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Welcome to Bern

Whether it's in the vibrant Swiss capital city of Bern, the varied surrounding area, in the hilly and mystic Emmental, in the Gantrisch Nature Park of the Prealps or between the Napf and the Jura in the Oberaargau Region – this is one scenic region. It might just be these very places and beautiful landscapes that have shaped the distinctly melodic dialect and legendary warmth of the Bernese. In 1983, Bern became a UNESCO World Heritage Site and can easily be reached by plane, rail or car today. The BERN Airport and direct connections to the high-speed trains TGV and ICE make a true hub out of the city. Thanks to its central location, Bern is ideal for outings and trips throughout Switzerland and is commonly known as the gateway to the Alps.

We look forward to welcoming you.

Reasons to Love Bern

► Swiss Capital

Bern is the capital city of Switzerland. It is THE place where all the important decisions of our country are made. Furthermore Bern is a center for education and invention. Even Albert Einstein lived in Bern between 1902 – 1909 and it was here that he invented his theory of relativity, $E=mc^2$.

► Savoie-Vivre

Hurry and hectic are foreign words to the Bernese. People enjoy life and take time for what is really important – whether it is a stroll under Bern's shopping arcades, a refreshing swim in the Aare river or a delicious meal at a local cozy restaurant.

► Urban Nature

As an urban melting pot, the city still has a rural character and offers a lot of nature and recreational areas. Centrally located, Bern is a perfect hub for outings in the region as well as throughout Switzerland and is the gateway to the Alps.

► Living Tradition

The destination is rich with customs and stories such as Bern's heraldic animal at the BearPark or the Zibelemärit (Onion Market) folk festival. Living traditions can be discovered in the scenic Emmental Valley, where the real Swiss cheese, the Emmentaler AOP, is made, premium biscuits are manufactured and Schwingen (Swiss wrestling) is performed.

► Cultural Diversity

Founded in 1191, the beautiful and well-preserved Old Town of Bern became a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1983. Bern is considered a true citadel of culture with 40 cultural institutions in total. With the Zentrum Paul Klee (designed by Renzo Piano) and the Westside shopping and leisure center (designed by Daniel Libeskind), two architectural gems stand alongside medieval architecture in the Old Town.

► A City of Sport

The Bernese are proud of their successful soccer team, the Young Boys, and the ice hockey club SCB. The city also offers a lot of sport activities for everybody. People use the public bikes to get around in town, hike up the local mountain Gurten or enjoy participating in sport events like the "Bern Grand Prix" running event.

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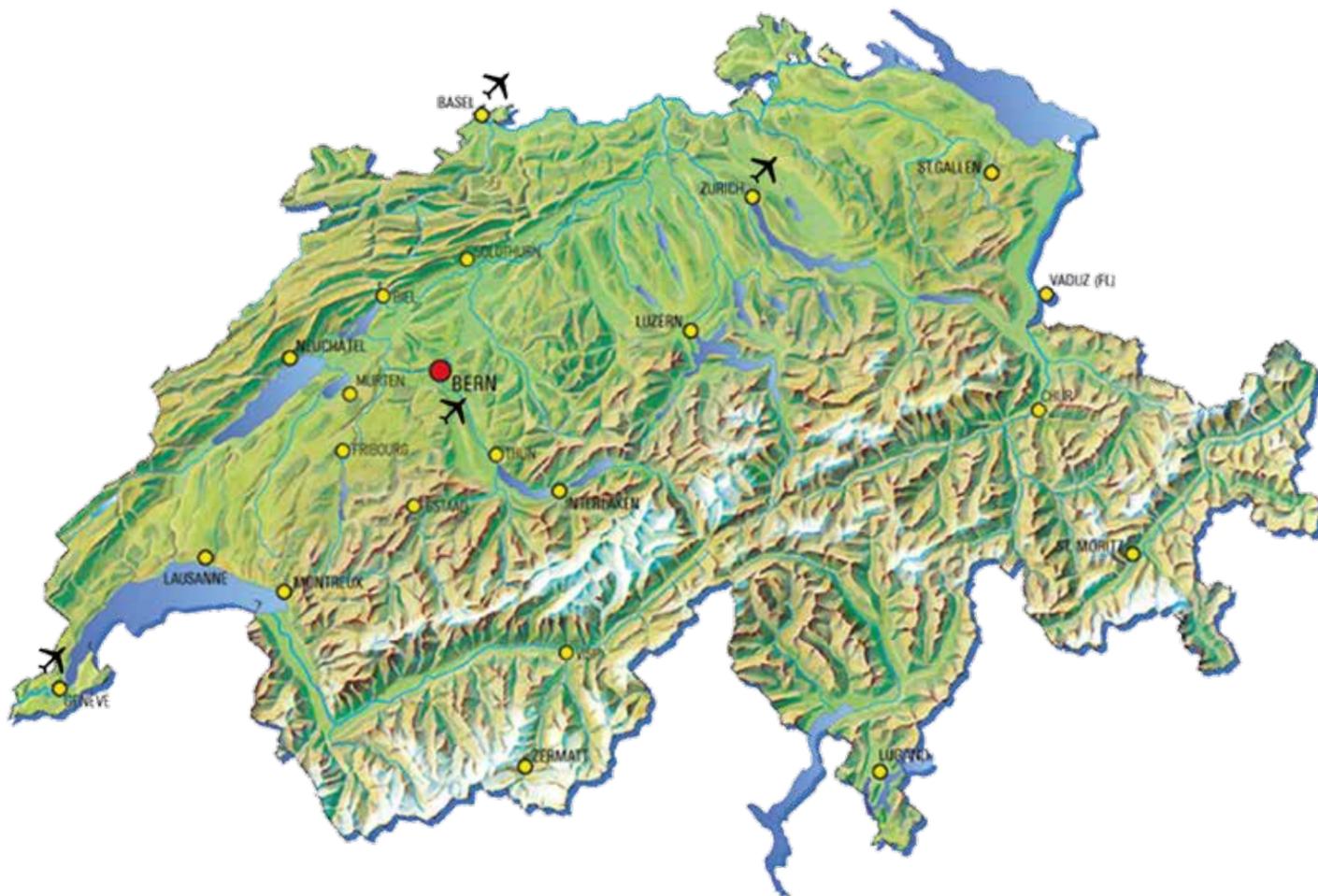


Location

Europe	km / miles	Rail	Direct flights*
Amsterdam	840 / 522	8h 5min	BSL, GVA, ZRH
Barcelona	940 / 584	11h 43min	BSL, GVA, ZRH
Berlin	965 / 600	8h 5min	BSL, GVA, ZRH
Brussels	640 / 398	6h 30min	BSL, GVA, ZRH
Frankfurt	430 / 267	3h 49min	BSL, GVA, ZRH
Hamburg	910 / 565	7h 31min	BSL, GVA, ZRH
Cologne Bonn	560 / 348	5h	ZRH
London	980 / 609	7h 3min	BSL, GVA, ZRH
Milan	350 / 218	3h 3min	GVA, ZRH
Vienna	865 / 537	8h 58min	BSL, GVA, ZRH
Munich	440 / 273	5h 27min	BSL, GVA, ZRH
Paris	590 / 367	4h 2min	BSL, GVA, ZRH
Rome	940 / 584	6h 14min	BSL, GVA, ZRH

* To BSL = Basel, GVA = Geneva, ZRH = Zurich

Switzerland	km / miles	Rail	Car
BERN Airport	11 / 7	27min	26min
Basel	100 / 62	53min	1h 10min
Geneva	160 / 100	1h 44min	1h 50min
Interlaken	60 / 37	53min	45min
Lausanne	110 / 68	1h 6min	1h 20min
Lucerne	110 / 68	1h 1min	1h 20min
Zermatt	140 / 87	2h 8min	2h 29min
Zurich	120 / 75	56min	1h 30min



Useful Information



Rose Garden

Population

142,479 (390,000 incl. suburbs), www.bern.ch

Religion

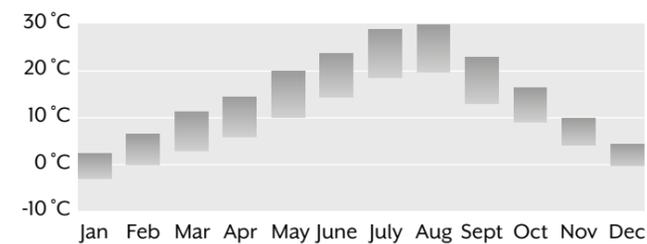
Protestant 53%, Roman Catholic 16%, others 31%

Public holidays (across Switzerland)

- ▶ 19.4.2019 / 10.4.2020 Good Friday
- ▶ 21.4.2019 / 12.4.2020 Easter
- ▶ 22.4.2019 / 13.4.2020 Easter Monday
- ▶ 30.5.2019 / 21.5.2020 Ascension Day
- ▶ 9.6.2019 / 31.5.2020 Pentecost Sunday
- ▶ 10.6.2019 / 1.6.2020 Pentecost Monday
- ▶ 1.8.2019 / 2020 Swiss National Day
- ▶ 25.12.2019 / 2020 Christmas
- ▶ 26.12.2019 / 2020 Stephan's Day
- ▶ 1.1.2020 New Year's Day
- ▶ 2.1.2020 St. Berchtold's Day

Climate | Weather

(average daily temperatures)
www.meteoschweiz.ch



Entering Switzerland

A valid passport or an identity card is required. Since Switzerland is part of the Schengen Area, Schengen visas are accepted for people entering the country. Switzerland entry regulations:
T +41 800 247 365 / +41 58 465 33 33
www.eda.admin.ch

Rail – Swiss Travel System

The Swiss Travel System unifies the entirety of Swiss public transportation and is intended to facilitate access to the comprehensive Swiss transport network for visitors from around the world.

- ▶ **Swiss Travel Pass & Swiss Travel Pass Flex***
Unlimited travel by rail, bus and boats, as well as on panoramic trains, discount for mountain railways, free admission to over 500 museums. Free family card.
Available for 3, 4, 8 or 15 consecutive days.
*3, 4, 8, 15 days of your choice within a one-month period.

Further information and timetable information at:
www.swisstravelsystem.com, www.sbb.ch, www.bls.ch

Further information
▶ Bern.com/information

Attractions in the City

UNESCO World Heritage Site



Due to its for the most part unchanged and intact medieval city structure, stately sandstone buildings and historical towers, Bern was declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1983.

Parliament Building



Seat of the Swiss government and the Parliament, featuring a water display with 26 fountains on Bundesplatz (Parliament Square). Each water fountain represents one of the Swiss cantons.

Einstein



The physicist Albert Einstein (1879–1955) was living in Bern when he came up with his famous formula $E=mc^2$. The apartment he was living in at that time is open to visitors, and the Bern Historical Museum hosts the world's first Einstein Museum.

Gurten



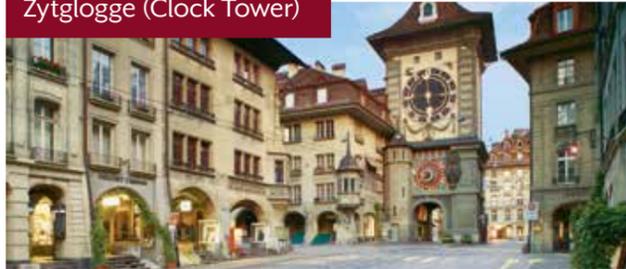
The Gurten is located just outside of the city at 864 meters (2,835 feet) above sea level and has a view of the Bernese Alps and across all of the Swiss Mittelland. Reach it on foot or take the Gurten funicular and enjoy the restaurants, picnic areas, a large children's playground, toboggan run and hiking trails.

Arcades



With six kilometers of arcades, Bern has one of Europe's longest covered shopping promenades. And there is everything you're looking for – be it stylish boutiques, exquisite jewelry shops, traditional markets or shopping malls of any size.

Zytglogge (Clock Tower)



The first western gate of the town (1191–1256) is now one of Bern's most important attractions. The room housing the clock mechanism can be visited on a guided tour.

Museum of Fine Arts



The Kunstmuseum Bern is Switzerland's oldest art gallery. With works from eight centuries, it is regarded as an institution of world-class standing.

Rose Garden



The Rose Garden is a large park with a wonderful view of the Old Town and the Aare loop. The park is home to a panoramic restaurant, 220 different types of roses, 200 types of irises and moor beds with 28 different types of rhododendrons.

Markets



Colorful markets set out their wares on Waisenhausplatz (Orphanage Square), Bärenplatz (Bear's Square), Bundesplatz (Parliament Square) and on Münstergasse every Tuesday and Saturday, offering fresh produce, flowers and meats.

Bern Münster (Minster)



From Switzerland's highest church tower visitors can enjoy magnificent views across the city and into the Bernese Mittelland and the snow-capped mountains of the Bernese Oberland.

Zentrum Paul Klee



Built in 2005 to a design by leading architect Renzo Piano, this cultural institution houses the most significant collection of works worldwide by Paul Klee.

BearPark



The BearPark is completely dedicated to Bern's symbol. The visitors walkway down at the Aare river provides guests with incredible insight into the life of bears. With an inclined elevator.

Urban Swimming (Aare)



Bern's open-air pools, such as the Marzili and Lorraine are popular spots in the summer. They are free of charge and starting points for the famous "Aare river swimming" tradition.

Fountains



Well over 100 fountains (with drinkable water) adorn Bern. In the Old Town, eleven of these still bear the original statues with their eye-catching allegorical figures.

Westside



The Westside leisure and shopping center built by Daniel Libeskind is an architectural bijou, shopping center, multiplex cinema and restaurant, hotel and conference center, pool complex, spa and fitness center – all in one.

Zoological Garden Dählhölzli



Visitors can become acquainted with the zoo and its more than 200 different animal species on 365 days a year. The zoo lies between the Aare and the Dählhölzli forest.

Further information
 ► Bern.com/attractions

How to Get Around

Bern Ticket

When you book tourist accommodation in the city of Bern, you will be given a Travel Card valid throughout your entire stay.

Free travel on public transport in zones 100/101 operated by the LIBERO Association including

- ▶ Gurten funicular
- ▶ Marzilibahn funicular
- ▶ Elevator to the Minster Platform
- ▶ Travel to and from BERN Airport.

On your day of arrival, your reservation confirmation can be used as a transfer ticket from the station or the airport of Bern to your accommodation.

Timetable and information at:
www.mylibero.ch



Bicycle & E-Bike Rental

Bike sharing is an ideal addition to private and public transport for short distances. PubliBike's bicycles and e-bikes get you from A to B quickly and easily.

Switzerland's largest bike-sharing network will ultimately include around 200 stations with 2,400 bikes and e-bikes.

- ▶ Up to 30 minutes CHF 3.– per bicycle / CHF 4.50 per e-bike
- ▶ Daily flat rate (max. 24 hours) CHF 20.– per bicycle / CHF 40.– per e-bike

www.publibike.ch

Walking Routes for Everyone

Explore Bern on walking routes created by locals and travel experts. Find a walking map that fits your interests and discover the Swiss capital.

www.walkli.com/routes/Bern

Further information

Bern Welcome, Tourist Information
Bahnhofplatz 10a | 3011 Bern | T +41 (0)31 328 12 12
info@bern.com | Bern.com/information

**Free
Travel Card**



City Tours

UNESCO Stroll Through the Old Town



2 hrs, max. 20 people: CHF 300.–*

A tour of discovery on foot through the Old Town of Bern and past the most beautiful attractions of this UNESCO World Heritage Site.

City Tour by Bus



1 hr 30 min in own bus: CHF 300.–*. Bus rental upon request.

City tour through Bern in your own bus, led by a knowledgeable local guide, taking in the sights and attractions of Bern.

Follow your nose



2 hrs, max. 10 people: CHF 600.– with perfume workshop.

1 hr 15 min, max. 20 people: CHF 300.– without perfume workshop. Let yourself be seduced by the world of fragrances and the historic city center of Bern. Optional: Create your own perfume.

Rickshaw-iPod AudioGuide Tour



1 hr: CHF 85.–, 2 hrs: CHF 160.–: One rickshaw for two people, max. 4 rickshaws available. Get to know Bern at a leisurely pace from the comfort of a three-wheeled rickshaw.

* Prices valid as of April 2019.
Subject to change.

City Tour by Scooter



2 hrs, up to 12 people: CHF 540.–. For 13 people or more: CHF 45.– per person.

An unforgettable guided tour on a non-motorized scooter through Bern, for young and old.

Zytglogge (Clock Tower)



50 min, max. 20 people: CHF 250.–* (all inclusive)

An excursion into the fascinating technology of the Middle Ages (clockwork mechanism dating from the 16th century) and a unique view high above Bern's alleyways and rooftops.

iPod AudioGuide



Up to 6 hrs: CHF 18.– | up to 24 hrs: CHF 25.– This different kind of city guide uses an iPod to take you to Bern's most beautiful spots, complete with audio and pictorial explanations. Discover Bern through this multimedia experience – guided, but at your own pace.

Tour Escort

Rates 2019

1 hr: CHF 75.–
up to 5 hrs: CHF 350.–
up to 9 hrs: CHF 600.–
every additional hour: CHF 75.–

Our guides will welcome your group at your hotel or the main station and will escort or accompany you during short trips and excursions – anywhere in Switzerland.

Events

Artificial Ice Rink



18.12.2019 – 16.2.2020 In the winter, Bundesplatz (Parliament Square) becomes a playground for ice skaters. This artificial ice rink amid the unique setting of the Swiss Parliament Building is hugely popular with locals and tourists alike. Entry is free of charge. Ice skates are available to rent at the rink. Bern.com/events

Bern Carnival



7. – 9.3. 2019 / 27. – 29.2.2020 Once a year, the Bernese get all dressed up and celebrate until the wee hours of the morning. "Fasnacht" has become Switzerland's third-largest carnival of fun and frivolity. www.fasnacht.be

Brächete, Zäziwil



25.9.2019 / 30.9.2020 Using old tools of the trade, women in traditional dress demonstrate the process of transforming flax into beautiful tablecloths, linens and much more. At the market stands you will find regional specialties plus many traditional products.

Bern.com/events

News and highlights from the Swiss capital: Here's where you will find an overview of all the news and best events in Bern.

International Jazz Festival Bern



11.3. – 18.5.2019 / 9.3. – 15.5.2020 Thanks to the staging of this international jazz festival, world-class jazz can be heard live in Bern. Attracting many visitors from home and abroad to the capital every year, the jazz festival has garnered a worldwide reputation as one of the most important traditional jazz events. www.jazzfestivalbern.ch

Bern Museum Night



22.3.2019 / 20.3.2020 Cultural presentations and culinary treats abound in unfamiliar surroundings and at out-of-the-ordinary times – it only happens once a year on Bern Museum Night. www.museumsnacht-bern.ch

Themed Markets in Huttwil



5. – 7.4.2019 Easter Egg Market
6. – 7.7.2019 Historical Handicraft Market
5. – 6.10.2019 Swiss Cheese Market
27.11. – 1.12.2019 Christmas Market Huttwil

Shnit



17. – 27.10.2019 / 15. – 25.10.2020 The shnit worldwide Shortfilmfestival stands for top-quality entertainment thanks to gripping, moving, stylishly powerful short films. shnit's global festival network is unique and enables the best short films from all over the world to be presented in Bern. www.shnit.org

Bern Grand Prix / Swiss Women's Run Bern



11.5.2019 / 9.5.2020 The Bern Grand Prix is a running festival with over 20,000 entrants. www.gpbern.ch
16.6.2019 / 14.6.2020 With more than 15,000 participants, the Swiss Women's Run is the biggest on the European mainland. The race is divided into various categories. www.frauenlauf.ch

Zapf!



15.6.2019 Bern has around 150 breweries and microbreweries – more than any other city in Switzerland. The Bernese are passionate about experimenting with hops and malt and studying the secrets behind the art of beer brewing. As a result the Swiss capital hosts the ZAPF! craft beer festival – it's all about beer and food.

Reportagen Festival

**Erzählte Welt.
Reportagen Festival Bern
30.8. bis 1.9.2019**

924 Reportagen – 98 Länder – 21 Sprachen

30.8. – 1.9.2019 Thanks to the "True Story Award", a new prize for written reportage, over 60 reporters from all around the world will come together in Bern. It will be the first festival of its kind in the German-speaking world. They will describe their work, provide insight into their experience and recount personal stories. www.reportagenfestival.ch

Rendez-vous Bundesplatz



18.10. – 23.11.2019 Rendez-vous Bundesplatz shows off the federal Parliament Building in a truly special light. The interplay of music in a variety of styles and monumental images meticulously fitted to the building creates a very special sensory experience. The free show lasts about 30 minutes and is presented several times a day. Bern.com/events

Gurten Festival



17.7. – 20.7.2019 / 15.7. – 18.7.2020 The Gurten Festival with its internationally-renowned bands is an extremely popular, peaceful musical happening that takes place on Bern's local mountain, the Gurten. The four-day, open-air music festival is aimed at a broad general public, and is legendary for its great atmosphere. www.gurtenfestival.ch

Buskers Bern Street Music Festival



8. – 10.8.2019 / 6. – 8.8.2020 Around 35 groups from all over the world enliven the lower Old Town of Bern with their music, performance art and charm. Some 150 professional artists give high-quality performances in the genres of music, pavement art, variety and comedy. www.buskersbern.ch

Zibelemärit (Onion Market)



25.11.2019 / 22.11.2020 The Zibelemärit (Onion Market) is a traditional folk festival that always takes place on the fourth Monday in November. Farmers from the surrounding areas bring more than 50 metric tons of onions – in artistically woven braids – and garlic to the capital. Bern.com/events

Bern Christmas Markets



30.11. – 28.12.2019 / December 2020 From enchanting fairy-tale worlds, traditional markets and winter pop-up bars to unique winter experiences. Bern in December is the perfect place to get in the Christmas mood. Bern.com/events

Further information
► Bern.com/events

Albert Einstein

Albert Einstein – who isn't familiar with him. Albert Einstein (1879 - 1955) was living in Bern when he created his famous formula $E=mc^2$ in 1905 and revolutionized our concept of space and time. Einstein plays a significant role in Bern: Besides the one-of-a-kind Einstein Museum, the Einstein House, the Einstein Kaffee and the Einstein city tour, Bern is also home to the unique Einstein benches.

Museum Card



The Museum Card entitles the bearer to free entry for a period of 24/48 hours to the permanent exhibitions and special collections of all museums which are members of the "museen bern" association.

Prices

Prices are for adults aged 16 or over (date of birth)

24 hours CHF 28.–

48 hours CHF 35.–

Note: Most museums are closed on Monday.

Einstein Benches



Want to take a souvenir photo with Albert Einstein? Or relax with a book or an ice cream while sitting next to the genius? You will find Bern's famous resident on benches in four different locations in the city. The figure depicting Einstein in his earlier years can be found at the Rose Garden, the BearPark, the Bern Historical Museum, and the University of Bern. Share your pictures with us.

@ilove_bern, #ilovebern, #einsteinselfie

Einstein Museum & Bern Historical Museum



The most comprehensive Einstein exhibition worldwide. Spread over 1,200m², original memorabilia, written records and film documentaries describe Einstein's life and at the same time illustrate the history of the 20th century. Animated films, experiments and a virtual journey through the cosmos explain Einstein's revolutionary theories. The Einstein Museum is part of the Bern Historical Museum. In its permanent exhibition, it shows highlights from the fields of history, prehistory, early history and ethnography. The objects on display range from the Stone Age to the present, and are from cultures on every continent.

Guided Tour at Einstein Museum



Group Package

- ▶ A one-hour guided tour through the Einstein exhibition
- ▶ Discount voucher for the museum shop
- ▶ An Einstein souvenir

Net rate: CHF 150.– per group plus CHF 13.– per person entrance fee (free entry with Swiss Travel Pass)

Languages: English, French, German, Italian, Mandarin

Max. 20 people per group

www.bhm.ch/en/booking-einstein

Einstein House



The Einstein House is located in the center of the Old Town, at Kramgasse 49 some 200 meters below the Zytglogge (Clock Tower). The pictures in the apartment – Einstein's home between 1903 and 1905 – give an insight into Einstein's years in Bern. Copies of documents and some of his writings supply information on his scientific work. It is here that Einstein developed his theory of relativity.

Further information

▶ Bern.com/Albert-Einstein

Shopping

Opening Hours

	Monday–Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Old Town shops	9 a.m. – 7 p.m.	9 a.m. – 9 p.m.	9 a.m. – 7 p.m.	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Shops closed
Westside shopping mall	9 a.m. – 8 p.m.	9 a.m. – 8 p.m.	9 a.m. – 10 p.m.	8 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Shops closed
Main station shops	9 a.m. – 9 p.m.	9 a.m. – 9 p.m.	9 a.m. – 9 p.m.	9 a.m. – 8 p.m.	10 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Bern Markets

General Market		Handicrafts Market	
Waisenhausplatz (Orphanage Square)	January to November, Tue and Sat; also Thu evening from April to October	Münsterplattform (Minster Platform)	March to November, every first Sat of the month
Vegetable, Fruit and Flower Market		Zibelemärit (Onion Market)	
Bundesplatz (Parliament Square), Schauplatz-, Gurten-, Münster- and Bundesgasse	January to December, Tue and Sat morning	Bern City Center	Always on the fourth Mon in November
Bärenplatz (Bear's Square)	November to March, Tue and Sat; April to October also Wed and Fri	Christmas Markets	
		Waisenhausplatz (Orphanage Square)	30.11. – 28.12.2019
		Münsterplatz (Minster Square)	30.11. – 24.12.2019
		Sternenmarkt	28.11. – 29.12.2019

Souvenirs & Watches



Typically Bern			Souvenir Shops		
bblubb	Soap manufacturer	www.bblubb.ch	Heimatwerk	Swiss handicrafts	www.heimatwerk-bern.ch
Art of Scent	Swiss Perfume	www.artofscents.ch	Vom Fass	Liqueurs, Vinegars & Oils	www.bern.vomfass.com
Chäshütte	Cheese Shop	www.chaeshuette.ch	Läderach Chocolatier	Handmade chocolate	www.laederach.com
Matte Gin	Local Liqueurs	www.mattebrennerei.ch	Klötzli Messerschmiede	Swiss knives	www.klotzli.com
Altes Tramdepot	Beer brewery	www.altestramdepot.ch	Beck Glatz Confiseur	Bakery	www.mandelbaerli.ch
Rösterei	Coffee roastery	www.roesterei.be	Sirupier de Berne	Syrup shop	www.sirupier.ch
Watches and Jewelry			Ingwerer	Local Liqueurs	www.ingwerer.ch
Bijoux Stadelmann	Exclusive jewelry	www.bijouxstadelmann.ch			
Bucherer	Luxury watch brands	www.bucherer.com			
Adamek	Goldsmith	www.adamek.ch			
Zigerli + Iff	Watches & jewelry	www.zigerli-iff.ch			



Shopping in Bern

Dining

Group Restaurants

Restaurant	Phone / Web	Cuisine / Specialties	Description
Altes Tramdepot	T +41 (0)31 368 14 15 www.altestramdepot.ch	Traditional dishes, own beer brewery	Next to the BearPark, coach parking, beautiful view of the Old Town and the Aare.
Cinematte	T +41 (0)31 312 21 22 www.cinematte.ch	French cuisine with Mediterranean influence	Unique combination of restaurant, bar and movie theater right next to the Aare river.
Dampfzentrale	T +41 (0)31 312 33 00 www.taberna.ch/dampfzentrale	Traditional dishes, Mediterranean creations	A former steam power plant, right next to the Aare river.
Harmonie	T +41 (0)31 313 11 41 www.harmonie.ch	Fondue, cheese, open sandwiches, home-style fare	One of the oldest and most traditional restaurants near the Bern Minster.
Lorenzini	T +41 (0)31 318 50 67 www.lorenzini.ch	Italian, Tuscan	The Italian restaurant in Bern.
Rosengarten	T +41 (0)31 331 32 06 www.rosengarten.be	Traditional dishes, Mediterranean creations	Views across Bern's Old Town. Modern ambiance with a 1950s style.
Schwellenmätteli	T +41 (0)31 350 50 01 www.schwellenmaetteli.ch	Fish specialties	Bernese Riviera, situated directly on the Aare.
Verdi	T +41 (0)31 312 63 68 www.bindella.ch	Traditional Italian dining culture	Numerous memorabilia are reminiscent of the composer. With gallery and vaulted cellar.

FIT Restaurants

Restaurant	Phone / Web	Cuisine / Specialties	Description
Bay	T +41 (0)31 311 16 66 www.restaurantbay.ch	Modern urban brasserie, regional products	Next to the Museum of Fine Arts. With bar and terrace.
Entrecôte Café Fédéral	T +41 (0)31 311 16 24 www.entrecote.ch	Renowned for its entrecôte	Adjacent to the Parliament Building, all federal councillors are immortalized in portraits.
Casa Novo	T +41 (0)31 992 44 44 www.casa-novo.ch	Seasonal, Mediterranean	14 Gault Millau points. Bijou with a lovely terrace, directly on the Aare river.
Jack's Brasserie	T +41 (0)31 326 80 80 www.schweizerhof-bern.ch	French brasserie cuisine, famous Wienerschnitzel	14 Gault Millau points. Fin-de-siècle ambiance.
Lötschberg	T +41 (0)31 311 34 55 www.loetschberg-aoc.ch	Swiss, fondue, raclette	Tradition in urban and trendy surroundings.
Schöngrün	T +41 (0)31 359 02 90 www.restaurant-schoengruen.ch	Seasonal, modern	15 Gault Millau points. Next to the Zentrum Paul Klee.
The Beef	T +41 (0)31 311 64 00 www.beef-steakhouse.ch	Steakhouse, finest Swiss beef	Restaurant with sports bar and lounge near the Zytglogge (Clock Tower)
VUE	T +41 (0)31 320 45 45 www.bellevue-palace.ch	Contemporary interpretations of great classic dishes	16 Gault Millau points. Beautiful view from the terrace.

Asian & Middle Eastern Restaurants

Restaurant	Phone / Web	Cuisine / Specialties	Description
Dalun	T +41 (0)31 332 20 30 www.dalun.ch	Chinese	Group restaurant in the Lorraine district.
Plattform	T +41 (0)31 312 54 00 www.plattform.be	Chinese / Thai	Chinese, Thai, pizzeria, steakhouse all under one roof. Groups and FIT.
Yü	T +41 (0)31 339 52 50 www.yu-kursaal.ch	Chinese	Recommended for business lunches and FITs located in Hotel Allegro.
Fischermätteli Hua Yuan	T +41 (0)31 381 37 89 www.fischermaetteli.ch	Chinese	Group and family restaurant, own parking, garden terrace.
Boky	T +41 (0)31 382 28 28 www.boky.ch	Chinese	Traditional group restaurant close to the main station.
Tien Tien	T +41 (0)31 372 32 38	Chinese	Authentic traditional FIT restaurant.
Taishi	T +41 (0)31 370 99 99 www.fhotels.ch	Japanese	Teppanyaki restaurant at Hotel Ambassador.
Sushi Bar Yamasaki	T +41 (0)31 311 75 70 www.sushibar-yamasaki.ch	Japanese	FIT restaurant in the heart of the Old Town.
Japigo	T +41 (0)31 302 01 00 www.japigo.ch	Japanese	Quiet restaurant in the city center.
Oishii Sushi & Grill	T +41 (0)31 318 15 18 www.oishii-bern.ch	Japanese	FIT restaurant close to the main station.
Fugu	T +41 (0)31 311 51 25 www.fugu-nydegg.ch	Japanese / Thai	FIT restaurant with innovative and modern dishes, close to the BearPark.
Soriya	T +41 (0)31 318 18 88 www.soriya.ch	Pan-Asian	Close to the Zytglogge (Clock Tower). For FIT and small groups.
Arirang	T +41 (0)31 329 29 45 www.restaurant-arirang.ch	Korean	Family-owned restaurant close to the main station.
Okra	T +41 (0)31 332 18 44 www.okra.ch	Indian	Authentic indian cuisine in the Lorraine district.
Way to India	T +41 (0)31 318 10 00 www.waytoindia-bern.ch	Indian	On three floors at Bärenplatz close to the Parliament Building.
Maharaja Palace	T +41 (0)31 382 64 64 www.maharajapalace.ch	Indian	First traditional Indian restaurant in Bern. Recommended for groups and FITs.
Domino	T +41 (0)31 311 41 91 www.domino-bern.ch	Lebanese / Halal	Family restaurant close to the main station.
Mont Liban	T +41 (0)31 333 07 77 www.montliban-bern.ch	Lebanese / Halal	Oriental delicacies in the Breitenrain district.
Tibits	T +41 (0)31 313 02 22 www.tibits.ch	Vegetarian	Vegetarian and vegan buffet at the main station and Gurtengasse.



Restaurant Casa Novo



Bärenplatz

Bernese Specialties

- ▶ Bernese platter (sauerkraut or green beans with tongue sausage, pork loin, bacon and potatoes)
- ▶ Bernese Rösti
- ▶ Bernese onion soup
- ▶ Toblerone mousse
- ▶ Ankezüpfle (braided bread)
- ▶ Meringue
- ▶ Mandelbärli (almond bears)
- ▶ Bernese hazelnut gingerbread
- ▶ Bärner Müntschi (local beer)

Tips

Tips are included in prices. The amount is often rounded up at the diner's discretion.

Further information
▶ Bern.com/eat-drink



The capital's luxury address

The vibrant hotel of the Swiss government with a history extending back 150 years – the Bellevue Palace is the only Grand Hotel in the heart of Bern, the capital of Switzerland.

- 128 rooms including 26 suites
- 12 banquet and meeting rooms, with a capacity up to 400 participants, cocktail receptions for up to 1000 guests
- Valet parking service available
- 16-point GaultMillau restaurant «VUE»



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Accommodation

Hotels

Whether you are looking for an exclusive 5-star hotel or a cozy guesthouse, authentic surroundings or modern architecture, you are certain to find suitable accommodation in Bern. There is a total of 48 hotels with 2,504 rooms available.

Category	No. of Hotels	Rooms
***** Superior	2	227
**** Superior	2	197
****	11	811
*** Superior	2	67
***	15	625
**	4	214
* Superior	1	102
Without classification	11	261

More information about individual hotels can be found in the hotel list. Hotel reservations for groups can be made conveniently with Bern Welcome.

Alternative Accommodation

- ▶ Bed & Breakfast
- ▶ Apartments
- ▶ Camping sites
- ▶ Temporary housing

Bern Ticket

When you book tourist accommodation in the city of Bern, you will be given a Bern Ticket valid throughout your entire stay. Enjoy free travel on public transport in zones 100/101 operated by the LIBERO Association.

Further information

- ▶ Bern.com/accommodation

Special Offers

Are you familiar with our package offers? Do you wish to make Bern the starting point for your Switzerland tour? We can provide you with tried-and-tested suggestions, as well as put together an offer tailored specifically to your needs at no extra charge.

Further information

- ▶ T +41 (0)31 328 12 60, meetings@bern.com



Hotel Schweizerhof Bern

Hotels Bern City

Meeting Facilities

No Meeting Facilities

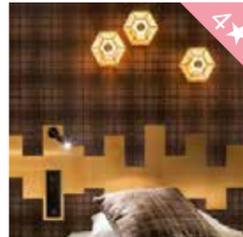


Bellevue Palace ★★★★★

The Swiss government's guesthouse – Bern's sole grand hotel at the heart of the capital with a magnificent "VUE" of the Alps. A meeting place for politicians and diplomats, a setting for John Le Carré's spy novels, or an easy rendezvous point for the whole of Bern.

♣ 129
T +41 (0)31 320 45 45
www.bellevue-palace.ch

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The Bristol ★★★★★

At The Bristol in Bern, you will not only be able to recuperate physically, but also mentally. Humour – and especially the British take on it – is the recipe for lifting you out of the gloom of the grey foggy weather of everyday life. 100 rooms at the heart of Bern's Old Town, Swiss sleeping comfort with Elite beds, in-house bar & lounge, high-speed Internet.

♣ 100
T +41 (0)31 311 01 01
www.thebristol-bern.ch

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Ador ★★★

Centrally located 3-star hotel. 59 modern rooms. A three-minute walk from Bern main station. Indoor parking. Conferences/seminars for 2 to 480 people.

♣ 59
T +41 (0)31 388 01 11
www.sorellhotels.com/de/ador/bern

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City am Bahnhof ★★★

A centrally located hotel near the main station and Bern's famous shopping arcades. Lots of attractions and shopping facilities, the Parliament Building, and tram stations are all nearby. The 3-star hotel offers modern comfort in spacious rooms. Free WLAN.

♣ 58
T +41 (0)31 311 53 77
www.fassbindhotels.ch

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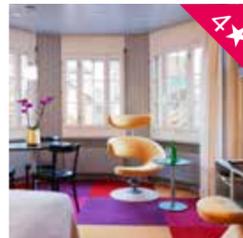


Hotel Schweizerhof Bern & THE SPA ★★★★★

A centrally located luxury hotel in Bern: 99 rooms and suites, 11 meeting and event rooms, Jack's Brasserie (14 Gault Millau points), the Lobby Lounge Bar, Cigar Lounge, Sky Terrace and THE SPA (open 365 days a year).

♣ 99
T +41 (0)31 326 80 80
www.schweizerhof-bern.ch

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BEST WESTERN Hotel Bern ★★★★★

The Best Western Hotel Bern featuring 99 rooms and an 800-m² seminar floor (eight meeting rooms) is located in the heart of the city, just a five-minute walk from the main station and 130 m from the Metro parking. The Volkshaus 1914 restaurant offers a wide range of culinary delights.

♣ 99
T +41 (0)31 329 22 22
www.hotel-bern.ch

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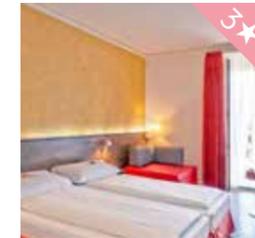


Hotel Alpenblick - welcome hotels ★★★

The cozy 3-star hotel in Swiss urban alpine style is centrally located just a few minutes' drive from Bern's Old Town, the exhibition area and the Stade de Suisse. In addition to 53 stylishly designed rooms, the hotel facilities are also rounded off with a restaurant with a winter garden, a gym and a conference room.

♣ 52
T +41 (0)31 335 66 66
www.alpenblick-bern.ch

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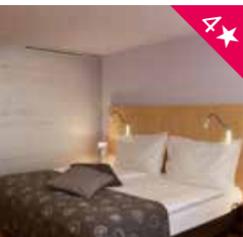


Arabelle ★★★

Just a few minutes' walk from the main station and the Old Town. Easily accessible by public transport.

♣ 41
T +41 (0)31 301 03 05
www.arabelle.ch

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Hotel Allegro ★★★★★

The 4-star superior city hotel enjoys a central but scenic location in Bern, with fine views of the distant Alps. It offers 171 rooms, 3 restaurants, a bar, a Grand Casino, fitness facilities, its own underground parking (payable) and a Congress Centre which comprises 30 different rooms for up to 1,500 persons.

♣ 171
T +41 (0)31 339 55 00
www.allegro-hotel.ch

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Holiday Inn Bern Westside ★★★★★

This business, meeting and leisure hotel is part of the Westside leisure and shopping center and offers 144 hotel rooms and eleven meeting rooms. Every guest enjoys three hours of free access to the Bernaqua Water Park. Located only nine minutes from Bern main station and directly at the Bern-Brünnen highway exit.

♣ 144
T +41 (0)31 985 24 00
www.holidayinn.com/bernweside

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ibis Styles Bern City ★★★

The newly renovated 3-star ibis Styles Bern City hotel is only five minutes from Bern main station and ten minutes from Bern's Old Town. The hotel offers comfortable, stylish rooms, complimentary breakfast and free WLAN access.

♣ 76
T +41 (0)31 378 66 66
www.accorhotels.com/9662

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Goldener Schlüssel ★★★

Charming hotel and restaurant built in the unique style of a traditional Bernese Old Town house, 99 steps from the famous Zytglogge (Clock Tower). Bern's oldest guesthouse. The restaurant is one of the last traditional inns and offers sophisticated Swiss cuisine.

♣ 34
T +41 (0)31 311 02 16
www.goldener-schluessel.ch

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Ambassador ★★★★★

A newly renovated hotel offering ultra-modern comfort and fantastic views of Bern. Japanese teppanyaki restaurant "Taishi" and panoramic restaurant "Le Pavillon" (international specialties). Conferences for up to 250 people. Indoor pool, sauna, gym, and underground parking free of charge. Peaceful green location.

♣ 97
T +41 (0)31 370 99 99
www.fassbindhotels.ch

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Novotel ★★★★★

112 modern and air-conditioned, non-smoking rooms with free WLAN. Next to BERNEXPO and only eleven minutes from the Old Town. Hold a meeting at one of six meeting rooms. Guests are treated to culinary delights in its newly designed restaurant.

♣ 112
T +41 (0)31 339 09 09
www.novotel.com

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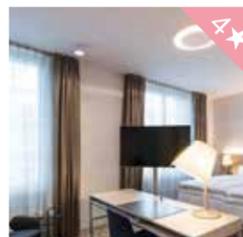


Belle Epoque ★★★★★

This hotel is centrally located on Bern's beautiful Gerechtigkeitsgasse. You will find the BearPark and the Zentrum Paul Klee are conveniently located in the nearby vicinity.

♣ 17
T +41 (0)31 311 43 36
www.belle-epoque.ch

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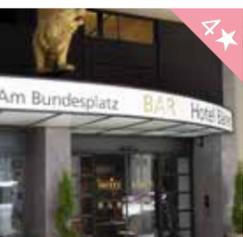


Hotel Savoy ★★★★★

2017 completely renovated Savoy is a successful blend of design and function. All the new features complement each other harmoniously: renovated rooms and plenty of modernity throughout the hotel. Its ideal location in the Old Town and its proximity to Bern main station remain unchanged.

♣ 64
T +41 (0)31 328 66 66
www.hotelsavoybern.ch

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Hotel Bären am Bundesplatz ★★★★★

Renovated in early 2019, the "Hotel Bären am Bundesplatz" is located in the center of Bern, a two-minute walk from the main station. 67 hotel rooms for sightseeing or business in the medieval Zähringen town. Enjoy the Bernese breakfast buffet and use of the fitness area.

♣ 67
T +41 (0)31 311 33 67
www.baerenbern.ch

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Unique Hotel Innere Enge ★★★★★

An extraordinary hotel paradise with a resort feel in the heart of Bern. The most unique jazz hotel in the world has 26 individually themed, comfortable rooms – and all at great value for money. The hotel's facilities include Marian's Jazz Room, the Josephine Brasserie, the Parc Café, and a mini golf course.

♣ 26
T +41 (0)31 309 61 11
www.innere-enge.ch

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Hotel Jardin ★★★

Your city hotel in Bern. Quiet neighborhood without traffic noise but still near the Old Town and the city center. A short walking distance from the tram, exhibition grounds and the sports stadiums. Free parking. Entire building renovated in 2017. Breakfast included. Restaurants in the area.

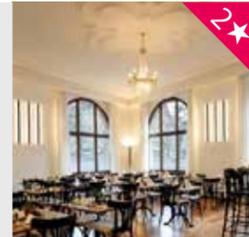
☎ 17
T +41 (0)31 333 01 17
www.hotel-jardin.ch



Waldhorn ★★★

Appealing 3-star hotel with 46 modern non-smoking rooms. Central location in the peaceful Breitenrain district between the station and Stade de Suisse / BERNEXPO. Room price includes an extensive breakfast buffet. Free tea and coffee in the hotel lobby. Underground parking available.

☎ 46
T +41 (0)31 332 23 43
www.waldhorn.ch



Hotel National ★★★

Family-operated business, close to Bern main station. Creatively adapted cuisine, sophisticated service in restaurant and function room. "The Club" disco bar.

☎ 45
T +41 (0)31 552 15 15
www.nationalbern.ch



Bern Youth Hostel

Having undergone a complete renovation and acquired a new extension, Bern Youth Hostel, perfectly located between the Parliament Building and the Aare river, now looks better than ever. Boasting two light and airy seminar rooms, this comfortable, modern building is also ideally suited for events such as corporate dinners, seminars and training courses.

☎ 50 ☎ 184
T +41 (0)31 326 11 11
www.youthhostel.ch/bern



Kreuz ★★★

Hotel Kreuz has 157 beds in newly renovated single, double, triple and family rooms, as well as 600 m² of event space for business and private occasions. This beautiful Old Town building is located in the heart of Bern just a few steps away from Bern main station and the Parliament Building.

☎ 97
T +41 (0)31 329 95 95
www.kreuzbern.ch



ibis ★★

96 comfortable non-smoking rooms with free WLAN. Directly on the exhibition grounds of BERNEXPO and only eleven minutes from the Old Town. 24-hour reception desk with web corner. Parking available. The guests have 24-hour access to a bar in the "kitchen lounge".

☎ 96
T +41 (0)31 335 12 00
www.ibishotel.com



Nydeck ★★

A cozy hotel in the heart of the Old Town offering simply furnished rooms, the stylish Junkere Bar and free Internet.

☎ 14
T +41 (0)31 311 86 86
www.hotelnydeck.ch



Hotel Landhaus by Albert & Frida

The young hotel in a more than 100-year-old listed building. Situated at the heart of the Bern's Old Town, right on the Aare river and next to the BearPark, the hotel is the perfect location for all lovers of the special and unconventional.

☎ 6 ☎ 20
T +41 (0)31 348 03 05
www.albertfrida.ch



La Pergola ★★★

This 3-star hotel is a fantastic destination for holidaymakers and business travelers: as an oasis of calm, each and every day the hotel offers genuine hospitality and recuperation from the hustle and bustle of daily life, right in the middle of a vibrant city. In 2013 it was named the friendliest hotel in Bern. All of the guest rooms were renovated in 2017.

☎ 55
T +41 (0)31 941 43 43
www.hotel-lapergola.ch



Metropole ★★

The Metropole, situated in the heart of Bern, has 103 beds in 59 functionally furnished single, double, triple and quadruple rooms. Make the most of the hotel's perfect location. A wide range of cultural activities and attractive shops nestled below the arcades are within walking distance of the hotel.

☎ 59
T +41 (0)31 329 94 94
www.hotelmetropole.ch



ibis budget ★

102 affordable non-smoking rooms. Directly on the exhibition grounds of BERNEXPO and only eleven minutes from the Old Town. 24-hour reception with web corner and catering facilities.

☎ 102
T +41 (0)31 335 12 00
www.ibishotel.com



Marthahaus

The Marthahaus Hotel offers individually and very tastefully furnished rooms in a quiet residential area of Bern, near the city center, the Old Town, the main station, BERNEXPO, the Stade de Suisse and the PostFinance Arena.

☎ 40
T +41 (0)31 332 41 35
www.marthahaus.ch



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Bern Backpackers Hotel Glocke

Bern Backpackers is the most centrally located hostel in Bern. The historic building is part of the city's UNESCO World Heritage. Close to restaurants, bars, clubs, museums and theaters. Make Bern your base for easy day trips to Interlaken, Jungfrau, Lucerne, Basel, Geneva, Zurich, etc. 2 to 6 bed dorms, single rooms, double rooms with or without shower / WC.

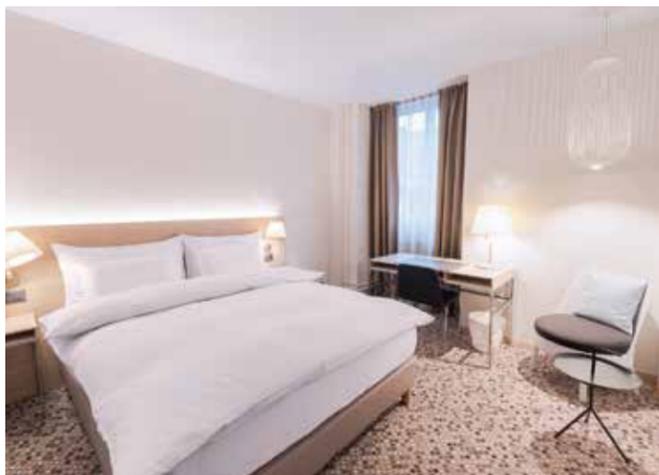
☎ 24 ☎ 76
T +41 (0)31 311 37 71
www.bernbackpackers.ch



Hostel 77

Hostel 77 offers reasonably priced accommodations in single, double, and multiple-occupancy rooms, including breakfast. The hostel is situated not far from the Old Town, the Gurten, and the Aare river; and it's an ideal and comfortable location for individual travelers, groups and families. It also features a bistro and a guest kitchen.

☎ 29 ☎ 116
T +41 (0)31 332 41 35
www.hostel77.ch



Hotels Bern Region

Meeting Facilities

No Meeting Facilities



Sternes Muri ****
 Right on the edge of the city, not far from the highway exit and easy to reach via public transport, this traditional yet modern establishment wins over guests with warm hospitality, charm, sophisticated gastronomy and hotel accommodation, and seminar and banquet rooms for every occasion.
 ☎ 44
 T +41 (0)31 950 71 11
 www.sternesmuri.ch



Hotel Moosegg ***
 Hotel Moosegg, located in the picturesque and hilly Emmental valley only a 30-minute drive from Bern and Thun, offers modern country cooking. You can also enjoy the breathtaking view of the Bernese Alps, while you sit back and relax.
 ☎ 20
 T +41 (0)34 409 06 06
 www.moosegg.ch



Hotel Auberge Langenthal
 Enjoy a warm welcome, top-class service, an inspiring setting and a relaxing ambiance. The manor house offers a choice of individually designed rooms. You can also look forward to enjoying outstanding cuisine in the gourmet restaurant, the bistro and the garden terrace. Hotel Auberge also offers modern seminar rooms and a sauna.
 ☎ 16
 T +41 (0)62 926 60 10
 www.auberge-langenthal.ch



Schloss Hünigen ****
 Whether you are organizing a banquet, wedding, event or seminar, it will be both elegant and stylish here. You can choose from the rooms accommodating up to 120 guests, as well as the separate "Von Scharnachtal Pavilion". The 49 modern yet authentic rooms offer the perfect setting for all guests.
 ☎ 49
 T +41 (0)31 791 26 11
 www.schlosshuenigen.ch



Sternes Guggisberg ****
 The "Sternes" is a traditional, family-run business with a magnificent location in Guggisberg, 30 minutes away from Bern, Fribourg and Thun. The double rooms, with magnificent views of the Fribourg Alps, have modern furnishings and are wheelchair accessible.
 ☎ 9
 T +41 (0)31 736 10 10
 www.sternes-guggisberg.ch



Hotel Kreuz Herzogenbuchsee
 Traditional hotel with 12 rooms. Individual furnished rooms meet the charm from the past with today's comfort. Whether alone or accompanied, for business reasons or leisure: an overnight stay in one of the bijou rooms guarantees a memorable experience.
 ☎ 12
 T +41 (0)62 531 52 30
 www.kreuz-herzogenbuchsee.ch



Romantik Hotel Stadthaus Burgdorf ****
 A boutique hotel in the former town hall, dating from 1750. Located in the historic Old Town. All bathrooms have a free-standing bathtub. Free internet access. Seasonal cuisine to a high standard. Ballroom. Seminar rooms with natural light. Vaulted cellar.
 ☎ 18
 T +41 (0)34 428 80 00
 www.stadthaus.ch



Hotel Orchidee ***
 Hotel Orchidee is located in the heart of the historic Old Town. Fifteen lovingly designed hotel rooms and a rooftop terrace with spectacular views over the Zähringen city await you. As a member of the LebensART Foundation, Hotel Orchidee offers employment for people with disabilities.
 ☎ 15
 T +41 (0)34 420 77 77
 www.hotel-orchidee.ch



Gasthof Bären Ranflüh
 Cozy country hotel with newly renovated rooms and all the modern comforts. A peaceful, idyllic location amid nature. Fine cuisine with lots of Swiss specialties. Perfect for various hiking or cycling trails. Experience typical Emmental hospitality!
 ☎ 9
 T +41 (0)34 496 59 00
 www.baeren-ranflueh.ch



Hotel Kemmeriboden-Bad ***
 As it always was. Experience tradition and contemporary comfort under one roof. An ambiance which makes you feel at home for a relaxing stay in the Emmental. It also offers perfect infrastructure for celebrations, banquets of all kinds, and seminars.
 ☎ 30
 T +41 (0)34 493 77 77
 www.kemmeriboden.ch



Hotel Bären Niederscherli
 A recently renovated hotel with spacious non-smoking rooms offering modern furnishings. Perfect for private and business guests. Open 365 days a year, check-in any time from 2 p.m. thanks to key safe. The hotel is 17 minutes from Bern via suburban railway. Free parking.
 ☎ 20
 T +41 (0)31 849 02 14
 www.baeren-niederscherli.ch



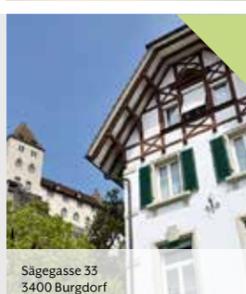
Hine Adon Hotel - Belp (BERN Airport)
 Modern, luxurious apartments with hotel service. Peaceful. Kitchen in each residence. 24-hour self-check in. Private parking. Free WLAN. Central. Bern – BERN Airport five minutes away. Train: BERN Airport – City 15 minutes
 ☎ 46
 T +41 (0)31 530 07 07
 www.hineadon.com



Hotel Bären Langenthal ***
 A historic town hotel in the heart of Langenthal. Unique designer and baroque style. Fresh, creative cuisine served in the restaurant, Bärenstube "Bear lounge", bar, and terrace. Fantastic spaces for seminars and banquets. Impressive baroque hall for wedding receptions and corporate celebrations.
 ☎ 37
 T +41 (0)62 919 17 17
 www.baeren-langenthal.ch



Ziegelhüsi Gastronomie & Hotel
 The Ziegelhüsi is in a rural setting but is still very close to Bern's city center and the BERNEXPO grounds. The 13 rooms are bright, functional and welcoming. All rooms are non-smoking and feature a WC, shower, hair dryer, flat-screen TV and WLAN.
 ☎ 13
 T +41 (0)31 931 40 38
 www.ziegelhuesi.ch



Hotel Landhaus Burgdorf
 Renovated in 2016, the Landhaus Burgdorf is enticingly furnished in a modern and cozy style. Experience newly presented Emmental tradition and handicrafts. Enjoy the great value rooms or an event in the beautiful, listed theater hall.
 ☎ 12
 T +41 (0)31 422 29 92
 www.landhaus-burgdorf.ch



Bären Dürrenroth ****
 The "Bären" consists of three historic Emmental buildings from the Baroque era, and together with the church and village square is a monument of national importance. Where tradition is modern – the Bären combines warm hospitality with an enjoyable experience.
 ☎ 30
 T +41 (0)62 959 00 88
 www.baeren-duerrenroth.ch



Landgasthof & Seminarhotel Lueg
 Unparalleled in the Emmental, perfect for a romantic weekend get-away or a seminar. You will find gourmet and traditional regional cuisine, attractive wine menu and whiskey bar, an AVO cigar lounge, stylish themed rooms, as well as an exclusive spa area at the Landgasthof Lueg.
 ☎ 18
 T +41 (0)34 435 18 81
 www.lueg.ch



Pictogram key

- Hotel garage
- Private car park
- Public car park

Discovery Map



Highlights

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- HERZROUTE Herzroute (E-Bike Route)
- GRAND TOUR Grand Tour of Switzerland

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Proposed day or half-day excursions

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- 2 Jungfrauoch
- 3 Lake Geneva Region
- 4 Excursion Schilthorn - Piz Gloria

Details and itineraries see page 28 & 29

Highlights Discovery Map

1 Emmental Show Dairy



Over the fire or in modern copper vats – the show cheese dairy covering some 17,500 m² will give you an up-close look at the production of the world-renowned Emmentaler AOP. Tours are offered in various languages. Free admission. Open 365 days a year. www.emmentaler-schaukaeserei.ch

5 Design Tour Langenthal



The Design Tour offers exciting insights into the development and production of design products, a process nurtured for more than 120 years. This tourist program offers two types of visits to five design companies: an individual showroom tour or a guided factory tour. www.designtour.ch

9 Gantrisch Rope Park



Climbing in the midst of pristine nature, with adventure and action. A fantastic rope park with the highest platforms in Switzerland. Children's course and forest adventure trail. Open April-October. www.seilpark-gantrisch.ch

13 Lötschberger Roundtrip



From Bern you travel to Brig with the RegioExpress Lötschberger on a breathtaking mountain line. You continue through the Rhone Valley to Montreux, where you board the MOB Panoramic up to Zweisimmen, crossing picturesque villages before returning to Bern. www.bls.ch/roundtrip

2 Handicraft Village



Experience lively traditions in the famous Emmental region – visit the truly unique traditional craft businesses of Wasen. Learn about typical Swiss products and peek over the shoulder of artisans at work, such as the Schwyzerörgeli builder, saddler or watchmaker.

6 The Whisky House Aarwangen



Aarwangen's granary, dating from 1616, is the home of the LANGATUN whisky distillation. Find out how whisky gains its alcohol and gets its colour. Learn about the whisky production process on tours, in seminars or even by having a go at distillation yourself. www.langatun.ch

10 Panoramic Trail and Gäggersteg



The Gantrisch Panoramic Trail is a nicely developed mountain trail offering views extending from the Alps to the Jura Mountains and the Black Forest. The hike begins in Zollhaus and ends at the Gurnigel Berghaus. Take a detour on the Gäggersteg, which is partially elevated on wooden planks. www.gantrisch-panoramaweg.ch

14 Abegg Foundation



The Abegg Foundation in Riggisberg is home to one of the world's most significant textile collections. It is a center for research and the conservation of historical textile fabrics. Museum and alternating special exhibits. www.abegg-stiftung.ch

3 Bell Foundry



The bell foundry in Bärau has been producing and selling a variety of bells since 1730. With professional help, you and your group can cast your very own bell. Tours available upon request. www.swissbells.ch

7 Boat Trips on Lakes Thun and Brienz



Enjoy fabulous views of the impressive mountain scenery or historic castles and romantic waterside locations, and combine your trip with a delicious lunch. Or would you prefer an unforgettable sunset during an evening boat trip? There is something for every taste. www.bls.ch/boat

11 GoldenPass line



Experience an unforgettable journey from Lucerne to Montreux aboard three luxury trains and enjoy an extraordinary trip with breathtaking scenery. Three mountain passes, the famous 4,000-meter-high peaks of the Alps and eight lakes make for unforgettable excursions. www.bls.ch/goldenpass

15 Maison Cailler – Swiss Chocolate Factory



An unforgettable experience during a day out at the Maison Cailler. Imagine a place where all your senses can be immersed in the wonderful world of Cailler chocolate. Discover the different production stages of the Cailler chocolate bars and learn more about cocoa. www.cailler.ch

4 Kambly Experience



Discover the secrets of the art of fine biscuit-making of Switzerland's most preferred biscuit brand with all your senses. Take your pick of over 100 varieties of biscuits. Tip: Take the Kambly Train from Bern (Tue-Sun at 9:36 a.m.). Open daily, free entry. www.kambly.ch

8 Rail Bicycle



Exercise, fun and thrills are guaranteed as you ride the Rail Bicycle along the decommissioned railway tracks to and from Gümmenen. Suitable for groups and individual travellers. Bern.com/schienvelo

12 Schwarzsee



The picturesque mountain lake is the ideal place to relax. Richly blessed with natural beauty, Schwarzsee lies 1,040 meters above sea level, nestling between impressive mountains and an idyllic mountain lake. Perfect for families and sports fans! www.schwarzsee.ch

Herzroute



Gently rolling hills, secluded paths, beautiful forests and a breathtaking view of the Alps are what you can expect along the most beautiful bike routes in Switzerland with FLYER e-bikes. The Herzroute leads over 13 impressive day-long stages. www.herzroute.ch

Day or Half-day Excursions for FITs

See Discovery Map



City Tour

The best way you can get to know the unique beauty of Bern's Old Town with its arcades and attractions is by joining the UNESCO Old Town Stroll.

CHF 25.– per person
Free of charge with Swiss Travel Pass
April – October: daily / November – March: Saturday



Kambly Experience

Experience over 100 years of tradition in fine biscuit making in the Emmental valley.

*Travel costs Bern – Trubschachen – Bern
CHF 41.20 per person
Free of charge with Swiss Travel Pass



Emmentaler Cheese Village

Visit the Emmental Show Dairy in the idyllic countryside of the Emmental valley.

*Travel costs Bern – Affoltern i.E. – Bern
CHF 36.80 per person
Free of charge with Swiss Travel Pass

*Tickets available at the Tourist Information at the main station

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11:00 a.m.

Meeting point at the Tourist Information at the main station. On the tour, you can admire the Late Gothic Minster (Münster), the Parliament Building, the Prison Tower (Käfigturm) and the famous Clock Tower (Zytglogge) – the oldest gate to the city of Bern from the 13th century.

12:30 p.m.

Lunch at a restaurant in Bern, e.g. at the Rose Garden.

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2:36 p.m.

Bern departure by train.

3:11 p.m.

Arrival at Trubschachen.

Visit the Kambly Experience, just next to the railway station and take your pick from over 100 varieties of biscuits at the factory store.

4:44 p.m.

Trubschachen departure by train.

5:26 p.m.

Arrival in Bern.

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9:20 a.m.

Bern departure by train.

10:14 a.m.

Arrival at Affoltern i.E., Dorf.

Join the "King's Way" – the new audiovisual tour and discover the history of the brand and the production of Emmentaler AOP. Including cheese tasting.

Lunch at the restaurant of the Emmental Show Dairy.

2:00 p.m.

Make your own cream cheese.

3:39 p.m.

Affoltern i.E., Dorf, departure by bus and train.

4:40 p.m.

Arrival in Bern.



Excursion Jungfrauoch

High alpine round-trip excursion to the Jungfrauoch at 3,454 meters a.s.l.

*Travel costs Bern – Jungfrauoch – Bern
CHF 266.80 per person
CHF 96.– per person with Swiss Travel Pass



Excursion Lake Geneva Region

The French-speaking region around Montreux with its vineyards on Lake Geneva is also known as "Switzerland's Riviera".

*Travel costs Bern – Château de Chillon – Lausanne – Bern
CHF 77.– per person
Free of charge with Swiss Travel Pass



Excursion Schilthorn - Piz Gloria

The most impressive 360° panorama experience in the Alps awaits you here. Enjoy the breathtaking view of the Eiger, Mönch and Jungfrau (UNESCO World Heritage Site).

*Travel costs Bern - Schilthorn Piz Gloria – Bern
CHF 185.– per person
Free of charge with Swiss Travel Pass

*Tickets available at the Tourist Information at the main station

2

9:04 a.m.

Bern departure by train.

12:15 p.m.

Lunch at Restaurant Crystal on the Jungfrauoch.

1:15 p.m.

Visit the Jungfrauoch.

Guided tour including Sphinx terrace, Alpine Sensation, Ice Palace, glacier viewpoint and Lindt Swiss Chocolate Heaven.

3:30 p.m.

Departure by train.

6:52 p.m.

Arrival in Bern.

7:30 p.m.

Dinner at a traditional restaurant.

3

8:04 a.m.

Bern departure by train.

10:04 a.m.

Arrival at Vevey-Chillon.

Short stroll to the Château de Chillon (300-m walk).

10:30 a.m.

Guided tour through the Château de Chillon.

30-min wine tasting at the Château (11:20 a.m.).

12:00 p.m.

Lunch at a lakeside restaurant in Montreux.

1:27 p.m.

Montreux departure by train.

2:05 p.m.

Arrival at the Olympic Museum in Lausanne (AudioGuide tour).

3:55 p.m.

Departure Olympic Museum by bus.

5:26 p.m.

Arrival in Bern.

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9:04 a.m.

Bern departure by train.

10:55 a.m.

Stechelberg departure by cable car to Schilthorn - Piz Gloria.

11:27 a.m.

Arrival Schilthorn - Piz Gloria.

Visit the Piz Gloria View platform and soak up the view of the majestic Alps with the Eiger, Mönch and Jungfrau. Discover the interactive Bond World 007 and the world's first 007 walk of fame.

12:30 p.m.

Lunch at the 360°-restaurant, which rotates around its own axis every 45 minutes.

2:00 p.m.

Visit the new Thrill Walk and the Skyline Walk platform at Birg.

3:40 p.m.

Birg Schilthorn, departure by cable car.

5:52 p.m.

Arrival in Bern.

Further information
► [Bern.com/excursions](https://bern.com/excursions)

DISCOVER AND ENJOY THE KAMBLY EXPERIENCE



Experience over 100 years of tradition in fine biscuit making in the heart of Switzerland.

The **Kambly Experience** in Trubschachen is one of the finest attractions in the Emmental valley. Discover the origins of Kambly, **Switzerland's most popular biscuit brand**, and the secrets of the art of fine biscuit making with all your senses. Light and sound effects will lead you through the history of Kambly in German, English, French or Italian.

Take your pick of over **100 varieties of biscuits** at the **Kambly Factory Store**. Enjoy a delicious coffee or tea accompanied by a small treat at the **Kambly Café** while looking over our master confectioners' shoulders at the **Demonstration Confectionary**. The Kambly Experience is **easily reached from Berne** in 35 minutes by train or in 40 minutes by car or coach. The entry is **free**.



Baking Workshop

Look over the shoulders of the Kambly Master Confectioners and discover the secrets of the art of fine biscuit making. Create your own biscuits under the guidance of the Kambly Master Confectioners and learn more about the fine art of making premium biscuits. Number of participants: 2-28, Price per group: CHF 100.00 up to 14 participants, CHF 200.00 15-28 participants, duration: 2 - 3 hours.

Kambly Roundtrip

This unique day-trip by train and boat links the world-famous Swiss tourist locations Lucerne, Interlaken and Berne and leads you to the most beautiful corners of central Switzerland. Enjoy magnificent views of snow-capped peaks, deep blue lakes and lush green meadows and discover vibrant towns as well as the Kambly Experience in Trubschachen. Free of charge with Swiss Travel Pass.

Make your own Bretzeli

Oscar Kambly started baking the Bretzeli 1906 according to his grandmother's recipe. The Master Confectioner assists the group in baking the Bretzeli on a historical oven. Afterwards the freshly baked Bretzeli can exclusively be tasted as well as handmade Swiss chocolate. Number of participants: 10-50. Price per person: CHF 10.00 including a Kambly gift. Duration: 45 - 60 minutes.



Information and booking: Kambly Experience, Muehlestrasse 8, CH-3555 Trubschachen
Ph. +41 34 495 02 22, reservation@kambly.ch, www.kambly.com/touoperator



The Emmentaler Cheese Village is located in Affoltern in the Emmental, in an idyllic countryside setting. Learn more about Emmentaler AOP cheese and cheese-making.

incl. cheese tasting

King's way - the new audiovisual tour

Discover the history of the brand and the production of Emmentaler AOP and learn how the master cheese makers transform the high quality raw milk into the most famous cheese on earth.

Every day: duration approx. 25 minutes

Adults CHF 15.00

Teenager CHF 8.00 (12-17 years)

Kids free of charge (0-11 years)

Family of 1 adult + 1 teenager 20 % commission

Mini group from 6 pax 20 % commission

Maxi group from 12 pax 25 % commission



Farm Visit

Visit a traditional working farm in walking distance. On request | Duration 1 h
Group rate CHF 220.00 (max. 25 Pax)

Fresh cheese production

Hands-on experience of the cheese-making process daily at 14:00, Duration 1 h
Adults CHF 10.00 | Teenager CHF 5.00
Group rate CHF 220.00 (max. 20 Pax)
For groups on request any start time possible
Duration 1 h

General information

- Free admission
- Open 365 days from 9:00-17:00
- Big cheese store and gift shop
- FLYER E-bike rental

Restaurant

The cosy restaurant serves typical Swiss meals like Fondue and Raclette. The newly built winter garden offers a unique view of the beautiful landscape. A separate dining room can hold up to 100 people.



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Swiss Culinary Delights Tour

Group Package



The Emmental valley produces culinary masterpieces that are enjoyed all around the world. The family-run company Kambly in Trubschachen has been making fine biscuits for 110 years – including the classic Kambly Bretzeli. And the nearby Emmental Show Dairy in Affoltern i.E. produces the original Emmentaler AOP cheese (the one with the holes). The Swiss Culinary Delights tour allows groups to visit these places. They receive unique insight into the production processes and can taste the products themselves.

Tour includes

- ▶ Visit to the Kambly Experience and sample around 100 different Kambly specialties
- ▶ Bretzeli baking, under expert supervision including a surprise gift
- ▶ Exclusive tasting of fresh Bretzeli and handmade Swiss chocolate
- ▶ Guided tour and cheese tasting at the Emmental Show Dairy
- ▶ Lunch, including a soft drink and water

Itinerary

- 9:30 a.m. Departure from Bern.
- 10:15 a.m. Stop at Lueg viewpoint. Stunning views across the Emmental valley to the Bernese Alps.
- 11:00 a.m. Arrival at the Emmental Show Dairy in Affoltern i.E. Guided tour, including cheese tasting and lunch.
- 12:15 p.m. Free time for shopping and looking around the dairy independently.
- 1:00 p.m. Departure for the Kambly Experience.
- 1:45 p.m. Arrival at the Kambly Experience in Trubschachen. Bretzeli baking, plus visit to the Kambly Experience and time for shopping.
- 3:15 p.m. Departure from the Kambly Experience.
- 4:00 p.m. Arrival in Bern.

Prices and conditions

- ▶ CHF 35.– per person (net price for tour operators).
- ▶ Minimum 10 people, maximum 50 people.
- ▶ Payment on invoice, in cash or by credit card.
- ▶ Cancellation fee: free up to 30 days before the event. 50% 10–29 days before the event. 100% 0–9 days before the event.
- ▶ Reservations are required. Please contact:



Kambly and Cailler Discovery

NEW: FIT Package



Enjoy a three-day mini-vacation by rail, featuring both the Kambly and Cailler Experiences, and enjoy the stunning scenery of western Switzerland with the history and charm of the capital, Bern (two nights).

Tour includes

- ▶ 1 x 3-day Swiss Travel Pass for unlimited travel on Swiss Travel System
- ▶ 1 x boat trip (Interlaken Ost to Brienz)
- ▶ 2 x overnight stay with breakfast in Bern
- ▶ 1 x Swiss Coupon Pass including:
 - ▶ 2 for 1 offer on Bern AudioGuide
 - ▶ 2 for 1 offer on lunch on Lake Brienz
 - ▶ 2 for 1 offer on entrance to Maison Cailler
 - ▶ 2 for 1 offer on 1st Class upgrade for Lake Brienz cruise
 - ▶ 2 for 1 deals across Lucerne
 - ▶ 2 for 1 Kambly Experience voucher
- ▶ 10% discount voucher on all purchases over CHF 50.– at the Kambly Factory Shop



Itinerary

- Day 1 Collect your AudioGuides and enjoy a guided tour of Bern's magnificent UNESCO-listed Old Town at your own pace. Overnight in Bern.
- Day 2 Visit the home of Cailler chocolate factory where you can discover the world of the oldest Swiss chocolate brand. You travel onwards via the shores of Lake Geneva and Montreux, and back to Bern via Spiez – a fantastic round trip by rail.
- Day 3 Board the boat at Lake Thun, travel across Lake Brienz. At Brienz, take the train over the Bruenig Pass, via Lucerne to Trubschachen, where you can discover the origins of Switzerland's best known premium biscuit brand and enjoy moments of delight at the "Kambly Experience". Afterwards, take the train back to Bern to collect your luggage from the hotel. Individual return journey.



Prices and conditions

- ▶ 3-star hotel: CHF 605.– per/p in a SGL, CHF 479.– per/p in a DBL
- ▶ 4-star hotel: CHF 675.– per/p in a SGL, CHF 515.– per/p in a DBL
- ▶ Valid until 31.12.2019
- ▶ Rates are commissionable 20%



Meeting Destination Bern

Bern Meetings & Events Services

Reasons to choose Bern

► Switzerland's Capital City

Located in the middle of Europe and **in the heart of Switzerland**, Bern is the country's **capital city**. It is the political and economic heart of the country and – as a **university city** – a center of education and science with renowned research centers. No wonder Albert Einstein invented his relativity theory while living in Bern. The **compact city size** and **free public transportation** are an additional plus for your meetings.

► Savoie-Vivre

The Bernese are known for their unhurried attitude. Due to the laid-back lifestyle, conference participants find themselves in a **relaxed atmosphere** and can easily focus on the relevant. But *savoir-vivre* also means culinary indulgence – whether it's a star-rated gourmet dish or a simple outdoor cheese fondue, Bern offers an unprecedented **diversity of culinary delights**.

► Urban Nature

As an **urban melting pot**, the city still manages to keep its **rural characteristics**. Recreational areas – such as public parks, outdoor swimming pools and the Aare river – are an essential part of the cityscape and daily life. Bern's central location makes it a **perfect hub** for outings in the region, to the Alps or throughout Switzerland.

► Living Tradition

The city and region of Bern are rich in **customs and traditions** that still **play a big part in daily life**. Experience a combination of urban and rural lifestyles and learn more about the legend of our city's emblem, the bear, our Zibelemärit (Onion Market) an urban folk festival, and the secrets of cheese making amidst the picturesque landscape of the nearby Emmental valley.

► Cultural Diversity

Bern is considered a boutique town of cultural world format that became a **UNESCO World Heritage Site** in 1983. Forty renowned cultural institutions make Bern a true citadel of culture. With the Zentrum Paul Klee (designed by Renzo Piano) and the Westside shopping and leisure center (designed by Daniel Libeskind) two architectural gems stand alongside the medieval architecture of the Old Town.

► A City of Sport

The Bernese are proud of their successful soccer team and their ice hockey club with the highest density of spectators in Europe. Bern also enjoys rising popularity as a **hosting destination of major international sports events** such as the European Soccer Championships (2008), the Ice Hockey World Championships (2009) and the Tour de France (2016). Individuals also benefit from a wide range of sports activities in town: from jogging and biking routes to public events such as the "Bern Grand Prix" running festival.



Zentrum Paul Klee

Your Event Destination

Whether you are planning a convention, a conference, an annual meeting or an incentive trip, with Bern as your event destination, you will be right on target. The unique charm of the Swiss capital, the unparalleled mixture of traditional and modern, its compact size and its location as a gateway to the Alps make Bern the perfect region for your next event.

Your Onsite DMC/PCO

Are you planning an event in Bern? Our team at Bern Meetings & Events is eager to support you with inside knowledge and advice free of charge, making your event in Bern a guaranteed success. Bern Meetings & Events is an affiliated company of Bern Welcome and your onsite DMC/PCO. We offer tailor-made services for your event according to your needs.

Contact

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	Option A Hotel Reservation	Option B Hotel Reservation + Conference Registr.	Option C Hotel Reservation + Conference Registr. + Collection Payment
Cost per participant (excluding VAT)	No charge	CHF 35.- min. 100 participants	CHF 50.- min. 100 participants
Hotel room allotment	✓	✓	✓
Online booking platform	✓	✓	✓
Confirmation of room reservations	✓	✓	✓
Room list	✓	✓	✓
Reservation of conference facilities	✓	✓	✓
Reservations of transfers & social programs	✓	✓	✓
Conference registration		✓	✓
Confirmation of conference registration		✓	✓
List of conference participants		✓	✓
Collection of conference registration fee			✓
Final account			✓
Invoice handling fee for participants	CHF 25.-	CHF 25.-	CHF 25.-
Fee for cancellation of the event due to unforeseen circumstances after booking platform has been created and/or after signing agreement	CHF 500.-	Based on actual cost, max. CHF 2,000.-	Based on actual cost, max. CHF 3,500.-



Venues at a Glance

Here's a selection of Bern's wide variety of meeting and event facilities in the city center or the nearby countryside for up to 5,000 participants.

Venue	Capacity largest room			Area (m ²) largest room	Meeting rooms
	Concert	Seminar	Banquet		
Venues in the city					
BERNEXPO AG	4,000	2,000	3,400	7,430	17
Kursaal Bern/Hotel Allegro****s	1,500	574	830	800	30
Casino Bern	1,500	240	480	448	7
Stade de Suisse	320	120	1,150	2,068	12
Kubus Eventlokal	800	-	500	1,200	2
Hotel National**	500	150	300	550	3
PostFinance Arena	300	120	500	1,040	28
Kornhausforum	450	130	-	390	4
Bierhübeli	440	200	250	306	3
Hotel Bellevue Palace****s	363	200	220	298	13
Gurten - Park im Grünen	250	105	330	500	14
Zentrum Paul Klee	300	300	-	390	7
Sorell Hotel Ador***	300	140	-	290	15
Stufenbau Eventlocation	300	-	192	220	6
Hotel Schweizerhof Bern****s	270	130	190	350	13
BEST WESTERN Hotel Bern****	260	120	176	230	9
Hotel Ambassador****	250	130	105	220	10
Hotel Sternen Muri****	250	120	152	355	11
Unique Hotel Innere Enge****s	130	70	250	50	3
Hotel and Congress Center Kreuz***	240	120	220	226	12
Kulturhof Schloss-Köniz	230	200	200	340	8
Novotel Bern Expo****	200	100	160	217	7
Welle7 Workspace	200	100	80	280	86
Schwellenmätteli Restaurants	180	60	180	220	3
Holiday Inn Bern Westside****	120	60	-	132	12
Venues in the region					
Seminar- und Wellnesshotel Lueg	700	700	-	-	14
Parkhotel Schloss Hünigen****	250	80	120	175	12
Hotel al ponte***	220	110	200	254	9
Hotel Hirschen Eggwil***	180	28	130	120	7
Hotel Schloss Gerzensee	170	75	90	150	14
Romantik Hotel Bären Dürrenroth***	150	50	110	208.5	7
Hotel Appenberg unique***	120	50	120	130	10
Schloss Münchenwiler***	120	56	-	140	10
Hotel Moosegg***	50	50	100	90	4
Hotel Landgasthof Kemmeriboden-Bad****s	60	40	60	120	9



Romantikhôtel Bären Dürrenroth

Venues

Whether it's a trendy lounge, a long-established performance venue, a panoramic pavilion with a view or a traditional convention center – Bern offers a wide range of venues that cater all your needs.



BERNEXPO

BERNEXPO is Bern's most important platform for live events. BERNEXPO helps forge long-term relationships between people and brands – be it through small meetings, conventions with up to 5,000 delegates, public exhibitions, live concerts, or circus performances on Switzerland's largest fairgrounds (100,000 m²), six exhibition halls with 41,000 m² of event space or the convention center with eight meeting rooms, a plenary room and a foyer.
▶ Up to 5,000 people



Kursaal Bern

Internationally acclaimed as a state-of-the-art Swiss venue for conventions, banquets, entertainment and gastronomy, it is Bern's biggest convention center. It boasts a spacious glass-fronted forum measuring of 2,000 m² for receptions, exhibitions or gala dinners with spectacular views of the Old Town and the Alps and a multi-functional arena for up to 1,500 people. An additional 29 conference rooms and three restaurants complement the offer. Kursaal Bern connects to the four-star superior Hotel Allegro with 171 hotel rooms as well as the Grand Casino Bern with its own multi-story parking facility.
▶ Up to 1,500 people



PostFinance Arena

The PostFinance Arena – home to SC Bern, one of Switzerland's major ice hockey teams – is the ideal setting for all kinds of events with professional onsite catering provided by Sportgastro Plc. Meeting facilities and gala dinner venues include a business center, various restaurants and VIP boxes. All meeting rooms are wheelchair accessible and equipped with data projectors, presentation screens, flat screens and cordless microphones. The grounds in front of the stadium and even the entire arena (17,031 people) are available to rent, too.
▶ Up to 800 people



Zentrum Paul Klee

Zentrum Paul Klee with its cultural and architectural setting offers a unique experience that your guests will remember for a long time. Give your event an additional cultural twist and combine it with a creative workshop at the onsite "Creaviva" atelier or a memorable gourmet reception in an amazing architectural setting.
▶ Up to 300 people



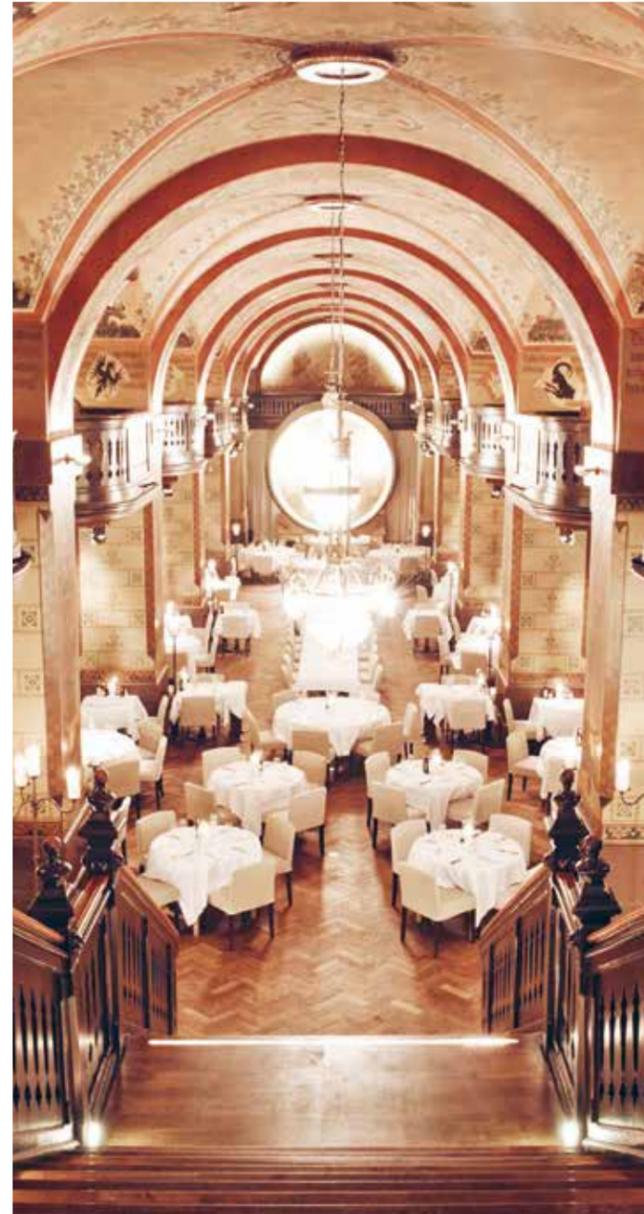
Castle Hünigen

Inspiration, creativity, relaxation: Surroundings play a key role in conferences and retreats. This becomes very clear at Castle Hünigen. The 16th-century castle is located within a romantic park with over 3,000 roses, just a stone's throw away from Bern and at the gateway to the scenic Emmental valley. Equipped with 14 splendid halls and meeting venues, 49 hotel rooms and first-class hospitality, the castle guarantees a successful and memorable event.
▶ Up to 250 people

Further information
▶ Bern.com/venues



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Restaurant of tradition with unique cachet.
Classical dishes from Verdi's home, the region of Emilia-Romagna, as spaghetti «alla Traviata», bollito misto, filetto «Giuseppe Verdi».

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One of the most magnificent restaurants in Switzerland.
Where «cucina italiana» (carpaccio, pasta, risotto) perfectly weds Swiss kitchen (sliced veal Zurich style with roesti potatoes, original «Berner Platte»).

Kornhauskeller
Kornhausplatz 18
3011 Bern
031 327 72 72
kornhauskeller.ch

Gala Dinner

Gastronomy is the best way to experience a destination. Making a gala dinner a memorable occasion depends on three key factors: location, food and atmosphere. When it comes to exceptional restaurants offering the finest cuisine, Bern ranks at the top of the list among Swiss cities. Whether you are looking for casual, traditional or gourmet, you will find the right restaurant in Bern!



Kornhauskeller

The Kornhauskeller (Granary) is one of Switzerland's most impressive public spaces with its astounding spatial dimensions. In Bern's most magnificent vaulted cellar restaurant, your guests will enjoy festive banquets in an unforgettable atmosphere.
▶ Seating for up to 700 people



Stufenbau Eventlocation

The modern infrastructure with four rooms and a lovely garden as well as the extraordinary ambiance – a cross between lounge and factory – provide for a lot of options with a touch of industry chic.
▶ Seating for up to 290 people



Schwellenmätteli Restaurants

Your gala dinner with a Mediterranean feel. The Schwellenmätteli Restaurants are located right on the bank of the Aare river, yet in the middle of the city. Choose from three venues – from the cozy chalet-style restaurant or the trendy glass cube to the multifunctional culture lounge.
▶ Seating for up to 180 people



Gurten – Park im Grünen

Events with a view on Bern's local mountain, the Gurten. Choose from the Uptown converted barn or the panoramic glass pavilion with a spectacular view of the city and the Alps. You enter a new world as soon as you take the panoramic funicular up the Gurten.
▶ Seating for up to 500 people



Lake Thun or Lake Biel

Majestic peaks and snow-covered mountains stand guard and historical castles twinkle from the shore as you and your guests cruise across the waters of a Swiss lake.
▶ Boats for up to 700 people

Social Program

Why not spice up your event in Bern with a memorable team activity? We develop your program with confidence, incorporating just the right mix of fun and action.

Creative Workshop at Zentrum Paul Klee



Visit the CREAIVIVA workshop at Zentrum Paul Klee and try your hand as an artist, inspired by Paul Klee's original artwork! Creative programs foster team spirit and allow you to visualize your creativity. It is ideal for 5 to 70 participants.

Aare Floating



Discover the city of Bern from a whole new perspective during a rafting tour along the Aare river. Mighty sandstone bridges, narrow half-timbered houses, and the natural curves of the river landscape make this an exciting and richly diverse trip.

Farm Olympics



Who will be the champion in cow milking, Swiss wrestling or milk-churn cricket? Spice up your team event with "Swiss-style" Olympic Games, followed by a savory farmer's lunch on a working farm amidst the stunning scenery of the Emmental with its rolling hills, enchanting valleys and lush meadows, only a stone's throw away from Bern.

Tabtour



The high-tech team challenge combines adventure and a spirit of discovery. Divided in groups the participants embark on an interactive journey through the city of Bern. Equipped with tablet PCs and GPS the teams start to discover Bern, solve riddles and tasks and build teamwork. Innovative features such as navigation, camera and video make this scavenger hunt very special. Creativity, team spirit und cleverness are required. Interaction, fun and excitement are guaranteed.

Chillfood



Back to the simple and sustainable things in life – back to just "chilling." Chillfood offers exciting culinary experiences, where teams cook dishes from around the world on an open fire using carefully selected ingredients. Many unusual settings serve as the "kitchen" for these events – from old monasteries and industrial buildings to glaciers and Alpine huts. This fiery adventure is a fun activity that helps you slow down and grow closer together as a team.

Further information
► Bern.com/socialprogram

Technical Visits

As a university city and an industrial location, Bern is home to experts in almost all areas who could enhance your conference. There are institutes and clinics with 390 professors available to be called upon for panel discussions. Various institutions and companies open their doors to specialist visitors and to exchange knowledge.

University, Research



Eight university faculties, around 256 institutes and specialist centers make Bern a key educational location. Visit your colleagues and exchange ideas.
► Tours, visits and specialist presentations upon request

Medicine



Visit the University of Bern's Faculty of Medicine or the University Hospital Insel, and meet eminent authorities in areas such as heart medicine, dentistry, and veterinary science.
► Tours and specialist presentations upon request

Astronomy



The Institute of Physics of the University of Bern was significantly involved in the mission of Apollo 11 and the first moon landing in 1969. Furthermore, two local observatories link Bern with the rest of the universe.
► Visit the Uecht Observatory after dark

Energy



From solar, wind, water, and nuclear power to a district heating incinerator, the Bern region offers exciting tours of all its power plants.
► Tours (1.5 hours) to day trips

Industry



The e-bike was invented in Bern, some of the highest-quality textiles available come from Langenthal, and a food manufacturer from Ostermundigen exports all over the world. Follow the footsteps of Bern's entrepreneurs.
► Tours, specialist presentations from 1.5 hours to day trips



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Incentives

Inspire people, reward teamwork, motivate employees. Bern is full of surprises with many unexpected possibilities and ideas. Whether it is a sophisticated program for your successful sales force or an unforgettable travel reward, we help you find the right components for your trip. Here is an attractive sampling:

Bern Symphony Orchestra



Take your guests to the City Theater of Bern in their best attire and surprise them with a concert by the Bern Symphony Orchestra. The orchestra looks back on a 140-year tradition as the official orchestra of the capital city of Switzerland. With 100 musicians from more than 20 different nations, the symphony orchestra radiates a special energy that makes every concert a unique experience.

Fly Your Own Helicopter



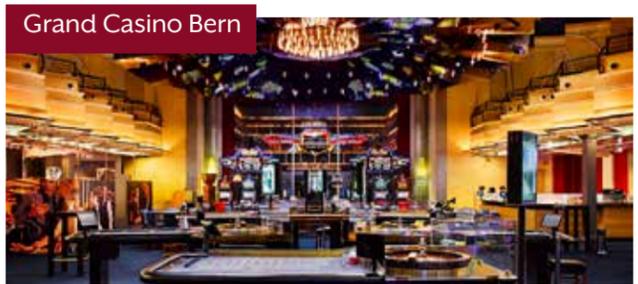
A childhood dream comes true. Experience the dream of flying after climbing in the helicopter cockpit and taking over the controls under the guidance of an experienced pilot. The canton of Bern is a true wonderland for helicopter flights. No other region in the world combines so many fantastic landscapes in such a small space.

Assemble Your Own Watch



Have you ever wondered how a watch is made? Or what the parts that bring life to these precious timepieces look like? Discover the fascinating world of watchmaking in a watchmaking workshop in the heart of the Watch Valley, close to Bern. Under the guidance of a professional watchmaker you will get the unique opportunity to assemble your very own mechanical watch – a precious souvenir to take home.

Grand Casino Bern

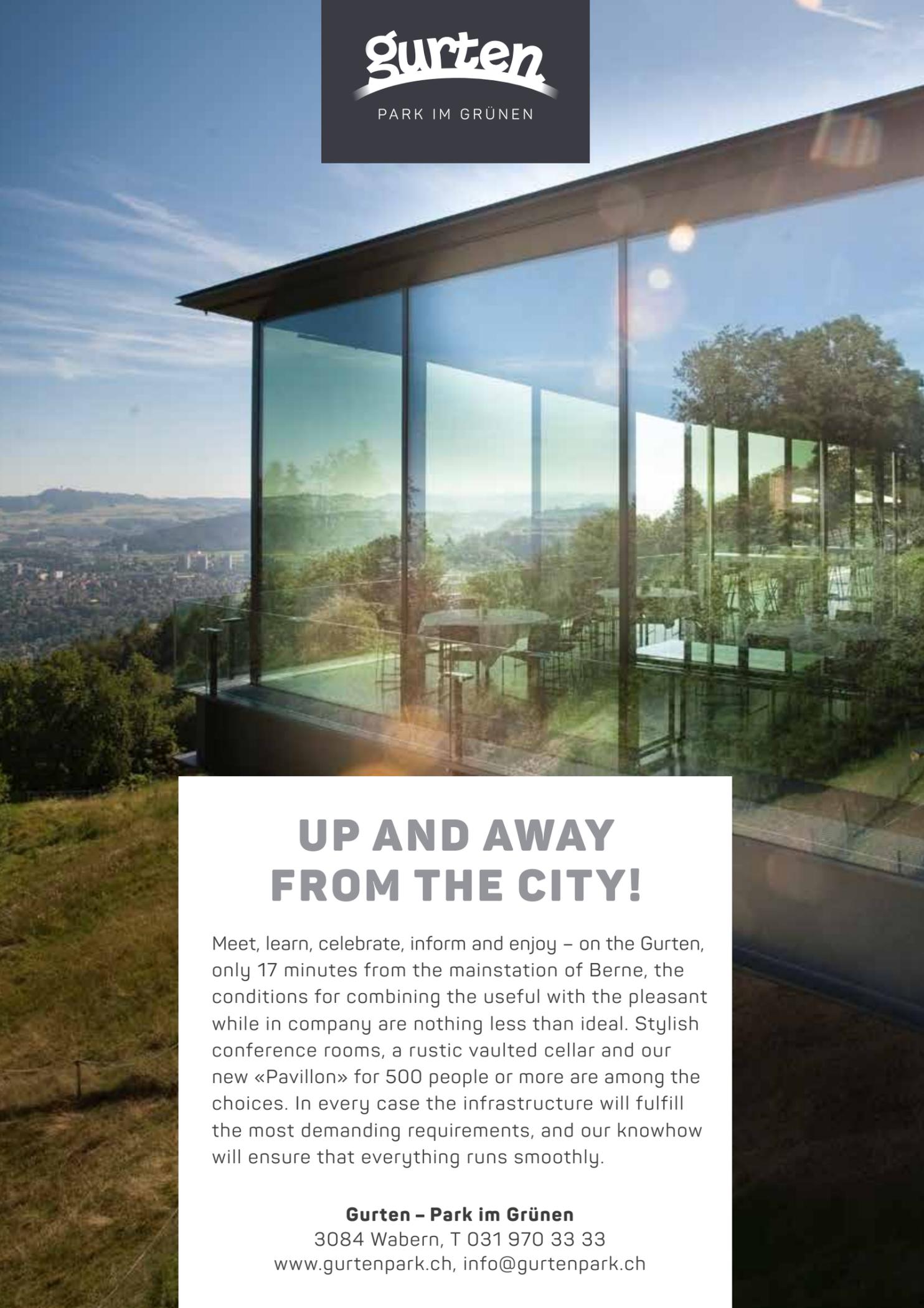


Try your luck at the Grand Casino Bern – whether at blackjack, American roulette or poker. There are also 350 slot machines waiting for lucky winners. You read that right: winners! The Grand Casino Bern, one of eight A-casinos in Switzerland, is one of the casinos with the highest payout ratio in Switzerland with approximately 94% of the stakes paid out again.

Sports Events of International Caliber



Visit one of the numerous sports events with an international reputation – be it the legendary "World Cup Men's Downhill Race" on the ski slopes of Lauberhorn, the ATP tennis tournament "Swiss Open Gstaad" or an ice hockey match at the PostFinance Arena in Bern, the ice hockey stadium with the highest average number of spectators in Europe.



UP AND AWAY FROM THE CITY!

Meet, learn, celebrate, inform and enjoy – on the Gurten, only 17 minutes from the main station of Berne, the conditions for combining the useful with the pleasant while in company are nothing less than ideal. Stylish conference rooms, a rustic vaulted cellar and our new «Pavillon» for 500 people or more are among the choices. In every case the infrastructure will fulfill the most demanding requirements, and our knowhow will ensure that everything runs smoothly.

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Excursions

Berne is the ideal base from which to make memorable half-day or day trips. Taste the real Emmental cheese at the Emmental Show Dairy, enjoy all the excited gasps during a breathtaking trip along the Eiger North Face up to the Jungfrauoch, or immerse yourself in the world of chocolate at the Cailler Chocolate Factory.

Emmental Show Dairy



How does the famous Swiss cheese get its holes? At the Emmental Show Dairy you will learn all about the history and production of the world-famous Emmental AOP cheese. You will experience both traditional and modern production techniques and can even try your hand at it during the cheese production over an open fire.

Jungfrauoch – Top of Europe



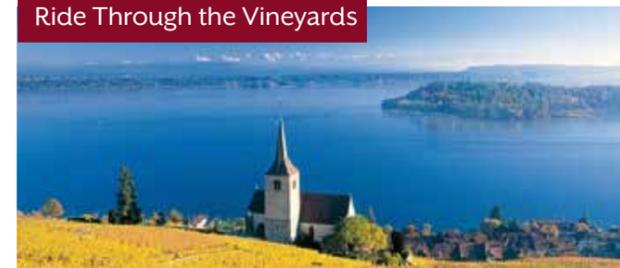
Jungfrauoch – Top of Europe is a highlight of every Switzerland trip. Europe's highest train station is located 3,454 meters above sea level. Enjoy the Alpine panorama, the Alpine Sensation experience tour, the highest Lindt shop in the world, the Ice Palace and the views of the Aletsch glacier (a UNESCO World Heritage Site). On clear days, the vista from the Sphinx panorama terrace stretches as far as the Swiss border.

Cailler Chocolate Factory



Do you dream of visiting a real chocolate factory? At Maison Cailler, you are introduced to the secrets of the world's oldest chocolate brand with all your senses. The journey begins with Aztec cocoa ceremonies and leads to the chocolate innovations of today. Follow the irresistible scent of freshly prepared chocolate and taste it. At the Atelier du Chocolat you can even create your own chocolate artwork and take it back home.

Ride Through the Vineyards



Let yourself be inspired by the charming vineyards around Lake Biel during a fun scooter descent and enjoy the unforgettable view of Lake Biel and St. Peter's Island. Once you arrive at the lake, you will be introduced to the secrets of winemaking in a winemaker's cellar and taste the local wine.

Open-Air Museum Ballenberg



Spend an unforgettable day at the Ballenberg Open-Air Museum and discover Switzerland on foot or in a horse-drawn carriage. The past comes to life with 100 original centuries-old buildings from all over Switzerland, 250 farm animals and demonstrations of traditional crafts. For a truly authentic experience, book a private guided tour, bake your own bread or compete in traditional Swiss sports.

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