



# LUCERNE EXPLORER

6 DAYS | 1 COUNTRY | 7 MEALS | FROM US\$1395pp\*

DISCOVER THE BEATING HEART OF SWITZERLAND WITH CAPTIVATING LUCERNE AS YOUR BASE. YOU'LL SAVOUR MILDEMENTALER CHEESE FLAVOURS, CREATE YOUR OWN CHOCOLATE AND DELVE INTO THE MEDIEVAL HERITAGE OF THIS PICTURE-BOOK TOWN.



**FrischSchoggi**  
Läderach - chocolatier suisse

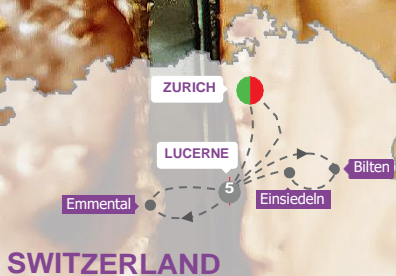
**Corn Flakes**  
Cioccolato al latte svizzero

La morbida scioglievolezza del cioccolato al latte svizzero impreziosita da cornflakes croccanti soffici e leggeri.

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**Mora**  
Cioccolato fondente svizzero

La morbida scioglievolezza del cioccolato fondente svizzero impreziosita da...



## THE Icons

**CITY TOUR** in Lucerne

**VISIT** the Läderach Chocolate Factory in Bilten, the Emsiedeln Abbey, the Emmentaler Show Dairy and Sonnenberg Bunker

**VIEW** the Chapel Bridge, the City Walls and Lion Monument

● START ● OVERNIGHT ● SIGHTSEEING  
● END



# YOUR *Holiday*

DAY

**1 ARRIVE ZURICH – LUCERNE (5 NIGHTS)** Straight out of a fairy tale, the beautiful lakeside setting of Lucerne is the perfect base from which to explore the heart of Switzerland. On arrival in Zurich, you'll be transferred to your home for the next five nights with some free time to indulge in its romantic surrounds before joining your Travel Director and fellow travellers this evening for a Welcome Reception. We'll stay at one of Trafalgar's 'Stays With Stories' - the Grand Hotel Europe promising sweeping lake vistas. **(WR, 🏠) Hotel: Grand Europe**

**2 LUCERNE SIGHTSEEING** Delve into Lucerne's heritage as a quiet Alpine retreat for aristocrats and even royalty, who sought refuge in their tranquil natural surrounds. Join a Local Specialist who will introduce you to such sights as the flower-lined 14<sup>th</sup>-century wooden Chapel Bridge, the poignant Lion Monument, built as a tribute to the brave Swiss Guards who died defending French King Louis XVI and the impressive city walls. Consider joining an Optional Experience ascending Mount Pilatus by cable car for spectacular views of Lake Lucerne. **(B)**

**3 LUCERNE – EXCURSIONS TO BILTEN AND EINSIEDELEN** What could be more Swiss than a melt-in-your-mouth chocolate experience? Today we journey to Bilten and visit Läderach Chocolatier. 'Dive Into Culture' and gain insights into the delicate art of crafting Swiss chocolate during a workshop tour. Create your own moreish delights before your journey continues to the Alpine town of Einsiedeln. Here we'll visit the Abbey, a major resting point on the Way of St. James, which pilgrims have been visiting for over a thousand years. We return to Lucerne for an evening at leisure. **(B, 🍷)**

**4 LUCERNE – EXCURSION TO SONNENBERG BUNKER** Switzerland is renowned for its military defences. Today you'll have the opportunity to see this first-hand on a guided visit to Sonnenberg bunker, a highlight attraction in the city. This giant bunker, built at the height of the Cold War, was capable of accommodating over 20,000 people. The rest of the day is yours to explore Lucerne on your own terms. Take a stroll along the banks of the Reuss and admire the tall painted houses that line quiet squares tucked away amidst the medieval Altstadt's cobblestone lanes. You'll have plenty of time to shop for souvenirs, from chocolates and watches to Swiss Army Knives. **(B)**

**5 LUCERNE – EXCURSION TO EMMENTAL** The creamy flavours of Emmentaler cheese are yours to enjoy today during an included excursion to the Emmentaler Show Dairy. Farmers from the surrounding villages bring their fresh milk to the dairy which processes this much-loved mild cheese now sold all over the world. 'Dive Into Culture' and discover the secret of Emmentaler's famous holes and sample some of the local produce. This afternoon, consider taking an optional horse and carriage ride to admire your epic natural surrounds before returning to Lucerne for a Farewell Dinner with new friends. **(B, FD, 🐎)**

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**WR** Welcome Reception   **L** Lunch  
**B** Breakfast   **D** Dinner

**6 LUCERNE ZURICH** Our exploration Lucerne of and the surrounding Alpine countryside at its end, we bid our travel companions a fond farewell and take a transfer to Zurich Airport for our return journey home. Conditions apply. **(B)**

## MORE ABOUT YOUR *Trip*

\* All prices are per person, twin share.

Shared Rooming: Room Share is not available on this trip.

Airport transfers: On arrival at Zurich Airport transfers to Lucerne will operate at 9.30am and 1.30pm. Guests arriving later should make their own way to the hotel. A return transfer will arrive at Zurich Airport on the last day of the trip at 8am from Lucerne.

Important Visa Information: Visas may be required for this trip. Please speak to your travel agent at the time of booking to assess your specific requirements. Visas cannot be issued at borders in Europe.

Gratuities: Option to pre-pay gratuities for Travel Director and Driver, US\$58 per person.

Drinking Water: Tap water is safe to drink in all of the destinations on this trip. Please remember to bring a water bottle.

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### TRAVEL DIRECTOR *Tip*

When in Lucerne, do what the locals do: buy a Swiss metal bottle and save money by drinking the freshest water you'll ever taste. It comes directly from the nearby mountains to one of the many colourful historical fountains scattered throughout the old city. Time permitting, plan a "short water fountain photo tour" and remember that centuries ago, social life was around the fountains with locals chatting and exchanging news while tanks were being filled.

Stéphane Langrené

🍷 Dive Into Culture   🏠 Make A Difference  
**RD** Regional Dinner   **BMG** Be My Guest  
**FD** Farewell Dinner

## YOUR HOLIDAY *Planner*

PricePP			PricePP		
Start Zurich	End Zurich	Twin Share	Start Zurich	End Zurich	Twin Share
SU 03 NOV	FR 08 NOV	1395	SU 19 JAN	FR 24 JAN	1450
SU 10 NOV	FR 15 NOV	1450	SU 26 JAN	FR 31 JAN	1450
SU 17 NOV	FR 22 NOV	1450	SU 02 FEB	FR 07 FEB	1450
SU 24 NOV	FR 29 NOV	1450	SU 09 FEB	FR 14 FEB	1450
• SU 01 DEC	FR 06 DEC	1450	SU 16 FEB	FR 21 FEB	1450
• SU 08 DEC	FR 13 DEC	1450	SU 23 FEB	FR 28 FEB	1450
• SU 15 DEC	FR 20 DEC	1450	SU 01 MAR	FR 06 MAR	1450
• SU 22 DEC	FR 27 DEC	1550	SU 08 MAR	FR 13 MAR	1450
• SU 29 DEC	FR 03 JAN	1650	SU 15 MAR	FR 20 MAR	1450
	2020		SU 22 MAR	FR 27 MAR	1450
SU 05 JAN	FR 10 JAN	1450	SU 29 MAR	FR 03 APR	1450
SU 12 JAN	FR 17 JAN	1450			

Single Supplement (add to price above): US\$300 p.p.

- Christmas & New Year's Eve Highlights: The 22 December 2019 departure will celebrate Christmas in Lucerne. The 29 December 2019 departure will toast New Year's Eve in Lucerne. Each of these specially arranged festive meal celebrations will replace one of the included meals featured in the itinerary.
- Christmas Markets: Guests on these departures will experience the festivities of the Christmas Markets.



EARLY BIRD SAVINGS

SAVE <sup>UP TO</sup> US\$73 p.p.



Young traveller discount: SAVE US\$140



Triple room discount: SAVE US\$10 p.p.



Past guests: Unlock VIP benefits

## TRIP *Highlights*

Here's just a sample of the many special handcrafted Trafalgar highlights included in your trip.

### STAYS WITH STORIES



Enjoy the elegance of yesteryear and sweeping lake vistas at the Grand Hotel Europe in Lucerne, where warm Swiss hospitality and a grand past spanning over a century guarantee an unforgettable stay.

### DIVE INTO CULTURE



Visit the Läderach Chocolatier in Bilten where you'll watch how Swiss chocolate is made and get to create your own. **(Day 3)**

Savour the creamy flavours of Emmentaler at the Emmentaler Show Dairy. **(Day 5)**

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