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Motor vessel Diamant, Lake Lucerne

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Whether on a historical steamboat, an innovative yacht or a modern catamaran: thanks to the diverse fleet of the Lake Lucerne Navigation Company (SGV), guests always glide over the water in style. And in the case of Swiss Travel Pass holders: even without a surcharge.

Experiencing Switzerland from one of its most beautiful sides – by boat, 365 days a year. Breathtaking mountain scenery and idyllic lakeside promenades can be marvelled at from up close and from afar. With state-of-the-art motor vessels and nostalgic steamboats, modern age and nostalgia team up on Lake Lucerne. To allow guests to experience the lake up close, the Lake Lucerne Navigation Company (SGV) offers a wide range of boat cruises on a regular basis – year-round. With no fewer than five paddle steamers and fifteen motor vessels, there is something for every taste. A unique excursion adventure is guaranteed!



History

Long before railways or easily negotiable streets opened up the country, Switzerland's lakes and navigable rivers offered themselves as traffic routes. Its central location right in the middle of the north-south traffic axis has made Lake Lucerne an important trade route. In December 1835, the merchant Casimir Friedrich Knörr surprised the local population of Lucerne with his announcement about founding a steamboat company. Thus, on 24 September 1837, the proud steamer "Stadt Luzern" (Lucerne City) made her maiden voyage.

With the start of the "Belle Époque" at the end of the 19th century, more guests from abroad started to arrive in Central Switzerland. As a consequence, the fleet was extensively expanded and the first salon steamers were introduced for higher-class excursions. Reminiscent of these times are the five steamers that operate on Lake Lucerne to this very day (maiden voyages between 1901 and 1928). In honour of a visit by Queen Elisabeth II on 2 May 1980, the salon on the upper deck of the "Stadt Luzern" was refurnished. It has been called the "Queen's Salon" ever since.

The economic upturn of the Sixties brought a speedy development of technical innovation in its wake. SGV wanted to be part of this progress and tried to supplant the aged paddle steamers with diesel-driven vessels. The population vehemently opposed this idea, however. Much too dear had the steamboat fleet of Lake Lucerne grown to the local people's hearts.

Today, the SGV possesses a fleet of unmatched diversity: The steamers from ancient, glorious days cruise side by side with classic motor vessels from the 20th century and state-of-the-art novelties like the "MS Diamant".

Steamers on Lake Lucerne.

The SGV fleet operates five nostalgic paddle steamers – each of them one of a kind.



PS Stadt Luzern (constructed 1928).

The “Stadt Luzern” is SGV’s flagship and impresses with its size. The youngest steamer of the fleet has the most powerful engine and highest capacity of transportation. More importantly, the maritime paddle steamer captivates with its beautiful Art-Deco salons. Even the Queen of England, Queen Elisabeth II, and General Henri Guisan were counted among its illustrious guests. The steam vessel «Stadt Luzern» will be undergoing revision from end of October 2018 likely until spring 2021.

PS Unterwalden (constructed 1902).

The steamer “Unterwalden” has presented itself in renewed glory since May 2011 and is listed. The Rococo Salon shows the paddle steamer at its best. The large windows on the upper deck open up a magnificent view. Also, it is the only steamer that is able to make it all the way to Alpnachstad – thanks to its chimney, which can be lowered.



PS Uri (constructed 1901).

The “Grand Seigneur” of the fleet has plied the waters of Lake Lucerne for more than 115 years. Its enchanting Neo-baroque Salon carries visitors back to the 1920s. It is also the only steamer on the popular lake that is serviceable in winter.

PS Schiller (constructed 1906).

This classic paddle steamer with its unique Art-nouveau Salon is favoured for its timeless elegance. The showpiece of the boat is the first-class salon with exquisite materials such as satinwood, ebony and mother-of-pearl.



PS Gallia (constructed 1913).

The “Gallia” is the fastest paddle steamer in Europe. This jewel, counting over 100 years of age, offers more than a wonderful salon and many delightful details – for example a salon in New Empire style.

Motor vessels.

Twelve motor vessels, one panoramic yacht, the new motor vessel “MS Diamant” and the new Bürgenstock shuttle take guests to their destinations, year-round. Whatever the weather, they are on their way to scenic splendours – and top connections to mountain railways.



MS Diamant (constructed 2017).

The new large motor vessel of the SGV is a milestone in Swiss navigation with regard to quality and innovation. Underwater view, a lake water footbath and the glass-domed inner gallery: in technical finesse and luxury, this boat is a hard act to follow. The “MS Diamant” cruises between Lucerne and Flüelen.

MS Saphir.

This popular panoramic yacht of Lake Lucerne offers a touch of St. Tropez. Pure yacht feeling with a convertible top, water terrace and free-of-charge audio guide. The latter informs passengers about the highlights around Lake Lucerne.



MS Bürgenstock.

The new shuttle boat cruises towards Kehrsiten-Bürgenstock daily from 7.00 h to midnight. The travel time from Lucerne up to Bürgenstock is 30 minutes. The connection from Kehrsiten-Bürgenstock to and from Bürgenstock Railway is guaranteed.

Culinary cruises.

World Food Cruise.

Delicacies from all over the world. On this evening cruise, guests are treated to Asian Dim Sums, Arabic Mezze and juicy American Hot Dogs. The World Food Cruise thus offers the right speciality for every taste.

Every Saturday from 16 March to 14 December 2019. Departure Lucerne: 19.12h (25 May to 07 Sep 2019: 19.25h).



Brunch-Cruise.

More time for the delightful things in life! Guests are treated to a generous buffet of great variety. Onboard childcare is included. Every Sunday and on certain national holidays, throughout the year. Lucerne, starting at 10.30h.



Lunch Cruise.

Refine your lunch break! On the round trip to Vitznau and back, guests are offered a seasonal salad buffet as well as seasonal specialities. Daily from 9 December 2018 to 24 May 2019 and from 9 September to 14 December 2019.

Lunch Steamer.

The classy lunch: Special creations turn the lunch cruise into a wonderful experience. The steamer operates daily from 26 May to 8 September 2019. Lucerne, starting at 12.00 h.



All culinary cruises and more offers on Lake Lucerne at: lakelucerne.ch/en/offers

Round trips on Lake Lucerne.



One-hour cruise on the panoramic yacht "Saphir".

This one-hour tour offers pure yacht feeling. Guests savour an unrestricted view while they get comfortable on the generous seating area and inform themselves via the free audio guide in 12 languages about the surrounding area. This experience is genuinely 1st class. So, SGV forgoes a 2nd class on the Saphir. Passengers with a 2nd class ticket do not have to pay a surcharge. This cruise can be enjoyed year-round between three to eight times daily depending on the season.

Sunset Cruise.

A touch of sunset romance – with the most ravishingly beautiful sunsets on Lake Lucerne! These culinary evenings can be enjoyed daily during summer. Tuesday to Saturday, the cruise is carried out by steamboat, Sundays and Mondays on the state-of-the-art motor vessel MS Diamant. Daily from 25 May to 8 September 2019. Lucerne, starting at 19.12h.



Grand Lake Lucerne Cruise.

The steamboat or motor vessel starts at Lucerne and cruises to the other "end" of Lake Lucerne, to Flüelen in Canton Uri. The cruise takes roughly 5.5 hours and can be enjoyed year-round. The cruise can be shortened as desired (stops according to timetable).

All culinary cruises and more offers at Lake Lucerne at: lakelucerne.ch/en/offers

Excursions by boat.

The fascinating mountain world of Central Switzerland is perfectly accessible by boat. Therefore, a boat cruise is the best companion for a mountain excursion.



Bürgenstock.

A resort of superlatives is located at the very heart of Switzerland: the Bürgenstock resort, 500 metres above Lake Lucerne. From up here, the lake can be savoured in all its glory. The best view is to be had from a box seat at the Bürgenstock resort. The new motor vessel «Bürgenstock» even offers direct connections from Lucerne to Bürgenstock.

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Rigi Majestic Round Trip.

A magnificent view, a total of 120 kilometres of hiking and walking trails, splendid restaurants: Rigi – Queen of the mountains – has it all. By boat and cog railway, the mountain is easily accessible. 365 days a year.

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Pilatus – Golden Round Trip.

By bus, passengers first travel from Lucerne to Kriens and then by cableway on to Fräkmündegg, where the spectacular Dragon Ride cableway waits. A mere four minutes later, Pilatus greets with its breathtaking view. Another highlight follows: The world's steepest cog railway leads down to Alpnachstad, where guests board the boat. A motor vessel or steamboat finally takes them back to their starting point at Lucerne. Daily from mid-May to approximately mid-November.

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Klewenalp get-together.

The nearby excursion destination: Ideal for hikers in summer and for skiers, snowboarders, winter hikers and sledging enthusiasts in winter. The best way to get there is by boat.

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Gotthard Panorama Express.

The Gotthard Panorama Express, combining boat and panoramic train, starts with a boat cruise of just under three hours from Lucerne to Flüelen, where the panoramic train is ready for boarding. The relaxed journey continues over the historical Gotthard route and allows vacationers to enjoy the Mediterranean flair of Ticino that same evening. The Gotthard Panorama Express is part of the Grand Train Tour of Switzerland. This unique tour merges the most delightful panoramic lines of Switzerland into one comprehensive experience. mystsnet.com/grandtraintour

Facts und Figures.

Surface area of the lake	114 km ²
Fleet	20 boats, 5 of which are paddle steamers
Timetable	Cruises on 365 days a year lakelucerne.ch/en/timetable-fares/timetable/
Offer	Scheduled rides, culinary cruises, round trips, boat charter and numerous excursions
Eating and drinking	Catering on almost all boats of the SGV fleet. The menu offers a wide selection of regional and seasonal specialities (varying according to ship). There is also a fine assortment of beverages.

Ticket information

Ticket	Route & Fare Luzern–Flüelen
Swiss Travel Pass Swiss Travel Pass Flex Swiss Travel Pass Youth	included
Swiss Half Fare Card	CHF 23 single ticket 2nd class CHF 34.50 single ticket in 1st class CHF 36 return trip in 2nd class CHF 54 return trip in 1st class
Children 6 –15.99 years with Swiss Family Card	free
Without reduction	CHF 46 single ticket in 2nd class CHF 69 single ticket in 1st class CHF 72 return trip in 2nd class CHF 108 return trip in 1st class
Eurail	CHF 23 single ticket in 2. Klasse CHF 34.50 return trip in 1st class CHF 36 return trip in 2nd class CHF 54 return trip in 1st class
Interrail	CHF 23 single ticket in 2nd class CHF 34.50 single ticket in 1st class CHF 36 return trip in 2nd class CHF 54 return trip in 1st class

Fares for further cruises, round trips and theme cruises at: lakelucerne.ch

Reservation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Reservation required for Lunch Cruise and Lunch Steamer (before 11.00h) ▪ Reservation required for Sunset Cruise (before 15.00h) ▪ Reservations under +41 (0)41 367 67 67 and reservation@lakelucerne.ch
Points-of-sale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ At all international Swiss Travel System points-of-sale: mystsnet.com/pointofsales ▪ At every Swiss train station ▪ At the counter at Lucerne, Pier 1

Mountain peaks

- 1 Pilatus
- 2 Rigi
- 3 Klewenalp
- 4 Stanserhorn
- 5 Seelisberg
- 6 Fronalpstock
- 7 Bürgenstock
- 8 Titlis

Historic

- 1 Rütli Meadow
- 2 Tellskapelle (Tellspalte)
- 3 Castle Muggenhorn
- 4 The Swiss Path

Museums

- The Swiss Museum of Transport
- Glasi Hergiswil
- Swiss Knife Valley Visitor Center
- Tell-Museum
- Tierpark Goldau
- Uri's Crystal-Museum
- Victorinox Factory Store

