

# DESCRIPTION

Not far from Aosta is a place rich in charm, an alluring territory of borders, where, mixed with the extraordinary beauty of nature, are found **traces of an ancient past**. This is the **Great St. Bernard Pass**, a rocky plateau at 2,437 metres, which connects Italy to the Swiss canton of Valais.

A site bursting with **history and magic**, an important point situated along the Via delle Gallie, a toure built by the Romans to link Rome to the Valley of Rodano. The beauty of this area combines evocative historic roots with **recreational sport activities**, unique and fascinating indeed.

#### REQUIRED PREPARATION

During winter, this land is hidden under a blanket of tens of metres of snow, becoming the ideal destination for excursions with **Alpine skis or snowshoes**, together with a guide.

#### LENGTH OF THE ACTIVITY

Half a day. Provide an identification document to cross the border.



## KIND OF OFFER

In summer day excursions in an unforgettable setting amid history and nature, with the possibility of walks, sport fishing, a visit to the famous kennels for St. Bernard dogs, a visit to the Hospice and its treasure.

In winter, snowshoeing or Alpine skiing, or the possibility of spending the night near the Great St. Bernard Hospice, run by the Agostinian canons.

# **WHERE**

Grand-Saint-Bernard pass, on the border between Italy and Switzerland, 30 km away from Aosta

### WHEN

The road is open to traffic from June to September. In winter, depending on the snow conditions, it can be climbed with snowshoes or Alpine skis, from the Italian or the Swiss side.

# INFO AND CONTACTS

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