Switzerland Mother/Child

August 9-16, 2026

August 9: Arrival

Arrive in Zurich and transfer as a group to Grindelwald.

August 10: Full Day at Grindelwald First

https://www.grindelwaldfirst.com

Ride the gondola up to <u>Grindelwald First</u> and dive into the thrills of the Adventure Package, featuring high-speed rides like the First Flyer zipline and First Glider. Coast down mountain trails on a **Mountain Cart** or **Trottbike**, with views that rival the excitement. After a day of alpine adrenaline and awe, return to Grindewald to relax and recount the day's adventures.

August 11: Grindelwald to Grimsel Hospiz

https://www.grimselwelt.ch/en/railways/gelmerbahn/

Depart Grindelwald and journey toward Grimsel Hospiz, with a stop for one of Switzerland's most thrilling mountain experiences. Ride the <u>Gelmerbahn</u>, Europe's steepest open-air funicular, and feel your heart race as you're pulled up a dramatic 106% gradient. At the summit ,take in the raw alpine beauty with a self-guided hike around <u>Lake Gelmer</u>, a turquoise gem tucked among rugged peaks. After your descent, continue on to Grimsel Hospiz, where you'll settle in and unwind after a day of high-altitude adventure.

August 12: Grimsel Hospiz to Stoos

https://www.myswitzerland.com/en-us/experiences/stoosbahnthe-steepest-funicular-railway-in-the-world/

Depart Grimsel Hospiz and make your way to Schwyz, where you'll board the **Stoosbahn**, the world's steepest funicular, en route to the charming mountain village of Stoos. Set out on your own on the spectacular **Stoos Ridge Hike**, a 4.4 km trail offering panoramic views of Central Switzerland's peaks and lakes. With well-marked paths, enjoy this moderate trek at your own pace. Afterward, settle in for a peaceful overnight stay in Stoos, surrounded by the serenity of the Swiss Alps.

August 13: Stoos to Bellinoza

Depart Stoos by funicular and travel south to the sun-soaked region of Ticino, arriving in the historic town of <u>Bellinzona</u>. Join your travel director for an orientation walk through the town's charming streets, where Italian flair meets Swiss precision. Then, step back in time with a guided visit to Bellinzona's UNESCO-listed trio of medieval castles—

Castelgrande, Montebello, and Sasso Corbaro. Explore ramparts, towers, and sweeping views that once defended this strategic Alpine gateway. Enjoy the evening at leisure to soak in Bellinzona's relaxed ambiance and southern Swiss culture.

August 14: Boggera and Val Grande Canyoning

https://ticinoadventures.com

Prepare for an adrenaline-filled day as you head into the rugged gorges of **Boggera and Val Grande** for a full canyoning experience. With expert guides leading the way, plunge into the crystal-clear pools, rappel down waterfalls, and navigate natural rock slides carved by time. Surrounded by Ticino's dramatic landscapes, this is Swiss nature at its wildest. (You have the option to add on a second canyoning experience in the afternoon \$300 per person.) After the adventure, return to Bellinzona to relax, recharge, and relive the day's thrills with your fellow explorers.

August 15: Bellinzona to Lugano

Travel south from Bellinzona to Lugano, stopping en route to board the funicular up Mt. Bre, where you'll be rewarded with panoramic views of the city, lake, and surrounding mountains. After descending, arrive in Lugano and join your travel director for an orientation tour through this elegant lakeside city, with its Mediterranean charm and Swiss precision. This evening, enjoy dinner with your fellow travelers toasting the highlights of Switzerland you've enjoyed along the way.

August 15: Depart Milan

After a memorable journey through the Swiss Alps, take one group transfer to the Milan Airport.

Included:

- 7 breakfasts & 5 dinners
- All transfers & in-country travel
- Hotel tips, restaurant trips for included meals & local taxes
- All tickets for included activities

Not Included:

- Personal travel insurance
- Tips for travel director and driver
- Optional Activities

Mother with Son or Daughter ages 14+

Cost: \$5,885 per person \$500 deposit due upon registration. \$3,000 (total) Due by March 1 Pay in full by May 1 Full refund before March 1, loss of deposit after that. No refunds after May 1. 24 Paying Guests + 4 Kuk Staff