

Clever and sustainable: the 2020 public transport summer.

Well-informed, well on the way – thanks to numerous gadgets and tips. From the new **Grand Train Tour of Switzerland** app to priority boarding at mountain railways: it's all there. Just like the good feeling. Because travelling by public transport is not only fast and comfortable but also climate-friendly.

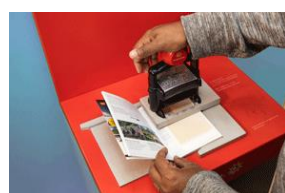
The new Grand Train Tour of Switzerland app.



The unforgettable touring experience now has its own app – it's simply a question of choosing one's dream routing and discovering all must-sees. Push notifications make sure that the traveller doesn't miss any highlights along each respective stage of the tour. Many fun facts and a record of the journey by means of a "Been there" function are great add-ons.

Playful fun is also part and parcel of the app: travellers can collect stamps and awards and share them with friends via social media. Those who have collected a certain number of awards can even become "Master of Grand Train Tour of Switzerland". At the end of the journey, a sweet surprise awaits the "Masters" in the Lindt Boutique at Zurich Airport... that sort of commitment has to be rewarded after all! The app is available in seven different languages via App Store and Google Play Store. Free download as of February 2020. mystsnet.com/traintourapp

myTravel Stamp Booklet 2020.



The popular stamp collection booklet is back again in 2020: with the purchase of a Swiss Travel Pass in the home country or in Switzerland, tourists receive a free **Grand Train Tour of Switzerland** myTravel Stamp Booklet. At nine destinations along the most beautiful train journey in Switzerland, unique and individual stamps can be collected. But there's more: in addition to interesting information, the booklet also offers attractive coupons and a prize competition. Among the prizes is a travel package for two persons for eight days (including flight, accommodation, mountain excursions and public transport). mystsnet.com/grandtraintour

Mountain day trips.



Breakfast in a street café in the old town, a marvellous view from a mountain summit at 3,000 metres a.s.l. at lunchtime, a splendid dinner with a subsequent visit to the opera in the evening. What's a matter of course for locals is a surprise for guests from abroad: Switzerland is small, mountains are not far away, and public transport offers excellent service. Travelling from the city to the mountains and back is easy – even in a

single day. Swiss cities are perfect starting points for day trips into the breath-taking mountain world. A must-try!

Cableway Blauherd–Rothorn reopened.



After having been closed for two seasons because of shifts in the terrain, the cableway Blauherd–Rothorn is now back in operation. The re-opening will happen as early as winter 2019/2020. All repair and construction work at the affected pillars have successfully been completed. Hence, nothing stands in the way of a Rothorn excursion in summer 2020.

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“Dragon World”: The lord of the manor is back.



There have been rumours for quite a while that maybe the myth is true and a dragon actually makes its home on this 2,132-metre-high mountain. Now the wondering is over: It really exists! In the new “Dragon World” at Pilatus Kulm, guests come dangerously close to the virtual, fire-spitting mythical creature. Thanks to elaborate and detailed effects, visitors get the impression of standing in the middle of its lair. What’s more, suspenseful games of skill lure guests onto this interactive tour. A highlight full of fascination, beckoning visitors to linger – in any weather.

pilatus.ch/en/discover/dragon-world/

Happy Birthday, Glacier Express!



90 years ago, on 25 June 1930, the Glacier Express went on its maiden voyage. Huffing and puffing, this paragon train mastered the ride from Zermatt to St. Moritz in roughly eleven hours. This earned it the reputation of being the “slowest express train in the world”. After electrification in the 1940s and the completion of the Furka Base Tunnel, the travel time was reduced to eight hours. The ride along the prestige route remains the same, though – with a bar coach, fresh cuisine and plenty of panorama.



Right on time for its anniversary, the Glacier Express receives a new outfit. Both 1st and 2nd class are upgraded with wood panelling, a state-of-the-art entertainment system and redesigned seats. The showcase project for the renovation is the Glacier Express Excellence Class. The premium class style serves as the model for the design of the other coaches. More swissness, more timber ornaments, more personality.

Clever travelling: priority boarding at mountain railways.



How often have you already been standing in front of a touristic highlight, thinking: “I wish I’d known that before.” Insider information can substantially influence a beautiful travel experience, especially on popular travel days. So, here’s a really useful tip for the next mountain excursion: priority boarding. Passengers can book their seat on the gondola, cableway or mountain railway beforehand. With a boarding pass they receive the ticket for a certain departure time and use a separate access – without queuing. This offer is available from CHF 5 at: Gornergrat, Jungfrauojoch, Stanserhorn and Schilthorn, among others.

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In harmony with nature.

Sustainability in public transport.



By public transport, guests enjoy carefree travel across Switzerland – and it is even climate-friendly. By using energy generated mainly from hydropower, railways take travellers to their destinations fast and comfortably – and virtually CO2-free. Whether gliding over the lake surface by solar boat or floating towards a summit on a cableway: renewable energy is part and parcel of public transport and not least thereby turns every journey through Switzerland into a special experience.

MS Diamant – climate-neutral on Lake Lucerne.



The modern motor vessel is a landmark achievement in Swiss navigation when it comes to quality and innovation. Underwater view, a lake-water footbath and the inner gallery with its impressive glass dome: this boat is unsurpassed when it comes to technological finesse and luxury. In addition, it sets new standards as Switzerland's first climate-neutral regular-service boat. The scheduled-service and banquet vessel is powered by hybrid propulsion, which leads to a significantly lower fuel consumption and therefore lower CO2 emissions. lakelucerne.ch

Rhaetian Railway – on track with hydropower.



Rhaetian Railway, the operators of the world-famous Bernina Express, attach great importance to the origin of the energy they procure as well as further developments in the area of sustainability. Already since 2013, they have used 100% of hydropower for their locomotives and properties. Their energy requirement on trains and at railway stations is being optimised on an ongoing basis: whether with CO2-minimised external air controls, renewable energy for heating or modern recycling concepts.

rhb.ch/sustainability

Brunni – Switzerland's first climate-neutral railway company.



By receiving the award "climate-neutral company 2018" Brunni railways set new standards across Switzerland – if not worldwide. With its solar power stations, the Brunni-Bahnen Engelberg AG produces roughly 130'000 kWh per year. That is more electricity than is needed to operate the snow canons on all slopes of the whole skiing area. Thus, CO2-free snow is being produced, or as they like to call it: "sun snow". In addition, warm water and heating energy is generated from the groundwater, and the chairlift stops automatically as soon as nobody rides on it. A mountain experience in genuinely clean air. brunni.ch

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