



### **Scottish Winter Courses in Glencoe for 2018!**

Three of the best value mountaineering courses in Scotland:

**Winter Skills** for Mountain Walking - £500 with 1 instructor to 6 clients

**Winter Mountaineering** for Grade I to III - £800 with 1 instructor to 2 clients

**Winter Climbing** for Grade III to V - £800 with 1 instructor to 2 clients

All including five quality mountain days, informative evening workshops, seven nights in a comfortable chalet and healthy food cooked by a wonderful host!

You'll have five quality mountain days with a professional instructor and much more. Your home for the week will be a comfortable chalet for seven nights, so you can enjoy a more relaxed and flexible approach to your course. You'll have an extra day to play with, so you can rest tired legs in the middle of the week or avoid the occasional storm that's a bit too gnarly to walk and climb in.

The food is based on your preferences and our wonderful chalet host prepares our meals at flexible times, so we are free to follow the best of the weather. We could start early, walk with the moon and the stars, see a beautiful mountain dawn and be back in the chalet before a storm, or we could sleep in through bad weather and enjoy a stunning summit sunset before dinner.

Giving you the skills and experience you need to enjoy the winter mountains is the main aim for the week, closely followed by giving you the best possible opportunity to enjoy the magic of the mountains in the company of like-minded people. Bringing people together to experience the beauty of nature, the excitement of adventure and share the happiness they bring is one of the best things about these courses.

We have been winter mountaineers for twenty years or more and we are all fully qualified members of the Association of Mountaineering Instructors. We love to see you enjoying yourself in the mountains and it give us great pleasure to see you develop into competent and confident mountaineers. Over the course of the week, you'll have the opportunity to develop and practice the following:

### **All Courses**

- Selecting the right winter clothing and equipment for your comfort and safety.
- Using avalanche reports, weather forecasts and timing to plan your day well.
- Understanding how snow pack forms and changes to assess avalanche risk.
- Navigating in the dark, snow and a full white-out with efficiency and speed.

### **Winter Skills**

- Moving in balance on easy ice, rock and snow with an ice axe and crampons.
- Using an ice axe to stop slips with the self-belay and self-arrest techniques.
- Minimising risks like loose rock, cornices, strong winds and snow bridges.
- Action to take in an emergency and building an improvised snow shelter.

### **Winter Mountaineering & Winter Climbing**

- Travelling safely on steep snow when approaching and exiting your climb.
- Moving in balance on technical ice, rock and snow with ice axes and crampons.
- Building safe anchors in ice, rock and snow for protection, belays and abseils.
- Slick rope work and belay changeovers to save time and prevent problems.

The size of your group will be sociable and small enough for you to ask questions and benefit from 1:1 coaching time. Ice axes and crampons are included in the price and you can hire winter boots if you need them. For the full kit lists, take a look at the links to the course brochures on the Mountain Magic website and please feel free to ask for advice on new purchases.

Course Brochures:

[Winter Skills for Mountain Walking](#)

[Winter Mountaineering for Grade I to III](#)

[Winter Climbing for Grade III to V](#)

Customer Feedback:

“Thank you! It was an awesome week and I am wishing we could do it all again.” - Frances

“A brilliant week with amazing memories, breath-taking scenery and new winter skills.” - Roger

“Truly amazing! I came out of the valley feeling uplifted and in awe of the mountains.”  
- Georgie

“Even if the weather hadn't been so perfect, the week would have been spot on for me.” - Jan

“A fantastic week with lots of special memories. I'd highly recommend Mountain Magic to anyone”. - Claire

“Thanks for a great course. I really enjoyed it! Good food, good company and I learned a lot.” - Gavin

“One of the best weeks climbing ever. Magical. Great food and company. I will be back.” - Paul

“A brilliant few days. It's given me a ton of inspiration for future mountaineering trips.”  
- Sean

“Exceeded expectations in every way. We learned much more than I could have hoped for.” - Susan

“Thanks again for a fantastic week. Both the climbing and the company were top notch.” - Tomas

“Really impressed with our instructor. I learned a great deal and had a great time.” - Michael

“Thank you for all your help. I really enjoyed the course and I recognise you as a great teacher.” - Cliff

Course Dates:

### **Winter Skills**

13<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup> January

10<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> February

10<sup>th</sup> - 17<sup>th</sup> March

### **Winter Mountaineering**

27<sup>th</sup> January - 3<sup>rd</sup> February

24<sup>th</sup> February - 3<sup>rd</sup> March

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### **Winter Climbing**

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Booking:

Message us from this page, call 0300 030 1045 or email [winter@mountainmagic.org](mailto:winter@mountainmagic.org) to find out more and book your place.

When you book onto a course, we'll send you a 15% discount code that's valid in all Cotswold Outdoor stores and all Snow & Rock stores too.

We're looking forward to meeting you!