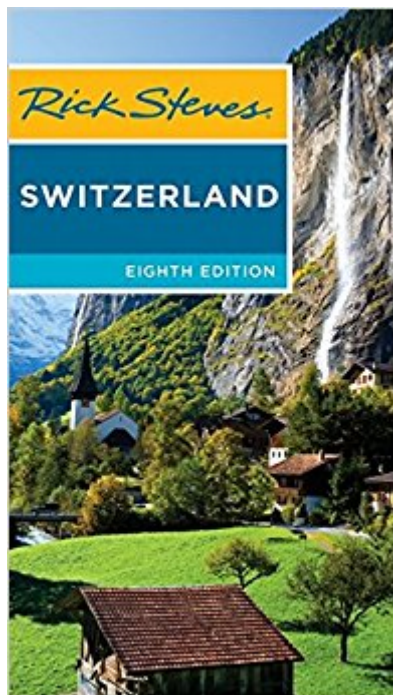


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# Rick Steves Switzerland



## Synopsis

You can count on Rick Steves to tell you what you really need to know when visiting Switzerland. This book guides you through bustling Zürich, rich and charming Luzern with its flower-bedecked bridges. Crisscross the mountains on cable cars, trains, and hiking paths. Find an alpine retreat in the cliff-hanging village of Gimmelwald. Marvel at the Matterhorn, relax in Lugano, and take an unforgettable swim in Bern. Cruise Lake Geneva and savor the cozy small-town atmosphere of Appenzell. After a day of sightseeing and hiking the Alps, treat yourself to a glass of local wine, cheese fondue, and delicious Swiss chocolate. Rick's candid, humorous advice will guide you to good-value hotels, B&Bs, and restaurants in cities, villages, and resort towns. You'll learn how to plan scenic rail journeys, and which sights are worth your time and money. More than reviews and directions, a Rick Steves guidebook is a tour guide in your pocket.

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Since 1973, Rick Steves has spent about four months a year exploring Europe. His mission: to empower Americans to have European trips that are fun, affordable, and culturally broadening. Rick produces a best-selling guidebook series, a public television series, and a public radio show, and organizes small-group tours that take over 20,000 travelers to Europe annually. He does all of this with the help of a hardworking, well-traveled staff of 100 at Rick Steves' Europe in Edmonds, Washington, near Seattle. When not on the road, Rick is active in his church and with advocacy groups focused on economic justice, drug policy reform, and ending hunger. To recharge, Rick

plays piano, relaxes at his family cabin in the Cascade Mountains, and spends time with his partner Trish, son Andy, and daughter Jackie. Connect with Rick: [facebook.com/RickStevestwitter](https://facebook.com/RickStevestwitter):  
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Fantastic updated guide! We have been planning our first Switzerland trip and have used several different travel guides in the planning process, but this is the book we're bringing with us in our carry-ons. So many practical suggestions! I also love the updates: new hotel and lodging suggestions, an expanded section on the Geneva area, etc. Really great, can't wait to buy his books for future trips!

I wanted info about Basel, since I'll be spending a couple of days there before a river cruise. I'll be returning the book, since it doesn't contain anything about Basel. I do enjoy his books.

I know people love Rick Steves, but I found this book annoying. I wanted to use it to plan a tour of Switzerland from Zurich to Geneva but, while the book has a section on Lake Geneva, there is not ONE WORD on Geneva except to say that other places around the lake are more worthwhile. C'mon, we'll be spending a day there, and there ARE things to see and do! Also, the book does not include maps of suggested walking tours of historic districts, just text descriptions, which can be harder to follow when you're, um, walking. Finally, Steves dismisses online reviews as less reliable than his own, rather than show how online reviews can augment his own recommendations. I finished the book suspecting that I was getting an incomplete and perhaps distorted view of Switzerland. I'll be using other guidebooks in the future.

We always use Rick Steve's guides when we travel over seas for pleasure. The guides are informative and we have found his dining suggestions to be spot on. Also are helpful tips for getting around in a foreign country such as local customs and country expectations for travelers visiting that country. His recommendations on what to see are also very helpful.

Great planning tool for Switzerland...especially the portion on train transportation.

Book contained lots of useful information that I used during my trip to Switzerland. I used several of the hotel recommendations and found the descriptions to be spot on. The guide concentrated on people traveling by train. Since I was traveling by car, much of the information was irrelevant.

I recently used this guidebook while traveling in Switzerland. I HIGHLY recommend it. Rick Steves does a great job giving an honest opinion of all spots in Switzerland. I didn't agree with his rating of all locations, but that is why we are humans, we all have our own opinions. This book does an especially impressive job of detailing out the Berner Oberland area.

Rick Steves does some good research and puts out good books and videos, but some of the info wasn't correct. Mostly it was prices of things as the book is apparently based upon 2015 visit for his 2016 book. Other than that there were some recommendations and tips that we used that were very helpful.

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