



## SWITZERLAND

# SWISS WINTER DISCOVERY – 15 DAYS OF LAKES, ALPS & TRAINS

(TOUR CODE: 15040)

### STARTS AND ENDS

in Zurich

### TRAVEL PERIODS

01 Nov 25 - 31 Mar 26

### EXPERIENCE

Cultural  
Rail

### TRAVEL STYLE

Rail Holiday Packages

Discover Switzerland on a 15-day winter adventure, from Zürich's vibrant culture and Lucerne's lakeside charm to Interlaken's alpine thrills, Montreux's Riviera beauty, and Zermatt's Matterhorn magic, with scenic train journeys and unforgettable mountain excursions included throughout.

## Highlights

- Travel in comfort on iconic routes such as the GoldenPass Express and the Lucerne–Interlaken Express, all fully included with your Swiss Travel Pass.
- Sail across Zürich, Lucerne, Interlaken, and Montreux, where crystal waters mirror the snow-dusted Alps and festive winter lights.
- Wander Zürich's Old Town, marvel at Lucerne's Chapel Bridge, and visit Montreux's lakeside Chillon Castle – all steeped in rich Swiss heritage.
- Enjoy discounted access to Mount Rigi, Schilthorn, Jungfrauoch, and the Matterhorn Glacier Paradise, with sweeping alpine panoramas at every turn.
- Experience the magic of Interlaken and Zermatt, from adventurous activities to cosy evenings in traditional chalets with authentic Swiss cuisine.

Embark on an enchanting 15-day winter journey through Switzerland, where charming cities, snow-capped mountains, and serene lakes come together in a picture-perfect escape. Begin in vibrant Zürich, with its historic Old Town and festive lights, before travelling to picturesque Lucerne, nestled by the lake and framed by the Alps. Continue on to Interlaken, the adventure capital surrounded by iconic peaks, and then to the lakeside elegance of Montreux, famous for its Riviera views and nearby castles. Conclude your holiday in the alpine wonderland of Zermatt, at the foot of the majestic Matterhorn, where breathtaking mountain excursions and cosy village charm create the perfect finale to your Swiss winter experience.

## INCLUSIONS

- 14-night accommodation in 3-star hotels
- Daily Breakfast
- Rail ticket in 2nd or 1st class for rail travel as per itinerary
- 15 Day Swiss Travel Pass in 2nd class. Covers unlimited travel by train, bus and boat
- 50% discount on additional travel by rail, bus & boat as well as some mountain excursions
- Seat Reservation on the Golden Pass Express from Interlaken to Montreux

## ITINERARY

### Day 1-3 Zürich

Zürich is Switzerland's largest city, known for its vibrant cultural scene, historic Old Town, and picturesque location on the shores of Lake Zürich. It is a hub of finance and innovation, offering a mix of modern amenities and charming Swiss traditions.

On your arrival day, why not explore the Old Town or arrange the Made in Zürich Tour (supplement applies) to familiarise yourself with this fantastic city. The Old Town with its festive light decorations will give you the perfect welcome in the winter season.

During your stay, take advantage of the numerous free activities with your Swiss Travel Pass in and around the surrounding region. A lake cruise offering panoramic views of the city and snow-capped mountains is a superb way to start, especially when combined with the Lindt Home of Chocolate (supplement applies).

Zürich also has a wide variety of museums, many of which are included free of charge with your Swiss Travel Pass. A good example is the National Museum, detailing Switzerland's cultural history with many pictures and texts. Don't forget that you can also use the Swiss Travel Pass to travel freely on buses and trams within the city, so you can hop quickly and easily between museums.

If you're looking for something different, consider using your pass to visit nearby towns such as Rapperswil and Schaffhausen, or the impressive Rhine Falls – all just a short train journey away.

Overnight stay at Zürich in a 3-star hotel or similar.

Breakfast



## Day 4-6 Zürich Lucerne

Today use your Swiss Travel Pass to travel the short distance from Zürich to Lucerne by train.

Lucerne, located in the heart of Switzerland, is a picturesque city famous for its well-preserved medieval architecture, stunning lakefront, and proximity to the Swiss Alps. The city's highlights include the Chapel Bridge (Kapellbrücke), the Water Tower, and the Lion Monument. With its beautiful setting on Lake Lucerne and its rich history, Lucerne is a favorite destination for visitors exploring Switzerland.

Take advantage of the Swiss Travel Pass with a short lake cruise or explore the old town on foot. The Swiss Museum of Transport (50% discount with your Swiss Travel Pass) is a perfect indoor option should the weather take a turn.

Lucerne has numerous excursion possibilities both to mountains and nearby villages. Travel for free with your Swiss Travel Pass to Mount Rigi, known as the Queen of the Mountains, by cogwheel train and cable car. You can also enjoy the Rigi-Kaltbad mineral spa (supplement applies). Other possibilities include Engelberg, a charming Alpine village at the foot of Mount Titlis, or historic lakeside towns like Schwyz and Brunnen.

Optional excursions with 50% discount include Mount Pilatus and Mount Titlis.

If you're looking for a day of skiing, Sedrun, Disentis and Andermatt are all only a couple of hours away by train and offer great conditions for a quick day on the slopes. The journey is included in your Swiss Travel Pass – however, ski passes and rental must be added on separately locally.

Another unique excursion is to the mountain resort of Stoos, reached via the world's steepest funicular railway, almost climbing vertically like a lift up the mountain side. The funicular is included in the Swiss Travel Pass, while a supplement is required for the chairlifts to Fronalpstock or Klingenstock.

Overnight stay at Lucerne in a 3-star hotel or similar.

Breakfast





## Day 7-9 Lucerne Interlaken

Use your Swiss Travel Pass on the scenic Lucerne–Interlaken Express train to reach Interlaken. This journey is fully included in the pass.

Nestled between Lake Thun and Lake Brienz, Interlaken is a popular Swiss resort town surrounded by the stunning peaks of the Eiger, Mönch, and Jungfrau. Known for its adventure activities, hiking trails, and breathtaking views, it is a gateway to the Bernese Oberland and offers a variety of thrilling experiences.

Take the opportunity to explore the town with its iconic Höhweg promenade, or use your pass to enjoy a winter lake cruise on Lake Thun or Lake Brienz.

During your stay, you might choose to visit the capital city Bern for its famous Christmas markets or opt for something more exhilarating like a Jetboat Ride on Lake Brienz (supplement applies).

The Bernese Oberland offers spectacular winter scenery and hiking trails, perfect for those wishing to enjoy the outdoors. For a memorable evening, consider experiences such as night sledding with fondue or raclette rafting (supplements apply).

Interlaken is also an excellent base for mountain excursions. Visit the spectacular Schilthorn with its panoramic views and revolving restaurant, or the iconic Jungfrauoch – Top of Europe, the highest railway station in Europe. All offer discounts on the regular fare to holders of the Swiss Travel Pass.

Overnight stay at Interlaken in a 3-star hotel or similar.

Breakfast



## Day 10 Interlaken Montreux

Continue to Montreux with the GoldenPass Express train. The journey is included in your Swiss Travel Pass and a seat reservation is also included.

Montreux, located on the scenic shores of Lake Geneva, is renowned for its stunning Riviera views, annual Montreux Jazz Festival, and nearby mountain excursions. This charming town is surrounded by vineyards and serves as a gateway to both cultural and natural attractions.

After arriving in Montreux, a great way to start your stay is to head to the beautiful Chillon Castle, nestled nicely by the water's edge. The entry is even free with your Swiss Travel Pass.

Montreux is also famous for its wine – even in the winter season you can visit wineries and taste the local produce first hand. The Lavaux Vinorama is open all year round just for this.

If you're in the mood for mountain excursions, consider a visit to Glacier 3000 with panoramic views across the Alps and the world's highest suspension bridge. Alternatively, visit Rochers-de-Naye, Montreux's local peak, where Santa's house appears during the Christmas season. Access to both excursions is discounted with your Swiss Travel Pass.

Overnight stay at Interlaken in a 3-star hotel or similar.

Breakfast



## Day 11-13 Montreux Zermatt

Travel to Zermatt, one of Switzerland's most iconic destinations and a true alpine wonderland during winter. The village lies at the foot of the majestic Matterhorn and is completely car-free, preserving its charming, traditional character.

Zermatt offers a magical winter atmosphere with cozy chalets, boutique shops and gourmet restaurants, all framed by dramatic mountain scenery. It is also a paradise for skiing, snowshoeing, or simply soaking in the alpine charm.

Make the most of your Swiss Travel Pass with discounted access to the region's most spectacular mountain excursions. The Gornergrat Railway brings you to one of the best panoramic viewpoints of the Matterhorn and surrounding 4000m peaks. The journey alone is unforgettable.

Another top option is the Matterhorn Glacier Paradise – the highest cable car station in Europe – which features a glacier palace, observation decks, and snow activities year-round.

The Sunnegga–Rothorn area is great for those looking to ski or enjoy family-friendly snow activities, while still offering stunning views of the Matterhorn.

You can also visit the Matterhorn Museum to learn more about the history of the region and enjoy some leisurely time wandering the snow-covered village.

Overnight stay at Interlaken in a 3-star hotel or similar.

Breakfast





## Day 14 Zermatt Zürich or Geneva

On your final day, travel back to either Zürich or Geneva depending on your airport or border departure point. Both cities offer easy connections and a final opportunity to enjoy Swiss culture, winter lights and perhaps a final hot chocolate before heading home.

Overnight stay at Interlaken in a 3-star hotel or similar.

Breakfast

## Day 15 Departure

On this final day, continue to your ending point, at a Swiss border or airport.

## OPTIONAL EXTRAS

### Upgrade to 1st Class Rail

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# ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE	LOCAL CURRENCY
French, Swiss - German, Italian, Romansh	SWISS FRANC

Please note that bookings for the Christmas and New Year period (23 December 2025 – 3 January 2026), as well as for the month of February, **are available on request** and are subject to availability.

We work with a selection of hotels in each location. All bookings are subject to availability, which means our team will confirm your specific hotels upon confirmation and payment of deposit. The package price is based on 3 & 4-star accommodation.

## Excluded

- International airfares and taxes
- Domestic airfares and taxes, unless otherwise specified in our holiday package
- Visa expenses, processing and issuance fees
- Meals other than as specified in our holiday package
- Travel Insurance or expenses of a personal nature (mini-bar, phone call, laundry, etc.),
- Tips or gratuities to guides, drivers, porters, hotel, restaurant or boat staff, etc.
- Or any other travel expense that has not been included in our holiday package