



WHITE PASS - SWISS WINTER SNOW TRAIN ADVENTURE

NEW TOUR

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ★ Your choice of First or Standard Class rail travel to Switzerland and return
- ★ 4* hotel beside Lake Lucerne with leisure facilities and fabulous views
- ★ Excursion on the Rigi Railway, Europe's first mountain railway
- ★ Breathtaking ride on the Titlis Rotair Cable Car, the world's first revolving gondola
- ★ Take the Voralpen Express to the pilgrimage site of Einsiedeln
- ★ Wonderfully scenic Goldenpass Line rail journey to Interlaken & Grindelwald
- ★ Experience a day on the route of the Glacier Express
- ★ Relax on Lake Lucerne's steamers
- ★ Local Transport Pass – offering freedom to explore Lucerne on your free day

New for 2017, here is a lakes and mountains Swiss tour with a difference, featuring a selection of excursions not found anywhere else. Marvel at wintry scenery on the Goldenpass Line, the route of the Glacier Express and the Rigi Mountain Railway, soar up Mount Titlis, and relax on Lake Lucerne's shore at the 4* Seehotel Pilatus, whose leisure facilities open out onto a fantastic panorama of lake and mountain scenery.

Fares From £1195



DAY 1

Relax as we let the European train system transport us from the bustle of early morning London to Lucerne, then by local train to lakeside Hergiswil by Lake Lucerne and the Seehotel Pilatus, where a welcome evening meal awaits at our hotel. (D)

DAY 2

The first of our spectacular excursions features one of Switzerland's most scenic railways, the Golden Pass Line from Lucerne through classic alpine scenery high over the Brünig Pass to Interlaken. Here we climb up to the pretty Swiss mountain village of Grindelwald, nestled at the foot of the Eiger's north face. Enjoy some free time here before we retrace our tracks to Hergiswil. (B,D)

DAY 3

The Snow Express train leaves the shores of Lake Lucerne, heading into the Engelberg Valley through delightful villages nestling at the foot of increasingly steep and lofty mountains. From Engelberg we ascend Mount Titlis on the world's first revolving gondola – the 'Titlis Rotair'. The gondola rotates a full 360 degrees during its ascent, providing breathtakingly beautiful panoramas of as you soar to the mountain station at an altitude of over 3,000 metres above sea level. (B,D)

DAY 4

After breakfast we head out on the Schölenen Railway line south towards the

Gotthard and onwards to Oberalppass. We then experience a taste of the Glacier Express route from Oberalppass, the highest point on the line, through to Andermatt. After free time in this beautiful Swiss mountain village, we return to Hergiswil in time for dinner. (B,D)

DAY 5

Blow those cobwebs away on Europe's first mountain railway! The Rigi Railway, has been transporting visitors from all over the world to the top of the 'Queen of the Mountains' since 1871. The Rigi was the preferred destination of writers and heads of state during the 'Belle Epoque' era between 1884 and 1914. Mark Twain, Tolstoy and Goethe all enthused about the beautiful views and even Queen Victoria wrote that, "We are amused!" Enjoy the 'Queen of the Mountains' for yourself on a mountain adventure. (B,D)

DAY 6

Our excursion today on the Voralpen Express departs Lake Lucerne, passing Lake Zug, before beginning its ascent through snowbound Rothenthurm High Moor en route to Einsiedeln, whose monastery is Switzerland's most significant baroque building and most visited pilgrimage site. (B,D)

DAY 7

A day at leisure in Hergiswil allows you the opportunity to relax and unwind by lovely Lake Lucerne and maybe take full

DEPARTS

Saturday 21 January 2017
Saturday 18 February 2017

8 DAYS

FARE

From London St Pancras International:

Standard Class rail travel to / from Switzerland, including Standard Eurostar	£1195
First Class rail travel to / from Switzerland, including Standard Premier Eurostar	£1495
Single Traveller Supplement	£140

7 nights' dinner, bed & breakfast Eurostar & rail travel to and from Switzerland in the class of your choice and seat reservations where available
All excursions as detailed

Local Transport Ticket included
Services of experienced Railtrail Tour Manager

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advantage of the hotel's leisure facilities. Alternatively, you can use your local transport pass to visit Lucerne itself by steamer, with its famous Chapel Bridge and Transport Museum. (B,D)

DAY 8

We return by train across Switzerland to Paris, changing stations for our Eurostar journey to London. (B)