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Middle and Far East

The innovations introduced in this area under the summer schedules are maintained in the winter: Dhahran and Abu Dhabi are served once weekly. Some flights to Beirut and Teheran will be by DC-10. The DC-10 operation in the Middle East will be extended to one of the two non-stop flights to Cairo, in collaboration with Egyptair, at the same time enlarging the cargo capacity on this route.

The wider summer programme to the Far East remains in operation with some adjustments. The Switzerland-Tokyo express flight via Bombay will call in both directions at Hong Kong, so that this destination will be served with DC-10 exclusively. On the other hand, the call at Hong Kong on the Manila service has been deleted.

As flights have still to be routed around South Vietnam, travelling time on services east of Bangkok continues regrettably to be one hour longer.

AFRICA AND EUROPE

For Africa no change is made compared with the summer programme. In Europe the evening service Zurich-Brussels and the afternoon flight Zurich-Salzburg, both introduced in the summer, are being maintained. However, in the light of the economic situation Swissair will not this winter operate the night flights Geneva-London and Zurich-Copenhagen-Stockholm. Similarly, some flights which have recently shown poor utilisation on the routes to Munich, Paris, Rome and Vienna will not be operated this winter.

Discovering Switzerland on Foot

Walking is one of the most popular ways of spending a holiday and Switzerland, with its 40,000 miles of footpaths, offers very many opportunities for enthusiasts of this healthy pastime. An increasing number of resorts arrange walking weeks with accommodation, meals and daily guided excursions of three to six hours on foot. Resorts in Graubunden offering these facilities are Arosa, Bad Scuol-Tarasp-Vulpera. Davos, Disentis, Klosters, Laax, Maloja, Camedan (also horseriding), San Bernardino, Savognin and Zuoz. East Switzerland can be explored by footpaths at Amden, Appenzell, Nesslau and Wildhaus, while in Central Switzerland, at Brunnen, Engelberg and Uteriberg, and in the Bernese Oberland, at Beatenberg, Brienz, Grindelwald, Hasliberg and the Obersimmental, walking enthusiasts will be tempted by alpine surroundings wearing the lovely hues of autumn. Routes through the Jura can be covered with a horse-drawn waggon. In Canton Valais the paths lead from the Bettmeralp and Riederalp and Morel-Breiten into the Aletsch region; from Fiesch and Saas Fee into the high mountains and from Mayens-de-Riddes on muleback through various valleys. Lastly, in the southern Canton of Ticino, Mendrisio and Cardada above Locarno are good places for organised walking holidays. Information is available from the local tourist offices concerned.