

How to get from Geneva Airport to Chalet du Coin, Les Gets.

Before you go check that the hire car will have a Swiss motorway "vignette" (tax \sticker allowing motorway driving in Switzerland – I would be amazed if they don't but may be worth a call to car rental company). Vignettes cost 30 euros.

From the airport follow signs for France. You will go onto a short stretch of dual carriageway.

From memory:

Straight on at 1st 2nd and 3rd lights (I think, but in any case follow signs for France A40)
Left at 4th lights – follow France signs and follow slip road onto motorway (A401).

After about 5 miles and 3 small tunnels you will reach the Swiss border – they don't normally stop anyone (unless you don't have a vignette in the windscreen) but have passports ready.

After border, keep following signs for Chamonix/Milan/Autoroute A40. This should lead you onto the A40 Motorway at J13 heading towards Geneva/Annemasse.

After about 5 miles follow signs for A40 Turin/Milan and stay in the 2 main carriageway lanes signed for Chamonix. (The motorway turns right.)

Follow A40 – after about 3 miles stop at peage in lane with green arrows over and pay €1.60 (about £1) toll. Can pay by cash or Credit card (they really don't mind which).

After toll, continue on A40 for about 15 miles and turn off at Junction 18 (Sortie 18) signed for Scionzier. The slip road crosses back over the motorway and you must then stop and pay another €1.60 toll (left hand lane at toll booth). You are now in Cluses.

After toll, Roundabout – take 3rd exit, signed Les Gets

Next Roundabout – take 2nd exit, signed Les Gets. Go over the river.

Traffic lights – go straight on
Traffic lights (2nd set) – go straight on

Roundabout take 2nd exit (almost a left turn) signed for Les Gets
Follow road under railway then round to the right

At traffic lights go straight on.
After lights, the road ahead splits, keep left (centre lane to the left of the hedge)
Follow the road through another underpass

Roundabout – 2nd exit (left) signed Les Gets D902
Follow this road up and up (lots of sharp hairpins, beware)

Drive straight through Chatillon keeping on the D902. The road descends after Chatillon – beware a very dangerous hairpin (with a right turn off which you don't take) at the bottom of a long straight – its much sharper than it looks.

You now have the valley on your right. At the bottom of the hill there's a bad RH bend just before the bridge – beware.

After the bridge follow the road straight into Taninges. At the end (T junction) turn right. After 100m follow the road round to the left.

Stay on this road (upwards) for around 8 miles. The bends get sharper as you go up. As you arrive in Les Gets you go straight on at the first roundabout, past a Green Hotel on the left keeping to the higher road.

After half mile 2nd roundabout – 1st exit (right)
Chalet du Coin 300yds on Right opposite Hotel Le Chamois.

Front door is at street level within the covered “porch”. (Don't open the gate at the top of the external steps unless you are sure the dogs are inside!)

Any problems (lost!*?) phone 0033 450 378196 or 0033 688 601615 (Roger's mobile)