

## French & Swiss Alps

Choose this tour for riding the western ranges, select our Classic Alps & Dolomites for the eastern peaks or choose our Burgundy & Swiss Alps for a gourmet ride of a lifetime.



*Gentlemen, please start your engines.*

This ride has more curves and the natural beauty is more rugged and open. The western Alps are less developed than their eastern relatives, but the riding adventure is arguably better. Of course, the French cuisine has no counterparts anywhere in the world.

Start your ride by winding along the Rhine river and through the vineyards and hills of Rhinehessen. Discover the Suedliche Wein-Strasse and enter France passing through the Maginot line. Join the Route du Vin and stay in a colorful Alsatian wine village. Everywhere you ride, there is something to delight the senses. Charming half-timbered cottages with window boxes bursting with colorful flowers and dark, quiet woods, fragrantly scented with pine are around many curves.

Ride south through vineyards and colorful towns. Start to climb into meadows and forests. Cross over into Switzerland. Experience the Gorges du Pichoux and Jura region.

Stay in the delightful town of Murten where the entire town center is a medieval work of art. Visit Gruyeres and sample some cheeses bearing the town's name. Explore the water fortress of Chillon, where Lord Byron's prisoner was incarcerated.

Ride the Gorge des Eveaux, Col de la Colombiere and Gorges de'l Arondine. Challenge the Col de la Forclaz, Col des Esserieux and Col de la Croix. See Mt. Blanc, the highest mountain in Europe. No matter which way you plan to ride, Alpine vistas, rushing rivers, cows grazing on high pastures and villages of flowered chalets are everywhere. The most ardent sport riders take time to enjoy the flowers before climbing the next pass!

Enjoy a full 3 day stop in the charming village of Megeve. Travel the Route of the Grand Alps and see



*Wander along Alsatian country roads.*

the winter Olympics city of Albertville. Ride the Col des Aravis and Col de la Madeleine. Or how about a day trip to the cosmopolitan city of Geneva or the medieval town of Annecy? Or why not ride a loop around Lake Geneva with stops in the medieval village of Yvoire, the spa town of Evian and resort of Montreaux?

Ride over a dozen French passes. For starters how about the Col des Granges, Col de Restefond, Col de l'Iseran, and Col du Mt. Cenis. If you look hard enough, you just may see the ghost of Hannibal and

his elephants, who scaled this same pass 25 centuries ago. Enter Italy and ride the Aosta valley. Climb into Switzerland on the Col du Grand St. Bernard. Head east through the Wallis valley, pass near the Matterhorn and enjoy the Grimsel pass.

Explore the wood-carvers village of Brienz. How about scaling heights with the Brienz Rothorn Bahn on a steam powered cog-gear train for an incredible Alpine view? Or see the post card picture perfect valley with towering waterfalls in the village of Lauterbrunnen. Or do a pass loop and greet the highest and best-known Swiss passes Susten, Nufenen, Gotthard and Furka with their superb sweeping curves and unforgettable vistas.

Visit Lucerne with its Wooden Chapel bridge and historical Altstadt. If you like, visit Bettwil with the museum and garage of Fritz Egli, a well-known engine tuner and frame constructor.

Ride the Black Forest High Road with its hills and curves, open meadows and green valleys. With luck you may hear a real cuckoo or more likely purchase an authentic smaller version of the Black Forest's most famous product.

See the Student Prince university town of Heidelberg. Visit the Altstadt (Old City) with its historical center. Your tour is almost over as you mount your steed one last time, ride the cobblestone streets and enter the Autobahn for a short and fast ride towards Frankfurt/Main.



*Riders always seek the prettiest French market square fountains to park.*

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| Day | Itinerary (12 days/11 nights)                        | Miles / Kilometers |              |
|-----|--|--------------------|--------------|
| 0   | Mon. Depart North America or already in Europe.      |                    |              |
| 1   | Tue. Arrive Frankfurt/Main, Germany. Transfer Mainz. | 18                 | 30           |
| 2   | Wed. to Andlau, France                               | 150                | 240          |
| 3   | Thurs. to Murten, Switzerland                        | 160                | 260          |
| 4   | Fri. to Megeve, France                               | 130                | 210          |
| 5   | Sat. Megeve (rest or riding day)                     |                    |              |
| 6   | Sun. Megeve (rest or riding day)                     |                    |              |
| 7   | Mon. to Aosta valley, Italy                          | 80                 | 140          |
| 8   | Tue. to Brienz am Briensee, Switzerland              | 160                | 260          |
| 9   | Wed. Brienz am Briensee (rest or riding day)         |                    |              |
| 10  | Thurs. to Titisee-Neustadt, Germany                  | 120                | 190          |
| 11  | Fri. to Frankfurt/Main. Return motorcycle.           | 210                | 340          |
| 12  | Sat. Morning transfer to airport.                    |                    |              |
|     | <b>Total</b>   | <b>1,400</b>       | <b>2,300</b> |

## Rates 2017/18

| Rider/driver | Passenger  | Single room supplement | Model upgrade supplement | Prior and/or post-tour stay-over optional daily model rental rate |
|--------------|------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| US \$6,585   | US \$5,125 | US \$835               | Standard                 | US \$189  |
|              |            |                        | Comfort                  | \$219   |
|              |            |                        | Sport                    | \$239   |
|              |            |                        | Sport-tour               | 259   |
|              |            |                        | Top                      | 269   |
|              |            |                        | Super                    | 279 Sup.DI. \$299   |

## Features and services

- Transfers from/to Frankfurt/Main airport, hotels and dealers
- Insured BMW F 700 GS, Honda or Yamaha standard class motorcycle model with unlimited mileage, free use, third party liability, collision and comprehensive insurance with safety deposit of € 1,500.
- 11 overnights in comfortable and select hotels 3\*\*\* and 4\*\*\*\*
- all breakfasts (buffet)
- all dinners except on rest days at 2 or 3-day stops featuring specially prepared regional dishes and specialties
- Welcome get-together reception where refreshments are on us
- Multilingual and experienced tour guide on a motorcycle
- 2nd guide in support van with room for passengers
- Luggage transfer from room to room
- Small groups up to 10-12 bikes
- Eurorider and safety slide show
- Daily ride morning overviews with alternate routes and tips
- Specially prepared 50-page tour booklet with daily itineraries
- Information packet with brochures, Euroriding tips and maps
- Complimentary Bosenberg tour gift - Hanes Beefy T-Shirt
- Guaranteed departures

## Options

- Model upgrade with comfort, sport, sport-tour, top, super, super deluxe classes per designated model upgrade supplement are possible.
- Early arrival and/or delayed departure 4\*\*\*\* first class tour hotel reservations in Mainz (double at US \$285 and single at US \$235) and/or Frankfurt/Main (double at US \$285 and single at US \$235) per night with breakfast are possible. Transfers included.
- Rent your designated tour model with unlimited mileage for a few days or longer prior to and/or after a tour at the stay-over optional daily rental rate.
- Riders providing their own motorcycle and rental car users pay the passenger price.
- Helmet (US \$135), tank bag (US \$95), top cases and trunks (US \$125, if not OEM feature), GPS (US \$185) are available for rental.