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HIKING HOLIDAYS HIGHLIGHTS OF TICINO

Hiking: Highlights of Ticino

Bellinzona, Monte Bré & Lake Lugano

The valleys are scarcely populated, the mountain paths are panoramic and the cities burst of life and Italianità. This hiking trip leads through the southernmost part of Switzerland from the sublime castles fo Bellinzone through lively Lugano and on to Mendrisio. The views on the countless lakes in this region will guide your way to Ticinos highlights.



5 Days / 4 Nights



Self-guided tour

To the online version




ITINERARY

DAY
1

Arrival to Bellinzona | Bellinzona – Isonne





Luggage drop-off in Bellinzona. Steep climb to the Cima di Dentro with views of Piano di Magadino and Lago Maggiore. Take one last look at the UNESCO-World Heritage castles of Bellinzona before you walk down towards Isonne.

 approx. 4 h  approx. 10 km  840 m  315 m

DAY
2

Isonne – Tesserete





First through the swamp at Gola di Lago and then further on through a sea of ferns in a sparse birch forest towards Bigorio. Santa Maria Franciscan monastery like an eagle's nest above Tesserete.

 approx. 3.5 h  approx. 11 km  525 m  740 m

DAY
3

Tesserete – Lugano

In the morning by bus to Cimadara. The tour leads past the Denti della Vecchia rock formations over the Monte Boglia, through beech forests and high plateaux to Monte Brè, a vantage platform high above Lugano. The funiculaire takes you down to the city centre.

 approx. 5.5 h  approx. 13 km  1'045 m  1'265 m

DAY
4

Lugano – Serpiano


The hike from Monte San Salvatore to Vico Morcote is a classic for the whole family. Always slightly downhill, woodlands alternating with well-kept villages, pretty grotti and scenic views. From Morcote you continue by ship and cable car to Serpiano.


 approx. 4 h  approx. 13 km  855 m  855 m


DAY
5


Serpiano – Mendrisio | Departure or extension

The Monte San Giorgio, also known as the «Fossil Mountain», is a UNESCO World Natural Heritage. Dinosaur fossils dating back 240 million years can be marvelled at in a small museum in Meride. After arrival in Mendrisio individual departure.

 approx. 4 h

 approx. 13 km

 690 m

 940 m

TOUR CHARACTER

Walks with a view! The distances are rather short but you should expect some steep up- and downhill. Surefootedness is needed for the hikes on the crests.

Find more information about the region [here](#).

The ViaGottardo at SwitzerlandMobility

- [Details about the route](#)

The Trans Swiss Trail at SwitzerlandMobility

- [Details about the route](#)



PRICES & DATES

PLACE OF ARRIVAL: BELLINZONA

Season Saison 1	Season Saison 2
20.04.2024 - 26.04.2024 28.09.2024 - 13.10.2024 Daily arrival	27.04.2024 - 27.09.2024 Daily arrival

Highlights of Ticino, 5 days, CH-TSWBM-05X

Base price	839.-	865.-
Surcharge single room	259.-	259.-

Category: 3*-Hotels & local inns

ADDITIONAL NIGHTS

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Season Saison 1	Season Saison 2
Apr 20, 2024 - Apr 26, 2024 Sep 28, 2024 - Oct 13, 2024 Daily arrival	Apr 27, 2024 - Sep 27, 2024 Daily arrival

Bellinzona

Double room p. P.	95.-	95.-
Surcharge single room	55.-	55.-

Mendrisio

Double room p. P.	109.-	109.-
Surcharge single room	55.-	55.-

Prices per person in CHF

SERVICES & INFORMATION

Services

Included:

- Accommodation as mentioned incl. Breakfast
- Daily luggage transfer
- Subsidy for arrival by train
- Entrance to the castles of Bellinzona
- Entrance to the fossil museum Monte San Giorgio
- Ticino Ticket with numerous inclusive services and discounts (on request at hotel)
- Carefully elaborated route description
- Travel documents (1 x per room)
- Navigation app and GPS data available
- SwitzerlandMobility-Plus subscription for one year
- Service hotline

Note:

- Rides with boats and cable cars not included (approx. CHF 45.- per person)
- Tourist tax, if due, is not included in the price
- Reservation fee of CHF 20.- per adult (incl. legally required customer money protection)

Information

Arrival/Departure:

- Arrival by public transport to Bellinzona. If you arrive directly, hand in your luggage at the luggage counter by 10:00 a.m. at the latest.
- Departure by public transport from Mendrisio. In case of direct departure, luggage will be returned to the partner hotel by 5:00 p.m. at the latest.

Arrival by train:

Leave the car at home! For every bike, biking or hiking tour in Switzerland, you will receive an SBB coupon per participant, which you can use to **deduct CHF 10 from the ticket price** for traveling by train. The reduction can be obtained in the SBB online store or in the SBB app.

On many trips, we use the luggage counters at the stations at the beginning and at the end to hand over the suitcases. You can conveniently combine this right away when you arrive by train. **If you are a GA owner, you can provide this information when booking. We will credit you the amount on the invoice.** If you don't need the coupon for the trip itself, you can use it during the year. Unfortunately, a retroactive refund is not possible for administrative reasons.

Travel documents

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- Your travel program
- Luggage tags
- Description of how to use the app
- Any vouchers

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