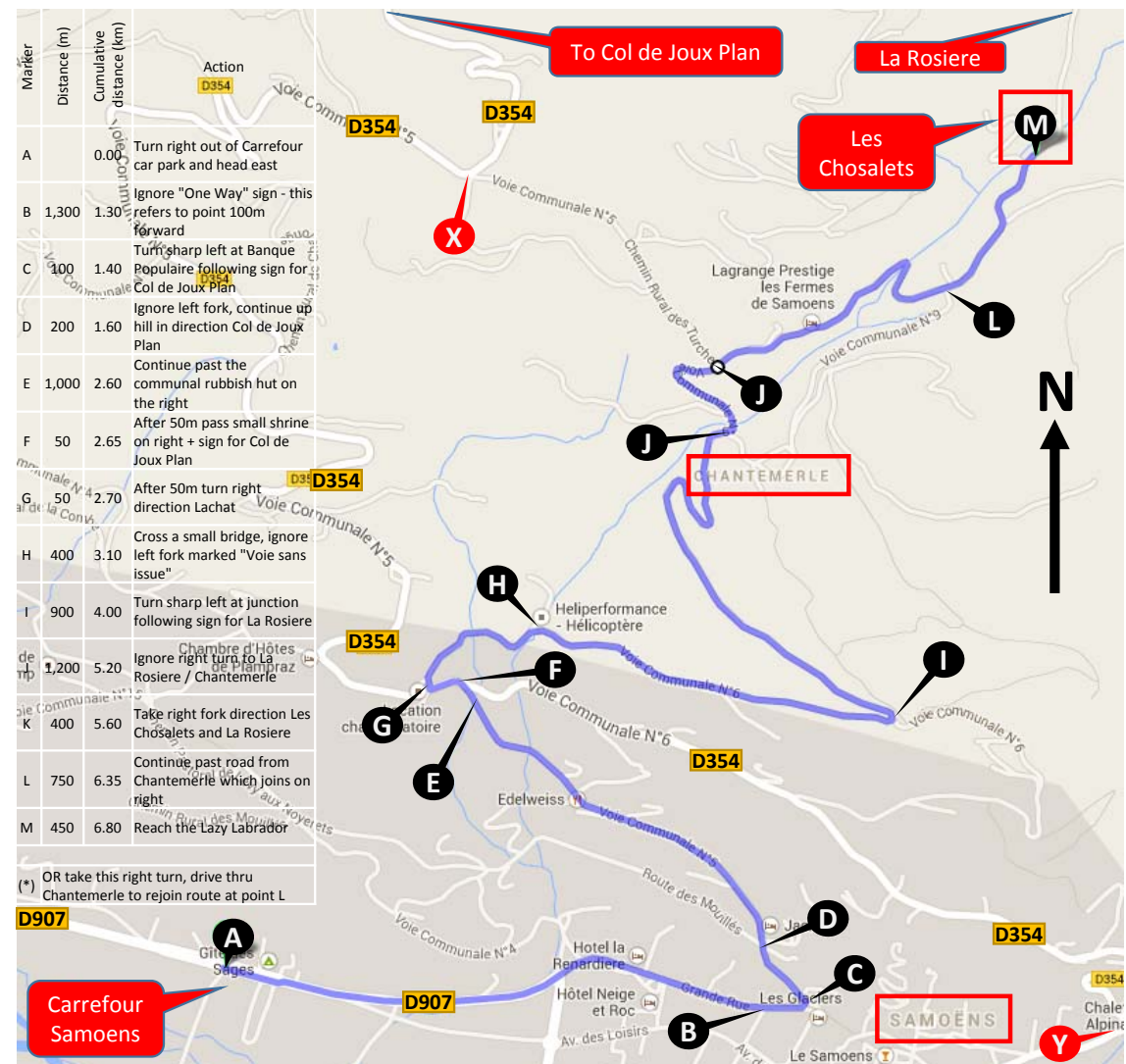
The address is: 415 Route des Chosalets, 74340 Samoens

GPS Coordinates: 46.102845, 6.730919

DRIVING TO THE LAZY LABRADOR

We **STRONGLY** recommend that you print out a copy of these directions prior to your arrival and keep them in your vehicle for the duration of your visit. There are a variety of ways of driving from Samoens to the Lazy Labrador. The route described below takes the most direct path from the main Carrefour supermarket just outside Samoens to the Lazy Labrador. Carrefour is located on the D907 which joins Samoens to the village of Verchaix and the town of Taninges.

If you find yourself "off route" or you need to start from a different point the following information may also be useful. The Lazy Labrador is situated in the hamlet of **Les Chosalets**. Its grid reference is **46° 6'10.29" N, 6°43'51.21" E** (copy and paste into any browser and you should find the Lazy Labrador on a map immediately). The address is: **415 Route des Chosalets, 74340 Samoens** but "Route des Chosalets" is a newly designated road name and does not yet appear on most maps. A few of the junctions on the roads leading up to the Lazy Labrador are signposted "Les Chosalets" but most are not. However **La Rosiere** is a popular view point providing a magnificent view of Mont Blanc and is well signposted. If you follow signs for La Rosiere you will inevitably drive through Les Chosalets. **Col de Joux Plan** is also well signposted with several roads leading from Samoens up towards the Col. Any of these routes can be followed to point X (as shown below). Once at point X do NOT drive further uphill on D354. Instead drive south-east for 800m to point J and pick up the route below. Note that in heavy snow conditions the main road to the Col (D354) may be cleared before other more minor roads. In this case consider ignoring the right turn at point G (as shown below) and instead continue up the D354 to point X and thence to point J (as described). This route is about 2km longer than the "short cut" linking points G and J. Finally if you are starting up the hill from the east side of Samoens then follow the signs for Col de Joux Plan at point Y (bottom right) and follow the D354 to points F and G (or all the way up to point X, as appropriate).



PARKING



There are several spaces in front of the house. Please park as tightly to the wall as possible. Please leave enough room for the snowplough and other road users.

The snow plough service arrives automatically when there is a heavy snowfall. There is a snow clearing shovel available, should you need it.

IMPORTANT: During winter months, please remember it is a legal requirement to be equipped with snow chains in the event of very heavy snow conditions. For convenience, we recommend a 4x4 and snow tyres, but this is not essential.

Airport Transfers can be organized via our local partners, either 'Mountain Lifts' or 'Go Massif'. Please see our online guest guides for more information. Please remember however that at least one car is essential for this chalet, as there is no public transport and the village centre is around 1hr + on foot.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

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Taxi Service: "Taxi David" (minibus & 4x4): Tel: +33 (6) 62 25 39 43

Emergencies

From a mobile phone - all emergencies: 112

Medical Emergency: 15 (fixed line only)

Fire: 18 (fixed line only)

Police: 17 (fixed line only)

Pharmacy

Pharmacie Deffaugt Sanchez

Av. Cognacq Jay, 74340 Samoëns, France

Tel: +33 4 50 34 40 10

Massage Services (Chalet Visits)

Massage Me – massage therapist visits

Visit: www.massage-me.com

HOUSE RULES

Welcome... Please remember that the **Lazy Labrador** is a family home.

Water... MOST IMPORTANTLY, please try to be conscious about **SAVING WATER** (e.g. don't leave taps running, try not to do small loads in the dishwasher and limit bath use). The water is spring fed and needs to be treated with care and respect. Any water shortages will affect both our guests and neighbours.

A note from the chef... Please help us **preserve the non-stick pans** by refraining from using metal whisks and forks on them. Please hand-wash rather than putting them in the dishwasher and avoid using scourers on them.

Cleanliness... We'd really appreciate it if **shoes** were not worn throughout the house. Please use the hallway for shoes, boots and sporting equipment.

Our Record Collection and Deck... has been left out for guests to enjoy, however the collection is precious and has very high sentimental value. In return, we ask that it is treated with care and respect – records should always go back into their correct sleeves and should ONLY be handled /operated by adults.

Book worms... You are very welcome to read **books** but please don't take them home with you as we'd like other guests to enjoy them too. Many of the them also have sentimental value!

No smoking... inside the house. Please only smoke outside and always dispose of cigarette butts safely and responsibly in an ashtray. Do not throw butts on the road or in the outdoor garden spaces.

Electricity... is very expensive in France - please make sure all **lights** are switched off when rooms are not in use & regulate heating to avoid wastage from **radiators**.

Dogs... No **pets** unless previously discussed and arranged at the time of booking. Dog owners should ensure that all **dog litter** is picked up from garden and areas surrounding the property.

Privacy... Some of the owner's **private** belongings are stored behind various locked doors, cupboards, drawers. Never attempt to open any of these.

In addition, do not under any circumstances use any ski or sporting equipment or clothing you may find stored in the house.

LEAVING CHECKLIST

Check out time is 10:00am on the day of departure

- ✓ Return 2x sets of keys to the management team
- ✓ Remove all perishables from fridge
- ✓ Dispose of all rubbish & recycling. The closest bins are located in the centre of Samoens.
- ✓ Clean kitchen (incl. washing up and please put everything away as originally found) The dishwasher should be on, or emptied
- ✓ If you have used the BBQ, please clean it ready for next guests
- ✓ All radiators (inc towel radiators) should be set back to their original temperature
- ✓ If cabin in use, set the black radiator to 'antifreeze *' & unplug the white radiator
- ✓ Close and secure all windows
- ✓ Make sure all taps are turned off and toilets aren't stuck on flush
- ✓ Turn off all lights except for the automatic light outside front door
- ✓ Return house manual to kitchen counter
- ✓ Check cupboards and drawers to ensure you have everything

THANK YOU FOR LOOKING AFTER THE CHALET

WI-FI

There are two way of connecting to the internet at the chalet.

There is an 'SFR 4G' box ...The password is L@ZYL@BR@DOR

Please note the box is limited to 200GB if data per month. If it runs out during your stay, please move over to the fixed line service, as below:

Connect your device to 'Livebox-3c94... The password is lazylabrador

SECURITY

When leaving the house for the day, please make sure all windows and doors are locked shut.

HOLIDAYING WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

Stair Gate: We keep a stair gate in the utility room for the step between the kitchen and hallway.

High Chair: There is a highchair in the utility room. The front part can be removed so that it becomes a booster seat for toddlers. Please leave this part in an obvious place if removed.

Cars: There usually aren't many cars but it is always safer to keep the gate to the road shut.

Stream: Please be aware of the stream running behind the house.

Hot Water: Both showers and the bath have thermostatic controllers but sink taps do not.

EXTERIOR CABIN

If you are lucky enough to be staying in the cabin, the code is 1415. Please do not lose the padlock or keep it unlocked on show where others could see the code.

The white radiator warms the cabin up quickly and the black one keeps it at a nice ambient temperature. We usually switch the white one off after it has done its job.

There is no bathroom so plan ahead... Make sure you take a door key to the house and some warm footwear.

RUBBISH DISPOSAL

Please do not leave rubbish bags outside, particularly overnight as wild animals may tear up the bags and cause a mess.

Full rubbish bags should be taken to the large plastic dumpsters found lower down the hill. As you leave the house, take a right at the first fork at the end of 'Route des Chosalets' and you will find them at the next junction.

Glass bottles, paper and some plastics can also be recycled in either the Carrefour car park or in the ice rink car park opposite the tourist office.

WASTE DISPOSAL & TOILETS

PLEASE LOOK AFTER OUR SEPTIC SYSTEMS – They only work if the input is 100% bio-degradable.

It is very important that you flush only loo roll down the toilets. Everything else must be disposed of in a bin. This includes dental floss, feminine hygiene products, cigarette butts. Please put these in the pedal bins provided in W.C's.

If it isn't loo paper, please don't flush it!

DISHWASHER

To operate the dishwasher, place a dishwasher tablet into the little plastic container on the inside of the door, close the door then press the on/off button to turn OFF, then press the same button again to turn ON and start the cycle.

WASHING MACHINE

The washing machine and dryer are in the utility room.

Please attempt to reduce the amount of washing you do - we are spring fed and separate from mains water up here! Doing load after load also does not allow our septic tank to adequately treat waste. If possible, try to spread water usage through the week.

Important: Please never exceed the maximum washing machine load. Overloading may cause a poor wash or could even damage the machine.

DRYER

To operate the dryer, turn the large dial on the right-hand side to appropriate program. Programs are categorised into clothing materials (e.g. cottons, woollens etc.) Always check clothing labels before selecting your program.

Important:

The filter must be taken out and cleaned before any new use. To remove the filter, open the door and lift the filter up and out of the machine. Remove all excess lint by stroking your hand over the filter and then place back into its slot.

Please do not overfill the dryer. This may prevent the dryer from functioning correctly and could also damage the machine.

FIREPLACE

You will find that the Jotul is a highly efficient heater. However please take care when using it. The sides and chimney pipes can get VERY hot. **Please note:** a maximum of 2 logs should ever be burned at one time.

When leaving the stove unattended, please make sure you leave the circular regulating shutter on the stove door at least halfway OPEN. This helps ensure that the wood burns fully and that the chimney can draw properly. If the stove shutter is fully closed, smoke produced within the stove may leave a smoky smell in the room.

REMOVING ASHES

If you need to remove fire ashes, please be aware that they potentially stay hot for quite some time after the fire is extinct. Never leave ashes near or inside the house as this is a potential fire hazard. Please dispose of ashes responsibly.

This is a wooden house and irresponsible disposal of ashes is extremely dangerous – please respect the fire, Jotul stove and its contents.

FIRE SAFETY

There are **fire extinguishers** in the hall, sitting room, kitchen & utility room. There are also **fire blankets**. **Smoke alarms & Carbon Monoxide Detectors** are fitted inside the house - please advise the management team if you believe any of these may not be working properly.

RADIATORS

Radiators are remotely adjusted and should be set at a comfortable heat level when you arrive: PROG 20.0° in living spaces & PROG 18.0° in bedrooms.

The radiators provide heat from 7:00 to 23:00. Each radiator has a control panel behind a 'flap' on top of the radiator – if you need to manually change the temperature, please do so using the < or the > but please leave each radiator on PROG unless you need heat during the night (23:00 to 7:00) in which case use the BASIC mode. Always return the radiators to their original settings (PROG & temperature) before you leave to avoid electricity wastage.

Each radiator should be left permanently "ON", **never turn them "OFF"** - this is to prevent pipes from bursting. The lowest setting is 7.0° HORS GEL - this setting or higher must always be visible and is designed to keep the temperature above freezing.

Do not cover the radiators unless they are specifically a towel radiator. Do not put furniture or soft furnishings on or close or against the radiators.

HOT WATER

There is a large, electrically heated hot water tank for showers and the bath. It re-heats automatically – please avoid fiddling with settings. There is a separate water heater for the kitchen sink.

The fuses for the water heaters are in the fuse to the right of the kitchen sink.

TURNING OFF THE WATER SUPPLY

The water supply is usually left "ON" but if the water needs to be turned off, use the red valve at the back of the utility room, to the right of the UV water treatment lamp. The UV water treatment lamp should be "ON" at all times (violet light should be visible at the top of the appliance).

In emergencies, the primary water shut-off valve is located directly outside at the back of the house inside a vertical plastic tube buried in the ground - go out the front door, turn left and left again up the bank to a position level with the main bathroom and you will see the vertical plastic tube buried in the ground with insulation 'stuffed' into it. The primary shut-off valve is at the bottom of the tube.

When in doubt, please contact the management team. Numbers can be found in the 'Emergency Numbers' section of this manual.

ELECTRICITY

Fuses - The fuses for the electrical system are in the fuse cupboard to the right of the kitchen sink. There is a manual that identifies which switch controls what. If the fuse is "UP" it is "ON". If the fuse is "DOWN" it has tripped. This can happen if a bulb 'blows' for example.

Water supply and water heaters - If the water supply is turned "OFF" for more than short periods, the water heaters should also be turned "OFF" from the fuse box (failing to do this may permanently damage the water heaters if water is used and the tanks are left dry).

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