

TRAFALGAR


Best of Switzerland


Your itinerary



 Start Location

 Plane

 Cruise

 Over night

 Visited Location

 End Location

 Train

 Ferry

Day 1

Welcome to Zürich

Welcome to the sophisticated Swiss city of Zürich - a flawless blend of fascinating heritage and modern spirit. Meet your Travel Director and fellow travellers for a Welcome Reception and orientation in this beautiful lakeside setting.

 **Hotel** - Hyatt Place Airport

 **Included Meals** - Welcome Reception

Day 2

Journey to Lake Geneva

We leave the bright lights of Zürich behind and stop in Bern with its Old Town, admiring its medieval streets, ornate fountains and arcaded walkways. Journeying to Lake Geneva, we arrive in the resort town of Montreux, set against the pristine backdrop of snow-covered peaks and vineyards. After lunch, consider joining an Optional Experience to cruise Lake Geneva, including a visit to the Charlie Chaplin museum in his former estate, Manoir de Ban.


 **Hotel** - Eurotel

 **Included Meals** - Breakfast

Day 3

Onwards to Chillon Castle and Zermatt

This morning, we visit Chillon Castle, immortalised by Lord Byron's 'Prisoner of Chillon'. For nearly four centuries, this water fortress was the residence of the Counts of Savoy and an important stop for traders. Our next stop is Bourg en Lavaux, a charming wine village above Lake Geneva, where we'll Connect With Locals over lunch at our Be My Guest experience. Continue your journey to the resort town of Zermatt, set against the backdrop of the snow-capped Matterhorn.

 **Hotel** - Mirabeau/Alpen Resort

 **Included Meals** - Breakfast, Be My Guest

Day 4

Zermatt Your Way

Spend the day soaking up the crisp mountain air and panoramic alpine vistas. You have a full day on your own to explore the town, or simply relax in beautiful surrounds. Consider an Optional Experience to the Klein Matterhorn for the most spectacular mountain views or explore the heritage of what was once a remote mountain village.

 **Included Meals** - Breakfast

Day 5

Venture to the Italian Lake Maggiore

Departing Switzerland, we travel to the lakeside town of Baveno on Italy's Lake Maggiore. Spend the rest of the day indulging in the laid-back lakeside atmosphere or consider joining an Optional Experience to Isola Bella, one of the lake's Borromean islands, with its palazzo and exquisite gardens.

 **Hotel** - Simplon

 **Included Meals** - Breakfast

Day 6

Off to Alpine St. Moritz

We travel through the scenic Italian countryside to the fortified town of Tirano. Here, we will board the famous Bernina Express train and wind our way through scenic landscapes en route to the stylish resort town of St. Moritz. This evening, enjoy dinner with your fellow travellers.

 **Hotel** - Reine Victoria

 **Included Meals** - Breakfast, Dinner

Day 7

Journey to Lakeside Lucerne

Journeying through lush green landscapes, past Lake Zürich, we arrive in lakeside Lucerne. Pay tribute to the brave Swiss Guards, who lost their lives defending King Louis XVI at the Lion Monument, and cross the iconic wooden Chapel Bridge before strolling past the city's colourful façades. Consider joining a cruise on the tranquil lake waters and then ride the world's first double deck 'Cabrio' cable car to the top of Mount Stanserhorn.

 **Hotel** - Grand Europe

 **Included Meals** - Breakfast

TODAY'S INCLUDED HIGHLIGHT EXPERIENCE

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Day 8

Admire Scenic Brienz and Interlaken

We travel to Interlaken at the heart of Switzerland, which lies in the shadow of the Jungfrau Mountain. Stopping in the village of Brienz en route, we'll Dive Into Culture and gain insights into the centuries-old tradition of wood carving for which this village is so famous. Spend some time on your own and enjoy superb views of the peaks of the Bernese Oberland. This evening, we enjoy a Farewell Dinner with our fellow travellers and Travel Director toasting the highlights of Switzerland we've enjoyed along the way.

 **Included Meals** - Breakfast, Farewell Dinner

Day 9

Homeward Bound

As our journey through the Best of Switzerland comes to an end, we bid our newfound friends a fond farewell. Find out more about your free airport transfer at trafalgar.com/freetransfers.

 **Included Meals** - Breakfast

All optional experiences for this trip

Book with your travel director when you travel

AVAILABLE ON DAY 2

Chaplin's World and Lake Geneva Cruise

Enjoy the palm trees on the shores of Lake Geneva from a romantic side-wheel paddle steamer as we cruise along the eastern shore of Lake Geneva. We'll visit the Charlie Chaplin museum, set on the banks of the lake on his former estate, Manoir de Ban. Chaplin spent the last 23 years of his life here and you'll discover all the facets of this incredible man's life. We'll see sets and props from his greatest movies and then finish with a peaceful walk in the gardens.

Adult Price: **Fr.66.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 4

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 chocolate fondue.

Adult Price: **Fr.86.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 4

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 3779m (12400ft) and the magnificent snow-capped top of the world.

Adult Price: **Fr.119.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 5

Discover The Borromean Islands

We've organised a private launch to take you to the beautiful islands of Lake Maggiore. Here, with your Local Specialist, you'll see the Isola Madre, the Isola dei Pescatori, and on the Isola Bella we visit the magnificent palace of the Borromean Princes (this optional is only operated between mid March and the end of October).

Adult Price: **€49.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 5

Dinner on Isola dei Pescatori

This evening escape to the charming and tranquil island of Isola dei Pescatori. A short boat ride from the shores of Lake Maggiore, this fisherman's Island is inhabited year round by only 50 permanent residents. Stroll through the small piazza, surrounded by tight and winding alleys, to enjoy dinner at one of the Island's restaurants.

Adult Price: **€68.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 6

Rosegg Valley By Horse And Carriage

Arriving in Pontresina, you'll experience a horse-drawn carriage ride through the wild beauty of the Alps and the picturesque Rosegg Valley, with its spectacular mountain views.

Adult Price: **Fr.56.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 7

Swiss Dinner by the Lake

Tonight, we'll enjoy a delicious Swiss meal that includes the famous Swiss cheese fondue in a typical local restaurant. Its Lakeside location and well-placed terrace will ensure a relaxing evening enjoying the hearty Swiss menu. Two drinks are included.

Adult Price: **Fr.95.00***

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AVAILABLE ON DAY 7

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 railway and Cabrio cable car, we'll reach 1900m (6300ft), where you'll have free time to admire the stunning Alpine scenery. (On certain departures Optional may be operated in reverse, ending with the cruise.)

Adult Price: **Fr.113.00***

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