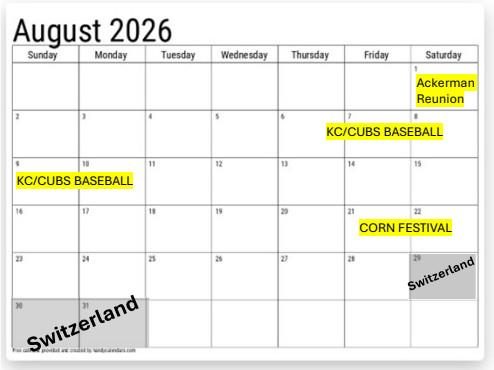

LeAnn n Chris'
Big Beautiful Switzerland
Adventure (Lord willin')

LeAnn ‘n Chris Big Beautiful Switzerland Adventure

Days 1 – 4	Zurich
Days 5-6	Grindelwald
Day7	Montreux
Day8 & 9	Zermatt
Day 10-12	
Day13	Chur
Day14 &15	Lugano
Day16 -18	Lucerne
Day19	Home

Day	Date	Activity	REAL VBR DAYS
1	SatAug29	Leave Denver 4pm Layover in Iceland	
2	SunAug30	Arrive Zurich 1:05pm VBR providing ticket from airport to Downtown Zurich Acclimate in Zurich Day 1of3	
3	MonAug31	Acclimate in Zurich Day 2of3 in Zurich	
4	**TueSep1**	**Acclimate in Zurich Day 3/3 in Zurich**	**VBRDay1**
5	**WedSep2**	**Zurich through Lucerne to Grindelwald**	**VBRDay2**
6	**ThuSep3**	**Excursion to Jungfraujoch**	**VBRDay3**
7	**FriSep4**	**GoldenPass Panoramic Train Grindelwald to Montreux**	**VBRDay4**
8	**SatSep5**	**Train from Montreux to Zermatt**	**VBRDay5**
9	**SunSep6**	**Extra Package we bought (Excursion to Gornergrat)**	**VBRDay6**
10	MonSep7	Hotel to Hut Zermatt To Fluhalp 3-4hr hike (Stay in a Fluhalp hut)	
11	TueSep8	Hut to Hut Hike to Second Hut Grunsee	
12	WedSep9	Hike or take Gondola back to a hotel in Zermatt	
13	**ThuSep10**	**Glacier Express From Zermatt to Chur**	**VBRDay7**
14	**FriSep11**	**Bernina Express From Chur to Lugano**	**VBRDay8**
15	**SatSep12**	**Hang out in Lugano or take a tour to Mount Bre or Boat ride to Gandria**	**VBRDay9**
16	**SunSep13**	**Gotthard Panorama Express from Lugano to Lucerne**	**VBRDay10**
17	MonSep14	Explore Lucerne and do Stoos Ridge Hike	
18	TueSep15	Explore Lucerne or do the Stoos Ridge Hike if we missed yesterday	
19	**WedSep16**	**Hotel Breakfast then flight at 2pm to arrive back in Denver at 7pm same day Iceland Layover**	**VBRDay11**







Start August

29 August
Leave Denver 4pm
Layover in Iceland

All the other days are in September

30 August Arrive Zurich 1:05p Train to our Expedia booked Hotel in Zurich	**31 August** Another night in our Expedia booked hotel. Enjoy Zurich	1 Move to VBRs hotel enjoy the rest of the day in Zurich	2 Train to Grindelwald	3 Excursion to Jungfraujoch	4 GoldenPass Panoramic Train to Montreux	5 Train to Zermatt
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OUR SWITZERLAND TRAIN ADVENTURE

Scenic Cities • Iconic Routes • Unforgettable Memories

ITINERARY

1 — 29-Aug
Denver To Zurich
Overnight flight to Zurich, Switzerland

2 — 2-Sep
Train Zurich to Grindelwald
Scenic train through the Swiss countryside

3 — 4-Sep
Golden Pass Grindelwald to Montreux
One of the world's most beautiful train journeys

4 — 5-Sep
Train Montreux to Zermatt
Along Lake Geneva and into the heart of the Alps

5 — 10-Sep
Glacier Express Zermatt To Chur
The world's slowest express train through the Swiss Alps

6 — 11-Sep
Bernina Express Chur to Lugano
Spectacular alpine crossing into Italian-speaking Switzerland

7 — 13-Sep
Lugano to Lucerne
Scenic train through charming lakes and valleys

8 — 16-Sep
Lucerne To Zurich
Return to Zurich by train

9 — 16-Sep
Zurich to Denver
Flight back to Denver with unforgettable memories



JOURNEY OVERVIEW

Denver → Zurich (Flight)	29-Aug
Zurich → Grindelwald (Train)	2-Sep
Grindelwald → Montreux (Golden Pass)	4-Sep
Montreux → Zermatt (Train)	5-Sep
Zermatt → Chur (Glacier Express)	10-Sep
Chur → Lugano (Bernina Express)	11-Sep
Lugano → Lucerne (Train)	13-Sep
Lucerne → Zurich (Train)	16-Sep
Zurich → Denver (Flight)	16-Sep

- Flights to/from Denver
- Scenic Train Journeys
- Through the Heart of Switzerland
- Breathtaking Views at Every Turn

ICONIC TRAINS WE RIDE



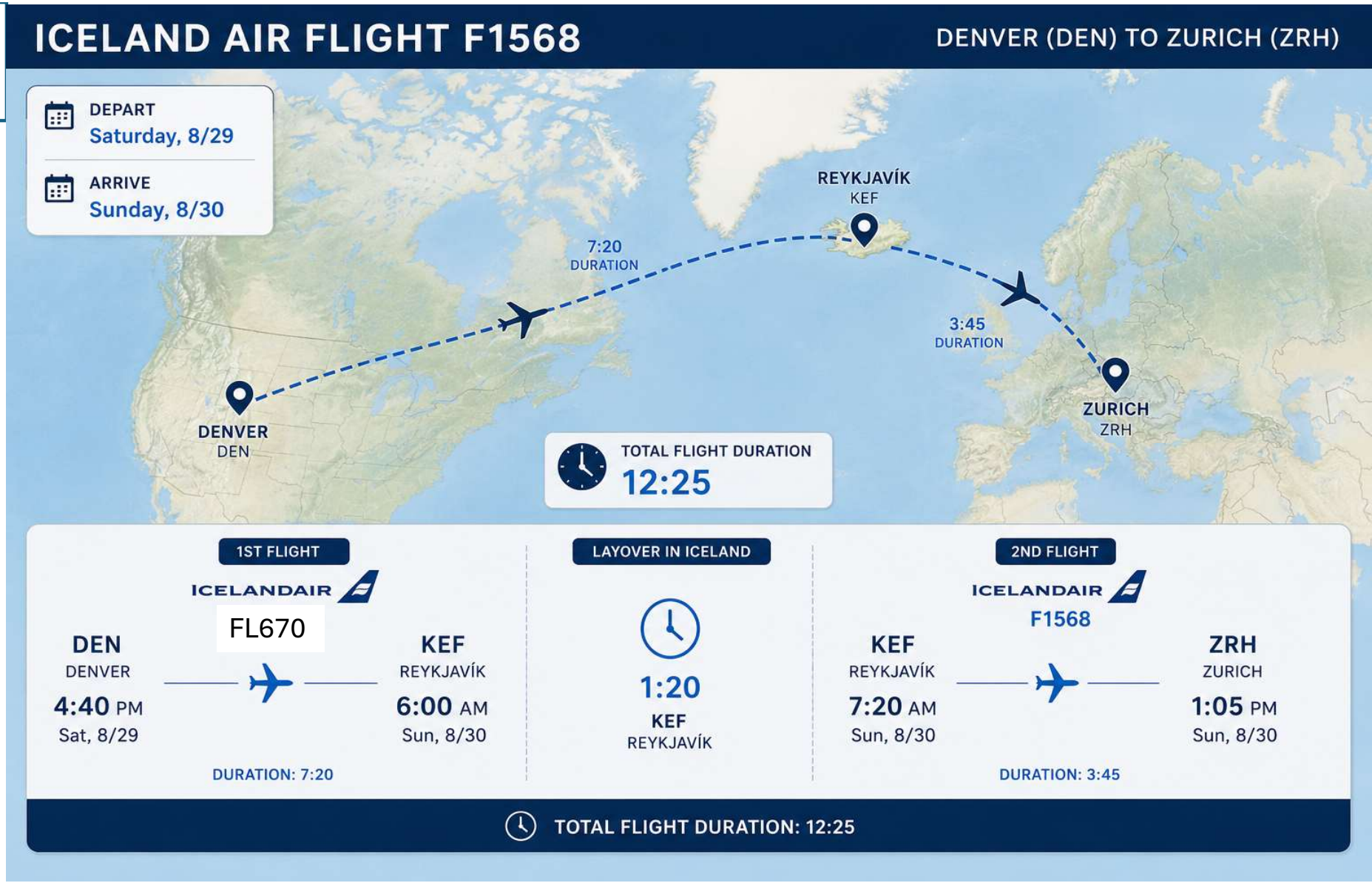
GOLDEN PASS | GLACIER EXPRESS | BERNINA EXPRESS

EXPERIENCE THE BEST OF SWITZERLAND

- Majestic Alps
- Stunning Lakes
- Charming Cities & Villages
- Unforgettable Memories



Day 1 Aug 29
Saturday
Not VBRDay



Day 2 Aug30
Sunday
Not VBRDay

ZURICH ARRIVAL DAY – AUGUST 30

ZURICH AIRPORT (ZRH) TO APARTHOTEL ADAGIO ZURICH CITY CENTER

1 ZURICH AIRPORT (ZRH)
Arrive 1:05 PM



2 TRAIN TO ZURICH HB
VBR Ticket Provided

Take the S-Bahn
Train S2, S16 or IR
Direction: Zurich HB
Travel time: 10–15 min
Trains every 5–10 min



3 ZURICH HAUPTBAHNHOF (HB)
Main Train Station



4 WALK TO APARTHOTEL ADAGIO
Approx. 8–12 min (700 m)



APARTHOTEL ADAGIO ZURICH CITY CENTER
Stampfenbachstrasse 60
8006 Zurich, Switzerland
2 NIGHT STAY





Day 3 Aug31
Monday
Not VBRDay



Day 4 Sep1
Tuesday
VBRDay



Day 5 Sep2
Wednesday
VBRDay

The train ride from Zurich through Lucerne to Grindelwald typically takes about **2 hours 35 minutes to 3 hours**, depending on connections.

The scenic route usually goes:

•Lucerne → Interlaken Ost (on the panoramic Zentralbahn line over the Brünig Pass along Lake Brienz)

•Interlaken Ost → Grindelwald

The first leg is the especially scenic part with lakes, waterfalls, and mountain views almost the entire way.



Day 6 Sep3
Thursday
VBRDay



Day 7 Sep4
Friday
VBRDay



Day 8 Sep5
Saturday
VBRDay

MONTREUX TO ZERMATT

Scenic Train Journey to the Foot of the Matterhorn

TODAY'S JOURNEY

1 MONTREUX

Enjoy breakfast at your hotel in Montreux before boarding the scenic train to Zermatt.



MONTREUX
Beautiful lakeside city on Lake Geneva, famous for its promenade and alpine views.
Altitude: 392 m / 1,286 ft

2 SCENIC TRAIN JOURNEY

Sit back and relax as the train winds through the stunning Rhône Valley, charming villages, deep gorges, and alpine landscapes.



- Spectacular mountain views
- Charming villages along the route
- Rivers, gorges, and alpine scenery

3 ZERMATT

Arrive in Zermatt, a charming car-free village at the foot of the majestic Matterhorn.



ZERMATT
Car-free alpine village, home to the iconic Matterhorn.
Altitude: 1,620 m / 5,315 ft

OVERNIGHT IN ZERMATT

Enjoy free time to explore local shops, restaurants, and the stunning surroundings.







Stunning views along the way



Zermatt with the Matterhorn

JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

- Breathtaking Alpine Scenery
- Picture-perfect Views
- Rivers, Gorges & Valleys
- Charming Swiss Villages

ROUTE OVERVIEW

MONTREUX — ZERMATT

~2 hrs 30 min
Scenic Train Ride

TRAVEL TIPS

- Trains run frequently throughout the day
- Don't forget your camera!
- Zermatt is car-free – perfect for walking & exploring



Day 9 Sep6
Sunday
VBRDay

DAY TRIP TO GORNERGRAT

Take a non-guided excursion to the Gornergrat. You will ride Europe's highest open-air cogwheel train to the summit and enjoy views of the surrounding mountains and the Matterhorn.

Overnight Zermatt.



GORNERGRAT
3,089 m

Rotenboden
2,815 m

Riffelberg
2,211 m

Riffelalp
1,775 m

ZERMATT
1,620 m

JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

- Europe's highest open-air cogwheel train
- Breathtaking panoramic views of the Alps
- Unforgettable views of the Matterhorn
- Visit the Gornergrat Observation Deck





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ROUTE DETAILS

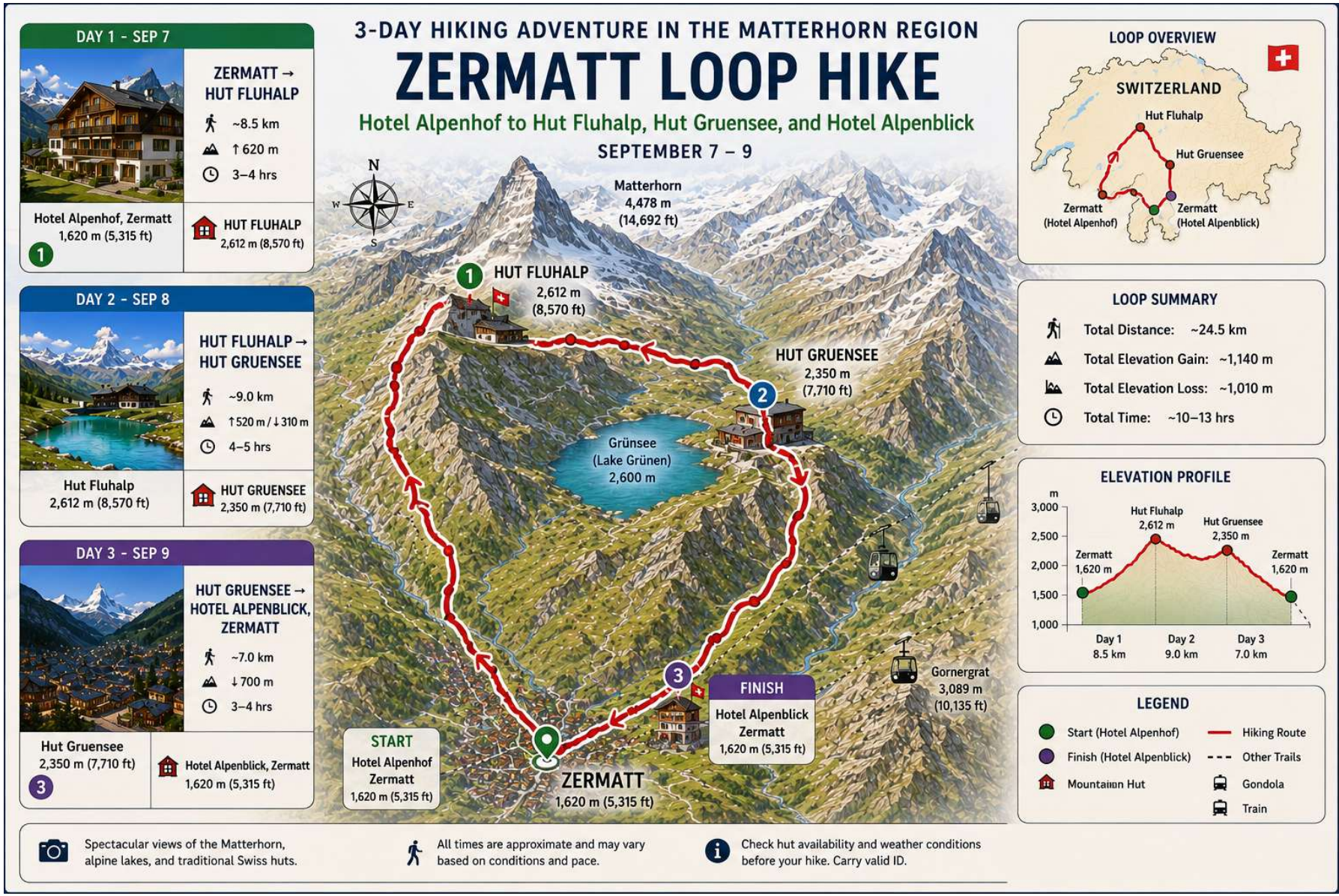
Zermatt (1,620 m) → Gornergrat (3,089 m)

Distance: 9.4 km

Travel Time: Approx. 33 minutes

Elevation Gain: 1,469 m

Our Hut To Hut Big Picture S7-9



Day 10 Sep7
Monday
Not A VBRDay



Day 11 Sep8
Tuesday
Not A VBRDay



Day 12 Sep9
Wednesday
Not A VBRDay



Day 13 Sep10
Thursday
VBRDay

GLACIER EXPRESS

WEST TO EAST

In the morning, board the Glacier Express for a thrilling ride in the panoramic carriage, where you can take in some of Switzerland's most dramatic scenery. Along the deep Rhone Valley, the Glacier Express travels through an incredibly fascinating part of the Alps as it drives over the Oberalp Pass and through the impressive Rhine Gorge.

3-Course Lunch included on board Glacier Express

After an exhilarating trip, you will arrive in Chur, Switzerland's oldest city, which will charm you with its fine mountain setting, twisting alleys and historic buildings. Numerous boutiques, restaurants, bars, museums and galleries in the largely traffic-free Old Town create a Mediterranean-style atmosphere.

Overnight Chur.





ZERMATT

Car-free village at the foot of the Matterhorn.



BRIG

Gateway to the Upper Valais.



VISP

In the heart of the Rhone Valley.



ANDERMATT

Charming alpine village surrounded by peaks.



OBERALP PASS

Crossing the Alps at 2,033 meters.



DISENTIS/MUSTÉR

Historic Benedictine monastery village.



RHINE GORGE (RUINAULTA)

The "Swiss Grand Canyon" – a natural wonder.



CHUR

Switzerland's oldest city with Mediterranean flair.

SCENIC HIGHLIGHTS

- Breathtaking panoramic views from the comfort of the panoramic carriage
- Deep gorges, picturesque valleys and charming alpine villages
- Oberalp Pass and the spectacular Rhine Gorge

INCLUDED ON BOARD

- 3-Course Lunch with regional specialties
- Panoramic carriage with large windows
- Friendly on-board service

JOURNEY INFO

Zermatt (1,620 m) → Chur (585 m)

Distance: Approx. 291 km

Travel Time: Approx. 7.5 hours

DESTINATION: CHUR

Explore the traffic-free Old Town with its twisting alleys, historic buildings, boutiques, restaurants, museums, bars and galleries.



Day 14 Sep11
Friday
VBRDay

BERNINA EXPRESS: CHUR TO LUGANO

One of the World's Most Spectacular Scenic Train Journeys

TODAY'S JOURNEY

1 CHUR

Begin your journey in the charming city of Chur, the oldest city in Switzerland.



2 BERNINA EXPRESS

Board the narrow-gauge Bernina Express for an unforgettable scenic rail adventure.

- Travel over the iconic Brusio Circular Viaduct
- Pass through 55 winding tunnels
- Spectacular views of mountains, valleys, glaciers & lakes



3 TIRANO, ITALY

Arrive in Tirano, Italy. Here you'll change to the Bernina Express Bus for the journey into Ticino.



4 LUGANO

Your journey ends in Lugano, Southern Switzerland's largest town. Enjoy the lakeside charm and Mediterranean atmosphere.

OVERNIGHT IN LUGANO





SWITZERLAND

1 CHUR
584 m / 1,916 ft

Bernina Express (Train)
Chur → Tirano
~4 hrs

Landwasser Viaduct

55 Winding Tunnels

2 BRUSIO
Circular Viaduct
1,101 m / 3,615 ft

Poschiavo
1,014 m / 3,327 ft

3 TIRANO, ITALY
429 m / 1,407 ft

Bernina Express Bus
Tirano → Lugano
~2 hrs

ITALY

4 LUGANO
273 m / 896 ft

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INCREDIBLE SCENERY



Breathtaking views of glaciers, peaks, and alpine lakes.

BRUSIO CIRCULAR VIADUCT



An engineering masterpiece on the Bernina line.

LUGANO



Relax by the lake and enjoy the Mediterranean flair of Lugano.

JOURNEY HIGHLIGHTS

- Spectacular Alpine Scenery
- Brusio Circular Viaduct
- 55 Tunnels & Countless Bridges
- Pass through Valleys, Lakes & Glaciers
- From the Alps to the Mediterranean

ROUTE OVERVIEW

CHUR — TIRANO — LUGANO

Bernina Express (Train) ~4 hrs | Bernina Express Bus ~2 hrs

Total Journey Time: ~6 hrs

TRAVEL TIPS

- Sit on the right side of the train (southbound) for the best views.
- Bring your camera – you'll want lots of photos!
- Dress in layers – temperatures vary.
- Seat reservations recommended for Bernina Express.

Day 15 Sep12
Saturday
VBRDay

This was VBRs Suggestions, we didn't buy these so we could do them or what we come up with.

Today you have a chance to journey up to Monte Bre, the sunniest mountain in Switzerland, or take a boat ride to the picturesque town of Gandria. On the excursion to Monte Bre, ride a cable car to the summit at 933 meters and admire the magnificent Alpine foothills from a sunlit terrace overlooking Lake Lugano. Gandria is a fishermen village perched at the bottom of Monte Bre, famous for its romantic atmosphere. The tranquil town's center is closed to traffic and features tiny streets and stairways with views of gorgeous landscapes. Should you not wish to purchase either of these optional excursions, you will have a day at leisure in Lugano to explore this southern city at your own pace. Overnight Lugano****.



10 FUN THINGS TO DO IN LUGANO

1. **LUNGOLAGO PROMENADE**
Stroll along the beautiful lakeside promenade lined with palm trees, flowers, and stunning views of Lake Lugano and the mountains.



2. **PIAZZA DELLA RIFORMA**
The vibrant heart of Lugano, perfect for people-watching, enjoying a coffee, and soaking in the lively atmosphere.



3. **SANTA MARIA DEGLI ANGELI**
Visit this beautiful Renaissance church and adjacent art museum featuring works from the Middle Ages to today.



4. **LAC (LUGANO ARTE E CULTURA)**
Explore contemporary art exhibitions at this lakeside cultural center with breathtaking architecture and views.



5. **TAKE A LAKE LUGANO CRUISE**
Relax on a scenic boat cruise and enjoy panoramic views of charming villages, villas, and mountains.



6. **PARCO CIVICO**
A peaceful park by the lake with lush gardens, walking paths, and a lovely spot to relax.



7. **MONTE BRÈ**
Take the funicular railway to the sunny peak of Monte Brè for incredible 360° views.



8. **GANDRIA VILLAGE**
Walk or take a short boat ride to this picturesque, car-free fishing village with stone houses and narrow lanes.



9. **OLIVE OIL TASTING**
Discover Ticino's local flavor with an olive oil tasting experience in the surrounding hillside villages.



10. **MONTE SAN SALVATORE**
Ride the funicular to the summit for spectacular views of Lake Lugano and the Alps.



Day 16 Sep13
Sunday
VBRDay



Day 17-18 Sep14-15
Monday-Tuesday
Not VBRDays

Two Days in Lucerne to do Stoos Ridge and Explore





Day 19 Sep16
Wednesday
VBRDay

LUCERNE TO DENVER – ICELANDAIR FI1569

Your Homeward Journey

/FL671



1 LUCERNE HOTEL



Enjoy a final breakfast at your hotel

2 LUCERNE STATION



Train to Zurich

~50 MIN

3 ZURICH HAUPTBAHNHOF



Arrive in Zurich city center

AIRPORT TRAIN ~15 MIN

4 ZURICH AIRPORT (ZRH)



Arrive at the airport

Allow 2+ hours before departure

TOTAL FLIGHT TIME
13 HOURS

TIME ZONE CHANGE
8 HOURS AHEAD

SAME DAY ARRIVAL
ARRIVE 7:00 PM

KEFLAVIK
ICELAND

LUCERNE
SWITZERLAND

DENVER
COLORADO, USA

2ND FLIGHT
FL671
8 HR 10 MIN
DEPART 4:50 PM
KEFLAVIK (KEF)
→ DENVER (DEN)

1ST FLIGHT
FI1569
4 HR 00 MIN
DEPART 2:00 PM
ZURICH (ZRH)
→ KEFLAVIK (KEF)

LAYOVER
50 MINUTES
4:00 PM – 4:50 PM
KEFLAVIK AIRPORT (KEF)



GROUND ROUTE

1. Lucerne Hotel
2. Lucerne Station
3. Zurich Hauptbahnhof
4. Zurich Airport (ZRH)

MORNING	~50 MIN	~15 MIN	12:00 PM
Final breakfast at your hotel	Train to Zurich	Airport train	Arrive at Zurich Airport

2:00 PM	4:00 PM	4:00 – 4:50 PM	4:50 PM	7:00 PM
DEPART ZURICH (ZRH)	ARRIVE KEFLAVIK (KEF)	LAYOVER 50 MIN	DEPART KEFLAVIK (KEF)	ARRIVE DENVER (DEN)
4 HR 00 MIN		8 HR 10 MIN		SAME DAY ARRIVAL! ✓

TRAVEL TIPS

- ✓ Arrive at the airport 2+ hours early
- ✓ Keep passport and boarding pass ready
- ✓ Stay hydrated and enjoy the views!
- ✓ Check in online to save time

FLIGHT DETAILS

AIRLINE: Icelandair
FLIGHT: FI1569
AIRCRAFT: Boeing 737 MAX 8
CLASS: Economy (or as booked)

Safe travels!

THANK YOU FOR AN AMAZING SWITZERLAND ADVENTURE!

TOTAL JOURNEY

- Total Flight Time: 13 Hours
- Iceland Layover: 50 Minutes
- Same Day Arrival
- Time Zone Change: +8 Hours

ITINERARY SUMMARY

- ✓ Depart Zurich: 2:00 PM
- ✓ Arrive Denver: 7:00 PM
- ✓ Total Travel Time: ~13 Hours
- ✓ Time Zone: +8 Hours

All times are local. Schedule subject to change.