



## Spring in Switzerland May 1- May 9, 2020

### **All the Best of Central Switzerland from a Scenic and Awesome Alpine Village!**

Join your fellow Friends at MET Tours as we travel to a country so beautiful that even pictures cannot do it justice.

*A repeat of our Private Tour since 1999.* If ever a destination can be described as “life-changing,” it has to be the Alpine area of Central Switzerland. The sheer beauty and magnitude of the Alps and Lakes combined with the warmth of the locals will make for a lifetime of Swiss memories with your friends.

MET Tours has managed trips for all types of groups to the Alps for over 20 years. Their long-time contacts and experience will ensure a fabulous trip. You will stay in their favorite quaint upscale resort Village of Engelberg, a place where the Swiss go on vacation. The owners will welcome you to their immaculate Swiss Chalet Hotel for a wonderful “seven-night” stay. Unpack and relax with nearby adventures for you to experience in comfort.

You will be chauffeured on a luxury motorcoach by Koch Reisen and have your own English speaking tour manager throughout your vacation. All of your tours are included along with buffet breakfasts and wonderful fresh local dinners. This is a “no-worry” tour package at a relaxing pace and a great value. We are very pleased to offer this exceptional tour at a cost much less than average catalog tours. It is through personal visits, volume, and friendships with their suppliers that MET Tours is able to offer you this wonderful custom tour. (And the strong US Dollar makes this the best time to go!)

#### **Friday, May 1, 2020**

Meet your MET Escort and Depart from Windsor, Ontario and your Air Canada flight to Toronto. Change to your overnight direct flight to Zurich, Switzerland. Enjoy your award winning service and amenities on your flight. Your wide-body Jet also features the latest in on-board entertainment. On arrival in Zurich, you will be met by your Tour Manager and Driver who will take you to your wonderful “secret” Alpine village home.

#### **Saturday, May 2, 2020 - Engelberg ~ Heaven on Earth**

Arrive at Zurich Airport and depart for Engelberg, Switzerland. Check into the Hotel Schweizerhof for a stay of seven nights with breakfasts and dinners daily. Free time to explore Engelberg before a wonderful dinner. Nestled and protected in the valley of 10,000 foot Swiss Alp Mt. Titlis, Engelberg is a charming Swiss Village. Listen and you will hear “cow bells” as they move up the hills to graze. Enjoy mountain fresh air and local menus. By using overnight flights and planning free time after you arrive, jet lag is kept to a minimum. The use of one centrally located “home port” like Engelberg allows us to comfortably visit great places and sightsee, but return to our home by late afternoon each day. We have found that packing and unpacking and spending one night in different hotels is very tiring and more expensive. (B, D) (Wi-Fi)





### **Sunday, May 3, 2020 Luzern, Weggis and William Tell**

Luzern's old city straddles the river; grand resort hotels and picturesque cafes hug the edge of the sparkling lake. Medieval churches, modern museums, ornately frescoed buildings share the city with unique and exclusive boutiques in the Altstadt. Walk the city's landmark all-wooden covered bridges with wonderful murals. A stop will be made at the Lion Monument. This is one of the world's most moving public sculptures, it pays tribute to the more than 760 Swiss guards and officers who died defending Louis XVI of France in 1792. After your guided tour, free time for lunch and shopping before your scenic driver to the pretty lakeside village of Weggis. This beautiful village has been a resort destination of the world's wealthy for hundreds of years. Enjoy a stroll on the promenade and maybe treat yourself to a delicious Swiss pastry. Later you will visit Altdorf, home of William Tell. Late afternoon arrival back home in Engelberg. (B,D)



### **Monday, May 4, 2020 – Interlaken and The Oberland**

Travel to the “postcard perfect” section of Switzerland today. Emerald slopes are dotted with gingerbread chalets whose flower boxes overflow with scarlet geraniums. A morning stop will be made in the lakeside resort town of Brienz. Famous for its woodcarving, the town is a real showcase of traditional Swiss Architecture Just as the name implies, Interlaken is a bustling Victorian resort center between two beautiful mountain lakes. Horse drawn carriages line the main street and the spectacular mountains peer majestically into the town below. In the afternoon a drive to Lauterbrunnen in the valley of the waterfalls and then to Grindelwald at the foot of the famous north face of Eiger Mountain. (B,D)



### **Tuesday, May 5, 2020 - The World Famous Glacier Express**

A highlight of our tour is a train ride on the famous Glacier Express between the towns of Chur and Andermatt. This scenic tour crosses the mighty Overalp Pass and travels through the spectacular Rhine Gorge. Travel will be in first class panorama coaches and the hotel will provide a packed lunch for this day. Late return to Engelberg, enjoy dinner with great memories of your famous rail journey. (B,L,D)



### **Wednesday, May 6, 2020 - Free day in Engelberg-Option Sky Tram**

A full free day in Engelberg today. Your Tour Manager will offer an optional Sky Tram ride to the restaurant and observation deck on majestic Mt. Titlis. A journey to the “Top of Europe!” Also be sure to visit the massive Benedictine Monastery and sample their famous Swiss Cheese. Dinner at the Hotel tonight after an exciting day. As it is the weekend, many of the Chalets will have fun local entertainment (B,D)



### **Thursday, May 7, 2020 – Lugano, Swiss Quality-Italian Style.**

Heading south today you will travel through the famous Gotthard Pass into the Ticino, the Italian part of Switzerland. The Mountains keep the cold air north and the warm Mediterranean weather south so the weather in Lugano is very comfortable year round. Palm trees, red tile roofs, azure waters, gardens and fresh flowers are everywhere. It is a definite change from your Alpine home! This is the most famous of all



Swiss resort areas. Glamorous yachts and private jets signal the arrival of tanned jet setters who frequent Lugano. Lugano enjoys about 2,300 hours of sunshine per year, promotes the lush growth of cypress, palm trees, camellias, mimosas and olive trees, just to mention a few. (B,D)

**Friday, May 8, 2020 "Red Train and Lake Luzern Cruise"**

This morning board Engelberg's "Red Train" for a fun journey from your mountain home down to Lake Luzern. Here you will board a Cruise Ship for a beautiful voyage to holiday resort of Brunnen. This dramatic lakeside village was a favorite of King Ludwig II. Free time to explore this delightful village. Your driver will be waiting for in Brunnen to take you back to Engelberg. Enjoy a leisurely closing dinner at the hotel and take one last stroll through your beautiful Swiss Village. (B,D)

**Saturday, May 9, 2020 – Transfer to Zurich and flight home**

Early morning depart Zurich and your non-stop Air Canada flight to Toronto arriving in the early afternoon and your connecting flight to Windsor with a life-time of memories of Spring in Switzerland and your secret Alpine home!

**Tour Includes:**

Roundtrip Flights on Air Canada with One Checked Bag, Private Swiss Tour as outlined in the brochure, Buffet Breakfast and Dinner daily, MET Escort throughout, Local Tour Manager while in Switzerland.

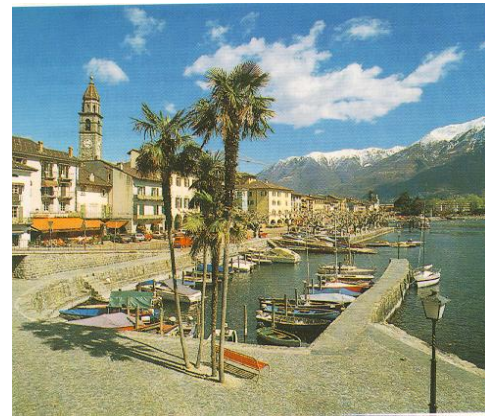
**Not Included:**

Travel Insurance, Gratuities to your Tour Staff, Meals and Beverages other than noted. Optional Sky-Tram ride in Engelberg to Mt. Titlis – (altitude 3,028 meters, about \$50.00)

**Special Group Pricing:**

\$3,299.00 Per Person Double Occupancy. Single Supplement \$350.00 Limited Availability, First Deposited, First Confirmed. Reservation Form Required. Passport Required, valid until November 9, 2020.

*(Comparable Tours are \$500.00+ more!)*



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