



Scenic Switzerland

The Tour

Switzerland is more than just chocolate, watches, and yodelling. It is a land of 4 languages and multicultural sophistication. It is a small country but has a host of great places to see and visit with beautiful alpine scenery, glittering blue lakes, emerald valleys, and quaint villages. It also has buzzing cities steeped in history, such as Lucerne, Geneva and Lausanne offering great museums and galleries, historic buildings, and music festivals. We will also visit the capital Bern, a UNESCO World Heritage Site with its stunning medieval old town, fountains, sandstone facades, narrow streets, and historic towers. During the tour you will have the chance to visit all these places and as a group we will make our own cheese at a show dairy in the Emmental valley situated between lush green rolling hills and flowering meadows. We end the tour at lake Geneva stopping in Morges and Geneva both campsites located directly on the lake.

For Tour dates and prices visit our website



Highlights:

- Workshop “Make your own cream cheese” at an Emmental cheese factory
- Scenic drives along many lakes and between mountains large and small
- Visits to the main cities of Switzerland: Lucerne, Bern, Geneva, and Montreux



Tour information

Start: Lucerne
End: Geneva
Tour days: 15
Non-Driving days: 9
Max. daily mileage: 73 miles
Total mileage: 331 miles
Calais- Lucerne: 493 miles
Pets allowed

Travel services

- Welcome Dinner
- Workshop “Make your own cream cheese” at an Emmental cheese factory
- 14 nights at campsites with electricity
- Assistance of multi-lingual motorhome guides during the whole tour
- Travel pack containing maps, a detailed road book with directions to the campsites, suggestions for sightseeing and general advice on motorhoming in Europe
- Secured Payment Certificate

Pick-up service

- Flexible return ferry crossing from Dover
- Pick-up by motorhome guide in Calais
- One additional night at campsite in Luxemburg



Day 1, Day 2 & Day 3: Lucerne

We start our tour at lake Lucerne and on the first evening we will have a group dinner so everyone can get to know each other. On the following two days you have plenty of time to visit the old town of Lucerne or go on a boat trip on the beautiful lake. You can also take one of the many trains or cable cars and enjoy the views from the mountain tops around the lake.

Day 4: Lucerne – Bern

Our destination today is the capital of Switzerland, Bern. Before arriving there, the group will make our own cream cheese at an Emmental cheese factory. But there is plenty of time before and after to visit some of the many tourist sites including castles, monasteries, a typical Swiss biscuit factory or even a tropical house with plants and animal.

Day 5: Bern

The old town of Bern is a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The medieval air of this city with its fountains, sandstone facades, narrow streets and historic towers is unique, and thanks to its 6 kilometres of arcades it is also a great place to shop. With a multitude of museums, Bern offers a very varied range of exhibitions, and the bear park should not be missed. If all this is too much culture, you can go for a swim directly from the campsite in the river Aare and enjoy the view of the city.

Day 6: Bern – Lauterbrunnen Valley

Back on the road, we will head towards the Lauterbrunnen valley. On route we will drive along the beautiful lake Thunersee to Interlaken. On route we recommend a stop at Thun castle, a picturesque 12th-century building. If you enjoyed the drive along the lake, you could add a circle around the Brienersee, another scenic drive, before going south into the Lauterbrunnen valley.

Day 7 & Day 8: Lauterbrunnen Valley

From our campsite you can see some of the 72 waterfalls gushing down into the Lauterbrunnen Valley from the vertical cliff faces, some of which are as high as 400m. The roar and rush of these unique natural spectacles will accompany you if you decide to go for a hike. Where there is a valley there is also mountains. You can take the cableway from Stechelberg to the peak of the Schilthorn at 2,971 m, famous for being the setting where the 007 classic, 'On Her Majesty's Secret Service' was filmed. You could also take a train up to the Top of Europe: the Jungfrauoch. The Jungfrau railway will take you to Europe's highest-altitude railway station at 3,454 m.

Day 9: Lauterbrunnen Valley – Gruyère Region

Today we have a short drive to our next campsite in the Regional Park Gruyère. You can stop at the Spiez castle or visit the regional museum in Saanen to learn about life in the countryside.

Day 10: Gruyère Region – Lake Neuchâtel

On our way north to our campsite at lake Neuchâtel you first have to make a culinary decision: to stop at the Maison du Gruyère cheese factory or rather at Maison Cailler, the famous chocolate factory and shop. It is also possible to visit the city of Fribourg.

Day 11: Lake Neuchâtel – Morges

From Neuchâtel, either take the route along the lake, or go up to La Chaux-de-Fonds, the world capital of the watch-making industry with its renowned international watch museum dedicated to the history of time measurement. The museum houses over 4,500 exhibits, including 2,700 watches and 700 wall clocks. Nature lovers should stop at the "Creux du Van", a massive natural rock arena, or go and visit the caves in the region.

Day 12: Morges

Morges is the perfect place to relax. Take a walk along the promenade on the shores of the lake stretching from the castle close to our campsite all the way to the Vertou Park offering fantastic views of the lake and Savoy Alps. You could also drive along the lake to the picturesque city of Lausanne, home of the International Olympic Committee. Go for a walk in the attractive old town, where you will find small alleyways with cafes and boutiques. Continue your excursion to Montreux, where Freddie Mercury settled and recorded his last album with Queen. Walk along the promenade to Chillon Castle the most visited historic building in Switzerland. On the way you will pass the Lavaux Vineyard Terraces the largest continuous vineyard region in Switzerland – their daringly constructed hillside terraces have been protected by UNESCO since 2007.

Day 13: Morges – Geneva

The short drive to Geneva along the lake will take us through "La Côte" region, the hilly landscape between the Jura and lake is one of the biggest wine-growing areas in Switzerland. Particularly between Aubonne and Rolle there are many typical wine-growing villages, such as Féchy. In the small town of Nyon you will find excavations and sights from the times of the Celtic Helvetians, the Romans, and from the Middle Ages.

Day 14: Geneva

Geneva is Switzerland's most international city, as it is where the European seat of the UNO is based, and the International Red Cross has its global headquarters here. The city invites you for a walk along the lake, a ride on a boat, or just sit and have a coffee in the Old Town.

Day 15: Departure and end of tour