

Whether you're an early riser or a late-night reveller, whether you seek extreme sensations or simple pleasures, Verbier welcomes you with open arms. Whether you're a hipster or a local, whether you love the spotlight or prefer to blend into the background, it's a place where contrasts thrive.

**MAUVOISIN DAM**

At Mauvoisin, art and history come together in a breathtaking setting. Located in the Upper Val de Bagnes nature reserve and built between 1951 and 1958, the Mauvoisin dam stands tall as a remarkable 250-m-high concrete structure, earning its distinction as the tallest arch dam in Europe. To explore the captivating history of its construction, visitors can follow a dedicated trail along the dam's crest, which includes passage through a historic 392-m-long gallery.

Artistry also graces the foot of the dam, where Michael Heizer, a renowned Land Art artist born in California in 1944, presents his masterpiece «Tangential Circular Negative Line Sculpture.» This artwork is inspired by a sign Heizer drew four decades earlier in the Nevada desert sands using his motorcycle. Once ephemeral, this sign now finds a permanent home, perpetuated by its striking setting at the base of the Mauvoisin dam.

[www.verbier.ch/summer/inside/destinations/must-see-places/mauvoisin-dam](http://www.verbier.ch/summer/inside/destinations/must-see-places/mauvoisin-dam)



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**EXPOSITION FAIRE (AVEC)**

Imagine the future, circa 2080: an ecological catastrophe has ravaged the Alps, reducing the modern world to rubble. Yet, amid the devastation, a beacon of hope emerges in Le Châble. Near the church, a resilient structure stands tall, defying the chaos surrounding it.

Inside the Musée de Bagnes, the «Faire (avec)» exhibition challenges us to confront the future. Operating entirely without electricity, the museum transforms into a space of creative exploration. Dusty tools, spare parts, forgotten doc-

uments and faded images are displayed alongside regional heritage, inviting visitors to decipher, reimagine and reinvent. The message is clear: the solutions for tomorrow lie in harnessing the ingenuity of the past.

→ On display at the Musée de Bagnes until 10 November 2024

**Price:** CHF 5

[www.museedebagnes.ch/evenements/faire-avec](http://www.museedebagnes.ch/evenements/faire-avec)



**A 3-DIMENSIONAL WALK**

The 3D Sculpture Park offers a leisurely walk along a path overlooking the majestic Combins mountains, stretching from La Chaux to Les Ruinettes, where visitors can encounter monumental works of art. Each year, artists in residence in Verbier are invited to explore the theme of climate change related to water and energy, using materials, technologies and elements from the alpine environment of Verbier. Everyone is welcome to come and experience this outdoor gallery experience at their own pace.

[www.3-dfoundation.com](http://www.3-dfoundation.com)

**PALP FESTIVAL**

The Palp Festival is an extravagant adventure, brimming with memorable gatherings, cultural highlights and culinary delights. This extraordinary festival unfolds across twenty or so events, commencing in spring, hitting its peak in summer, and winding down in autumn. A distinctive feature of the festival is its fusion of traditional elements with contemporary influences. For example, festival-goers can enjoy raclette paired with electro music at Electroclette or rock music at Rocklette.

→ Rocklette: 3 - 11 August  
→ Electroclette: 17 - 18 August

[www.palpfestival.ch](http://www.palpfestival.ch)



**CABANE MONT-FORT**

The legendary mountain hut and restaurant, Cabane Mont-Fort, has one of the most breathtaking views of the Verbier mountain range. Perched on a rocky outcrop like an eagle's nest, it offers a spectacular panorama that includes Mont Blanc and the Grand Combin. Despite its lofty altitude of 2,457m, Cabane Mont Fort is easily accessible to both mountain bikers and hikers. Indulge in authentic mountain cuisine prepared with the finest ingredients. The latest addition is the unexpected high-altitude bakery where a master baker crafts bread, pastries and cakes – a delightful surprise. Taste adventure without sacrificing comfort.

[www.cabanemontfort.com](http://www.cabanemontfort.com)