

Ice Storm over Geneva

After the concurrence of intense cold (-8°C to -12°C) and a storm blowing at over 100 km/h in January 2005, the waves of Lake Geneva (Switzerland) became so fierce that they sprayed over everything in their neighbourhood. And the droplets instantly froze and accumulated on everything they touched, creating dagger shaped icicles and fairylike feathery structures. But boats toppled over or sank under the loads of ice and auto-mobiles temporarily became auto-immobiles.

Recently¹⁾ I was made aware of the numerous stunning photographs of **ice phenomena** at the quays of Lake Geneva (Lac Léman) in the village of Versoix (Switzerland) that are widely circulating on the internet since January 2005.

In the first place I would like to draw the attention of my visitors to a few photographs of these awesome ice phenomena that can be found here:

<http://www.snopes.com/photos/natural/icestorm.asp>

Also because the photo gallery on **natural phenomena** of this site is worthwhile visiting:

<http://www.snopes.com/photos/natural/natural.asp#lili>

And not in the least because it is part of the website “snopes.com”, which treats the most diverse **rumors and urban legends** which events may wish to explore:

<http://www.snopes.com/snopes.asp>

Among many other sites, for beautiful photographs, also see:

<http://www.trekearth.com/gallery/Europe/Switzerland/photo140412.htm>

<http://photosite.pl/geneva/ice/index.html>

http://www.pbase.com/scherrer/january_2005_ice_storm

<http://isdcul3.unige.ch/~soldan/diverse/diverse.html>

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Several boats, moored in the ports of Lake Geneva, sank under the weight of the ice.









<http://www.flickr.com/photos/siamesedreams/sets/72057594049284704/show/>























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