

Cycle Tour in Switzerland: The Jura Route

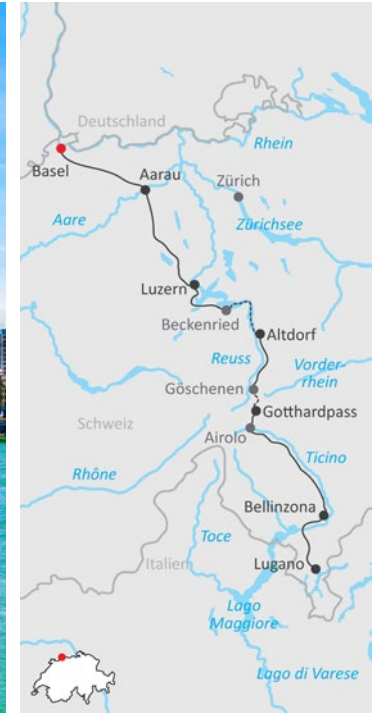
8 DAYS / 7 NIGHTS, APPROX. 305 KM
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DAILY ROUTE LENGTH ●●●●●
TOPOGRAPHY ●●●●●



From the mountain ranges of the Swiss Jura to Lake Geneva

From Eur **1179,-**



Your tour

Spectacular views, fragrant coniferous forests with mighty pines and breathtaking, austere mountains. This is what a cycle tour in Switzerland along the Jura Route has in store for you! And you earned it, as you'll be cycling pretty athletic routes from Hochrhein to Lake Geneva. In the lonely expanse of the Jura scenery, clocks seem to tick a little slower than elsewhere. Things liven up in the former clock-making metropolis, La Chaux-de-Fonds, in the Swiss canton of Neuenburg. But there's one thing you're guaranteed: In the remoteness of the Franches-Montagnes highlands, in the medieval villages in Doubs Valley or in the high valley of Vallée de Joux, you'll lose any feeling of time. Enjoy it! For as soon as you arrive at the inspiring Lake Geneva at Nyon, you'll already be at the end of your cycle tour in Switzerland, along the Jura Route!

Itinerary

Day 1	Individual arrival to Basel
Day 2	Basel – Miécourt, approx. 60 km
Day 3	Miécourt – Saignelégier, approx. 45 km
Day 4	Saignelégier – Travers / Couvet, approx. 65 / 70 km
Day 5	Travers / Couvet – Sainte-Croix, approx. 30 km
Day 6	Sainte-Croix – Vallée de Joux, approx. 45 km
Day 7	Vallée de Joux – Nyon, approx. 55 km
Day 8	Individual departure

Travel time

Season A	20.04. – 26.04.	28.09. – 13.10.
Season B	27.04. – 27.09.	

Daily arrival 20.04. – 13.10.2024
The season is dictated by the arrival date.

Services

- 7 nights with breakfast, national 3*-level
- Admission to the watch museum in La Chaux-de-Fonds
- Luggage transport from hotel to hotel to Nyon, 1 piece of luggage per person, max. 20 kg / piece
- Cycle route description with maps (1 x per room)
- Service-Hotline (7 days, 08.00 a.m. – 08.00 p.m.)

Not included services

- Citys or visitors tax, if payable

Basic price per person

Doubleroom, Season A	1179,-
Doubleroom, Season B	1229,-
Price Surcharge Singleroom	409,-

Additional night prices per person

Basel DBL / BB	115,-
Basel SGL / BB	185,-
Nyon DBL / BB	85,-
Nyon SGL / BB	125,-

Additional services per person

E-bike / Pedelec*	289,-
Rental bike (27-speed)*	155,-

*including rental bike insurance

Exemplary hotel list

Basel	Steinschanze Basel	https://www.steinschanze.ch/
Miécourt	de la Cigogne Miécourt	https://www.cigogne-miecourt.ch/
Saignelégier	Cristal Saignelégier	https://jura-resort.ch/chambres
Travers / Couvet	de l'Aigle Couvet	https://www.hotel-aigle.ch/
Sainte-Croix	Hôtel de France Sainte-Croix	https://www.hotelfrance.ch/
Vallée de Joux	de Ville in Le Sentier Vallée de Joux	http://www.hotelvillesentier.ch
Nyon	Hostel Nyon	https://nyonhostel.ch/?lang=de

Child reduction on basic price

Since family rooms are not available on this trip, the children's discount cannot be offered.

Languages Travel documents

→ German, English, French

Additional note

- All bookings are on request.
- Return journey to Basel: by train on your own, half-hourly connections, 2 changes, takes approx. 3 hours.
- Twin / double rooms / separate beds are only occasionally available. We treat requests as non-binding customer requests, if above mentioned room types are a booking condition, it must be mentioned as a condition at the time of booking.

Equipment of our rental bikes

- Comfortable saddle
- Bike lock
- Air pump (per room)
- Hub dynamo
- Breakdown kit (1 x per booking)
- Waterproof pannier

Journey to Basel

- Nearest airports: Basel, Zurich
- Train station: Basel

Parking in Basel

- Paid parking in Basel. Cheaper parking at Basel-Mulhouse airport with direct bus connection to Basel SBB train station (duration approx. 30 min). No reservation possible through Radweg-Reisen.

Luggage transport

- Luggage pick-up from 09.00 a.m., delivery to the next hotel by 06.00 p.m. at the latest, labeling of luggage is 1 x for the whole tour. No restriction on the number of pieces of luggage, but max. 20 kg per piece of luggage.

Travel documents

- 1 set (per booked room) consists of: hotel list and voucher, travel information with details on daily stages, short travel guides and route descriptions, maps, luggage tags
- Dispatched up to four weeks before arrival. For short-term bookings, delivery to the start hotel, hotel list and arrival information will be sent by email

Stages description

Day 1: Individual arrival to Basel

Do you see two slender red sandstone towers? That's Basel Minster, one of the city's landmarks. There are many ways to get to know the city on the Rhine: on a tour of the old town, on a ferry trip or on a walk along the banks of the Rhine. If you are interested in art, a visit to one of the numerous museums in the city of art is a must!

Day 2: Basel – Miécourt, approx. 60 km

On the first section of your cycling holiday, you feel Switzerland in your legs - as you climb into the Jura! You start the route on a gentle incline along the forested Swiss-French area, La Lucelle, close to the border. Then you start climbing up to Challhöchi pass. In the absolute tranquility, the view of the undulating Jura peaks is even more impressive. In the small village of Miécourt, with its old farm houses, you are totally surrounded by the gentle hillsides of the Ajoie.

Day 3: Miécourt – Saignelégier, approx. 45 km

Along the Doubs river, you leave the Ajoie, and have completed the first part of your cycle tour in Switzerland on the Jura Route. With a lot of pedal power, you reach the isolated plateau of the Franches-Montagnes. Enjoy an amazing downhill whoop into Doubs Valley, to the medieval St. Ursanne, with its three town gates, right on the river. The scene from the stone bridge is beautiful and perfect for a break. Then you have an uphill section to the plateau. In the wonderful peace and quiet, the pines seem even mightier in this meadow countryside. In Saignelégier, you are at just under 1000 metres of altitude.

Day 4: Saignelégier – Travers / Couvet, approx. 65 / 70 km

Via La Cibourg, you reach the former clock-making town of La Chaux-de-Fonds. In the chequered town, you find the International Museum of Watches and many Art Nouveau buildings. Along level but also hilly routes, you cycle through the High Moor of Les Ponts-des-Martel. Lively frogs and buzzing dragonflies add to the almost mystic atmosphere here. In Val de Travers, is the small village of Traves with a castle and stone bridge. You stay overnight in either Travers or Couvet.

Day 5: Travers / Couvet – Sainte-Croix, approx. 30 km

Today a particularly pretty route through the countryside awaits you. Val-de-Travers - once the hub for making absinthe - offers breathtaking views of the Swiss midlands. The Green Fairy still has its mystic character. Absinthe was forbidden for a long time. You cycle as far as Sainte-Croix, the world capital for music boxes. Visit Cima museum and wake up the child inside you! Sainte-Croix is also known for Amandine - an almond and honey cake, perfect as a souvenir.

Day 6: Sainte-Croix – Vallée de Joux, approx. 45 km

After some intense uphill pedalling and wonderful downhill freewheeling, you reach the levels of Vallorbe. You continue on to Lac de Joux in the high valley of the same name, Vallée de Joux. The nature around the largest lake of the Swiss Jura is almost entirely unspoiled. You'll find rest and relaxation in this wonderful countryside. Vallée

de Joux is often referred to as the valley of clocks - known as it is for the art of watchmaking. The valley is home to many famous watch manufacturers.

Day 7: Vallée de Joux – Nyon, approx. 55 km

You cycle along the banks of Lac de Joux. A long incline to over 1300 m follows. And then you have made it! Now it's almost all downhill through the diverse biotope of the Jura vaudois nature park via Lake Geneva to Nyon. From its castle terrace, you come to appreciate the town's location on a lake and with surrounding vineyards. Wild vineyards grow on the walls of the promenade path, Vieilles Murailles. It takes you right to the Kastanienplatz – to three remaining columns, dating back to the Romans.

Day 8: Individual departure

After breakfast you start your individual return journey home or extend your stay.