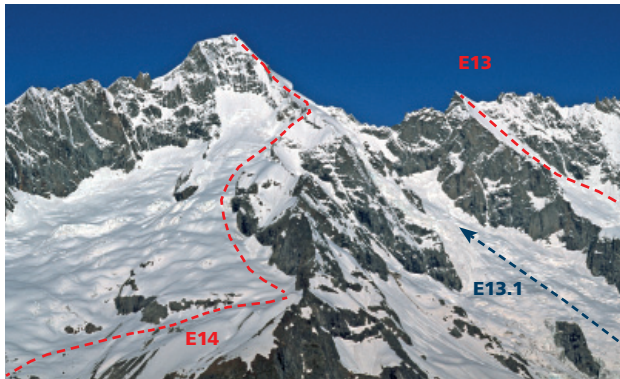


**E14. DOLENT**  
Galley ridge and east side 3823 m

- ▶ **Start:** 1590
- ▶ **V + D1+D2:** 1080/1150
- ▶ **V - D1+D2:** 0/2230
- ▶ **Orientation :** east
- ▶ **Slope: sect.** 50° ; 45°/300
- ▶ 36300T or 1345 +1365
- ▶ **Time D1+D2:** 2h30+5h30
- ▶ **Ski:** 5.2
- ▶ **Alpine:** AD
- ▶ **Exposure:** 4
- ▶ **Hut:** **Maye**
- ▶ 🏠 169, 172, 173

**D1. From La Fouly**, follow **E16** and then once in the Combe des Fonds at around 2200 m, head right to ascend the east facing slopes beneath the Pointe Allobrogia. A long diagonally ascending traverse leads to the foot of the Dolent Glacier. Continue traversing right to reach the shelter, which is located below Mont Dolent's east ridge, at around 2650 m, below a rock and left of a snow-filled couloir.

**D2. From the Bivouac de la Maye** (shelter), head up the Dolent Glacier's left bank. At 3200 m aim for a slope that comes down from Mont Dolent's northeast ridge (*multiple ways to reach this ridge called the "arête" Galley*). Follow the ridge (for the most part on its right side) all the way to the summit. (P. Bournat, F. Labande, W. Pasquier, Y. Rialland, 05/06/83.)



*Even though the steepest section of this route is located in the approach couloir to the ridge proper, the crux is having adequate snow coverage on the summit slope, often exposed glacier ice. Most rope teams go up and back from the summit on foot, but you can plan a traverse via the regular route (E16). Steep skiing enthusiasts will ski the Galley ridge if in condition; otherwise they will traverse via E16, being able to ski a route at the same level of difficulty initially sought out, returning via the Pointe Allobrogia's north face (E15), scouted out from the shelter.*



## E15. ALLOBROGIA

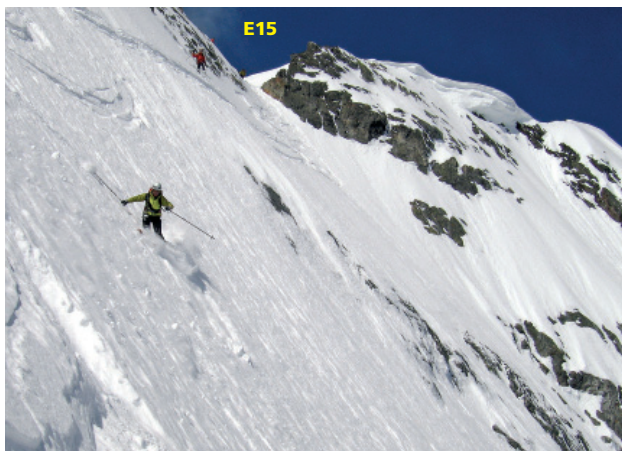
North face loop

3177 m

- Start: 1610
- V +/- V -: 1570
- Aspect: north
- Slope: 48°/400
- 36300T or 1345 +1365
- Time: 6h00
- Ski: 5.2
- Alpine: AD
- Exposure: 3
- 174, 175

**From La Fouly (Le Clou)**, follow **E16** and then once you reach the Fiorio shelter continue heading up straight above it on the south facing slopes. Top out on the Pointe Allobrogia's summit. The descent (*checked out from Combe des Fonds during the ascent*) starts from the small pass just west of the summit. Start by traversing right beneath the triangle shaped summit rock and then, directly beneath it, descend straight down for one hundred or so meters. Traverse again to the right beneath some rocks and then begin a long curve back left above the lower cliff bands. Ski a couloir at the bottom to exit the face. An east-facing coomb, usually full of avalanche debris until the end of the season, leads to the Combe des Fonds, which brings you back to La Fouly.

**E15.1.** Pointe Allobrogia, east face (ski : 5.4). (R. Lécuse)



*To ski the Pointe Allobrogia, at the upper end of the Ferret Valley, the time window is short. You need to wait for the wet spring snowstorms in order for the snow to stick to the face's steep slabs; but wait too long and the face is quickly spoiled due to its moderate altitude and eastern aspect. We recommend skiing the face onsite, this is one of the few steep rocky faces at the*



*upper end of the Ferret Valley and it would be a shame not to take advantage of a more mellow ascent on skis. You can easily scope out the descent at daybreak during the first part of the climb to the Petit Col Ferret. This rather athletic loop is also a possible approach to the Maye shelter if you have your sights on climbing and then descending E14 the following day.*