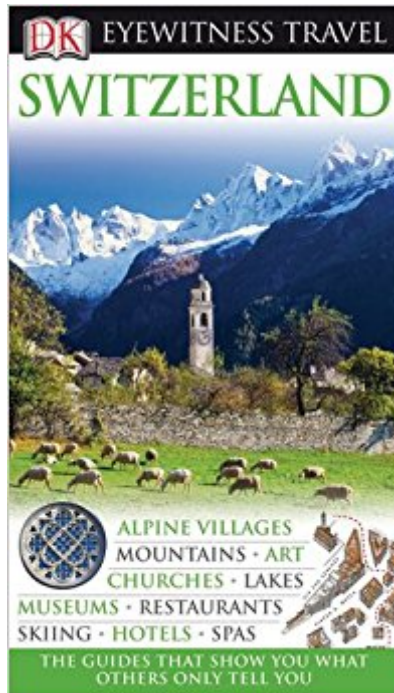




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Switzerland enjoys a unique position, landlocked and mountainous in the center of Western Europe, with a long history and a thriving multi-ethnic society and Europe's oldest surviving democracy. This "DK Eyewitness Travel Guide to Switzerland" is just the resource for planning a visit to its unique sights. The guide explores Switzerland by geographic region, exploring Lake Geneva and western Switzerland; the capital of Bern and the Bernese Oberland; Zurich and northern Switzerland; Ticino and central Switzerland; and eastern Switzerland, including the independent enclave of Liechtenstein. Each regional section explains something of its history, unique cultural aspects and

most important attractions. The book includes an introduction to Switzerland, a short essay on its history, and practical information on how to get there, get around, and get a room and a meal, or two. Switzerland truly has lots to offer in the way of art, culture, history, natural scenery, shopping and recreation. Its long status as a neutral nation means its cities were spared the damage of two World Wars; its medieval architecture can be found in many places. This Eyewitness Guide includes maps, diagrams, photographs and illustrations by way of enticement and planning aids. It contains sufficient information to plan a visit and is portable enough to accompany the visitor on some touring once in Switzerland; highly recommended.

We enjoyed using this book. Cons: It is a book that takes weight and space on an 18-day trip to Switzerland, but was worth it as you will not use an electronic travel book in the same way. What is nice is you have a book, coffee table type, to display and refer to after the trip. Details/overview of small cantons/villages was great. You travel so much by rail in Switzerland that you cannot stay any length of time to get into all the detail of one area, so snippets by area is good. Recommend. Use the subject areas like food, wine, traveling, etc. which is helpful in making sure you eat some of the wonderful cheeses and dishes of Switzerland.

I'm just in love with this DK travel guides, in fact I already own 7 of them. They are wonderful for getting a general overview of the country, and all the places worth a visit. They are perfect to learn a bit about the story, to get to know and SEE the places you could go and to plan your trip with hundreds of pieces of advice and recommendations. However, if you are only interested in a certain city, go get the DK travel guide version for that city in particular and if there is not any, consider looking for other guides. Why? Because in a pocket book covering a whole country, it'd be impossible to cover so many cities in so much detail, wouldn't it?

This Guide of Switzerland contains sufficient information about all the aspects of tourists' travel, without e.g. filling half of the volume with hotel listings. The suggested excursions and city walks are described clearly enough, and seem well chosen. The references and table of content are useful. We searched the public libraries in Helsinki for Guides to Switzerland and chose the Eyewitness Travel Guide to take along on the one-week bus tour through most of the mountainous country. This is a good way to compare the travel guides, and then to buy a personal copy to keep for the records and for future trips. We did just that. Somewhat unfortunately, we lost our copy due to carelessness already in Luzern, the first stop-over. Upon our return home, we found that it was

cheaper to buy the book through and give it to the library than to pay the reimbursement fee that they had set!

DK Eyewitness Travel Guides have always been our favorite. Excellent maps, wonderful photos, and enticing descriptions. It always contains all the info we need. Going on a river cruise this summer, but spending 3 days in Zurich first, before we depart from Basel. We now have planned how to best use those days.

I love these Eyewitness Travel Guides since when you are traveling, it is difficult to fumble through text. Much better to look at a picture of whatever it is you are seeing and let that anchor you as to where you are. Beautiful layout, extremely useful.

I always purchase eyewitness guides for the countries I am visiting. They provide so much useful information and I can find wonderful hidden items in every place thanks to the authors of these books. Love the information!

I bought this as a gift for someone who is headed there soon. She was excited to receive the book. I guess I'll have to see how her trip goes and I'll ask her if the book was helpful when she gets back.

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