

# EUROPE: THE ULTIMATE ALPINE ADVENTURE

Italy, Switzerland, France

#### **13-DAY PROGRAM**

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- Explore the vibrant cities of Geneva and Milan
- Let the beauty of the Southeast French Region enchant you
- Visit the glaciers of Mont Blanc, the highest spot in Western Europe
- Immerse yourself in the rural Alpine way of life
- Raft a river of glacial water and hike among brilliant wildflowers
- Journey through three countries to discover the best the Alps have to offer

# 2024 PROGRAM DATES

• July 8 - July 20



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# **ITINERARY**

Actual schedule of activities will vary by program session. The information detailed here is typical for what you can expect to experience; however, site visits, activities and service work vary depending upon a number of factors, such as the weather, scheduling and constraints of the location.

#### Day 1: Arrival Day

Welcome to Geneva!

Our Teen Travel Network Trip Leaders will meet you in the Geneva airport wearing their TTN t-shirts.

We will spend this first day settling into our accommodation and building connections with fellow travelers. Before we sleep off our jetlag, we will enjoy a local welcome dinner.

### Days 2 - 3: Geneva

Bienvenue to the Alps!

During your time in the beautiful city of Geneva, you will learn of the history of this famous city, swim in its glacier formed lake, and delight yourself with some amazing Swiss chocolate while you explore this epicenter of world diplomacy and hub of humanitarian work.

### Day 4 : Geneva -> France

To the mountains! Embark on a perfectly picturesque journey from Geneva to the stunning Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes region in France via bus.

Take in the breathtaking natural beauty against the dramatic backdrop of mountain range and greenery. .

### Days 5 - 8: Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes

Get ready for the exhilerating outdoors in the captivating Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes region. Our first stop will be the enchanting town of Annecy, known for its charming canals, historic architecture and vibrant local markets.

Immerse yourself in the rich history and quaint atmosphere as you explore the town's hidden gems and indulge in local delicacies. Paddle or kayak on the serene waters of its stunning lake, surrounded by breathtaking natural landscapes. Afterward, we'll continue our adventure in the town of Chamonix, nestled at the foot of Mont Blanc. Prepare to be awe-struck by sublime alpine vistas!

Explore a magnificent ice cave, raft in glacial waters and, most notably, stand before the towering presence of the iconic Mont Blanc, rising majestically to 3,842 meters above sea level. We'll also gain some insight into the region's sustainable practices and unique agricultural and medicinal productions derived from the abundant local vegetation.



#### Days 9 - 10: France -> Italy

Bid au revoir to France as we venture to the picturesque mountain villages nestled in the Interlaken area. Hop aboard the traditional mountain cog train to Zermatt, where you'll be treated to unparalleled views of the infamous Matterhorn range.

Take a deep breath of the crisp, pure air of the Swiss Alps as you traverse the alpine highlands adorned with vibrant wildflowers. Don't miss the chance to explore the area's magnificent rivers and lakes, immersing yourself in the natural splendor of the surroundings.

#### Days 11 - 12: Lake Como & Milan

Ciao Italy! Our trek continues on to Lake Como, where we'll savor exhilarating rafting adventures and leisurely moments by the picturesque lake frequented by artists.

Then, it's off to the dazzling city of Milan. Marvel at the architectural masterpiece that is the Milan Cathedral and explore the charming Santa Maria delle Grazie church, home to the renowned Last Supper painting by Leonardo da Vinci. Take in the vibrant ambiance of Milan, renowned as the global hub of the fashion world.

#### Day 13: Departure day

Before we know it, our Alpine adventure has come to an end. Head to the airport with incredible memories, new friends, and confidence that will benefit you for life!

TTN Trip Leaders will accompany travelers to the airport and check them in for their flights home.

As you settle into your seat for the journey home, reflect on the things you saw, the people you met, and places you went. We'll see you on your next adventure! Welcome to the Network!

# ABOUT TEEN TRAVEL NETWORK

Teen Travel Network was founded in 2022 by the leadership team of its 'sister company' Global Leadership Adventures. Global Leadership Adventures has been in operation for 15+ years and has sent tens of thousands of students on life changing international service related trips. Teen Travel Network was founded on the basis of discovery, insight and fun and operates trips for teens across Asia, Europe and Latin America. Our mission is to build confidence, curiosity, and connection in the next generation of global citizens through travel.

## PROGRAM SPECIFICS

- Tuition: \$5,750
- Ages: 14 18
- Accommodations: Hotel Blocks, Chalets
- Arrival Airport
  - Geneva: Geneva Airport (GVA)
- Departure Airport
  Milan: Milan Int Malpensa (MXP)

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