Jui's Homestay

DAYTRIP STEAM CHAIN RIDE BRIENZER ROTHORN

There was once a director of BLS Navigation who introduced a steam chain trip from Thun to the Brienzer Rothorn, with the steam ships Blümlisalp on Lake Thun and Lötschberg on Lake Brienz which did run on a appropriate schedule. But by the introduction of the interval timetable on both lakes, geared to the train arrivals at Thun station, the idea of such an experience faded away.



However, you still can make it during the **summer navigation schedule** on Lake Thun and Lake Brienz (from beginning of June). But only for early birds, since the steam chain ride can only be taken from the Brienzer Rothorn to Thun. Take the train to Brienz and continue to the Rothorn, even at a reduced fare with the 0836 ticket. Have a late or second breakfast at Berghaus Rothorn Kulm and enjoy the view. Then 1¾ hours after arrival, **start the return journey by steam train and the two paddle steamer to Interlaken and Thun**.

Below: Saloon Paddle Steamer Lötschberg on Lake Brienz



The paddle steamer Lötschberg awaits us in Brienz and will take us to Interlaken Ost. If you already are hungry again, you may have lunch in the ship's restaurant. The saloon steamer Lötschberg was the 299th and last paddle steamer built by the Escher, Wyss & Cie. company in Zurich and put into service on 25 July 1914. Since 1968 oil is being used as fuel for steam generation. In winter 2000/2001, the Lötschberg underwent an extensive general overhaul including boiler replacement, which cost four million Swiss francs.

Below: Paddle Steamer Blümlisalp on Lake Thun



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In **Interlaken**, 11/4 hours are available for a walk from the East Station to the West ship landing stage or for lunch. We wait for the coffee and cake until the trip on the steamboat Blümlisalp to Thun.

Hardly any other steamship has had such an eventful history as the Blümlisalp. In 1906, it was time for the saloon steamer to cast off on its maiden voyage. It was the largest, strongest and most elegant ship on the lakes of the Bernese Oberland. But in 1971, the Blüemlere was the last paddle steamer to be decommissioned on Lake Thun. She narrowly escaped being scrapped and stood unused in the Kander delta for 20 years. Steamboat enthusiasts fought for its preservation, even a cantonal people's initiative was launched and accepted to save her. After more than two years of renovation, the second maiden voyage was celebrated in 1992. Ever since, the Blüemlere has been in regular service again.

Timetable (all information without any liability)

There are two options for the journey from Jui's Homestay. Depending on your preference, you can choose the early option, with a longer stay (1¾ hours) on the Brienzer Rothorn, or the later option with a shorter stay (only 40 minutes) on the Rothorn.

	Lädeli		dep	07:12	08:12	arr		
	Thun	Track 16/18	arr	07:19	08:19	dep		
	Thun	Track 1	dep	07:24	08:24	arr	17:20	1
	Interlaken West Ship		arr			dep	15:10	1
	Interlaken West		dep			arr	04 / 33	١,
	Interlaken Ost	Track 5	arr	07:58	08:58	dep	00 / 30 ³)] -
	Interlaken Ost	Track 4	dep	08:04	09:04	arr	13:53 ²)	3
	Brienz ZB	Track 1	arr	08:21	09:21	dep	12:40 ²)	
	Brienz BRB		dep	08:36 ¹)	09:40 ¹)	arr	12:20	1
	Brienzer Rothorn Kulm		arr	09:31	10:35	dep	11:15 ¹)	
	Stav on Rothorn		hrs.	01:44	00:40			

- For a guaranteed seat: buy tickets online with seat reservation (but only at BRB available)
- ²) Lunch on the ship Lötschberg: Reserve a table!
- 3) Train to Interlaken West every 30 min., travel time 4 min.

To have lunch on the Lötschberg, Jui's Swiss Trips & Homestay strongly recommends a table reservation, especially during the holiday season and generally on weekends and public holidays (online via the QR code below or via ① +41 58 327 48 11).

Tickets Excursion costs with the Bernese Oberland regional pass: CHF 0.00 (all information without any liability)

Brienzer Rothorn: Adults CHF 94.00 (without reduction) / CHF 47.00 (with reduction)

Children 6-15 y CHF 10.00 Children - 6 y CHF free

Reduction 50% with GA, ½-Fare-Card, STP, TK, GTK, STK. Junior Card und STP Family Card accepted.

Lake Thun & Lake Brienz day ticket:

Adults 2.Cl CHF 72.00 / 1.Cl CHF 106.00 (without reduction) Adults 2.Cl CHF 36.00 / 1.Cl CHF 53.00 (with reduction)

Children 6-15 y 2.Cl CHF 15.00 / 1.Cl CHF 24.00

Children - 6 y CHF free

Reduction 50% with ½-Fare-Card, SHFC. Junior Card and STP Family Card accepted.

<u>Please note</u>: On all ships on Lake Thun and Lake Brienz upper decks are 1. class only, main decks (entry level)

are for holders of 2. class tickets.

Getting there from Jui's Homestay to Brienz and back from Thun:

Adults 2.Cl CHF 29.60 / 1.Cl CHF 52.00 (without reduction) Adults 2.Cl CHF 15.30 / 1.Cl CHF 26.80 (with reduction)

Children 6-15 y 2.Cl CHF 15.30 / 1.Cl CHF 26.80

Children - 6 y CHF free

Reduction 50% with ½-Fare-Card, SHFC. Junior Card and STP Family Card accepted.

Bei früher Buchung sind u.U. Spar-Streckenbillette erhältlich

Travel time Jui's Homestay to Brienz by PT 1:10 hrs. / Cost CHF 59.20 (2 Pax) / 61.20 (4 Pax)

Travel time Jui's Homestay to Brienz by Jui's driving service 0:45 hrs. / Cost CHF 55.00 (7 Pax max)

Reservation Ship's Restaurant



