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Fodor's Switzerland (Full-color Travel Guide)



Synopsis

Written by locals, Fodor's travel guides have been offering expert advice for all tastes and budgets for 80 years. Switzerland, Europe's mountain playground, is a classic tourist draw. Fodor's Switzerland is the perfect guide for travelers seeking to ascend the slopes of the Alps and feel on top of the world. When they come down from the mountains, they find thriving, cosmopolitan cities steeped in history and culture. This travel guide includes:

- Dozens of full-color maps
- Hundreds of hotel and restaurant recommendations, with Fodor's Choice designating our top picks
- Multiple itineraries to explore the top attractions and what's off the beaten path
- In-depth breakout features on scenic train rides and drives, The Bernese Alps, and vineyards of Lavaux
- Coverage of Zurich, Eastern Switzerland and Liechtenstein, Graubunden, Ticino, Luzern and Central Switzerland, Basel, Fribourg and Neuchatel, Bern, Berner Oberland, Valais, Vaud, and Geneva

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Nothing like old fashioned INDIVIDUAL country maps. There are more smaller cities on these maps & easier to read than a bulky book or trying to get a good GPS signal through a tunnel in the Alps

Very helpful, enjoyed what was recommended

Very detailed , including restaurants and sites yo visit Excellent guide, as expected from Fodor's.

The perfect Kindle companion.

Great detail. Will be very useful in planning our trip.

Excellent info, well presented

Delivery was prompt and the guide (we have had others) was pretty current. To me (too old to

backpack) Fodor's has the best guidebooks.

Frankly, I purchased this book because I thought an ebook version of Rick Steves guide was not available (I was mistaken). I am now in Switzerland trying to use the guide. I find it hard to navigate (might be true of all ebook travel guides) but of more concern to me is the lack of practical information. For example, in Zermatt there are three ways to get to a "Matterhorn view". The Fodor's mentioned them but provides no details - how much does it cost? where is the station? how long is the trip? and the guide only suggests a couple of restaurants, one of which is closed for remodeling until Dec 2015. As far as what do you do in this town when the weather is bad and the mountain isn't out, they are silent on that subject. Unless of course you want to go sit in a bar and drink. And I don't think the guide adequately addresses things like train ticket options -- such as the purchase of a Swiss rail pass which can be a very good choice for many tourists. There is always a possibility that some of the information I was seeking is somewhere in this guide and I couldn't find it, but I don't think so. I also purchased the Fodor's guide to England for this trip and had similar experience with it. Superficial at best and lacking in the practical details so important when you are traveling on your own.

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