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 Start Location


 Plane

 Cruise

 Over night

 Visited Location

 End Location

 Train

 Ferry

Day 1 | Welcome to Zürich



Zürich is your springboard to a spectacular journey through Switzerland. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers to explore the city's ancient heritage and modern verve during your orientation tour this afternoon. This evening, meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers to launch your Swiss experience for dinner.

Meals: Dinner

Hotel: Mövenpick Airport

Day 2 | Onwards by Train to St. Moritz



Our love affair with the snow-capped peaks of Switzerland begins on a scenic train journey via Chur to the stylish resort of St. Moritz, set against the beautiful backdrop of Lake St. Moritz. Admire the inspiring natural setting and perhaps travel on one of Switzerland's most spectacular rail routes across the Bernina pass this afternoon, enjoy dinner at your hotel this evening.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Reine Victoria

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Bernina Pass Discovery - Board a train across the spectacular Bernina Pass, one of Switzerland's iconic rail routes. Our panoramic journey takes us to a local hostelry where you can indulge in a typical apéro of tasty snacks and vintages, a truly local experience!

Adult: 98.00 CHF

Day 3 | Catch the Glacier Express to Zermatt



Embrace the glamour and romance of a bygone era. Watch the epic alpine landscapes drift past as you chug along one of the world's most unforgettable rail journeys from the comfort of the Glacier Express. Cross hundreds of bridges and the Oberalp Pass at 6,700 feet (2,044 m) above sea level. Enjoy an included lunch on board as you journey past lakes and glaciers bound for the resort town of Zermatt, at the foothills of the imposing Matterhorn. Upon arrival, your Travel Director will take you on an orientation of the town.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Hotel: Ambassador

Day 4 | Zermatt at Leisure



Spend a full free day soaking up Zermatt's crisp mountain air and panoramic vistas. Relax in beautiful surroundings or consider an Optional Experience to the Klein Matterhorn for the most spectacular mountain views.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Ambassador

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: 141.00 CHF

Zermatt Dinner Experience - Discover the beautiful mountainous resort town of Zermatt. Afterwards, we'll enjoy a wonderful dinner in a typical chalet-style restaurant with an opportunity to try the world-famous raclette and fondue.

Adult: 101.00 CHF

**This optional experience may not operate during the winter months.*

Day 5 | A Train Journey to Lakeside Geneva



Travel by train to Geneva and continue to La Ferme Enchantée for a memorable Be My Guest experience over lunch. This sustainable farm also hosts beehives, and you'll even meet the beekeeper during a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience. This afternoon, return to Geneva where the orientation will include views of the Old Town, Jet d'Eau and the Flower Clock. Later, explore the city on your own. Stroll through the ancient maze of medieval streets and quiet squares or consider a cruise – enjoying views of the lakeside villages.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Hotel: Royal Manotel

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

You will be offered one of the following two Optional Experiences depending on availability:

Lake Geneva Cruise with Meal - Enjoy an unforgettable cruise on the 'Belle Epoque' steamers of the CGN company on Lake Geneva. The lake is one of Western Europe's largest and its waters meet the shores of both Switzerland and France. You'll see picturesque villages and towns in both countries as well as the majestic Alps and, on clear days, Mont Blanc. A three-course meal will be served in their wood-panelled dining room while you admire awe-inspiring Alpine scenery dining on the specialities of the Vaud canton.

Adult: 110.00 CHF

Lake Geneva Cruise - Enjoy an unforgettable cruise on the 'Belle Epoque' steamers of the C.G.N. company on Lake Geneva. Lac Lemman, as it is known to the locals, is one of Western Europe's largest lakes and its waters meet the shores of both Switzerland and France. You'll see picturesque villages and towns in both countries as well as the majestic Alps and, on clear days, Mont Blanc.

Adult: 55.00 CHF

Day 6 | Journey on the Golden and Brünig Pass to Interlaken and Lucerne



Picture-perfect landscapes are your constant companion as you journey from Geneva along the Golden Pass route. Stop at Interlaken in the heart of the Swiss Alps, located at the foot of a trio of famous peaks – the Eiger, Mönch and Jungfrau. Spend some time at leisure and enjoy superb views of the peaks of the Bernese Oberland. Follow the Brünig Pass to the lakeside town of Lucerne in central Switzerland, where you will stay for the next two nights. See the Iconic Chapel bridge and the poignant Lion Monument, built in memory of the Swiss Guards who bravely defended Louis XVI during the French Revolution on your orientation tour. The evening is free to spend as you wish, but you could choose to show off your vocal talents and learn how to yodel during an optional fun-packed Swiss folklore show with fondue dinner.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Radisson Blu

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Swiss Folklore Evening with Dinner - Tonight we'll enjoy a tasty Swiss meal, including the famous Swiss cheese fondue, in a typical restaurant. While enjoying dinner, you can also join in a lively folklore show which includes yodelling, flag-throwing and Alpine horn-blowing. Two drinks are also included.

Adult: 116.00 CHF

Day 7 | Explore Medieval Lucerne



Mountain peaks surround you as you spend a day at leisure in beautiful lakeside Lucerne. Consider an Optional Experience to a nearby Mountain Peak, explore the medieval streets and shop for delicious Swiss Chocolate. Before we enjoy our Farewell dinner together, you might want to enjoy an Optional Experience riding a carriage through one of Switzerland's most beautiful mountain villages.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Radisson Blu

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

'Swisstainable' Mount Stanserhorn And Lake Cruise - Take a scenic cruise with us across Lake Lucerne to Stans, and one of Switzerland's oldest mountain railways. Travelling by funicular and the world's first Cabrio cable car, we'll reach 1900m (6300ft), where you'll have free time to admire the stunning Alpine scenery. Adult: 127.00 CHF

**On certain departures, this optional may be operated in reverse, ending with the cruise. It may also be operated without the cruise for CHF 78.*

Swiss Countryside & Carriages - A chance to get to know the Swiss, you'll meet local farmers and enjoy a delightful countryside tour in horse-drawn carriages. Soak up the stunning scenery as we trot around a typical rural community, en route to a local homestead where you'll savour local drinks and snacks. Adult: 81.00 CHF

**Children must be accompanied by an adult.*

Day 8 | Journey Home



Say a fond farewell to Switzerland and newfound friends at the end of a remarkable holiday. Your Travel Director will give you tickets for the short train journey from Lucerne to Zürich Airport, which can be used at your convenience for your onward journey on the final day of your tour. Alternatively, join a coach transfer to Zürich Airport.

Meals: Breakfast