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Wilhelm Tell Express on Lake Lucerne, Central Switzerland

# In the footsteps of Wilhelm Tell.

Wilhelm Tell forms the inspiration behind a unique itinerary that combines boat and train to travel through Central Switzerland to Ticino.

## From the very birthplace of Switzerland...

Setting off from Lucerne, the Wilhelm Tell Express will take you aboard a paddle steamboat, one of the jewels of the fleet on Lake Lucerne, for a cruise on its sparkling waters. You will pass small typical villages, places that have witnessed the birth of Switzerland – such as the Rütli meadow – and majestic mountains whilst you partake of lunch on board.

## ...to the south of the Alps

From Flüelen, the journey then continues by train, in a carriage offering panoramic views, taking in the admirable views of the Reuss Valley, before crossing the Alps through the Gotthard tunnel. To the south of the Alps, the canton of Ticino will unveil its Mediterranean charms. After passing through the Leventina Valley, you will rejoin Lake Lugano or Lake Maggiore, the choice is yours, so you can decide how best to end your itinerary in Bellinzona. From one lake to the next, the Wilhelm Tell Express offers you a journey to both sides of the Alps.

### Take to the waters!

In summer, Flüelen takes on a flavor of the Côte d'Azur. A group of artificial islands known as "Lorelei", made up of some three million tons of rubble resulting from the construction of the Gotthard Base Tunnel, invite you to take a swim in the Reuss delta.



Tip 1

MySwitzerland.com  
Webcode: **A128200**

### Back to the source

A new hiking itinerary will take you to the sources of four major European rivers: the Rhine, the Rhone, the Reuss (tributary of the Rhine) and the Ticino (which flows into the Po). Five stages in the mountains over four days of walking (one per river).



Tip 2

MySwitzerland.com  
Webcode: **A127946**

### From land to water

The "Bolle di Magadino" form a splendid nature reserve. These wetlands extend across the region of Verbano, at the mouth of two rivers: the Ticino and the Verzasca. The area is a paradise for nature and is home to more than 240 species of bird.



Tip 3

MySwitzerland.com  
Webcode: **A40979**

## Network Switzerland:

### Hotel Casa Santo Stefano, Miglieglia, Ticino

Register until 30.9.2012 at [MySwitzerland.com/aso](http://MySwitzerland.com/aso) and win a two-night stay for two people at the Casa Santo Stefano Hotel, Miglieglia (Typically Swiss Hotel) in Ticino.



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