



Coco on top of the mountain, after coming up a chair lift

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Coco met a new friend... The Snow Bunny!



Coco wanted to have a go at skiing!!!

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Coco in front of the warm fire, after being in the cold snow!!

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Very fashionable! Coco wearing ski goggles and helmet. He really wanted to try skiing out!

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On the way up the mountain Coco saw his first bit of snow



New Years Day! Coco in front of Chinese lanterns which we lit and let off into the cold night sky



Coco had a great view of the mountains whilst he watched paragliders

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TRAVEL SUMMARY

Destination: French Alps

Duration: 1 week

Date: 28 December 2008—4 Jan 2009

Language: French was spoken, Coco couldn't understand it. He wasn't there in his French lessons.

Currency: Euros. They look different, but the exchange rate is about 1 euro to every £1.

Travel: We flew by plane with British Airways (BA) from Gatwick Airport to Geneva which is in Switzerland. We then got a Taxi to France, Morzine, and it only took an hour, but Coco was very amused by all the snow!

Activities: There were lots of skiers around. Coco wanted to have a try, but thought it was too tricky, so he just sat on the skis instead.

Weather: Mostly everyday it was sunny. On Monday 29th it was snowing, and Coco went up the mountain to watch all the skiers in the snow. The coldest it was -15°C COLD!! It was around -7°C and up most days. We went when it was winter.

Food: We ate food which you could buy in the UK. Some foods tasted different though, but you got used to it. French bread was very popular, and got eaten everyday for breakfast with bacon. Lots of people were in the bakery in the early morning buying bread. Also croissants were eaten regularly.

Drink: There was just the normal drinks. The coke was the same, but tasted different. It all had its own French taste!

Capital: Paris, the capital of France, was a long way away from Morzine, where we were staying.

Interesting facts: Morzine is a ski resort, and you are able to ski to Switzerland, as the Swiss border was close by. Off the top of the mountain lots of people were paragliding. They went so high! One of them nearly hit a few skiers, and fell flat on the snow on their bottom! Coco loved watching it.

Opinion of destination: We liked skiing everyday. Coco especially liked being in the snow and making a snowman.

TOUR DE FRANCE

Morzine has hosted the Tour de France cycle race - 'stage finishes' on several occasions. 7 times Tour de France winner Lance Armstrong had his most difficult moment here, in the 2000 race.



Lance Armstrong

Running from Saturday July 4th to Sunday July 26th 2009, the 96th Tour de France will be made up of 21 stages and will cover a total distance of 3,500 kilometres.



Morzine in Summer
Rhône-Alpes