



A Stunning Swiss Adventure: Zurich, Lucerne, and Geneva

10 Days

Switzerland is known for its stunning skyline with the majestic snowcapped Alps, its gorgeous architecture that combines modernity with classic designs, and, of course, its world famous chocolate. Explore the atmosphere of three of the country's most alluring destinations with the convenience of a Swiss rail pass. Stop for a drink in Zurich's Frau Gerolds Garten, or wander the picturesque lakeside Old Town. In Lucerne, cross the Reuss River on the 14th-century Kapellbrücke before heading to the Sammlung Rosengart for a lesson in art history. Geneva's glittering eponymous lake offers all sorts of adventure and relaxation, and the European Organization for Nuclear Research houses the Large Hadron Collider—the world's largest and most powerful particle accelerator. There's so much to see in Switzerland and not a moment to waste!

Highlights

- ★ Zurich Sunset Tour
- ★ Private Jungfrauoch Tour
- ★ Private Mt. Pilatus from Lucerne Tour
- ★ Private Chocolate Making and Tasting Workshop

Itinerary Details

Day 1 - 4

- ✈ International Arrival
- 🚗 Private Transfer to Hotel

3 Nights

Zurich

Zurich, the largest city in Switzerland, is a vibrant blend of historical charm and modern sophistication, nestled beside Lake Zurich and the Swiss Alps. Visitors can explore the medieval streets of the Old Town, marvel at iconic landmarks like Grossmünster and Fraumünster, and indulge in luxury shopping along Zurich's shopping boulevard, Bahnhofstrasse. The city's rich cultural scene boasts over 50 museums and numerous art galleries, including the renowned Kunsthaus Zurich, the largest art museum in the city. Outdoor enthusiasts can enjoy activities on the lake, hike up Uetliberg Mountain for stunning vistas, or visit the expansive Zurich Zoo. With a dynamic nightlife, diverse dining options, and year-round events such as the Zurich Film Festival and Christmas markets, Zurich offers an enchanting experience for every traveler.

Included activities

DAY 1: Arrive in Zurich

Upon arrival, meet the transfer representative for an escort to the hotel. Spend the afternoon exploring Zurich, and then head out for an evening city tour that includes dinner.

ZURICH SUNSET TOUR

Get a taste - both literally and figuratively - of Switzerland's largest city! After a brief tour of Zurich and its surroundings, pay a delicious visit to the chocolate shop at the Lindt Factory headquarters. From here, expectations will only rise with a tour into the mountains in the only aerial cable car in the area. With a short walk through the woods, arrive at a restaurant

overlooking Lake Zurich for a picturesque dinner, which includes white wine in the summer or Gluhwine - a traditional hot, spicy wine - in the winter. Munch on salad and all-you-can-eat cheese fondue before finishing off the meal with a slice of homemade chocolate cake.

DAY 2:

After breakfast, head to the hotel lobby to meet the guide for an all-day tour of Jungfrauoch!

PRIVATE JUNGFRAUJOCH - TOP OF EUROPE FROM ZURICH

Enjoy a quintessentially Swiss day out on this unforgettable excursion to the UNESCO recognized Jungfrauoch in the High Alps. After a scenic coach journey to Grindelwald, board the historic cogwheel train for a spectacular ride to Jungfrauoch. Enjoy views of the triple peaks of Eiger, Mönch, and Jungfrau en route to Europe's highest train station, and complete immersion in this fascinating alpine wonderland. Eat at one of the restaurants in the "Top of Europe" complex or take a brisk hike. Experience the adventurous "Alpine Sensation", Snow Fun Park, or Ice Palace. Finally, don't miss the Sphinx Observatory, to take in the sights of snow-capped peaks, neighboring countries, and the massive Aletsch Glacier.

DAY 3:

Begin the day with an in-depth guided tour of a 12th century Benedictine monastery, then enjoy a visit to Mt. Titlis in the afternoon. Afterward, there might just be some time left to visit any last sites, restaurants, or shops still on the bucket list!

PRIVATE TOUR OF A 12TH CENTURY BENEDICTINE MONASTERY

Visit a 12th century Benedictine monastery, then travel by gondola to the peak of Mt. Titlis in the afternoon. Soak in the pristine high alpine scenery which is spread out in all directions during this free time, then head onward to visit the Glacier Cave, snow tube at the Glacier Park, or cross Europe's highest suspension bridge, the Titlis Cliff Walk! This tour is provided on a reserved basis prior to departure. Passengers must contact the local sightseeing company upon arrival to reconfirm their tour.



Day 4 - 7

-  Transfer to Train Station
-  Train Ride from Zurich to Lucerne
-  Transfer Hotel in Lucerne

3 Nights

Lucerne

This compact Swiss town is best known for its stunning medieval architecture and scenic views, nestled amid the snowcapped Swiss Alps and on the shores of Lake Lucerne. One of the most famous architectural features of Lucerne, and a symbol of the town itself, is Chapel Bridge (Kapellbrücke), a 14th-century covered wooden bridge and water tower that is one of the oldest in Europe. Lucerne offers visitors all the elements that make Switzerland a European treasure, with its glistening Lake Lucerne providing scenic boat trips and water sports, and the majestic Mount Pilatus and Mount Rigi, nearby mountains accessible by cogwheel trains or cable cars, offering panoramic views and outdoor activities such as hiking, skiing, and paragliding. In addition to the gorgeous natural landscape, Lucerne also boasts a medieval Old Town (Altstadt), with cobblestone streets, colorful frescoed buildings, and bustling squares such as

Weinmarkt and Hirschenplatz. Here, visitors can soak in Swiss culture, which emphasizes cleanliness, punctuality (they are one of the world's best-known watchmakers!), and multiculturalism. Lucerne's blend of natural beauty, historical sites, and vibrant culture makes it a must-visit destination in Switzerland.

Included activities

DAY 4: Arrive in Lucerne

Meet the transfer representative in the hotel lobby for a ride to the train station. Upon arrival in Lucerne, meet another driver for an escort to the hotel. Spend some time getting settled, then head out into the city. The entire day is free for exploration! Wander Old Town, cross the Kapellbrücke, or take a walk along the Musegmauer - a section of the city's 13th-century fortification walls.

DAY 5:

Have breakfast and squeeze in some sightseeing before a half-day tour of Mt. Pilatus. Upon arrival back in Lucerne for dinner, try Swiss specialties as Alpine macaroni (cheesy noodles with potatoes and apple) or Luzerner Chügelpastete (puff pastries filled with veal and mushrooms in a cream sauce).

PRIVATE PILATUS FROM LUCERNE TOUR

This exciting half-day adventure starts with a gondola ride from Kriens to Fräkmüntegg. Then hop aboard the aerial cableway known as "Dragon Ride," and enjoy jaw dropping views out of the panoramic windows en route to the peak of Mt. Pilatus. Enjoy free time at the top, taking in magnificent views of the surrounding mountains and the blue lakes in the valleys below. Feel free to enjoy a delicious meal, venture down the Dragon's Path, or go for short hike to the summit. Next, ride the world's steepest cogwheel railway down to Alpnachstad, and embark on a lovely 1-hour cruise on the beautiful Lake Lucerne.

DAY 6:

Get ready for a full day of learning and exploring all things Lucerne! From a private chocolate making class to a private tour of the city to an excursion to Bürgenstock! After the tours and dinner, relax with a glass of wine or more chocolate and reflect on a full and exciting day!

PRIVATE CHOCOLATE MAKING AND TASTING WORKSHOP

Chocolate lovers rejoice! This unforgettable culinary adventure led by chocolate experts explores the secrets and details behind the art of chocolate tasting - with plenty of samples! Create chocolate masterpiece in the fully-equipped workshop room to test newly learned skills.

PRIVATE LUCERNE CITY TOUR

Discover the fascinating history of Lucerne as well as what life is like for its residents on this guided adventure! Landmarks visited include the Chapel Bridge with the octagonal Water Tower, the Jesuit Church, and the Culture and Convention Centre Lucerne (KKL Luzern). Enjoy strolling through Lucerne's enchanting hidden alleyways and town squares to truly experience this city's charm.

SHARED TOUR: BÜRGENSTOCK EXCURSION ROUNDRIP

Enjoy the tranquility of the lake on this catamaran cruise of Lake Lucerne to Kehrsiten Bürgenstock with a funicular ride to the Bürgenstock resort. Breathe in the mountain air and soak in the sights of the Bay of Lucerne, the city's most iconic landmarks, and the majestic peaks of Mount Pilatus, Mount Rigi, and Mount Bürgenstock.



-  Transfer to the Train Station
-  Train Ride from Lucerne to Geneva
-  Transfer to Hotel in Geneva

3 Nights

Geneva

Geneva is globally renowned for its modernity and is a significant scientific, financial, and diplomatic hub. It hosts various international organizations, including the United Nations Office at Geneva, the International Red Cross, and the World Health Organization (WHO), positioning it as a nexus for progress and global collaboration. Alongside the WHO, Geneva boasts the prestigious European Organization for Nuclear Research (CERN), a leading center for particle physics research worldwide. No Swiss city is complete without breathtaking mountain vistas or the proximity of a serene lake or river, and Geneva does not disappoint with Lake Geneva and its iconic Jet d'Eau fountain, propelling water over 450 feet into the sky. The historic Old Town (Vieille Ville) of Geneva offers a labyrinth of quaint, winding streets and charming squares, adorned with historical edifices and landmarks. Among these treasures stands the St. Pierre Cathedral, dating back to the 12th century, renowned for its subterranean archaeological site showcasing remnants of earlier churches and Roman temples. Maison Tavel, the city's oldest private residence, now serves as a museum chronicling Geneva's history, encompassing its urban evolution and daily life across centuries. Additionally, Bastions Park houses the Reformation Wall (Mur des Réformateurs), a monument honoring pivotal figures of the Protestant Reformation, including John Calvin, William Farel, and Theodore Beza, underscoring Geneva's historical significance in this movement. Geneva's fusion of global influence, natural splendor, and cultural heritage renders it a truly distinctive and pivotal city on the world stage.

Included activities

DAY 7: Arrive in Geneva

After breakfast, a driver will be waiting in the hotel lobby as an escort to the train station. Upon arrival in Geneva, meet another driver for transfer to the hotel for the final three nights in Switzerland. It has been a whirlwind trip so far, but it isn't over yet! Spend the rest of today getting acquainted with Vieille Ville - the quiet, quaint Old Town. Sip a coffee in the Place du Bourg-de-Four, the epicenter of ancient Geneva where the medieval Roman marketplace once stood. Tour the interior of St. Peter's Cathedral, constructed in a variety of architectural styles, or visit the cannons and mosaics of the Old Arsenal.

DAY 8:

Get ready for an exciting afternoon touring the nearby town of Annecy! Before this shared tour, be sure to visit the surrounding 114-acre Ariana Park, with its resident peacocks, century-old trees, and three 19th-century villas. For dinner this evening, consider stopping for some cheese fondue or rösti - a fried potato cake. If there during the summer, head to Parc de la Perle du Lac for a free outdoor movie!

SHARED TOUR: ANNECY FROM GENEVA AFTERNOON

Famous for being an "Art and History" town, Annecy showcases breathtaking scenery from its surrounding mountains and glimmering lake. Learn the rich history behind this enchanting city on the guided walking tour to visit stunning attractions like the iconic Palais de l'Isle, a 12th-century castle, and Château d'Annecy, a restored castle which dominates the old French village. Then enjoy two hours of free time exploring the antique markets and handcraft shops.

DAY 9:

After breakfast, take the day to soak up as much of Switzerland's natural beauty as you can with a relaxing and stunning Geneva city tour and boat cruise before your departure tomorrow! In the afternoon, consider strolling down the Quai du Mont-Blanc, Geneva's prominent lakeside promenade with its flower gardens, statues, and spectacular views of Mont Blanc. There may be time to even head to the English Garden to see the world's largest flower clock, or take a train or bus to the terraced UNESCO-listed Lavaux vineyards on the shore of Lake Geneva. Haven't had enough of Swiss chocolate? Consider heading to Confiserie Arn for a champagne truffle or one of the shop's 40 types of pralines.

A MORNING GENEVA CITY TOUR AND BOAT CRUISE

Experience the stunning sites of Geneva up close and from a comfortable cruise liner on Lemman Lake. Take in major attractions including the stone of Niton, the Water Fountain, Black Harbour, Diodati House, the United Nations building, castle of Bellerive and more!

DAY 10:

Enjoy one final breakfast before meeting a transfer representative for the trip to the train station. Board the train to the Zurich airport. Keep in mind that some routes require you to change trains in the downtown Zurich station, so pay attention to the schedules. Take in one final view of the Alps as the plane departs, and think about the places you'll visit and the sights you'll see on your next Swiss adventure!

-  Transfer to the Geneva Train Station
-  Train Ride to the Zurich Airport
-  International Departure



Inclusions

Includes

- Accommodations: Zurich 3 nights, Lucerne 3 nights, Geneva 3 nights
- Breakfast daily except where noted otherwise
- Private arrival transfers
- Private Zurich Tour
- Private departure transfers