4 SEASONS

**SPRING**
March – May
Flowers bloom and birds sing. An ideal time for city breaks.

**SUMMER**
June – August
The country's lakes and mountain regions offer a place to cool off.

**AUTUMN**
September – November
Take a walk through the riotous colours of the trees and enjoy the summer's harvest.

**WINTER**
December – February
Fun in the snow and downtime by the fire.

4 LANGUAGES
There are four official national languages.

“Hello” in:
- **Swiss German (63.5%)** Grüezi
- **French (22.5%)** Salut
- **Italian (8.1%)** Ciao
- **Romansh (0.5%)** Allegra

Origin
Drinking water
40% groundwater
40% spring water
20% lake water

Well-connected
29,000km
Switzerland has the densest transport network in the world, with 29,000km of road, rail and water links.

Rich heritage
UNESCO
Switzerland has 13 UNESCO World Heritage sites spread across all its regions, in the mountains and in the cities.

Climate
Mild, with moderate heat, cold and humidity.

July–August
ø 18 to 28°C
Max. 42°C, Grono GR

January–February
ø ~2 to 7°C
Min. ~41°C, La Brévine JU

Area:
41,284km²

Capital: Bern
Cantons: 26
Population: 8,500,000
Swiss National Day: 1 August

KEY INFO

GRÜEZEI

REGIONAL SPECIALITIES

German-speaking Switzerland
Rösti
Grated potato, fried until golden and crispy.

Ticino
Polenta
A stiff paste made from maize flour, traditionally cooked over a wood fire.

French-speaking Switzerland
Saucisson
Hearty, well-seasoned pork sausage.

Romansh culture in Switzerland
Capuns
Spätzle pasta and salsiz sausage, gently wrapped in chard leaves and prepared in various ways.

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SWITZERLAND BY NUMBERS

Area:
41,284km²

Capital: Bern
Cantons: 26
Population: 8,500,000
Swiss National Day: 1 August

Good perspectives
Photo spots
High peaks and vast landscapes: the photo spots reveal the most beautiful views along the Grand Tour.

Cover:
Golden Pass Express above Lake Geneva, Lavaux, Vaud Region, © Tobias Ryser
Back cover:
Julier Pass, Bivio, Graubünden, © Martin Magli
Touring in Switzerland.

One country, four languages, 26 cantons. Switzerland is my home. I love its diversity, its vast landscapes, enchanted valleys, proud mountains, rugged grasslands, delightful moors, crystal-clear lakes, bubbling brooks and tranquil rivers. Switzerland is a destination that merits not just visiting, but also touring around. Delve into the differences and peculiarities of its individual regions and areas, and each time take with you a piece of the mosaic that is Switzerland.

**Grand Train Tour**

The Grand Train Tour of Switzerland is 1,280km in length. It connects not only the different parts of the country but also its most beautiful panoramic routes, combining them into a single journey. Switzerland has the densest rail network in the world, making trains a convenient and easy way to travel. There is no set direction for the Grand Train Tour, and if you are tempted to linger longer somewhere you can break your journey at any time.

**Grand Tour**

650 road signs point the way clockwise, leading over passes, past lakes and through spectacular scenery. The Grand Tour of Switzerland is over 1,640 km long and runs right through Switzerland. Select a stage and the trip becomes a road movie, with a scenic or cultural highlight awaiting you around almost every corner.

Safe travels!

Roger Federer

20-time Grand Slam winner and ambassador for Swiss tourism
THREE SUGGESTED ROUTES

Starting on page 6, discover three suggested routes for the Grand Train Tour of Switzerland.

CONNECTING ROUTES WORTH SEEING

A. **Chur → Zurich**
   Beautiful views of the Churfirsten range, Lake Walensee and Lake Zurich.

B. **Spiez → Domodossola (IT) → Bellinzona**
   Mountain routes with glimpses of deep gorges and rugged peaks.

C. **St. Moritz → Lugano**
   “Toot-to-tooot” sounds the PostBus horn as it travels over the Maloja Pass, through Italy and into Ticino.

D. **Basel → Geneva**
   From Geneva or Basel airport, travel through the Three-Lakes region and alongside Lake Geneva, depending on your direction.
GRAND TRAIN TOUR
THROUGH SWITZERLAND IN 8 STAGES

1. 2¾h / 131km
   Zurich → Lucerne → Interlaken
   - Mountain panoramas, turquoise lakes and countless waterfalls – on this route you'll wish the trip would take a little longer.
   - Train: Lucerne–Interlaken Express
   - Reservation: recommended
   - Catering: à la carte bistro

2. 3⅔h / 120km
   Interlaken → Montreux
   - Pass grazing cows and majestic castles until the expanse of Lake Geneva fills the view from the window.
   - Train: GoldenPass Express
   - Reservation: required for Prestige class, recommended for 1st/2nd class
   - Catering: drinks and specialities

3. 2½h / 148km
   Montreux → Visp → Zermatt
   - From dazzling Montreux on Lake Geneva, the train travels up to the Matterhorn, the mountain of mountains.
   - Train: Matterhorn Gotthard Bahn
   - Reservation: not necessary
   - Catering: none

4. 7¾h / 291km
   Zermatt → St. Moritz
   - The slowest express train passes through 91 tunnels and over 291 bridges.
   - Train: Glacier Express
   - Reservation: required
   - Catering: lunch / Excellence class: six-course menu incl. drinks

5. 6¾h / 154km
   St. Moritz → Tirano → Lugano
   - Dive into glaciers and mountain lakes, take a quick breath of fresh air among the palm trees in the Valposchiavo, then resurface at Lake Lugano.
   - Train: Bernina Express
   - Reservation: required
   - Catering: snacks and drinks

6. 5¾h / 182km
   Lugano → Bellinzona → Flüelen → Lucerne
   - The scenic ride is interrupted only by the Gotthard massif, before you chug by boat across Lake Lucerne.
   - Train: Gotthard Panorama Express (or Treno Gottardo without res.)
   - Reservation: required
   - Catering: snacks

7. 2¼h / 125km
   Lucerne → St. Gallen
   - Discover the east of the country via rolling hills and over Switzerland’s highest railway bridge.
   - Train: Voralpen-Express
   - Reservation: possible
   - Catering: vending machines for snacks, cold drinks and coffees

8. 2½h / 133km
   St. Gallen → Schaffhausen → Zurich
   - Travel alongside vast Lake Constance, see the Rhine Falls, one of the largest waterfalls in Europe, ending up in the vibrant city of Zurich.
   - Train: Thurbo
   - Reservation: not possible
   - Catering: none
This route is a treat not just for the eyes but for train enthusiasts too: three different express trains take passengers from Montreux with views over vineyards and Lake Geneva towards the Bernese Oberland and its imposing peaks. From Lucerne, the train rolls through picture-postcard scenery to culturally rich St. Gallen.

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To discover on this train journey:

- Famous music: Freddie Mercury stands on the shores of Montreux, where Queen recorded 9 albums.
- Lakes: From little Lac du Vernex to vast Lake Constance, the route takes in a total of 11 lakes.
- Nature parks: The train passes through 2 of the 20 Swiss Parks on this route.
- Pass: Brünig Pass at over 1,000m a.s.l.
- Highest bridge: Sitter Viaduct at 99m.

This route comprises stages 1, 2 and 7 of the Grand Train Tour.
Lucerne’s most famous landmark is the second-longest covered wooden bridge in Europe. Its gable roof is adorned with 45 paintings.

Europe’s highest railway station, at 3,454m a.s.l.

The 8th-century Abbey Library is one of the largest and oldest in the world.
STAGE 1

Vaud / Bernese Oberland

Green vineyards and snowy mountains: on this stage seemingly contrasting aspects come together to form a picture of their very own.

Montreux ①

Montreux carries the sound of the wide world in its name, with a jazz festival that even has its own rock anthem by Deep Purple. “Smoke on the Water” was written in 1971 after a fire broke out at a Frank Zappa concert and smoke spread across Lake Geneva.

Chillon Castle ②

Perched atop a rocky island on the shores of Lake Geneva sits Chillon Castle, not far from Montreux. The imposing medieval castle is surrounded by water, and its walls tell stories of festivities, conquests and famous poets.

Olympic Museum ③

The Olympic Games have a very long history, and this is reflected in the Olympic Museum in Lausanne. It is the world’s largest centre of information about the Games.
Gstaad
There are actually two sides to Gstaad. It is simultaneously a cozy village full of pretty chalets and a cosmopolitan luxury resort, home to the world-famous five-star Palace Hotel, which has always attracted international jet-setters.

More tips for Gstaad on p. 50

Zweisimmen
Zweisimmen has more of a village feel than Gstaad. In summer the village is the starting point for countless hikes, while in winter it is a paradise for all lovers of snow sports. Train enthusiasts will love it here, as the station’s gauge changing facility allows you to travel between Vaud and the Bernese Oberland without changing trains.

ST. GALLEN
The historic GoldenPass Belle Epoque runs daily between Montreux and Zweisimmen.

Vineyards and wine
The terraced vineyards of Lavaux are an impressive cultural landscape. The area is a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site.

“I was travelling this route with a friend. We took in some truly fantastic views along the way.”

Roger Federer
Interlaken

Between Lake Thun and Lake Brienz lies Interlaken – a place where people generally stroll around with their heads craned upwards. Not that Interlaken itself isn’t beautiful, but the views of the Eiger, Mönch and Jungfrau are simply too spectacular.

Around Interlaken

Schynige Platte

The three striking peaks in the Bernese Oberland are usually mentioned in the same breath: the Eiger, Mönch and Jungfrau. After a ride on the historic Schynige Platte Railway, a magnificent panorama and a wealth of alpine flora await high above Interlaken.

Central Switzerland

The Brünig Pass connects the Haslital valley in the Bernese Oberland with Central Switzerland. Due to the gradient, part of the route is operated in cogwheel drive.
Lucerne

Urban flair or imposing mountain panoramas? World-class culture or fun at the lake? In Lucerne you don’t have to choose: the beautiful, historic old town borders Lake Lucerne, the “dragon mountain” Pilatus rises in the background, and in between the Culture and Congress Centre hosts musicians and artists from all over the world.

Chapel Bridge

In the 19th century, people actually wanted to demolish the Chapel Bridge. Fortunately they decided not to, because it is now one of Lucerne’s most famous landmarks. The impressive pictures beneath the roof are an ode to the right way of living.

Steam railway

It stamps and steams, it squeals and smokes: the Brienz Rothorn Railway is Switzerland’s only cog railway with daily steam operation, dating back to 1892.
STAGE 3

Eastern Switzerland
Hilly landscapes that adorn the horizon with rocky silhouettes. They are as much a part of Eastern Switzerland as the deep blue Lake Constance.

Rothenthurm upland moor
The largest continuous upland moor in Switzerland is the first to be placed under protection. Above all, however, the Rothenthurm upland moor is just incredibly beautiful – a poem in the landscape and habitat for countless plants and animals.

Rapperswil
First came the castle, then the town. Rapperswil Castle sits proudly above Lake Zurich. In the Middle Ages, it was used to guard the waterway from Zurich to the passes of Graubünden and Einsiedeln Abbey. A town eventually grew up below the castle: Rapperswil.

Rapperswil-Jona

Einsiedeln
Einsiedeln lies at the heart of the pretty landscape. The village is best known for its baroque abbey complex with the Black Madonna. It is one of Europe’s most important places of pilgrimage.

Kloster Einsiedeln

Around Biberbrugg

Change

Start

MONTREUX

MONTREUX → ST. GALLEN

INTERLAKEN
Säntis

The view from its summit takes in six countries: Switzerland, Germany, Austria, Liechtenstein, France and Italy. But the far distance isn’t actually relevant at this moment – ideally you would stay on the mountain and in the moment forever. At 2,501m a.s.l., Säntis is the highest mountain in the Alpstein.

St. Gallen

Around 612 AD, the wandering Irish monk Gallus came to what is now Eastern Switzerland and founded a monastery – the basis for what would later become St. Gallen. In the Middle Ages it was one of Europe’s most important centres for culture and education. The charming and cosy old town has preserved its medieval character to this day.

Abbey Library

“Apothecary for the soul” is written in Greek above the entrance to St. Gallen’s Abbey Library. It is the oldest library in Switzerland, guarding untold cultural riches, and part of a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site.
FROM SCHAFFHAUSEN TO LUGANO

The train journey runs right across Switzerland from north to south, through the Swiss Plateau and on to Central Switzerland; you then take a boat across Lake Lucerne before boarding the Gotthard Panorama Express, which winds its way up to Göscheneralp, where it disappears into the Gotthard massif before re-emerging in Ticino, southern Switzerland.

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To discover on this train journey:

- **Switzerland’s oldest cog railway**: Vitznau-Rigi Railway, built in 1871.
- **Longest tunnel**: The 57-km Gotthard Base Tunnel is the longest in the world. However, the route passes through the 15-km tunnel built in 1880.
- **Famous church**: See Wassen church in front of the Gotthard from three different angles.
RHINE FALLS
The 150-m wide waterfall is one of the largest in Europe.

LAKE LUCERNE
Home to Switzerland’s largest fleet of ships.

ZURICH
With its lake, rivers and 1,200 fountains, the city offers refreshment at every turn.

BELLINZONA
The city exudes the grandeur of the South, while the castles tell captivating tales.
There among the vineyards and dense forests, where the Rhine meets the green meadows, lies Schaffhauserland.

Schaffhausen

The Rhine flows in leisurely style through Schaffhausen, and it is pleasant to stroll the streets of the medieval town – perhaps to the Munot fortress, the city’s proud landmark. And for urban flaneurs who share Sherlock Holmes’ keen eye, the old town contains a total of 171 oriel windows. By seeking them, you can simultaneously embark on an exciting tour of the city.
Around Schaffhausen

Rhine Falls ②
One of Europe’s biggest waterfalls and a truly imposing sight. Even more so when you look down into the thundering, foaming waters from the viewing platform and feel tiny.

Stein am Rhein ③
This medieval town on Lake Constance is well worth a trip. Colourfully painted oriel windows and house façades, small alleyways, a labyrinthine old town – stroll through its attractive heart and travel back through time.

Eglisau ④
A full 457m long and 50m high, the railway bridge that crosses the Rhine in Eglisau is an impressive sight. It was built in the late 1890s. Given its significance for structural engineering, it is a cultural heritage site of regional importance.

German territory
On the Neuhausen–Rafz route, the train briefly crosses into Germany and the Schaffhausen Regional Nature Park, Switzerland’s first cross-border park.
Zurich Region
All around Lake Zurich, one’s gaze wanders into the distance, lingering on the snow-covered mountains on the horizon.

Zurich
Zurich is many things. A city that wears its stories with pride and dignity, like a string of pearls. At the same time, it celebrates urban lifestyle in its diverse districts. Zurich is Switzerland’s largest city, with vibrancy and flair in its DNA.

- National Museum and green park right by the water
- Restaurant Kle
- Signau House & Garden

Limmat
The fact that Zurich is also known as the “Limmatstadt” says it all. The river that flows through “its” city feeds the Zurich way of life. It flourishes in the riverside cafes and bistros, in the city’s public baths, on the footpaths by the water’s edge and on the agile Limmat river cruisers.
Zug

Zug, beautifully situated on the lake sharing its name, has no need to hide behind its reputation as a centre for finance and trade. It also has a cosy old town, with stylish boutiques, inviting pavement cafés and fine restaurants.

“Seesicht” (Lake View) sculpture by Roman Signer

Badi Bar

Drinking water
You can drink from almost all public fountains in Switzerland. Zurich has more fountains – over 1,200 – than any other city in the world.
Central Switzerland

Central Switzerland is also referred to as the “heart of Switzerland”. And that’s not just for geographical reasons, but also because of the unspoiled landscape.

Boat trip

On a boat trip across Lake Lucerne, where the shores are steeped in legend, the lake unfolds its enchanting beauty. It is also special to nautical enthusiasts, as it is home to Switzerland’s largest fleet of historical and modern ships.

More tips for Lucerne on p.11

Outdoor lift

The Hammetschwand Lift was opened in 1905 to take tourists up to the viewpoint above Lake Lucerne. It is the country’s highest free-standing outdoor lift.

Rigi

It is considered the Queen of the Mountains, and rightly so. The view from its summit was already worldfamous back in the 19th century, attracting many travellers. Today, visitors who ride up to the Rigi from Vitznau on the nostalgic Art Nouveau train are fully immersed in the splendour of this era.
The story of the fearless freedom fighter continues to fascinate people to this day. Many visit the tale's locations around Lake Lucerne, where the legend comes to life. The village square in Altdorf, for example, is where legend says that William Tell had to shoot an apple from his son's head with a crossbow.

Lake Uri
When the foehn wind rushes down from the mountains over the valley, spreading its pleasant warmth, Lake Uri foams and dances with white waves between the high rocks. Kiters and sailors find a unique paradise that brings an ocean feel to the mountains.

William Tell
The Reuss Delta, on the Swiss Path between Flüelen and Seedorf, is a real natural gem. Rare plants grow in this nature reserve by the lake, and it is home to countless animal species.
Palm trees stretch up to the intensely blue sky, a mountain backdrop in the distance. In Ticino, Switzerland shows off its southern side.

Gotthard
For a long time, the Gotthard massif was the border between north and south. Via mule trails, the pass eventually became a link. Today, trains roar through the world’s longest rail tunnel in around 20 minutes. The enchantment of the journey on the old mountain route remains unbroken, however.

Bellinzona
Richly decorated patrician houses, medieval charm: a stroll through Bellinzona has the flair of a Lombard city of culture. Bellinzona is also an urban meeting place, however. On Saturdays the old town hosts a large weekly market – one of the most beautiful in Switzerland.

Castles of Bellinzona
The fortified complex of Castelgrande, Castello di Montebello, Castello di Sasso Corbaro and impressive Murata is a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site. From the 15th century, Bellinzona used these to control access to the Gotthard, Lukmanier and San Bernardino passes.
Lugano

Nestled in a bay on the northern shore of Lake Lugano, Lugano lies between the mountain destinations of Monte San Salvatore and Monte Brè. Its Mediterranean-style buildings, narrow old town streets and subtropical vegetation give Lugano a special flair. The city is an architectural and cultural gem.

- **Grotto restaurants tour on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays**
- **Grotto della Salute**
- **Villa Carona**

**Gandria**

The former fishing village of Gandria has an idyllic location on the shore of Lake Lugano, enclosed by a flank of Monte Brè, which is covered in a tangle of sweet chestnut trees. It is also home to the Swiss Customs Museum.

**Parco San Michele**
The Glacier Express connects the world-famous winter sports resorts of St. Moritz and Zermatt. With views of the UNESCO World Heritage route on the Albula Pass, imposing mountains and architectural marvels, after eight hours on the “slowest express train in the world” you’ll feel like you’ve had a week’s holiday in the mountains.

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- Excellence class: drinks at the bar and a six-course menu at a window seat
- Alighting from the Glacier Express along the route is possible, but the journey from then on would then have to be by regional train

To discover on this train journey:
- Longest tunnel on the route: Furka Base Tunnel, 15.4km.
- Highest point: Oberalp Pass at 2,033m a.s.l.
- Numerous bridges: The Landwasser Viaduct is just one of the 291 bridges on the route.

Finish: ZERMATT

MATTERHORN
The perfectly shaped mountain is one of the most famous in the world and towers over the highest ski area in the Alps.
This is where winter tourism started, and the ski area is still one of the most varied in Switzerland.

A precious colossus of ice without equal in the Alps.
St. Moritz

The birthplace of winter tourism in the 19th century. Once a year, horses even gallop across the frozen lake.

In the heart of the magnificent Upper Engadin mountains, the international high society meets with much glitz and glamour for winter sports, evenings with friends and family in the best gourmet restaurants or top-class events in the powder snow.

- 240km of cross-country ski trails
- 88 ski slopes
- 70 art galleries in the Engadin
- Restorant Lej da Staz
- Badrutt’s Palace

Engadin St. Moritz
Around St. Moritz

**Bernina Express**
Passengers traversing the Bernina Pass on the UNESCO World Heritage Railway, one of Switzerland’s most beautiful train routes, can’t help but be amazed. When Lago Bianco at Ospizio Bernina freezes over, fish can appear to swim through the clouds.

**National Park**
An animal-watching excursion to Central Europe’s oldest national park is an exciting experience. The alpine wilderness is home to bears, ibex, deer, bearded vultures and marmots. It is especially beautiful in autumn, when the larches turn gold.

Language diversity
Romansh, one of Switzerland’s four national languages, is spoken in Graubünden. It in turn is divided into five different regional dialects.
**Engadin**

The colours of the Engadin are so beautiful that your heart almost bursts and you are left speechless. Famous author Hermann Hesse did manage to find some words. He also fell for the beauty of the Engadin and captured it in his writing.

**Bergün**

Bergün is a traditional old settlement with many historic houses lining the pass road, proudly showing off their fine decorations. Travellers once stopped here on their way to the Engadin to gather strength before the last long push over the Albula Pass.

**Landwasser Viaduct**

This is the symbol of the Rhaetian Railway and centrepiece of the Albula Railway, a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site. The imposing 65-m-high Landwasser Viaduct is an incredible feat of early 20th-century engineering that still fascinates people today.
Disentis Abbey
At the far end of the Vorderrheintal valley, where the Lukmanier and Oberalp passes meet, lies the Benedictine Disentis Abbey. The baroque abbey complex, which towers over the village, is now particularly impressive. The abbey was originally founded around 700 AD by the Frankish monk Sigisbert.

Rhine Gorge
7km² of rock, rubble and debris crashed down into the valley and buried the Vorderrhein river. Then came the lake, formed by water backing up 25km along the valley. This all happened almost 10,000 years ago, in an event known as the Flims landslide. The water carved a path through the rock until the lake drained away, leaving behind the Rhine Gorge, which is up to 350m deep in places.
Where the cantons of Uri, Graubünden and Ticino meet, surrounded by eight alpine passes, lies Andermatt, right in the middle of this cultural diversity. It is a magical place, with numerous side valleys, rugged nature and pretty mountain lakes, connected by some 500km of hiking trails.

**Andermatt**

Gotthard region
The Gotthard is chiefly known for its train connection between north and south. However, the region itself is also worth exploring.

- Snowshoe tour
- Hospental–Mittleregg
- The Chedi: The Restaurant
- The River House Boutique Hotel
A devilish tale
In the 16th century, so the legend goes, the devil helped the people of Uri build the first bridge over the dreaded Schöllenen Gorge.

Around Andermatt

Oberalp Pass
The sea begins at the Oberalp Pass – at least symbolically. For Lake Toma, at the heart of a mountain landscape sculpted by glaciers, is the source of the Rhine, one of Europe’s longest rivers, which over 1,200km later flows into the North Sea.

Aletsch Glacier
At 22.6km long, the Aletsch Glacier is the longest glacier in the Alps and the largest by area. A fragile beauty that makes it clear just how much we need to protect it. The area around the Aletsch Glacier is a UNESCO World Natural Heritage site.
Valais
The mountains in Valais stretch far into the sky. They are connected by enchanting valleys filled with pretty villages.

Zermatt
At the foot of the Matterhorn lies Zermatt. With its chalets tanned by the sun, the village has become the epitome of a mountain idyll and, thanks to its location and 360km of ski slopes, a hotspot for mountaineers. The village has always been car-free.

Gornergrat, Matterhorn
Ski tour up to one of the 38 Alpine giants
Restaurant Cervo Kitchen
Beausite Zermatt
Blacknose sheep 13
These sheep have black noses, ears, kneecaps, ankles and feet but are otherwise white. And very fleecy. They go “bää” and those who see them say “yay”. Blacknose sheep are the traditional breed reared in Valais.

Matterhorn 14
The Matterhorn – the mountain of mountains – is perhaps shared in photographs or taken home as a souvenir more often than any other emblem of Switzerland. With the perfect shape, it is as famous as the Beatles and as intrinsically Swiss as milk and cheese.

Raclette and wine
They are as much part of Valais as the Matterhorn. Both have a centuries-old tradition. A third of Swiss wines are produced in the region.
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17
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Swiss Navigation
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Stamps
A souvenir that will long remind visitors of their tour: the “myGrandTrainTour” booklet allows you to collect nine unique stamps at different destinations along the Grand Train Tour.

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Train, bus and boat

Excursion tips

A
Zermatt → Gornergrat
Gornergrat Railway
Heading for the Matterhorn
The trains of the Gornergrat Railway are equipped with what is known as a recuperation brake, which converts kinetic energy into electrical energy.

B
Stans → Stanserhorn
Stanserhorn cable car
Nostalgia and a world first
Passengers travel as far as the middle station in traditional wooden cars, just like they did almost 150 years ago. Afterwards, they take a seat on the open upper deck of the CabriO.

C
Fribourg centre → old town
“Funi”
Historical funicular
The “Funi” is the last water ballast funicular in Switzerland. This nostalgic funicular has been in operation in Fribourg since 1899. Rather than being powered by an engine, it runs on filtered wastewater from the upper town.

D
Lake Lucerne
Diamant
Waterborne wonder
The motor ship Diamant sets standards as the first climate-neutral cruise ship in Switzerland, operating with a hybrid drive that lowers fuel consumption and carbon emissions.

E
Interlaken
Electric PostBus
Sustainable mobility
To charge the battery, PostBus AG uses exclusively renewable energy for its electric bus in Interlaken and the surrounding area, drawing on natural resources such as local hydropower.

SUSTAINABILITY IN FIGURES

0.2%
Rail travel accounts for just 0.2% of the total carbon emissions produced by transport.

29,000km
Switzerland has the densest transport network in the world, with 29,000km of rail, road and water links.

80%
Train platforms in Switzerland will comprise 80% recycled materials in the future.

Swiss Travel Pass
One country, one ticket
The Swiss Travel Pass gives you unlimited travel on Switzerland’s entire rail, bus and ship network. Great views are a given.

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Travel around by train, bus and boat

From the most beautiful mountain peaks to romantic boat crossings – public transport couldn’t be more convenient.

Various route offerings: the Grand Train Tour, panoramic train routes, themed routes and much more.

Discover the great variety of public transport in Switzerland:
TWO SUGGESTED ROUTES

Starting on page 38, discover two suggested routes on the Grand Tour of Switzerland.

ACCESS ROUTES WORTH SEEING

A Chiasso → Bellinzona
Follow Lake Lugano to the three castles of Bellinzona.

B Geneva → Saint-George
Discover Le Corbusier and the Jet d’eau.

C Basel → Neuchâtel
Delve into watchmaking from Basel, city of culture.
THROUGH SWITZERLAND IN 8 STAGES

1.
175km / 5 highlights

Zurich → Appenzell

From the big-city hustle and bustle of Zurich to one of Europe’s largest waterfalls and on to the historic book and textile city of St. Gallen. From there, it’s not much further to rural Appenzell with its green hills and richly painted houses.

2.
200km / 8 highlights

Appenzell → St. Moritz

A journey through worlds: from Werdenberg, the smallest town in Europe, to the Bündner Herrschaft – home to the literary character Heidi and Europe’s oldest recorded vineyard – and on until the wheels stop rolling in extravagant St. Moritz.

3.
221km / 6 highlights

St. Moritz → Lugano

It’s downhill, not uphill, at a leisurely pace from alpine St. Moritz at 1,822m a.s.l. to palm-lined Lugano at around 270m a.s.l. In between lies San Bernardino, where 19th-century road building skills still impress today.

4.
298km / 6 highlights

Lugano → Zermatt

Paved with granite cobblestones, the Tremola snakes its way from Airolo up to the Gotthard Pass. In the most spectacular section, it climbs 300m in just 4km via 24 hairpin bends. A little later, the Furka Pass offers another lookout point: the highest pass on the Grand Tour.

5.
178km / 6 highlights

Zermatt → Lausanne

The message here is “All change” – besides the Matterhorn, Zermatt is known for being car-free. The train takes visitors from the car park in Täsch to Zermatt and back. The tour then continues by car to Lake Geneva and its extensive vineyards.

6.
170km / 2 highlights

Lausanne → Neuchâtel

To begin with, watch production was mainly concentrated in Geneva. Watchmaking soon spread across the Jura mountain range to other regions such as Le Sentier and Neuchâtel. This route leads into the history of watches, but also up to the Creux du Van natural rock arena, Switzerland’s Grand Canyon.

7.
252km / 8 highlights

Neuchâtel → Bern

“Always by the water” could be the motto of this route, running from Lake Neuchâtel to Lake Murten, Lake Schilfgälen and Lake Gruyère to Lake Thun. Travellers then roll along beside the Aare river to the capital city, Bern, whose old town is a UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site.

8.
315km / 9 highlights

Bern → Zurich

The journey itself is the reward, because while it would be easy to choose a fast route from Bern to Zurich, you would miss out on a lot. That includes Hallwyl moated castle and the Rüti meadow, where the oath marking the alliance of the original cantons was sworn in 1291.
FROM GENEVA TO BASEL

Switzerland’s two international cities are connected. While more than 100 international organisations give Geneva its multicultural flavour, Basel’s museums provide cultural diversity. In between are the vast, wild landscapes of the Jura and the time that tells a very different story.

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To discover on this road trip:

- **Le Corbusier**
  The architect grew up in La Chaux-de-Fonds. Two of his works are UNESCO World Heritage sites.

- **The Freiberger**
  The only breed of horse native to Switzerland comes from the Jura.

- **The border river**
  For 43.8km, the Doubs river forms the border with France.

- **Highest point in the Jura**
  Chasseral mountain at 1,607m a.s.l.

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Grand Tour
Discover all the stages.

This route comprises stages 6, B and C of the Grand Tour.
JET D’EAU
Geneva’s landmark shoots up to 140m skywards in the lake basin.

LA CHAUX-DE-FONDS
The beating heart of the watchmaking industry.

FERRIES
They are as much a part of Basel as their operators, the “Fährimaa”, using the power of the current to link Kleinbasel and Grossbasel.

CREUX DU VAN
Switzerland’s Grand Canyon, where nature has drawn vertical cliffs arching into the land.
STAGE 1

Western Switzerland
From the hustle and bustle of an international metropolis to the nature of the Vaud Jura with its impressive rock formations and caves.

Geneva
The city is home to organisations such as the UN, the WHO and the ICRC. Only New York hosts more international organisations – Geneva is an urban window on the big, wide world. Geneva’s landmark, however, is a tower made of water: the Jet d’eau, a king that rises in front of the imposing lake basin with views of the snowy mountains. It is 140m high and shoots 500l per second into the air.

- International Watch Museum
- Restaurant Chez Philippe
- Hotel Bristol Geneva

Jura Vaudois Nature Park
Up to the summit of La Dôle and down to the medieval village of Romainmôtier. Some 520km of hiking trails lead through the Jura Vaudois Nature Park with its secluded forests, mystical moors and meadow landscapes surrounded by drystone walls.

Lac de Joux
Water sports in summer, ice skating and cross-country skiing in winter: the Lac de Joux is the largest lake in the Jura massif and worth a trip at any time of year.

Vallorbe caves
The Vallorbe cave system was created over millions of years by the Orbe river, forming the largest stalactite caves in Switzerland. The lighting illuminates the natural beauty of the stalactites, stalagmites and limestone columns.

Val de Travers
The valley is dominated by the watch industry, while also offering wild nature with vast fir forests, the Jura hills and nature reserves. However, the Val de Travers is best known for its “Green Fairy”: absinthe, which was banned for over 90 years until 2005.

Creux du Van
Hiking over meadows alongside steep vertical rock faces formed by glaciers and streams, you will be reminded of the Grand Canyon in the USA. The Creux du Van natural rock amphitheatre offers spectacular views of the Alps and as far as France.

Capturing time
Around 1870 Switzerland produced some three-quarters of all the world’s watches; today the figure is 2%. But the fascination with mechanical timepieces has remained – especially in the Jura.
BASEL

Geneva

Start

1.

Lac Léman

2.

Coppet

3.

Genève

4.

NEUCHÂTEL

5.

Creux du Van

6.

Finish

77km
STAGE 2
Jura / Basel
From the wilderness of the gentle Jura hills, the journey continues towards Basel – the urban pearl where three countries meet.

Neuchâtel
The castle is perched high above the medieval city on Lake Neuchâtel and gives it a very special atmosphere. It was built using pierre jaune, a yellow limestone that also gives many houses in the old town their yellow hue.

Laténium pile dwellings museum
Restaurant
La Maison du Prussien
Hotel Beau-Rivage

La Chaux-de-Fonds
La Chaux-de-Fonds is the beating heart of the Swiss watch industry. The town is a bastion of this old craft, a UNESCO World Heritage site and home to the International Clock Museum. Those interested in the work of the architect Le Corbusier can gain exciting insights at the Maison Blanche.

Étang de la Gruère
The landscape in this nature reserve is so uniquely magical that it would come as no surprise to see fairies dancing around the lake. The nature reserve of Étang de la Gruère covers a total area of over 120 ha.

St-Ursanne
The small town lies where the lush green forests give way to the soft blue Doubs river. According to legend, the Irish monk Ursicinus lived here as a hermit in a cave. The chapel of the Ermitage Saint-Ursanne was built in his honour. You can still visit the chapel and the cave today.

Basel
With 40 museums, Basel has the highest concentration of museums in Switzerland. One of the most beautiful is the Fondation Beyeler. It is located just outside Basel in a green park with mature trees and an idyllic pond in which you can see the reflection of Monet’s water lilies from through the museum windows. A wonderful way of saying that art is there for everyone.

Fondation Beyeler
Kunstmuseum Basel
Museum Tinguely
Restaurant Atelier
Der Teufelhof Basel
Hotel Krafft Basel
FROM NEUCHÂTEL TO BECKENRIED

The route runs through Western Switzerland to Central Switzerland. While the vastness of Lake Neuchâtel slowly but surely gives way to imposing cliffs, Lake Lucerne already comes into view, fjord-like in its beauty. Surrounded by the Rigi, Pilatus and Stanserhorn, small villages such as Beckenried lie on its shores.

Key info
The ferry from Gersau to Beckenried only operates in the summer months, as does the open-top cable car up the Stanserhorn.

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To discover on this road trip:

- **Switzerland’s “pyramid”**
  The world’s longest staircase, with 11,674 steps, leads to the top of the Niesen.

- **Largest lake**
  Lake Neuchâtel is the largest lake entirely within Switzerland.

- **Oldest bridge**
  The Chapel Bridge in Lucerne is the oldest covered bridge in Europe.

- **“Röstigraben”**
  Fribourg straddles the figurative border between German- and French-speaking Switzerland.

*UNESCO World Heritage*

This route comprises parts of stages 7 and 8 of the Grand Tour.

**FONDUE**
This culinary specialty has a long tradition in the Fribourg Region.
The Swiss Open tennis tournament has been held in Gstaad for over 100 years.

The only mobile photo spot is on the car ferry from Gersau to Beckenried.

In Switzerland’s capital, some elements of the medieval city can still be experienced today.
STAGE 1

Fribourg Region
From one lake to the next, the stage takes you over bridges to the university city of Fribourg and up through the hilly countryside to the Bernese Oberland.

Neuchâtel
More tips for Neuchâtel on p.44

Murten
Murten can be enjoyed in a leisurely stroll along its lakeside promenade or a pleasant amble through the medieval alleyways and arcades. From the ramparts – which are almost fully preserved and the only accessible circular walls in Switzerland – the view opens up into the distance, across Lake Murten to Mont Vully and the Jura.

Fribourg
Just as the Saane meanders around the old town, the river is also bound up tightly with the city's history and culture. Water shaped the trade and appearance of the medieval city. Fribourg is also the city of bridges, with 14 built between 1250 and 2014.

- Walk the city walls
- Restaurant Le Beausite
- Hotel Le Sauvage

La Gruyère
The La Gruyère region has been producing its famed hard cheese since the 12th century. The wheels of cheese were a leading export even then, sold as far afield as France and Italy. You can experience the production and history of this culinary treasure at the “Maison du Gruyère” show dairy. The imposing Gruyères Castle has perched on the hill above the Maison du Gruyère since the 13th century, lending its own individual allure to the area.

Rossinière
This is a picture-postcard village, with chalet after chalet. Many of the buildings in Rossinière are decorated with elaborate façades. It is also home to the famous Grand Chalet – the largest wooden house in Switzerland, with no fewer than 113 windows. It was built in 1756 as a cheese store. 600 wheels could be stored and matured there, while merchants met to do business on the distinguished upper floor.

National dish
Watch out when eating the Fribourg moitié-moitié fondue made from tangy Gruyère and mild Vacherin cheeses: a fun forfeit awaits anyone who drops their bread into the cheese.
STAGE 2

Bern
The idyllic mountain landscape is dotted with pretty chalets, and just like Bernese German, the journey also becomes a bit more gentle-paced.

Gstaad
A village with something for everyone. Gstaad has a host of traditional cosy chalets, but is also a sophisticated luxury resort that attracts the international jet set.

Lake Launen by carriage or on foot
Hotel-Restaurant Alpenland
Hotel Huus Gstaad

Thun
With mountains, rivers and the magnificent lake as its playground, Thun is a paradise for sports enthusiasts, sun worshippers and keen swimmers. People even surf in the middle of the city – who needs Hawaii? That is also where you will find one of the most convivial spots: Mühleplatz, where the people of Thun meet to enjoy the evenings together.

Bern
Bern’s old town covers just 0.85km², making the sheer variety found within it all the more remarkable. There’s the Parliament House with its dome towering over everything. And the 13th-century Zytglogge clock tower, once used as a prison for women found guilty of dangerous liaisons with priests. In 1983, this jumble of old buildings in the middle of the capital was declared a UNESCO World Heritage site.

Einstein’s house
Restaurant Steinhall
The Bristol Bern

Around Gstaad
Les Diablerets
This place, where the devil did his worst, is an adventurer’s paradise. You can ski and snowboard on the glacier until early summer, then canyoning, via ferrata and toboggan runs await.

Interlaken
More tips for Interlaken on p. 10

St. Beatus Caves
The dragon is long gone. St. Beatus drove him away back in the sixth century. Even without any mythical creatures, however, the ancient caves with their stalactite and stalagmite formations are still an impressive and magical place.

Beer
It bubbles and ferments: Bern is home to some 200 breweries and micro-breweries – more than anywhere else in Switzerland.
**STAGE 3**

Napf region / Central Switzerland

This stage takes you across the hilly Emmental and the UNESCO Biosphere Entlebuch, detours to the castles of Aargau and ends at Lake Lucerne.

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**Emmental show dairy**

The busy work in the Emmental show dairy begins early in the morning, when farmers from the surrounding villages deliver their fresh milk, to be made into the famous Emmental cheese in the old tradition with a lot of skill and knowledge. And how do the holes get in? The secret is revealed at the end of the tour.

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**UNESCO Biosphere Entlebuch**

It is these mystical moorlands that make the biosphere reserve – the first in Switzerland – unique. Affectionately known as Lucerne’s Wild West, it is a paradise not only for nature lovers but also for gourmets: as well as buffalo mozzarella and meringues, there are delicious Kambly biscuits.

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**Sempach**

Sempach was once a trading and fishing town, founded by the Habsburgs to guard the lake shore and the then Gotthard route. Its old town and location on the shores of Lake Sempach are still enchanting today.

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**Hallwyl castle**

It is wholly understandable that the Lords of Hallwyl – a Swiss noble family – settled on the shores of the lake that is named after them. They built Hallwyl moated castle, one of the most important in Switzerland, on two islands in the Aabach.

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**Lucerne**

More tips for Lucerne on p.11

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**Beckenried**

The scenery around Lake Lucerne is rightly considered to be among the most impressive in Switzerland. As the car ferry chugs across the lake from Gersau to Beckenried, it offers truly special views of the fjord-like landscape. Steep cliffs and green hills plunge into the blue lake.

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**Around Beckenried**

**Stanserhorn**

If you’ve ever wanted to know how James Bond might have felt in “Moonraker”, duelling dicyly with the villain Jaws on the cable car roof high above Rio de Janeiro, you should sample this open-top ride. Take the cable car to the Stanserhorn summit in either the glazed lower level or the open upper deck.
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Discover
Select the stages based on speed: slow with as many highlights as possible, or faster with more fun at the wheel.

Collect
Take a selfie at the most beautiful spots and add it to the virtual photo album.

ROADS IN NUMBERS
1955
Motorway
Switzerland’s first motorway was opened in Lucerne in 1955.

120
Passes
120 road passes guarantee twisty driving fun.

1,200
Road tunnels
1,200 tunnels pass through Swiss mountains and hills.

25
Car ban
In the canton of Graubünden, cars were not allowed on the roads for 25 years from 1900 to 1925.

Road map
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Speed limits

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Alcohol

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Age

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   BASEL

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   AM BUNDESPLATZ
   BERN

4 ✭✭✭ ROMANTIK HOTEL BÄREN
   DÜRRENROTH

5 ✭✭✭✭ BELVEDERE SWISS QUALITY HOTEL
   GRINDELWALD

6 ✭ BACKPACKERS VILLA SONNENHOF
   INTERLAKEN

7 ✭ BERGHAUS NIESEN KULM
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8 ✭✭✭✭ GOLFHOTEL LES HAUTS DE GSTAAD & SPA
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   SPIEZ

10 ✭✭✭✭ HOTEL KRAFFT BASEL
   AM BUNDESPLATZ BERN

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       GENEVA

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