

interlaken

departs **monday 11 august 2008**
for 6 days



Wonderful mountain scenery from the train window, alpine villages, relaxing lake cruises, a steam train to the mountain summit and the highest station in Europe all feature on this delightful raitour to the heart of Switzerland.

Monday 11 Aug:

Morning departure from London St.Pancras by Eurostar to Paris, connecting onwards by fast TGV train to Mulhouse and onwards via Basel to Interlaken. Stay five nights in a hotel near Interlaken Ost, the quieter end of town.

Tuesday 12 Aug:

A relaxing morning cruising on board the vintage paddle steamer from Interlaken Ost to Brienz, there is a restaurant on board, then take the steam train for a one hour ride to the summit of the Rothorn over Switzerland's oldest rack railway. Return by train from Brienz to Interlaken Ost.

Wednesday 13 Aug:

A full day in the dramatic Jungfrau Range of Mountains. Firstly by train via Grindelwald high into the mountains to Kleine Scheidegg set beneath the north face of the Eiger. Change onto the JungfrauBahn to travel to the highest station in Europe at over 11,000ft. The summit features the Ice Palace, Glacier Restaurant, stunning views and eternal snow. After returning to Kleine Scheidegg, descend by train to Lauterbrunnen, for the cableway and mountain top tramway to the traffic free village of Murren offering wonderful views on the major mountains in the area. Return to Interlaken later in the afternoon.

Thursday 14 Aug:

By rail via Spiez to Zweisimmen for the GoldenPass Classic travelling in "Belle Epoque" style over the metre gauge Montreux Oberland Bernois (MOB) line. Lunch (included) is served at your seat as you enjoy the alpine scenery passing through the resort of Gstaad and Chateaux d'Oex before the twists and turns as the line descends to Lake Geneva. After arrival into Montreux there is time to look around before returning to Interlaken by way of the Rhone Valley line to Brig and the BLS "Loetschberg" route to Spiez.



Friday 15 Aug:

Travel by metre gauge train over the Brunig Pass to Luzern. Time to look around this lakeside town and stroll across the wooden "Kappelbrücke" before taking a superb two hour lake cruise on board a vintage paddle steamer to Brunnen – restaurant on board. Return by train via Luzern and the Brunig Pass line to Interlaken Ost.

Saturday 16 Aug:

Depart Interlaken by train via Basel and Mulhouse to Paris, connecting Eurostar to London Rail to London arriving late afternoon.

The Tour Cost Includes:

- All rail travel London to Interlaken and return
- Five nights hotel accommodation in rooms with private facilities
- Buffet breakfast
- All local rail, boat and cableway excursions as outlined
- Steam train ride on the Brienzer-Rothorn line
- Lunch on the GoldenPass Classic train
- Services of a Railtours tour manager throughout

TOUR COST:	£975.00
Single room supplement:	£90.00
Insurance:	£25.00
Deposit:	£150.00 per person

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