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Our Childcare Guide

## Childcare

As you know, we want your holiday to be as stress free and flexible as possible. Therefore, we want to ensure that you have some precious time to enjoy to yourselves, as well as spending time as a family.

**In order to help you do so, we have put together this guide so that you can organise childcare for during your holiday.**

### **When should I book my childcare?**

There is a great range of childcare providers to choose from here in Meribel. However, we always recommend booking as soon as possible as they quickly get fully booked. This is particularly important when you are visiting resort during peak times such as Christmas, New Year, half-term, Easter.

### **Do I have to book full days for the whole week?**

Booking requirements vary depending on which company you decided to use, more information on the individual companies can be found below with some services offering more flexible packages and some just offering mornings / afternoons.

It's useful to note that if you're travelling during peak weeks, this also may change the booking terms and mean that you are required to book a full week.

### **What if I just want some baby-sitting during the staff night off?**

All companies shown below (except for ESF) provide babysitting services. The best way to arrange this is to contact them directly. All contact details are also outlined below.

### **Will the nanny ski with the children?**

The nannies will not ski with the children. However, they will be more than happy to drop the kids off and collect them from ski school. The nannies will then focus on other activities when with the children.

### **What activities do childcare companies usually do with the children?**

Popular activities often include, taking rides in the gondolas, sledging, snowman building, walks and bus rides to parks. As well as, a range of indoor activities such as arts and crafts, pizza making, puzzles and board games. If there is anything in

particular you would like the nanny to do whilst looking after the children, they will always look to accommodate requests.

### **Will the nanny come to the chalet?**

Excluding companies such as the ESF Club Piou Piou and Les Saturins, all nannies will come to the chalet at a prearranged time and take care of the children from there each day. The nannies are often flexible and will again look to accommodate any individual requests.

### **Will the nanny feed my child during the day?**

This is something that each company does differently however the answer is, yes. Depending on the company, arrangements for lunchtime and snacks will be different with some services requiring extra money to buy food for the children. We recommend that is something you discuss with the company when booking your childcare.

### **Will my child get to play with other children?**

This is something that you can discuss with the nanny if you opt with a private nanny service. Often, if there are children of a similar ages with other nannies from the company then they will meet up during the day and run activities together.

If you decide to use the ESF Club Piou Piou or Les Saturins then your children will spend each day with other children.

### **How many nannies do I need?**

This again depends on the policies of the different companies but more often than not, will be decided based on the number of children and their age. Individual details for each company can again be found below.

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### **Can Flexi Chalets provide cots and highchairs?**

Yes - just let us know prior to your arrival and this can be arranged for you.

**Below is information on each childcare company along with their contact details.**

## **Childcare companies**

### **Meribel Nanny Services**

Meribel Meribel Nanny Services is a fantastic company set up by Nicole, who prior to founding Meribel Nanny Services, spent 8 years working as a nanny in the French alps.

Meribel Nanny Services offer highly reliable and friendly nannies who are all qualified and experienced, CRB checked and First Aid trained. As well as this, the nannies are trained in resort so that your children get to experience the best places to have fun in Meribel.

### **Number of children per one nanny**

- One child up to six months
- Two children from six months to three years
- Three children from three to six years
- Four children from six to 13 years

## Meribel Nanny Services

Prices (prices with \* indicate peak week pricing) – these prices are a guide and Meribel Nanny Services should be contacted for confirmation.

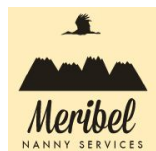
- 6 days (8 consecutive hours between 8.30 – 19.00) - £744/£792\*
  - 6 mornings/afternoons (8.30/9.00 – 12.30/13.00 or 13.15/13.30 – 17.00) - £396 •
- Babysitting – 20 – 25 euros per hour, minimum of 3 hours.

Meribel Nanny Services also offer flexible packages and special offers may be available and if you require something other than the above then we recommend contacting Nicole at Meribel Nanny Services.

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### Meribel Nanny Services (Continued)



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Website <http://www.meribelnannyservices.com>

## Merinannies

Merinannies is a small English qualified agency established in Meribel in 2003 by Kat Pozerskis, a qualified teacher and mother of two children. Merinannies now runs across various resorts and offers a flexible service with qualified, experienced nannies who are CRB checked. Care is available for children from the age of four weeks to 14 years old.

### Number of children per one nanny

- Two children under the age of two years
- Three children over the age of three years • Four children over the age of four years

Prices – These prices are a guide and Merinannies should be contacted for confirmation

- 6 days (8 consecutive hours from 8.30 – 17.00 or 9.00 – 17.00) – from £725 • 6 days mornings or afternoons (8.30 – 12.30 or 13.30 – 17.30) – from £410

Merinannies is flexible with the above and may be able to offer 6 hour days or alternative timings. Contact Katia with your specific requirements.



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<http://www.merinannies.com>

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## Childcare companies (continued)

### T4 Nanny

T4 Nanny looks after babies from 4 months to children up to 12 years. They take care of the school runs, lunches and evening babysitting. They pride themselves on being a family nanny service, which is why they charge per nanny rather than per child. This gives families flexibility and the best possible value. T4 nannies focus on arts and craft activities rather than supplying

lots of toys.

#### Number of children per one nanny.

- Two children under the age of two years
- Up to four children over the age of two years

**Prices – These prices are a guide and T4 Nanny should be contacted for confirmation.**

- 6 full days (8 consecutive hours per day between 8.30 and 20.00) - £790 (£895 peak week)
- 6 half days (4 consecutive hours per day between 8.30 and 20.00) - £425 (not available during peak weeks)



**Email** [mail@t4nanny.com](mailto:mail@t4nanny.com)

**UK phone** +44 2081 441 054 **French phone** +33 6 46 03 21 80 **Website**

<https://www.t4nanny.com>

### Snowbugs

SnowBugs Child Care aims to give you absolute peace of mind while spending your days

out on the slopes. They offer a high quality, friendly and trustworthy private nanny service, entertaining your little ones in the comfort of your own holiday home. All nannies are trained with first aid, DBS checked and have lots of experience in snowy conditions. Snowbugs nannies will provide games, toys, stories and music as well as running outdoor activities for you children.

## Childcare Companies (Continued)

### Snowbugs (Continued)

Number of children per one nanny.

- One child under the age of one year
- Two children between the ages of 1 – 3 years
- Please enquire directly with Snowbugs for children over the age of three years.

**Prices – These prices are a guide and Snowbugs should be contacted for confirmation.**

- There is an hourly charge of £16 for one child, with a minimum of four hours per day • Additional children are charged at £1.50 per child per hour (this does not apply for full time bookings from 40 hrs)
- During the school holidays Snowbugs has a policy requiring at least 40 hours to be booked

For booking or further information please contact Snowbugs.



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## Jelly and Ice Cream

After several successful years in Val d'Isere and Tignes, Jelly and Ice Cream now also operate in Courchevel and Meribel. Jelly and Ice Cream nannies will come to your chalet so that your children are in a familiar environment, and they are all DBS/CRB checked and first aid trained. Jelly and Ice Cream also offer equipment hire if there's anything you'd rather not travel with but would like the use of in resort.

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### Jelly and Ice Cream (Continued)

**Prices - These prices are a guide and Jelly and Ice Cream should be contacted for confirmation.**

- 1 full day (8 hours per day, flexible hours) – 171 Euros/202 Euros (peak weeks) • 1 full week (8 hours per day for 6 days) – 974 Euros/1141 Euros (peak weeks) • 1 half day (9.00 – 13.30/13.00 – 17.00) – 103 Euros/115 Euros
- 6 consecutive half days – 564 Euros/ 658Euros

Prices are per 1 nanny. For alternative arrangements to the above, booking or further information please contact Jelly and Ice Cream directly.



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Website <http://www.jellyandice-cream.com>

## Creche option ESF - Club Piou-Piou and Les Saturins

ESF Meribel offer childcare options for your little ones to get them playing in the snow and

for the 3 – 5 year olds, starting to familiarise themselves with skis. ESF Meribel also offer indoor and outdoor activities for the very little ones, aged 18 months – 3 years old.

Club Piou-Piou and Saturins are more of a crèche set up rather than a private nanny service,

so your children would be able to play with others in a group setting. You also have the flexibility of either morning, afternoon or full-time care. You're not constrained to booking the full week, you can pick and choose what works for you.

There are three Club Piou-Piou areas you could meet at. The most convenient for you as Ski Basics guests is the Chaudanne.

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### Club Piou-Piou (Continued)

#### A typical day at Club Piou-Piou.

- 9:00 to 9:30 am: Welcome parents and children.
- 9:45 to 11:30 am: Discover and learn to ski + snow games. A small snack will also be offered during the morning.
- 12:00 am: Parents return to collect their child if they are not staying for Meals.
- 12:00 to 2:00 pm: 'Stay for Meals' lunch is supervised along with rest and relaxation until 2:00 pm.
- 2:00 to 2:30 pm: Some morning and lunch children may leave and welcome to the afternoon children.
- 2:45 to 4:45 pm: Same program as morning session.
- 4:45 to 5:00 pm: End of activities, children are returned to their parents.

#### A typical day at Les Saturins.

Toddlers are looked after by qualified professionals who offer a wide variety of activities throughout the day from reading books, singing and arts and crafts to snow games, sledging and playing in the garden.

#### Prices Club Piou-Piou (ages 3 – 5 years) and Les Saturins (ages 18 months – 3 years).

- 6 mornings and afternoons – from 266 Euros
- 6 supervised lunches Club Piou-Piou –155 Euros • 6 supervised lunches Les Saturins –142 Euros

Single sessions are available to book in resort subject to availability.



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Detailed information on what to bring and booking procedure can be found online: **Les Saturnins** <https://www.ski-school-meribel-mottaret.com/infants/nursery-saturnins> **Club Piou Piou** <https://www.ski-school-meribel-mottaret.com/infants/club-piouiou>

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