

# **Grand Train Tour of Switzerland.**

The Grand Train Tour of Switzerland is the ultimate train journey through Switzerland. It combines all the famous panoramic lines into one breathtaking route over eight stages. Available all year round, this route – spanning 1,280 kilometres – leads from some of the most charming Swiss cities to Alpine villages. As well as UNESCO World Heritage sites, the route encompasses some of Switzerland's most well-known sights and landmarks, from the majestic Matterhorn to Lucerne's Chapel Bridge. And as Switzerland is home to some of the most beautiful mountain landscapes, the route can also be combined with a variety of mountain excursions.

## Travel routes & highlights.



The travel suggestions on the Grand Train Tour of Switzerland include wonderful journeys by train as well as many tourist highlights. The train journey can be experienced in its entirety over eight stages on the Original Tour. This includes all the scenic train routes and top sights as well as travel across all four of Switzerland's language regions. The option is available to add extra days along the route, with a choice of 21 mountain excursions to make a truly bespoke itinerary. These include a visit to the Gornergrat, to take a glimpse at the Matterhorn, or the Titlis, where snow can be experienced all year round.

The tour can equally be enjoyed on shorter route sections, each with a different focus and taking in different highlights, but with all of these offering breath-taking scenery. The duration and route are different in each case, and can also be adapted to suit individual tastes. Guests also decide where and how long to stay overnight.

### Booking and packages.

All travel suggestions for the Grand Train Tour of Switzerland can be booked as packages at GrandTrainTour.com.

Tailor-made tickets for all travel suggestions are also available for system partners. Tour operators and agents without system access can book the packages through <u>Railtour Suisse</u> and <u>Switzerland Travel Center (STC)</u> Travel Centre (STC) at special B2B conditions.

#### Tickets and seat reservation.

The entire Grand Train Tour of Switzerland is fully covered by the **Swiss Travel Pass**\*, the GA travelcard or any other Swiss train ticket (day pass, point-to-point tickets, etc.).

A seat reservation, subject to a surcharge, is required in order to travel on certain panoramic trains, such as the Glacier Express, Bernina Express and Gotthard Panorama Express. The surcharges are already included in the package prices.

Swiss Travel System tickets can be purchased at: MySwitzerland.com/tickets.

#### \*Swiss Travel Pass.

For guests not resident in Switzerland, the Swiss Travel Pass is the all-in-one ticket for travel by rail, bus and boat, available for 3, 4, 6, 8 or 15 days. Public transport in more than 90 towns and cities is also included. What's more, you also get free admission to over 500 museums throughout the country, as well as a discount of up to 50% on most mountain railways.

#### myGrandTrainTour Booklet.

With the myGrandTrainTour Booklet, nine individual and unique stamps can be collected along the Grand Train Tour of Switzerland. But this is much more than just an attractive public transport souvenir – it also impresses with plenty of valuable travel information. The booklet is handed out at various railway stations throughout Switzerland and at the stamp collection facilities. It can also be ordered for free at: MySwitzerland.com/brochuresGTToS.

## **Grand Train Tour of Switzerland App.**

The Grand Train Tour even has its own app. Guests choose their dream route and discover all the must-sees along Switzerland's most beautiful railway lines. In addition to receiving push notifications about upcoming sights and landmarks, travellers also get the chance to collect stamps and awards. Those who have collected enough can become "Master of Grand Train Tour of Switzerland". What's more, there are gifts and discounts available in the form of integrated digital coupons. For more information and downloads, see:

MySwitzerland.com/traintourapp.



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