# Glorious Switzerland

Indulge in glamour and glitz of all things Swiss. Sample rich cheese fondue, tour Chillion Castle and breathe in the Alpine air of Mt Stanserhorn and Zermatt.

#### 8 DAYS | 2 COUNTRIES | 11 MEALS | LEISURELY







# DEPARTURE MONTHS

April - September

For dates, prices and to choose your group size call your Travel Advisor or see **insightvacations.com/glorioussui** 

#### DAY 1 | GENEVA, CITY OF GARDENS

Prepare yourself for the majesty of Switzerland's snow-capped mountains, glaciers, sparkling lakes, flower-filled meadows and rich, green valleys. Meet your Travel Director and travel companions for a short stroll to your dinner. The evening is full of Swiss delight, as you enjoy the cosy decor whilst being served typical Swiss specialities including cheese fondue. Return to your immaculate boutique hotel, the award-winning Hotel d'Angleterre. Enjoy British charm and the finest Swiss hospitality, with each room individually designed to reflect its elegant style. (D)

Hotel: D'Angleterre, Geneva

**TRANSFERS:** Depart the airport at 11:00, 13:00 and 16:00.

WELCOME: Meet your Travel Director at 17:30.

## DAY 2 | MONTREUX, CHILLON AND THE MATTERHORN VILLAGE OF ZERMATT

Start your day with highlights of Geneva, the City of Gardens. See the Jet d'Eau and Floral Clock. Then relax and enjoy the enchanting scenery as we continue to the charming town of Montreux. Situated at the foot of the Alps and boasting beautiful lakeside walks, enjoy free time to explore this pretty town. On the western bay of Lake Geneva, join your host at Chillon Castle for a special tour of the former home to the Dukes of Savoy, immortalised by Lord Byron's 'Prisoner of Chillon.' Keep a look out for where the writer is rumoured to have left his mark. Continue through the Rhone Valley, where high summer temperatures support vines and other fruits. The final stage of your journey is by cogwheel train to the traffic-free Alpine resort of Zermatt. During your orientation with your Travel Director, feast your eyes on the distinctive triangular silhouette of the Matterhorn. At night, enjoy a stroll in the fresh mountain air to your chosen restaurant for your Dine-Around evening. (B) (D) Hotel: Resort Alex, Zermatt

#### DAY 3 | FREE TIME IN ZERMATT

Zermatt in the summertime offers many leisure possibilities: try swimming, hiking, or spend a whole day relaxing in the fresh Alpine surroundings. Perhaps take an optional ride on Europe's highest cable car to the snow-capped roof of the world for a magnificent panorama of the highest peaks in Switzerland, Italy and France? (B) (RS)

#### DAY 4 | ELEGANT LUGANO

Descend to Täsch and rejoin the coach. Follow in Napoleon's footsteps as you ascend the Simplon Pass, taking in magnificent views over the Alps from the 2,000-metre summit. Continue along the gentle shores of Lake Maggiore. Perhaps take a delightful boat trip to see the stunning Isola Bella? (B) (RS) Hotel: De La Paix, Lugano

INCLUDED MEALS: Breakfast (B) Lunch (L) Dinner (D) RELAXED STARTS: (RS)
HOTELS: On occasion, hotels of a similar standard

and location may be used.

#### DAY 5 | GRISON ALPS TO CHIC ST. MORITZ

Head north into the high mountain country of the Grisons Alps today. Ascend the San Bernardino and Julier Passes to arrive in the sparkling Engadine Valley, known for its invigorating climate characterised by clear skies and its high-altitude location in the Alps. Upon arrival in the cosmopolitan resort of St. Moritz, your Travel Director will provide a brief orientation, showcasing the spa quarter and the brilliantly sparkling glacial lake. Afterwards, you'll have time to explore further on your own or perhaps embark on a train journey over the Bernina Pass. (B) (D) Hotel: Steffani, St. Moritz



Glorious Switzerland! That's exactly how it was. The scenery was spectacular and seemed to get better with each day.

**OUR GUEST PHILIP.** 

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#### DAY 6 | SCENIC TRAIN RIDE, LIECHTENSTEIN AND LUCERNE

Start the day with a scenic train ride along part of the route of the Glacier Express, through unforgettable scenes of ice-capped mountains, stone-built villages and lush meadows. At Chur, reboard your coach and travel along the valley of the Upper Rhine to spend some time in Vaduz, the tiny capital of the Principality of Liechtenstein, where you explore the area around the castle. Continue to Lucerne alongside the dramatic Walensee and Lake Zürich. On arrival, see the sorrowful sculpture of the wounded lion, commemorating the brave Swiss Guards who died defending King Louis XVI during the French Revolution. Your Travel Director will also show you the Jesuit Church and the Chapel Bridge. (B)

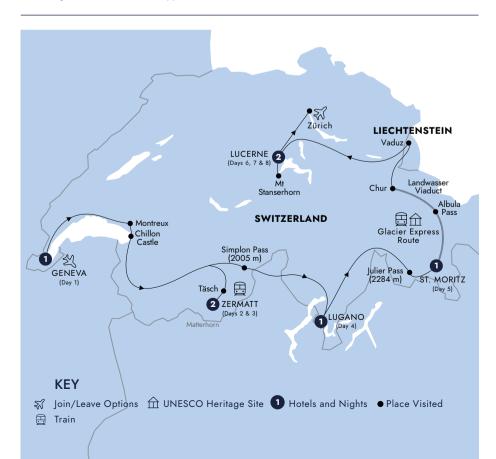
## DAY 7 | THE SUMMIT OF MOUNT STANSERHORN

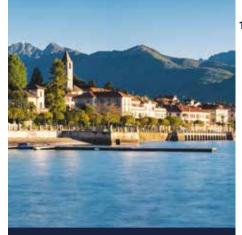
Begin the day at your leisure. Perhaps take a stroll along the lake or shop for fine watches? Explore Mount Stanserhorn on a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience, as an open-top cable car powered by solar panels take you up the summit. Walk along beautiful scenic pathways, keeping an eye outfor marmots and other native animals, with the chance to hear a conservation talk by a Swiss ranger, to learn about local wildlife and flora. With your new friends, enjoy a dinner at the foot of Mount Stanserhorn, with magnificent views over Lake Lucerne at Restaurant Seeblick. (B) (D) (RS)

#### DAY 8 | LEAVE LUCERNE FOR ZÜRICH

In the morning, your adventures through Switzerland come to an end. **(B)** 

TRANSFER: Arrive at the airport at 08:00.





#### HIGHLIGHT INCLUSIONS

#### Premium Experiences

**Geneva** | With your Travel Director you'll discover the Jet d'Eau and the Floral Clock.

Lake Geneva | Visit Chillon Castle with the Head of Collections to discover the artefacts, treasures and history of the chateau.

**Lugano** | View highlights of this lakeside city during a tour with your Travel Director.

**St Moritz** | See the spa quarter and glacial lake of this charming alpine resort.

**Lucerne** | See the emotive Lion Monument, |esuit Church and Chapel Bridge.

Stanserhorn | Journey to the top of Mount Stanserhorn on a panoramic, open-top cable car powered by solar energy.

Stanserhorn | Walk along beautiful scenic pathways, keeping an eye out for marmots and other native animals, and gain a deeper understanding of the local wildlife and flora. Your visit directly supports United Nations Sustainable Development Goals 7 & 15: Affordable and Clean Energy & Life on Land.





#### **Premium Dining**

Geneva | What better way to start your Swiss journey than with a typical meal including cheese fondue.

Zermatt | Choose between fine local restaurants for your Dine-Around evening, with the chance to indulge in traditional fondue.

Lucerne | Toast to new friends and Swiss adventures during your dinner at Restaurant Seeblick.

For all inclusions see tour page online.