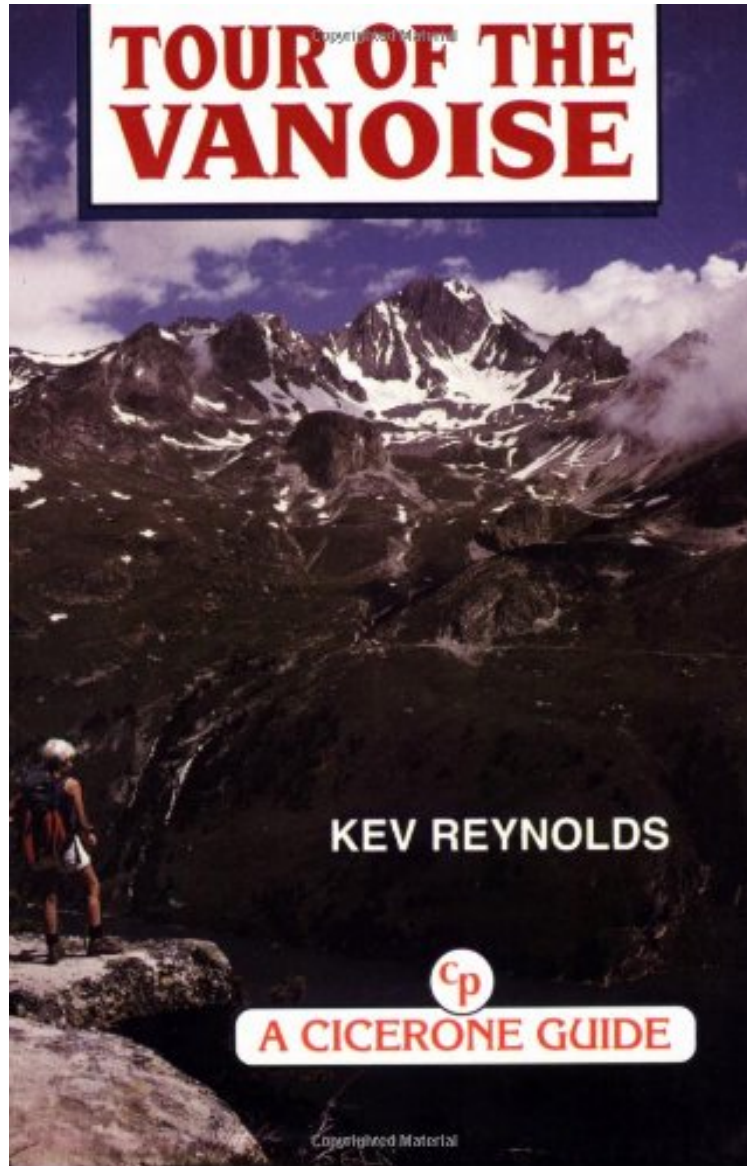


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Reynolds : Tour of the Vanoise before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Tour of the Vanoise:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Beautiful place, great experience, useful and reassuring book By Corey I just finished doing the route described in the book. It was my first time doing any hut-to-hut hiking in the Alps, so I have nothing to compare it to, but for me the trip itself was magnificent. The book was a useful guide. The time

estimates were close enough - I was a little bit slower than the book. I had maps and GPS, but the descriptions of the route in the book were reassuring when I had doubts about whether I was on the right trail. I'm glad I carried the book with me. Information not in the book that I wish I would have been some sort of trail time chart of the time between refuges for when you have to make adjustments to the route because of a refuge being booked. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Four Stars By Customer A very useful guide, could not do without it. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Walking Tour By L. Vest I am basing this review on other guides by Mr Reynolds. My wife and I have done many treks in Europe and it is always a relief to find one of these guides available for the route we plan to take. Many people ask us if we go with a group or participate in a guided tour when we go trekking, but we don't. One of these guides and good large scale maps of the area is more than enough for the average person, even on the first trek. For some reason the product description is of a bicycling book. The other review is more accurate. Buen Camino

This book is a guide to a 10-12 day circuit of one of the finest of all mountain areas in France - the Vanoise Alps. Easily accessible by train or bus from Chambéry and Grenoble, the Vanoise National Park neighbours that of the Gran Paradiso in Italy, with Mont Blanc to the north and the Ecrins to the south. The "Tour of the Vanoise" explores the very best of this scenically spectacular region of 3000m peaks, glaciers, lakes, waterfalls and flowering meadows, and provides plenty of opportunities to study marmots, chamois and ibex along the way. Covering a distance of more than 154km (95miles) the route encounters some dramatically wild landscapes, is demanding in places and, with several passes to tackle in excess of 2500 metres (8200ft), ensures there's plenty of height gain and loss; the total amount of ascent being some 7031metres (23,068ft). With numerous manned huts strategically placed throughout the National Park, lightly-laden trekkers can stay in simple comfort each night without having to resort to carrying tents, food or cooking equipment.

'We can always rely on both Cicerone Press and the indefatigable Kev Reynolds. Here is another of their invaluable walking guides to beautiful parts of the world in the now familiar format. ... It is also a good background read to the Vanoise park itself. Good quality colour photographs and judicious black and white illustrate key sections and there is important information on hut booking in high season; essential buy.' (Tim Noble, High) 'Kev Reynolds' route is a circuit of 95 miles with 23,000 feet of ascent in the Vanoise National Park of France, between Modane and Val d'Isère. ... The route deserves to be a popular choice for anyone who has walked something like the Pennine Way and now wants to tackle a rather more exciting walk.' (Steve Clarke, Strider) 'A really good guide for the walker, laying out a ten to twelve day journey through one of the most spectacular alpine regions of France. ... Coloured photographs make the mouth water. The many maps and essential information, such as distance, the availability of refuge accommodation and route profiles, will be invaluable on the ground. Small enough to keep in the pocket but clear enough to be a continuous guide to the route.' (France in Print) --1 About the Author A lifelong passion for the countryside in general, and mountains in particular, drives Kev's desire to share his sense of wonder and delight in the natural world through his writing, guiding, photography and lecturing. Spending several months each year among various high mountain regions researching guidebooks, makes him The Man with the World's Best Job; a title he aims to keep by remaining active for another 100 years at least. Kev has enjoyed a fruitful partnership with Cicerone since the 1970s, producing walking and trekking guides to the Pyrenees, Alps and Himalaya, as well as walking guides for Kent, Sussex and the Cotswolds and he has several more books in the pipeline. A frequent contributor to outdoor magazines, he also writes and illustrates brochures for national tourist authorities and travel companies. When not away in the mountains, Kev lives with his wife in a small cottage among what he calls 'the Kentish Alps' with unrestricted walking country on the doorstep. But he also travels throughout Britain during the winter months to share his love of the places he writes about through a series of lectures. Check him out on www.kevreynolds.co.uk