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2017 – Our Destinations

Chamonix: Chamonix, in the French Haute Savoie, is arguably the most famous village in the Alps. Already in 1786, when Mont Blanc – at 4,800 meters named the “monarch” of the Alps – was first climbed, the village was preparing itself for the wave of tourism that was to come. Farmers, hunters and crystal seekers gave way to mountain guides, ski instructors, lift operators and of course, hoteliers. Today, Chamonix offers a huge network of trails, as well as buses and mountain lifts to facilitate their use by hikers of all levels. Argentiere and Les Bossons – our calmer villages of choice – are just a few minutes away.

Sils Maria: The Engadine has long been the preferred mountain region for the Swiss. Less developed than the nearby St. Moritz, Sils is a perfect combination of unspoiled Old World charm and modern convenience. Lakes abound. Beautiful pine forests and deep valleys set off the stunning mountains which are capped by the famous Piz Bernina, itself surrounded by some of the most impressive glaciers in Switzerland. The last major village before the Oberengadine plunges to the Bergell at the Maloja Pass, Sils Maria lies at the foot of the greatly admired Fex Valley, virtually on the shore of the beautiful Lake of Sils. Both the Engadine and Bregaglia Valleys are hiked from here.



TRIP DATES– 2016

July 15 – 30

August 26 – Sept. 10

RESORT(S)

Sils Maria (S)

Chamonix (F)

LAND PRICES*

\$5,700

\$4,500

* Schedule of supplementary charges for single rooms – when available – may be requested from Alpine Travel.

S= Switzerland F=France

◆ SAMPLE ITINERARY ◆

DAY 1: Depart North America to Switzerland.

DAY 2: After arrival at your gateway city, transfer by train or bus to your hotel. Fred Jacobson will hold a brief orientation meeting at your hotel this evening.

DAY 3 AND FOLLOWING: Daily hikes, plus transfer.

DAY 16: Transfer to your gateway.

For further information, contact:

Fred Jacobson or Alpine Travel, or check our website www.alptrails.com

TRIP PRICE INCLUDES...

Accommodations: In twin-bedded rooms with bath or shower at the following hotels: Le Montana in Argentiere/Chamonix, Aiguille du Midi in Les Bossons/Chamonix and Waldhaus in Sils Maria. Hotels have a limited number of single rooms, which will be assigned on a "first come, first served" basis.

Transportation: Guests for Sils Maria will receive round trip train passes from Zurich and passes for buses, trains and mountain lifts in the Engadine region. Round trip tickets to Chamonix from Geneva are included as well as local bus and train passes.

Meals: Buffet breakfast and dinner at hotel.

TRIP RATE DOES NOT INCLUDE...

Local airport taxes, air fares, expenses of passports and visas (bearers of US passports do not require visas for Western Europe); laundry, wines, liquors, mineral water, after luncheon and after dinner tea or coffee, or food not on the menus of the included meals; additional baggage; expenses of carriages, guides, sightseeing, or other services than those specifically mentioned as being included in the itinerary; tips to hotel personnel and drivers; baggage and other personal insurance; airport taxes and all items of personal nature, plus those not listed above as being included in the trip price.

Special Insurance: For those passengers interested in obtaining additional insurance coverage for the length of the trip; trip cancellation; baggage insurance including sports equipment, medical expense coverage, accidental death and dismemberment, as well as specified fractures can be covered. Cost of insurance is very reasonable and brochures will be provided at time of booking.

HOW TO BOOK...

All reservations should be made through Alpine Travel, P.O. Box 1477, Newburyport, MA 01950. Tel: (800) 291-8126 or (978) 465-8510. E-mail: alpine.travel@verizon.net. They will handle the travel details pertaining to your trip. A deposit of US \$500.00 per person is required at time of booking. No order will be processed without a deposit. Balance is due in full 90 days prior to departure. Once your deposit has been received, you will get, in addition to your confirmation, a letter from Fred Jacobson in which he will spell out the equipment you will need (minimal), what kind of weather to expect, what to wear at dinner, etc.

Cancellations and Refunds of Land Arrangements: Refund in full up to 10 weeks prior to departure, less handling fee of US \$200.00 per person. If cancellation is received less than 10 weeks prior to departure, the cancellation fee is 50% of the total land cost, plus any charges incurred by hotels, cable fees, etc. Less than 5 weeks, 80% of total land cost, plus charges. **We strongly suggest that, to allow for unexpected contingencies, you purchase "trip cancellation" insurance. Information about such insurance will be sent to you upon receipt of your reservation.** No refunds for unused portions during the course of our trip, except at the discretion of the trip operator. Claims must be made within 60 days following the termination of the trip program.

Trip Membership: In an honest endeavor to ensure congenial membership on the trip, Fred Jacobson Alpine Trails, Ltd. reserves the right to refuse application of anyone and/or expel from any party trip members whose conduct is incompatible with the interests of the party as a whole.

Published Rates: Trip rates in this folder are based on two persons occupying one room and are quoted per person (in US\$). All trip prices are based on costs and currency exchange rates existing and in effect December 15, 2016. Any subsequent changes in the currency exchange rates may alter or change the rates published in this folder.

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Participating Carriers: All IATA carriers.

REGISTRATION FORM FOR THE MAGIC OF THE ALPS TRIPS

I WISH TO JOIN THE FOLLOWING TRIP(S):

Destination(s): 1. _____ 2. _____

Name: _____ Mr./Mrs./Ms.

Address: _____

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone: Home _____ Business _____ Cell _____

Deposit: \$500 per person: \$ _____ Age: _____ E-mail: _____

Accommodations Required: TWIN: (sharing with) _____

SINGLE: _____ (If available, at a supplement)

Please make check/money order payable to: Alpine Travel • P.O. Box 1477 • Newburyport, MA 01950

I have read the MAGIC OF THE ALPS Brochure and agree to its conditions.

Date: _____ Signature: _____