

3. Heidi's enchanting journey from Geneva to Chésereux, Crans Montana and back to Geneva

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Self drive/Group tours/Guided private tours

7 days/6 nights/ 4 rounds of golf, from/to Geneva

Geneva - Chésereux - Montreux - Crans Montana - Geneva

Day 1 - Geneva. Individual arrival in Geneva

You collect your rental car and take your time to explore this cosmopolitan city where you find the headquarters of the UNO and the IKRK (Red Cross). You spend the night in the metropolis of Western Switzerland on the shores of lake Geneva.

Day 2- Geneva/Chésereux (30 kilometers / 20 miles)

Short drive through wonderful vineyards with great views of the Savoyan Alps and Mont Blanc, the highest mountain in Europe (4792 m above sea level). Enjoy a round of golf on the „Schlossplatz“ („Castle Course“) of Bonmont (18 hole, Par 71, length 6080 m). A picture perfect course and contributing to its setting are ancient trees, a quite undulating but never steep terrain and a historic Zisterzienser Abbey that now functions as the club house. The intention was to create the design around the existing geometry and the openness of the terrain, which was achieved brilliantly. This course also impresses with its fast new greens and free, magnificent views towards the mountain range of Mont Blanc. You spend two nights in the charming village of Chésereux.

Day 3 - Chésereux

Domaine Impérial is rated as one of the most prestigious courses in Switzerland. It offers class, tradition and wonderful views (18 hole, Par 72, length 6339 m). You drive past the villas of Michael Schumacher and Nigel Manson, then reach probably the best course in Switzerland. It takes good advantage of the last open undeveloped space close to the lake shore. Don't let yourself be distracted by the anticipated joy of the famous wines which grow within eye sight, or by the marvellous views of the Jura and the French Alps. Because this playground with an extension of more than 1 square kilometer, styled in American design, plus its huge bunker areas and heaps of challenging surprises is very demanding. Even long time club members don't regard this parcours designed by the star architect Pete Dye as a „home game“. Also the club house is awesome, originally built in 1860 by Prince Napoleon as the „Villa Prangis“.

Day 4 – Chésereux/Crans Montana (170 kilometers / 105 miles)

After a short drive on your way to the Wallis you are tempted by the golf course of Montreux in the area of Aigle. The second oldest parcours in Switzerland was founded back in 1900 and is especially impressive with its old trees and the wonderful views of Lake Geneva (18 hole, Par 72, length 6207 m). With lots of sensitivity and keeping the historical faith it was just recently awoken to new life. A euphoric feeling lies over the whole setting, but only really overflows at the last hole with its spectacular water obstacles. A fair terrain that despite its narrow passages through forest still allows for good hits to avoid problem zones. Enjoy also the many attractive glimpses of the vineyards of the Wallis, the medieval castles and the dominating peaks of the mountain Dents du Midi. Next your trip takes you further up through the Rhone Valley to Crans Montana. In this very sunny village you spend two days in a lovely hotel.

Day 5 - Crans Montana

Here at 1500 meters above sea level the golf balls fly a little bit further. The exceptional golf course of Crans Montana was opened in 1906 and since 1939 every year hosts the Swiss Open, the highest rated tournament of Switzerland and since 1983 also the European Masters. Situated just next to it you find the varied 9-hole course of Jack Nicklaus (par 35, length 2779 m). The golf course of Crans Montana is located on an enviable high plateau offering an incredible panorama. The course not only thrills the professionals, also the amateur will take home as an unforgettable souvenir the memory of the unique stage set in which Monte Rosa, Mont Blanc and the mountains of the Berner Oberland play the main role. The re-designing by S. Ballesteros emphasized the challenges of this special course even more. The perfectly maintained fast greens are also nourished by the many drops of sweat the players have to spill here on this demanding course. And also never underestimate the 9-hole course opposite the village, designed in 1988 by legendary Jack Nicklaus and set in an open forest around a reservoir. The holes leave you with only a little tolerance for inaccurate hits and therefore are not for careless leisure golfers who just want to show off.

Day 6 - Crans Montana/Geneva (190 kilometers / 120 miles)

Drive back to Geneva through the most charming landscape of the Rhone Valley and along scenic Lake Geneva. You spend another night in Geneva.

Day 7 – Geneva Airport

Short drive to Geneva Airport, where you hand over your rental car and check in for your flight back home.

Included in the package price are:

- Stay in double room including breakfast
- Pre booked tee-times with green fees
- Daily departures with a minimum of 2 people
- Rental car category D, Volkswagen Passat or similar including insurances
- Travel documents with guide book, road maps, stroke saver

Not included in the package price are:

- Meals besides breakfast
- Petrol
- Parking fees
- Costs for transport on railways, cable cars, cogwheels, ships, park entrance fees etc.
- Hiring costs of trolleys and clubs (available everywhere)
- Carts normally don't exist on Swiss golf courses

Rates in Swiss francs per person on request

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