



New train, new mountain railway, new tunnel – winter 2020/21

This winter is all about groundbreaking construction projects. Both the Ceneri Base Tunnel and the V-Cableway in Grindelwald will be put into service this December. The latter will take guests to the Jungfrauoch a full 47 minutes faster than was possible before. The Grand Train Tour of Switzerland has also committed to the cold season – with the new “Winter Magic” tour.

The New Alpine Transversal has been completed.



With the commissioning of the 15.4 kilometre-long Ceneri Base Tunnel in December 2020, Europe moves a little closer together. After the opening of the Gotthard Base Tunnel (57 km) in 2016, the Ceneri Base Tunnel completes the New Alpine Transversal (NEAT). Thus, the continuous flat railway from Altdorf to Lugano becomes reality. Since trains can reach top speeds of up to 250 km/h on this new line, the travel time from Zurich to Milano is shortened from 3 h 40 min to 3 h 17 min. Also, new direct connections to Genoa and Bologna are being planned. For travellers as well as freight traffic, this is a fast, comfortable and environmentally friendly alternative.

alptransit.ch/ceneri/ceneri

Winter idyll on the Grand Train Tour of Switzerland.



Frozen lakes, fluffy powder snow, and majestic glaciers: that's guaranteed on the “Winter Magic” tour. Starting at Lucerne, the journey proceeds to Interlaken and finally Zermatt – right to the world-famous Matterhorn. After that, the Glacier and Bernina Express trains take guests through the heart of the Swiss winter wonderland to St. Moritz. Across landscapes to which no roads lead in the colder months.

GrandTrainTour.com/wintermagic

Treno Gottardo: modern and historic all in one.



Bustling cities, historic buildings and a great variety of nature and leisure activities – all of it can be experienced with the Treno Gottardo. The new train, equipped with bistro zone and family area, runs hourly from Zurich, Basel and Lucerne to Locarno. Most comfortably, guests travel along lakes and mountains over the historic Gotthard panorama route right to the sun-kissed corner of Switzerland at Locarno. The diversity of Switzerland with one single train – Benvenuti!

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Inauguration of an impressive achievement in innovative Alpine construction.



47 minutes faster to the Jungfrauoch, Europe's highest train station. With the inauguration of the new V-Cableway, this will become reality as of the timetable change 2020/21. The mega project in the Jungfrau region owes its name to its v-shaped routing. From the valley station in Grindelwald, a 10-person cableway leads up to the Männlichen (this part has been in operation since December 2019). From there, the 3S-Cableway (tricable technology) takes visitors directly to the Eiger Glacier. Thanks to the so-called "Eiger Express", the travel time from Interlaken to the Jungfrauoch is reduced from 2 h 17 min to a mere 1 h 30 min. A gain across the board.
v-bahn.jungfrau.ch

Ticket range, prices and area of validity 2021.



The Swiss Travel System tickets are individually tailored to the wishes of our guests. Holders of a Swiss Travel Pass enjoy numerous benefits: unlimited travel by train, bus and boat throughout Switzerland, up to 50% discount on mountain excursions and free admission to more than 500 museums nationwide.

Due to the ongoing corona crisis and the tense situation in the tourism industry, the responsible public transport boards have decided to postpone the introduction of seasonal prices for one year until 2022. Hence, the prices for the Swiss Travel Pass and the Swiss Travel Pass Flex will remain unchanged and at this year's price level in 2021. This should help to stimulate demand in the markets despite the ongoing crisis. This applies as well to the Swiss Half Fare Card and the Swiss Family Card.

Travelling clean and safe on public transport.



Clean and safe travel through Switzerland: because of strict protection concepts and reliance on the personal responsibility of all passengers, train, bus, boat and mountain railway can be used without hesitation. Public transport has even been certified and bears the "Clean&Safe" label of Switzerland Tourism.

3 reasons why using public transport is worthwhile:

- **Intensified hygienic measures** at stations and on trains
- **Flexible tickets** enable passengers to use connections outside rush-hour traffic
- **Upgrade to 1st class** can be done via App anytime spontaneously

For the latest information around timetables, delays, hygienic regulations and protective measures: mystsnet.com/corona

For international train connections within Europe and country-specific regulations: sbb.ch/en/leisure-holidays/travel-europe/corona-international-rail-travel.html

Car-free Zermatt – a village with charm.



Many know Zermatt for its famous landmark: the Matterhorn. Apart from the “Horn”, as the mountain is affectionally dubbed by the locals, beautiful timber chalets and luxurious hotel buildings characterise the villagescape. In order to safeguard this charm, the holiday destination is only accessible by train or on foot. Panoramic mountains such as Gornergrat and Sunnegga can be comfortably reached by mountain railway. All is set for a restorative winter excursion.

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