



**ACTIVE TRAVEL**  
for Cultural  
Explorers

**SMALL GROUP**  
Maximum of  
28 Travelers

**LAND  
JOURNEY**

# Swiss Alps ~ Interlaken

## Inspiring Moments

- ▶ Immerse yourself in the **majestic scenery of the Bernese Oberland.**
- ▶ Relax over lunch at a **historic Alpine Hotel**, which hosted 19th-century mountaineering pioneers.
- ▶ Marvel at the sparkling, turquoise waters during a **Lake Brienz cruise.**
- ▶ Breathe in fresh mountain air and listen to the serenade of cow bells as you **hike through the Lauterbrunnen Valley.**
- ▶ Ride a steam train along a steep track through stunning scenery to the top of **Brienzer Rothorn.**
- ▶ Experience two **UNESCO World Heritage sites.**

## INCLUDED FEATURES

### Accommodations

(with baggage handling)

- **7 nights** in Interlaken, Switzerland, at the first-class Hotel Carlton-Europe.

### Extensive Meal Program

- 7 breakfasts, 3 lunches and 3 dinners, including Welcome and Farewell Dinners; tea or coffee with all meals, plus wine with dinner.
- Opportunities to sample authentic cuisine and local flavors.

### Your One-of-a-Kind Journey

- **Discovery excursions** highlight the local culture, heritage and history.
- Expert-led **Enrichment programs** enhance your insight into the region.
- **AHI Connects:** Local immersion.
- Custom Swiss rail pass.
- Free time to pursue your own interests.
- Welcome and Farewell Receptions to mingle with fellow travelers.
- A personal VOX headset to hear your English-speaking guide clearly.
- Tipping of guides and drivers.
- Complimentary travel mementos.

### Itinerary

- Day 1** Depart gateway city†
- Day 2** Arrive in Zürich | Transfer† to Interlaken
- Day 3** Kandersteg | Lake Oeschinen
- Day 4** Bern
- Day 5** Brienz | Rothorn
- Day 6** Lauterbrunnen | Mürren
- Day 7** Interlaken
- Day 8** Grindelwald | Rosenloui Glacier Gorge
- Day 9** Transfer to Zürich airport and depart for gateway city†

†Transfers and flights included for AHI FlexAir participants.

**Note:** Itinerary may change due to local conditions. Travelers should be physically fit, able to walk up to 3-5 miles, exit/enter trains quickly and navigate stairs, hills and uneven terrain.



Lake Oeschinen



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Discovery

**AHI Connects: Celebrate Swiss Culture.** While enjoying regional cuisine, a local folkloric singing group entertains you with Swiss folk songs and the Alpenhorn, an instrument traditionally used by Swiss herdsmen.

**Lake Oeschinen.** Hop on a train to Kandersteg, where jagged peaks and glaciers frame the village's dark-timber chalets. Pass grazing cows and sheep during a gondola ride up the mountain. Then stretch your legs during a hike to the turquoise Lake Oeschinen.

**Bern.** Fountains, historic towers and sandstone facades adorn the capital city. Some of the city's most popular sites include the Clock Tower, Einstein House and the Cathedral of Bern, a stunning example of late Gothic architecture.

**Brienzer Rothorn.** Travel to Brienz, renowned for its traditional wood carving. Take the steam-powered train to the summit of Brienzer Rothorn, where a stunning mountain vista awaits you. After, cruise Lake Brienz to Interlaken.

**Lauterbrunnen Valley.** Ride aboard the train to the Lauterbrunnen Valley and walk along a scenic trail to Winteregg and Mürren. On a clear day, witness the iconic North Face of the Eiger peak, as well as Mönch and Jungfrau. Descend by cable car from Mürren, enjoying the majestic emerald landscapes.

**Grindelwald and Rosenloui Glacier Gorge.** Visit the resort town of Grindelwald, a summer playground for walkers, hikers and cyclists. In the winter, the village become a haven for skiing enthusiasts. Absorb your surroundings before taking a Swiss PostBus, part of Switzerland's extremely efficient rail system, through a high mountain pass. After lunch, tackle the trail that parallels the Weissenbach River, which rushes through the narrow gorge created by an ancient glacier.

**Alpine Dining.** Step into the Hotel Rosenloui, one of the oldest Alpine hotels, for a delicious lunch of traditional cuisine. The hotel traces its history to the 18th century, when the fledgling tourism industry emerged in the Swiss Alps.

Enrichment

**Mountaineering.** Switzerland enjoys a long tradition of mountain climbing. Learn about this popular pastime, which draws enthusiasts eager to tackle the challenging peaks of the Swiss Alps.

**Essential Switzerland.** Discuss the iconic elements of Swiss culture.

**Wines of Switzerland.** Sample Swiss wines as you learn about the country's wine industry. Nearly all Swiss wine remains in Switzerland.



Bern



Lake Brienz



Steam-powered train, Brienzer Rothorn

UNESCO World Heritage

1. Old City of Berne
2. Swiss Alps Jungfrau-Aletsch



Interlaken

AHI Travel Expertise

**Passenger Service Representative |** Helps with everything from arranging flights to fulfilling special requests.

**Travel Director |** Manages all details to ensure a memorable trip.

**Travel information |** Prepares you fully for your journey.

**Expert local guides |** Provide friendly, knowledgeable service.

**Lecturers |** Share their knowledge of and passion for their country.

Accommodations

**Hotel Carlton-Europe |** 

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- arrival and departure transfers
- flexibility to change or cancel
- assistance with changes or delays
- flight insurance

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Single accommodations are an additional \$450 (limited availability).