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THE BEST LAID PLANS... - Ross Young, Les2Alpes Wednesday April 4, 2018 - : Our father and son team in Les2Alps, 45- year old Ross and 12-year old Fynn, had a plan.... At the moment it is on hold. NEW

This post was supposed to be about me converting my ski park-loving 12-year-old son Fynn to the joys of off-piste and powder.

See here for my plan as revealed in my first blog post:

Like father, like son

Unfortunately, dodgy weather has put paid to the idea, for the time being at least.

The off-piste here is currently slushy and stodgy: no fun at all and potentially dangerous.

Luckily the instructor I'd booked, Marco from Bonsai Ski School, has some spare time over the next couple of days, and he's agreed to move our session to later in the week (thereby earning my eternal gratitude).

It goes to show: it's always worth asking, especially when the alternative is a four-hour session in driving sleet.

The weather hasn't been the only source of minor drama this week.

We also had the unusual situation of having another holidaymaker 'borrow' Fynn's hire skis for a day.

A big shout out to Fred at Intersport, who sorted out a replacement pair in double-quick time.

We only missed out on half an hour's skiing, and what could have been a major pain turned into a bit of a result.

Fynn got to try out some different skis.

As for the skiing, it's been great - at least until the weather closed in on Wednesday afternoon.

There's a great range of slopes at Les2Alpes, with plenty of tempting (but, alas, currently barely skiable) off-piste within easy reach, and very few lift queues considering that we're skiing in the school holidays.

Even without our off-piste lesson, our holiday so far has been proof (as if any were needed) that time together on the slopes is great for father and son bonding.

I've really enjoyed doing ski chat with Fynn between descents, as well as handing over some of the route-planning to him.

He's now old enough and responsible enough (don't tell him I wrote that) to decide where he wants to ski and to work out how to get there - and he's clearly thriving on the responsibility.

Our accommodation has added to the feel-good vibe.

We're staying at Hotel Ibiza, where the staff have been absolutely superb - I can only salute their energy levels at this stage of the season.

Fynn has made a point of testing everything the hotel has to offer bar the alcoholic drinks (my job, apparently) and the gym (seriously, who does weights on a ski break?) - and has reported positively on the ping-pong table, swimming pool, jacuzzi and even the hammam.

I can report the bar is very comfortable.

All we need now is for the weather to improve, so we can get back to our original plan and see if I can get Fynn into skiing off-piste and he can convert me to the ski park... watch this space!

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW:

A week's stay, at Hotel Ibiza, costs from £293 pp (two sharing) on a half-board basis. Private transfers, from Grenoble Airport, cost from £167 pp (return) with MV Transport, [Ski France's](#) own company.

A six-day lift pass, in Les Deux Alpes, costs €250 / £218 per adult (age 13+) and €200 / £174 per child (age 5-12).

Ski hire can be arranged through Hotel Ibiza, prices on request.

Return flights, with easyJet (London to Grenoble) cost from £75 pp.

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