



Newsletter Zermatt Bergbahnen

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Matterhorn Alpine Crossing

The Matterhorn Glacier Ride II, spanning between the Matterhorn Glacier Paradise and Testa Grigia, has started operations in July 2023. The "Matterhorn Alpine Crossing" journey connecting Zermatt and Cervinia is open to explore.

While warmer temperatures and the onset of spring characterize the valley below, winter still holds sway at the pinnacle of the journey, at the Matterhorn Glacier Paradise, where cold temperatures prevail. It is precisely these striking contrasts that make this cable car journey so special, bridging two countries and cultures. Each leg and intermediate stop along the route impresses with its own unique features, whether in terms of scenic beauty or offerings.

The initial 15-minute stretch from Zermatt village through Furi to Schwarzsee delights passengers with Zermatt's splendid fauna and flora. Here, chamois and marmots are often spotted directly beneath the cable car. As the journey progresses from Schwarzsee, offering a magnificent close-up view of the Matterhorn, the landscape gradually transforms. By Trockener Steg, rocky terrain prevails, where back in the days everything was covered in ice and glaciers reached until here. From this point onward, temperatures drop, the landscape turns pristine white, and the air grows thinner.

Embarking on the Matterhorn Glacier Ride I, travellers ascend towards Europe's highest mountain station at 3,883 meters above sea level, the zenith of the excursion. A pause at the Matterhorn Glacier Paradise restaurant offers a chance to warm up and refresh before boarding the thrilling Matterhorn Glacier Ride II to Testa Grigia on the Swiss-Italian border, a highlight of the journey. Descending on the Italian side towards Cervinia, passengers find themselves immersed in a warmer, lush landscape, witnessing the Matterhorn's distinctly different shape.

Upon arrival in the village, Cervinia's Italian ambiance infuses the atmosphere, evoking a sense of tranquillity and comfort. Indulging for a typical Italian "caffè" is just one of the many delights awaiting visitors in Cervinia. Completing this extraordinary day trip, the return journey to Zermatt takes another approximately one and a half hours.

The inaugural cross-border cable car connection is also available for one-way experiences, seamlessly integrated into various travel itineraries. For more information, visit www.matterhornalpinecrossing.com/en

SnowXperience Plateau Rosa

For snow enthusiasts seeking cool relief amidst summer temperatures, the SnowXperience Plateau Rosa adventure world presents a unique opportunity to explore the glacier up close, conveniently located next to the Testa Grigia station.

The beginner's area, equipped with a magic carpet, offers an ideal setting for those taking their first turns on skis. In the basement of the Matterhorn Glacier Ride II valley station, all necessary equipment, can be rented from CHF 79.- per person on. This price includes a coach which will give you a couple of good tips. You can marvel at the breathtaking panoramic views or venture across the national border between Italy and Switzerland at an elevation of 3,480 meters above sea level.

Rooftop-Ride Zermatt Furi

Since November of last year, the modern-designed gondola linking Zermatt and Furi has been seamlessly operating. Its sleek cabins gracefully traverse the outskirts of Zermatt, offering passengers a scenic journey. As the cabin glides along, it passes by the specially constructed mast number one, which, depending on the angle, frames the Matterhorn like a magnifying glass, enhancing the awe-inspiring views.

Starting from the summer season 2024, we are thrilled to introduce another exciting feature: the Rooftop-Ride. Guests can enjoy the unobstructed view of the Matterhorn, with the wind in their hair, from the balcony mounted on top of the cabin's roof. This unforgettable experience can be booked for an extra fee starting from this summer season at our shop. Additionally, the interior of the cabins offers superb views and ensures a comfortable journey with its spacious windows.