INSIGHT VACATIONS

The Art of Travelling in Style

MAGICAL SWITZERLAND





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Day 1 | Zürich and Lovely Lucerne



Welcome to Switzerland - an enchanting winter wonderland of frozen waterfalls, peaceful cosy villages, snow-laden forests and imposing mountain ranges, crowned by famous peaks. On arrival at Zürich airport, transfers leave for your hotel in Lucerne at 09:30 and 13:30. Join your Travel Director and fellow guests at 18:00 for a Welcome Dinner with good food and wine.

Meals: Dinner with Wine

Hotel: Hotel Astoria, Lucerne.

Day 2 | Lucerne and St. Moritz



Experience Lucerne, a beautiful 14th century city still protected by medieval fortifications. Your Travel Director will reveal the covered wooden bridges, the painted gables and the sorrowful Lion Monument. Then there's time to enjoy the excellent shops and lakeside walks before heading along the dramatic Walensee, past Chur, to the fashionable ski resort of St. Moritz. Set in the sparkling Engadine Valley, this elegant resort nestles below the awe-inspiring, majestic Grisons Alps.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner with Wine **Hotel:** Hotel Laudinella. St Moritz.

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Lake Lucerne Cruise - A chance to take in the wonderful mountain scenery from a different perspective. Enjoy a leisurely lake cruise, for fine views of the town and it's surroundings. The serene beauty of Lake Lucerne on a summer's day is a joy to behold, made even more enjoyable by the encompassing snow-capped mountains, green pastures and dense forests.

Adult: 47.00 CHF

Day 3 | St. Moritz at Leisure



This whole day is completely at leisure, so maybe enjoy a late breakfast to start? Afterwards you may choose to explore the spa quarter of this chic resort, see the houses with their traditional sgraffito facades or indulge in the stylish boutiques? You may even consider joining the Bernina Express for a scenic rail journey of such epic proportions that it has been declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site?

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Hotel Laudinella, St Moritz.

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Bernina - Express Excursion - 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: 58.00 CHF

Sleigh Ride - Let's go "dashing through the snow" to marvel at the glittering forests and glaciers of the Engadine, all from the comfort of our horse-drawn sleigh. Truly a sparkling winter wonderland treat.

Adult: 74.00 CHF

Day 4 | Aboard the Glacier Express



Board the world famous Glacier Express for a spectacular ride with lunch included, through the heart of the Swiss Alps. Descend through the tunnels of the Albula Pass and traverse the lofty Landwasser Viaduct. Your train then joins the broad Rhine Gorge and meanders beside rock-strewn rivers before climbing through snowy pastures and woodlands. Picturesque landscapes of ice-capped mountains and stone-built villages with chalet-style houses glide by. After a series of spirals, you will reach the highest point of the route, the icy Oberalp Pass. Modern, panoramic viewing cars ensure that you won't miss a thing on your descent to Andermatt where you rejoin the coach. Drive through the dramatic Schöllenen Gorge passing the Devil's Bridge. Marvel at the Wetterhorn Peaks as you travel along the Grindelwald Valley.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner with Wine

Hotel: Romantik Hotel Schweizerhof Grindelwald.

Day 5 | Grindelwald at Leisure



Enjoy a day at your leisure to explore Grindelwald further. Perhaps take a cogwheel train ride to the summit of the Jungfrau mountain?

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Romantik Hotel Schweizerhof Grindelwald.

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

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

Adult: 229.00 CHF

^{*} Please note: when snow conditions are unsuitable, the sleigh may be replaced by a carriage.

Day 6 | Chillon Castle and Geneva



Journey to the shores of Lake Geneva where the associations with the early European Romantic movement are very strong. Join Maud, the curator of the Chateau, to visit the beautiful Chillon Castle, former home to the Counts of Savoy, set on a rocky islet in the lake. In 1816, the castle inspired Lord Byron to write the poem 'The Prisoner of Chillon,' following his walk through the dungeons. Look out for his name, which he carved into a pillar.

Close by is the sophisticated tiered town of Montreux, where it is delightful to stroll along the lakeside promenade. Enjoy a beautiful journey alongside the lake, passing Vevey and Lausanne, to reach the immaculate town of Geneva.

On arrival, your orientation includes the United Nations Building, officially known as the Palais des Nations, the Old Town and the Jet d'Eau. Visit the Red Cross Museum for a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience and learn how this world-renowned organization provides vital assistance to refugees, migrants and asylum seekers. Spend your night in Geneva, rejoicing with your newfound friends at a local restaurant, as you are treated to a delicious, traditional fondue Celebration Dinner complete with wine

Meals: Breakfast. Dinner with Wine

Hotel: Warwick Geneva.

Day 7 | Depart Geneva



Your magical journey comes to an end after breakfast. Your transfer will arrive at Geneva airport at 08:00 or 10:00.

Meals: Breakfast