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## Fun Tips

### Samichlaus – Schwimmen



Zurich's Limmat River is the scene of this winter charity fundraiser in which several hundred people dressed only in swimming costumes and Santa hats attempt to swim a 111m-course from one bank to the other in distinctly nippy water, some compounding the chill by attempting to eat an ice lolly along the way. Their prize? A cup of Knorr soup and that warm fuzzy feeling that comes from helping a charity... and getting chilblains. Organised by the City of Zurich, there are scuba divers on hand to help out struggling swimmers, while participants' belongings are ferried across the river by support boats. Next event: 4th December 2016.

<http://www.timeout.com/switzerland/things-to-do/samichlaus-schwimmen>

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### Snow Waterslide Contest

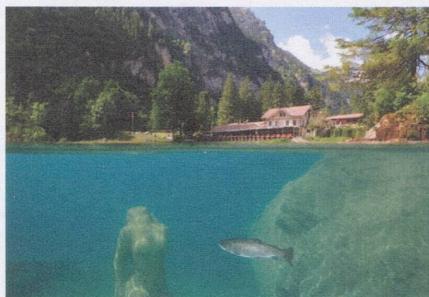


Test your mettle at this quirky event! The Snow Waterslide Contest is a wacky combination of ski jumping, birdman and watersliding. Intrigued? We too... Every February in Gruyères, a bunch of hardy souls take to a ski slope in Jaun that ends in a pit of icy water. Riding on their own, home-made "snowmobiles" (or should that be watermobiles?) participants attempt to skim across the water. Points are awarded for length of slide and originality of vehicle. Hilarity ensues. Repeat. The event is free to enter or watch and all participants win a prize.

<http://www.timeout.com/switzerland/things-to-do/snow-waterslide-contest>

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### Fishing at Blausee – Mountain Spring Waters, Rainbow- and Salmon Trout

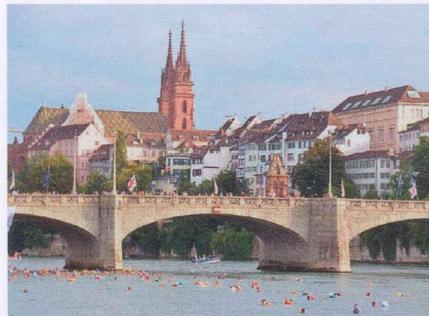


The Blausee provides ideal conditions for rainbow- and salmon trout: the mineral-rich water of the lake which also feeds a trout farm, contains crystal clear, clean mountain spring water of excellent quality. Every year in October, the lake is open to the public for fishing. Fun for the whole family and a catch is guaranteed! The 10 biggest catches of the season can even win a gift voucher! For those not interested in fishing, the surrounding area of the Blausee has a lot in store: a mystic nature park with walkways, fireplaces, picnic areas and a playground for the kids. Discover the Blausee museum or take to the lake with a glass-bottom boat – and all that in the middle of a unique backdrop. The Hotel Blausee includes a Spa where stressed bodies and souls will find a well-deserved rest.

[www.blausee.ch](http://www.blausee.ch)

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### Basel Rhine Swim



The Basel Rhine Swim is a public sport event in the City of Basel, Switzerland. Accompanied by watercraft and lifeguards, participants swim or drift about 15 minutes down the Rhine from the Münsterfahre on the Kleinbasel bank to the lower Rheinweg. The distance is about 1.8 kilometers. The Basel Rhine Swim has taken place every year from 1980, always on the first Tuesday after the school holidays. It is organised by the Swiss Life-Saving Society (SLRG)

Section Basel. Start is at 18.00 by the Münsterfahre on the Kleinbasel bank of the Rhine. The Rhine is closed for vessel traffic during the event. The number of participants ranges from several hundred to several thousand swimmers. In the summer of 2003, around 5,000 people took part. In 2007, the Basel Rhine Swim had to be cancelled due to flooding for the first time.

[https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Basler\\_Rheinschwimmen](https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Basler_Rheinschwimmen)

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### Alphasurf - The Sports and Leisure Complex with Beach Bar

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<http://www2.alphasurf.ch>

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