

Day 1 | Welcome to Lucerne



Welcome to Switzerland, a land of snow-capped summits and romantic lakes that has attracted poets, musicians and travelers for centuries. On arrival at Zürich airport, transfer to your hotel in Lucerne. Meet your Travel Director and travel companions for a pleasant dinner at a local restaurant.

Meals: Dinner

Hotel: Astoria Lucerne

Day 2 | Ascend the summit of Mount Stanserhorn



Explore Mount Stanserhorn on a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, as an open-top cable car powered by solar panels takes you up the summit. Admire unrivaled views of the surrounding mountains and, on a clear day see as far as Alsace in France and the Black Forest in Germany. Walk along beautiful scenic pathways, keeping an eye out for marmots and other native animals, with the chance to hear a conservation talk by a Swiss ranger, to learn about local wildlife and flora. Return to the beautiful 14th-century city of Lucerne to see its storybook wooden bridges, Baroque church and sorrowful Lion Monument. Enjoy the rest of the afternoon at your leisure to walk along the lake or perhaps shop for a special timepiece or chocolate.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Astoria Lucerne

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Carriages & Countryside - In a typical Alpine community, meet local farmers for a delightful horse-drawn ride. Clip-clop your way through bright green pastures, and enjoy the views and atmosphere of local Swiss life. Call in at a farm where a wonderful spread of homemade drinks and snacks is served.

Adult: 83.00 CHF

**Children must be accompanied by an adult.*

Lake Lucerne Cruise - Take the chance to enjoy the wonderful mountain scenery from a different perspective. Enjoy a leisurely lake cruise, offering fine views of the town and its surroundings. The serene beauty of Lake Lucerne is a joy to behold, made even more enjoyable by the surrounding snow-capped mountains and dense forests.

Adult: 51.00 CHF

Swiss Evening - There's nothing better than convening with friends around a pot of bubbling fondue with a glass of chilled white wine and having a good yodel! Join us for a tasty Swiss meal in a typical restaurant. While you dine, enjoy a lively folklore show of flag throwing, yodelling, Alpenhorn blowing and other great Swiss entertainment.

Adult: 120.00 CHF

Day 3 | Bern, Gruyères and Montreux



In Bern, your Local Expert, a local English teacher, shows you the Cathedral of St. Vincent, Federal Palace and floral displays. Gather at the clock tower to watch the mechanical procession of painted figures before viewing the Ogre Fountain. Your travels continue into the wide, green valleys of the Vaud Alps with snowy summits filling the horizon. Continue through vineyards and alpine meadows to the fortified town of Gruyères, that gives its name to the well-known cheese. Enjoy time on your own to explore the pretty main street and 13th century castle. From Montreux, travel along the shores of Lake Geneva to visit a winery. Admire the stunning panorama overlooking the lake and savor a tasting of tantalizing, local wines. Delight in a delicious Farm-to-Table light dinner, made from locally sourced produce, and learn how the family that owns the farm is preserving the estate for future generations on this MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Eden Palace Au Lac, Montreux

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Secret Switzerland - Incredibly, Switzerland provides all its citizens protection in case of nuclear disaster or war. Go behind the scenes for a unique tour of one of the world's biggest civilian fallout shelters! Cold War secrets of the Swiss will be revealed by our expert guide.

Adult: 55.00 CHF

Day 4 | Lake Geneva and the Swiss Countryside



On the western bay of Lake Geneva, visit Chillon Castle for a special tour of the former home to the Dukes of Savoy, immortalized by Lord Byron's 'Prisoner of Chillon.' Keep a look out for where the writer is rumored to have left his mark. Return to Montreux where the rest of the day is free for you to explore on your own or relax as you wish at your quayside hotel.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Eden Palace Au Lac, Montreux

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Charlie Chaplin's World - Tread in the footsteps of the "Little Tramp" at the genius's former mansion, perched breathtakingly amongst the vineyards over Lac Lemman. All our senses are indulged as we take a journey through replica sets of his greatest films at the Hollywood-style studio. Then, we'll spend time in his family home and round it off with a peaceful walk in the glorious gardens.

Adult: 70.00 CHF

Lausanne Fondue Evening -

First we'll enjoy a drive along the Swiss Riviera, pausing at the stunning Olympic Museum Gardens in Ouchy. Next, the ancient city center of Lausanne, with its huge gothic cathedral and quaint old town square featuring the "Scales of Justice" fountain. Finally, our hosts Willy and Heike treat us to a wonderful Swiss feast, including Fondue Bourguignonne in lively company.

Adult: 115.00 CHF

Day 5 | Geneva and Scenic Lake Cruise



Follow the shores of the lake to the international city of Geneva, seeing the Jet d'Eau and Floral Clock. Next, relax in first-class comfort on the waters of Lake Geneva during a highlight cruise. This evening, enjoy time at leisure on the promenade of your lakeside resort.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Eden Palace Au Lac, Montreux

Day 6 | Martigny, Sion and Zermatt



Journey into the upper Rhône Valley to Martigny to view the Roman Amphitheater. Continue to the town of Sion, dominated by two rocky peaks, each crowned with episcopal fortresses, and see the cathedral and Old Town Hall. Complete your journey via cogwheel train to the traffic-free mountain resort of Zermatt. This evening, take your pick from a selection of local restaurants for your Dine-Around evening.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Resort Alex, Zermatt

Day 7 | Zermatt at Leisure



Zermatt in the summertime offers many leisure possibilities: try swimming, hiking or relaxing in the fresh alpine surrounds. Perhaps take a trip to the Klein Matterhorn, see the Matterhorn from the church bridge or sample the delicious cakes known as Kuchen?

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Resort Alex, Zermatt

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Klein Matterhorn Excursion - A unique electric taxi service will drive us to the foot of Zermatt's highest and most spectacular mountain ride. You'll enjoy stunning views as we ascend to Furi and Trockener Steg, before boarding Europe's highest cable car to 3883m (12,740ft) to view the magnificent snow-capped top of the world.

Adult: 147.00 CHF

Day 8 | The Italian Lake District to Lugano



Travel to Täsch for a scenic drive to Brig, where you'll commence your ascent of the Simplon Pass, taking in magnificent views over the Alps from the 2,005-meter summit. Stop in the Italian town of Stresa and perhaps join an Optional Experience to the stunning Isola Bella. Continue to Lugano for the evening.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: De La Paix, Lugano

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Isola Bella - The premier attraction of Lake Maggiore is the Borromean Islands. We'll take a private boat over to Isola Bella, the most famous island, renowned for its incredible palace and stunning Botanical Gardens. Our Local Expert will take us on a guided tour of this privately-owned palace, with free time to admire the gardens. A must!

Adult: 69.00 EUR

** This optional is only able to be operated between mid-March and the end of October.*

Cruise and Cook -

Embark on a serene cruise across the stunning Lake Lugano, where you are whisked away to a charming, traditional Ticino grotto. Enjoy a captivating demonstration from your expert hosts as they reveal the secrets to crafting a mouth-watering Italian risotto. Afterward, savor the exquisite dish as the sun sets over the shimmering lakeside.

Adult: 119.00 CHF

Day 9 | The Glamour and Glitz of St. Moritz



Journey to the three Fortifications at Bellinzona to meet your Local Expert, for a fascinating insight into this UNESCO World Heritage Site. These castles are enchanting examples of fortified medieval architecture of the Alps.

Your travels continue through the Grisons Region, traveling via San Bernardino and the town of Tiefencastel, as you follow the young Rhine River. Head east towards the Julier Pass and the glamorous resort of St. Moritz, set in the Engadine Valley with the majestic Grisons Alps towering above.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Crystal, St. Moritz

Day 10 | Leisure Time in St. Moritz



Enjoy a day at leisure to jostle with the jet-setters in this elegant resort or perhaps take an exciting train journey over the Bernina Pass. To help you make the most of your day, your Travel Director will provide you with a mountain railways pass, offering free travel on all cable cars, funiculars and chairlifts (when available) in Engadine St. Moritz.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Crystal, St. Moritz

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Rail Journey Over The Bernina Pass - Enjoy one of the most exciting train rides in Switzerland as you cross the Bernina Pass to the Alp Grum. Spectacular views of the Alpine peaks, glaciers, waterfalls, green valleys and mountain villages. We then descend to Poschiavo to reboard our touring coach.

Adult: 62.00 CHF

Day 11 | The Glacier Express



Step aboard the Glacier Express to experience one of the world's great railway journeys. Cross the Landwasser Viaduct before heading down through the Oberalp Valley to rejoin the coach at Andermatt. Drive through the dramatic Schöllenen Gorge passing the Devil's Bridge. Marvel at the Wetterhorn Peaks as you travel along the Grindelwald Valley. Follow the sparkling Lütschine River to Lauterbrunnen, at the head of the Valley of Waterfalls, and see the Staubbach Falls plunge 300 meters from the plateau above.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Sunstar Grindelwald

Day 12 | Grindelwald at Leisure



Enjoy a full day at your leisure to explore Grindelwald, a charming village nestled in the Bernese Alps. Perhaps take a cogwheel train ride to the summit of the Jungfrau mountain, where you can marvel at the panoramic views of the surrounding alpine splendour. The Jungfraujoeh, known as the "Top of Europe," offers stunning vistas and a chance to explore the Ice Palace and the Sphinx Observation Deck. Alternatively, hike one of the many trails that wind through the lush valleys and up into the high mountains, where the diverse flora and fauna are a delight for nature enthusiasts. If you prefer a more relaxed pace, spend your day shopping in the quaint village shops or simply soaking in the serene beauty of the area.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Sunstar Grindelwald

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Jungfrau Excursion by Cogwheel - A once in a lifetime chance to travel to the Top of Europe. Our round trip cog railway trip will take us from Grindelwald, through the world famous Eiger Mountain, to Europe's highest railway station at 3,454 m (11,332 ft)! Enjoy spectacular views and explore the Ice Palace which is carved inside the biggest glacier in Europe!
Adult: 249.00 CHF

Day 13 | Rural Switzerland to Zürich



Take in the spectacular lake views, as you journey to Brienz, famous for its woodcarving traditions. Visit the Jobin Swiss Woodcarving Center to trace the history of the trade back to the early days of the 19th century. Continue over the Brünig Pass and drive alongside the lakes of Lungern and Sarnen to return to Zürich. See the Bahnhofstrasse, Grossmünster, River Limmat and Frauenmünster on an orientation of the city with your Travel Director. Join your travel companions at a local restaurant. Your dinner is accompanied with wine — raise your glass to toast to your adventures.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Hyatt Regency Zurich Airport

Day 14 | Depart Zürich



Say a fond farewell to Switzerland and your newfound friends at the end of an unforgettable journey. Your final hotel is located at the airport, just a short walk from the terminal, so there's no need to arrange a transfer.

Meals: Breakfast

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