

HENRI LECONTE PASSION SKI



Passionate about sports since his youngest age, Henri Leconte has practiced several. Focus on one that he really enjoys: skiing.

What are your first memories of skiing ?

Wooden skis with cable bindings ! It was another time ! I started when I was about 7 years old: we used to go with our family to **Crotenay in the Jura**. Then with the school, I went to snow class with **Mr Coulaud** at **La Chapelle-d'Abondance**. Great moments ! These are great memories !



Snow class memories

What is your style ? Rather slalom or rather descent ?

Descent !! At the beginning it was not that great: I was going very fast, all schuss, full balloons !! The technique came later with learning the snowplow and especially the **Stem style**: it's like the snowplow except you had to bring the inside ski closer after turning. It was parallel skiing !



All schuss on the Verbier's slopes !

How often did you ski ?

About **once a year**. When I was on the circuit I couldn't anymore because I didn't have time and it's bad for my back. I've been doing it more **regularly for the last 5-6 years** with family and friends. I love these moments !

Do you do other winter sports ?

I've been **racing on ice** with the Andros Trophy and the 24h of Chamonix. I also did **bike-skiing** in the Kitzbühel descent, thrills guaranteed! I like **cross-country skiing** too.

Where do you ski ?

In several places: **Courchevel, Megève** with my friend **Jean-Pierre Fleur** (known as "**Pipo**") who knows me since...almost 40 years! He is the greatest car tuner. I also go to **Chamonix** with **Patrick Champagne** who helped me a lot, especially for Lyon 1991. I love going to **Verbier**: the ski area is fantastic and I meet up with my friends **Patrick Andersen, Philippe Roux, Jacky Farquet...**



Verbier with Patrick Andersen and Jacky Farquet

Skiing in a few words, it's..

Surpassing oneself, suffering with **Patrick Chamagne** for the preparation of the big deadlines on the circuit, **fun** on the slopes with family and friends.



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