



## BERNESE OBERLAND HIGHLIGHTS, SWITZERLAND: INN-TO-INN HIKING TOUR

**MEET:** Wengen  
**DEPART:** Kandersteg  
**LENGTH:** 8 days, 7 nights. 2 nights 4-star hotel, 4 nights 3-star hotels, 1 night in a mountain inn.  
**HIKE RATING:** Moderate–Strenuous, 5-8 hours/day, 1500'-3500' elevation gain/loss

Our Bernese Oberland Highlights tour combines great dayhikes from comfortable village-based hotels with a short and spectacular inn-to-inn stretch. We'll enjoy outstanding stops at 3 and 4-star hotels as well as the most breathtaking and memorable inn-to-inn stretch of the Alpine Pass Route. Starting with 2 nights in Wengen, we'll hike to the far end of the Lauterbrunnen valley for 1 night at the charming mountain inn of Obersteinberg. We'll continue to Mürren for 2 nights there, followed by 2 more in quiet Kandersteg. Enjoy first-class hotels, and plenty of flexibility for longer or shorter hikes each day.

### DAY ONE

Arrive in Switzerland, and transfer by train to Wengen in the Bernese Oberland. We'll meet and talk about our tour before a welcome dinner at our hotel. (Hotel Schöneegg)

### DAY TWO

We'll enjoy spectacular views of the Eiger, Jungfrau and surrounding mountains as we hike from Wengen to Kleine Scheidegg and back on alternate trails. Huge glaciers and waterfalls tumble to our feet at Biglenalp as we explore quiet side-trails in this classic mountain region. (Hotel Schöneegg)

### DAY THREE

Our trail winds through flowery meadows and dense woods to the lush Lauterbrunnen valley floor. After a break for lunch, we'll hike to a wild and isolated corner of the valley for a memorable night in a remote mountain inn. Obersteinberg is a working farm set in a stunning location.

There is no luggage transport, no showers, and no electricity (ceramic washbasins and candles will do). We'll enjoy charming private rooms and a filling and delicious meal... this is always a favorite stop! (Obersteinberg Inn)

### DAY FOUR

We can take an optional morning hike to small glacial lake in the back of the valley. Afterwards, a beautiful wooded hike brings us through sleepy Gimmelwald to the car-free village of Mürren, with its unparalleled cliffside views of the surrounding mountains. (Hotel Jungfrau)

### DAY FIVE

There are numerous dayhike possibilities around Mürren. One beautiful trail leads up to the local peak, Birg, for superb all-around views, and past a small glacial tarn. Or feel free to just unwind in one of the most scenic and relaxing villages in the Alps. (Hotel Jungfrau)

### DAY SIX

A morning transfer by train brings us to the quiet village of Kandersteg, with time for a dayhike up to a spectacular emerald-green lake surrounded by cliffs, waterfalls, and glacier-clad peaks. We stay just outside town in a fantastic 4-star hotel. (Hotel Doldenhorn)

### DAY SEVEN

A great dayhike from Kandersteg is a quiet path leading south to the Klus gorge. The power of the Kander river is impressive, as we climb through this narrow gorge into the Gasterntal valley. This is a picture-perfect hideaway - a small, U-shaped valley, carpeted with wildflowers and guarded by savage cliffs. Waterfalls bursting from the cliffs add to the scenery. (Hotel Doldenhorn)

### DAY EIGHT

Today we say good-bye to the Bernese Oberland and depart for our post-tour destinations.