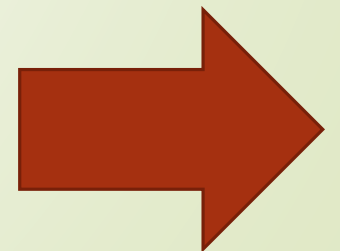


# Hiking Terms



## Pyramid of stones

Pyramid of stones of varying size that serves as a trail marker to help hikers to orient themselves.



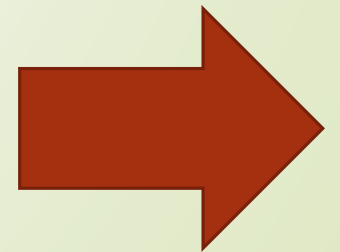
## Difference in height

This term refers to the difference in altitude between 2 points.



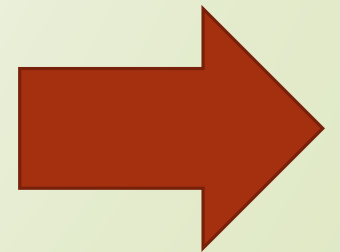
## Traverse

The traverse represents the inclination of a vertical wall.



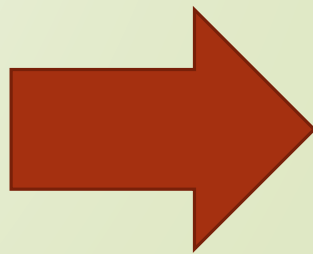
## Snowfield

A snowfield is an area with persistent isolated snow (we can find snow even in summer). The snowfields are explained by their exposure mostly in the shade. Do not confuse them with eternal snows.



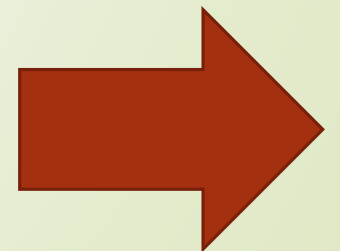
## Eternal Snows

Called "perennial snow limit", these are tops that have a period of snowfall longer than the period of absence of snow. Due to several factors such as sunlight, atmospheric pressure..., the precipitation on these areas is mostly in the form of snow that keeps the snowy peaks.



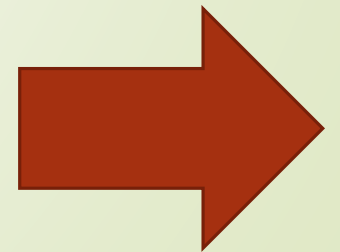
## Glacier

Ice mass resulting from the accumulation of snow, the glacier is composed of different parts: the crevice, the moraine, the seracs.



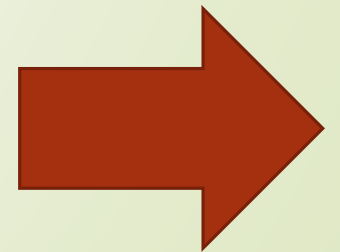
## Rimaye

The rimaye is a crevasse that forms on the edges of the glacier, between the ice and the rock wall. It is formed due to the movements of the glacier.



## Moraine

The moraine is the set of rocky debris carried by the glacier movements.



## Serac

Very large ice block, partially detached from the glacier. Seracs are formed due to the cracking of a glacier.

