

Bernina Express.



This premium panoramic train connects the north of Europe to its south – leading right through the UNESCO World Heritage Site of the Rhaetian Railways. Without a hitch, the bright red train masters every ascent, offering unrivalled views not only of mountains and glaciers but also of palm trees.

Operation

Year-round operation between Chur and St. Moritz and to Tirano. Additionally, the Bernina Express Bus operates between Tirano and Lugano from March to November according to the timetable below

Facilities on the train

- Large panoramic windows in 1st as well as 2nd class
- One wheelchair space on Bernina Express and one wheelchair-accessible toilet in 1st class. Passengers with reduced mobility need a 2nd class ticket. Fellow passengers need a 1st class ticket except when holding a Swiss companion card
- For reservations, please contact Railservice via +41 (0)81 288 65 65

Services

- Route information via loudspeaker
- Info(t)rainment: personal Bernina Express digital tour guide with audio guide in GE, EN, IT, FR, JP and CN simplified; free download with smartphone or tablet
- Exclusive catering service for each passenger. A beautiful Bernina Express gift box filled with Lindt chocolate hearts and 100% organic ice tea awaits the customer

Catering

- No dining cars on Bernina Express trains
- Regional snacks, drinks and souvenirs available on all trains

Reservation and surcharges

Timetable winter season (12 Dec 2021–13 May 2022 and 31 Oct–10 Dec 2022)

Chur/St. Moritz–Tirano–Lugano

Train		951	975 ¹⁾
Chur	dp	08.32	
St. Moritz	dp		16.14
Tirano	arr	12.49	18.39
Bus 5951 ²⁾			
Tirano	dp	14.20	
Lugano	arr	17.30	

Lugano–Tirano–St. Moritz/Chur

Bus 5950 ²⁾			
Lugano	dp		10.00
Tirano	arr		13.00
Train		972 ¹⁾	952
Tirano	dp	10.07	14.24
St. Moritz	dp	12.35	
Chur	arr		18.20

Timetable summer season (14 May–30 Oct 2022)

Chur/St. Moritz–Tirano–Lugano

Train		971	951	973	955	975
Chur	dp		08.32			13.33
St. Moritz	dp	09.17		13.17		16.14
Tirano	arr	11.32	12.49	15.31	17.59	18.39
Bus 5951 ²⁾						
Tirano	dp			14.20		
Lugano	arr			17.30		

Lugano–Tirano–St. Moritz/Chur

Bus 5950 ²⁾						
Lugano	dp			10.00		
Tirano	arr			13.00		
Train		950	972	974	952	976
Tirano	dp	08.06	10.06	13.17	14.24	16.06
St. Moritz	arr		12.35	15.45		18.25
Chur	arr	12.39			18.20	

¹⁾ 26 Dec 2021–02 Jan 2022, 15 Apr–13 May 2022, 07 Dec–10 Dec 2022

²⁾ Fridays to Saturdays: 04–26 Mar 2022, Thursdays to Sundays: 31 Mar–24 Apr 2022 and 03–27 Nov 2022, daily: 28 Apr–30 Oct 2022



Seat surcharge per person and direction (reservation required on train and bus). Reservation surcharge Bernina Express (Train)

- Winter season, 12 Dec 2021–28 Feb 2022: CHF 10/01 Nov–10 Dec 2022: CHF 20
- Shoulder season, 01 Mar–31 May 2022/01–31 Oct 2022: CHF 24
- Summer season, 01 Jun–30 Sep 2022: CHF 26

Further information

- Passport or ID required for border crossing into Italy
- From St. Moritz and Tirano, panoramic coaches with seats at a reduced surcharge of CHF 5 are regularly added to regional trains

More links

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Route highlights.

Landwasser Viaduct.

The 65-metre (213 feet) high Landwasser Viaduct, coming into view not far from the village Filisur, is the most spectacular bridge construction on the Albula Line between Thusis and St. Moritz. The viaduct is made from natural stone and has a length of 142 metres (466 feet). It spans the pristine Landwasser Valley in a bold curve – and dives right into a tunnel.



UNESCO World Heritage RhB.

Since July 2008, the Rhaetian Railway in the Albula/Bernina area has been a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The railway route between Thusis (Grisons/CH) and Tirano (Valtellina/IT) is an excellent example of the technically innovative development of a mountainous region. As Europe's highest Alpine traversal, it is also one of the most spectacular railway lines in the world.

Bernina Glaciers.

Three impressive glaciers are among the highlights of the journey. In the Montebello curve, a view of the Morteratsch Glacier opens up. The open crossing of the Bernina Pass at 2,253 metres (7,392 feet) a.s.l. with a view of the Cambrena Glacier is another memorable experience. Alp Grüm may well be the only hotel/restaurant solely accessible by train or on foot. During a photo stop, visitors enjoy the wonderful view of the Palü Glacier and the Bernina Massif.



Lago di Poschiavo.

This lake has been dammed up by a pre-historic rockslide. Hence, there is no man-made dam in the valley but just a water reservoir at the south end, which helps to control the water level. Le Prese and Miralago, two small villages and popular holiday spots, sit right at the Lago di Poschiavo. At Valposchiavo, the Bernina Express train tracks run right along the scenic lakeshore.

Circular Viaduct Brusio.

The Circular Viaduct is the most distinctive landmark along the Bernina Line. Below Brusio, the Bernina Express negotiates a full altitudinal belt in one double loop of roughly 100 metres (328 feet) diameter each – all without a single tunnel. The open route plan over the viaduct opens the view onto this masterpiece of railway engineering and reveals a breathtaking panorama.



Bernina Express Bus.

Between March and November, the Bernina Express route can be extended aboard the Bernina Express Bus waiting at Tirano. Through the picturesque Valtellina Valley, the journey continues to Sondrio, Morbegno, and the idyllic Lake Como before finally reaching Lake Lugano and returning back to Switzerland. The final stop is Lugano, the cultural centre of Ticino. Of course, guests can enjoy this beautiful bus ride in the opposite direction as well.