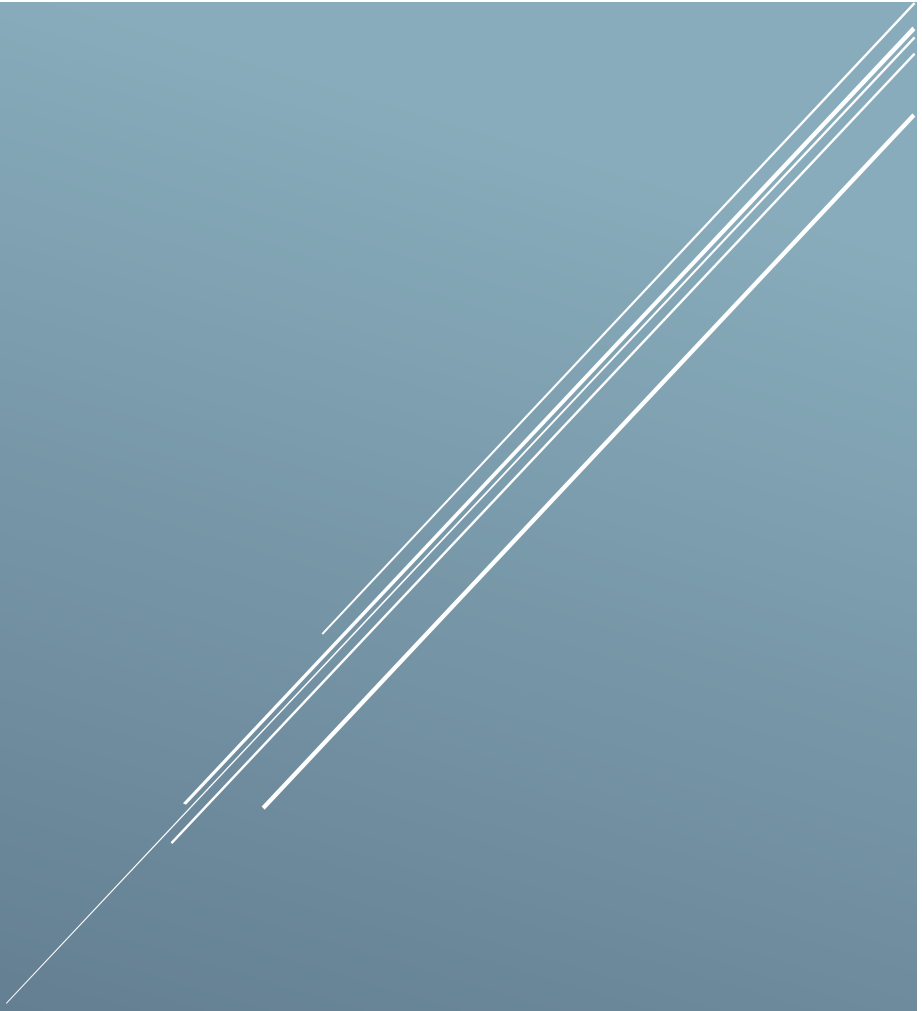




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Salut, Hallo, Hello, Hola,

In this post, I am going to tell you about my experience with the Interrail passes.

Frequent Ask Questions:

What is the Interrail passes?

The Interrail passes is a train ticket document that allows you to travel across Europe.

How long is the duration of the pass?

There are two different offers. You can travel inside a period between 5 till 21 days or you can travel for 1 month or 2 months.

The one that we used for our trip, was the pass for 5 days.

How much does it cost?

The price of the ticket will depend on the offer that you chose. According to the website, the price for a 5-day pass is £165 (193 €) and the price for 2 months is £651 (731€).

Can you get a special offer or discounts?

Yes, inside the Interrail prices you can get discounts for activities or they can be free. For example, the Glacier trip is free to use, the only extra cost would be a 5chz for seat reservation.

Can I choose which class do I want to travel?

Yes, you can choose either to travel in 1 or 2 class. The prices may vary depending on the option you choose.

1st February 2019

At 3:30 am, the train departed Swansea to London. Quite an early start.

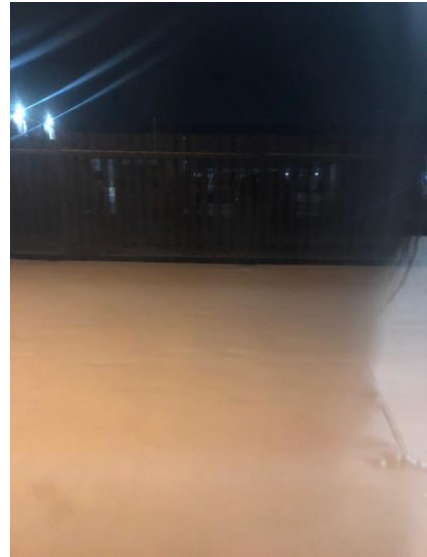
It took us approximately three-and-half hours to arrive there. The train arrived on time and to arrive at St Pancras Station, we catch two tubes.

St Pancras Station is the base to take the Eurostar. In there we could eat breakfast and take some pictures.

Due to the bad weather, trains were delayed for two hours. Also, people whose trains were after us boarded before us.

In addition, they were not informing of what was happening and as a consequence, we are able to claim money back.





3rd February 2019

At 7:42, we were at the train station to get our train from Paris to Genève. The views of the route are spectacular and magical.

The landscape was covered with some snow.

A recommendation made to travelers will be to bring their document holder to put the Interrail pass as they are very fragile.

Moreover, there was a delay of approximately 30 minutes due to technical difficulties.

Our next stop was Montreux. In Montreux, we took the Glacier Express train to Lucerne.

In this train, the views were amazing and you could buy some food and drink to take during the journey.

Thanks to the Interrail pass, this journey is free.

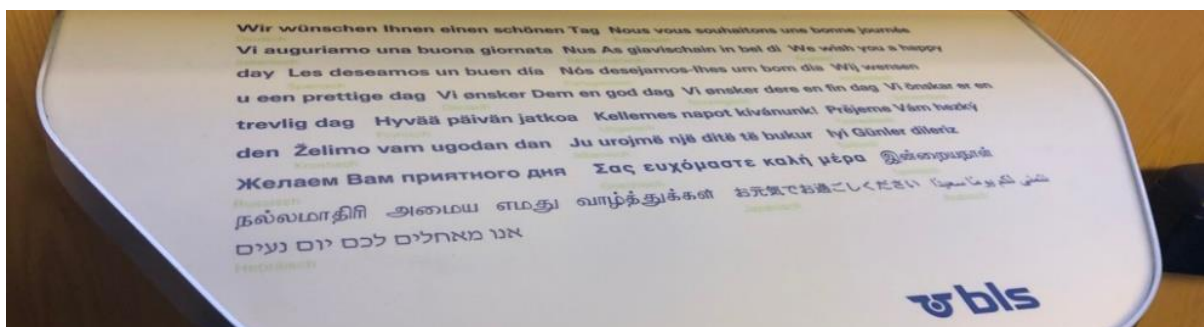
From Lucerne to Lauterbrunnen, we took two trains.

I have to say that the design of public transport in Switzerland amazed me due to the fact that trains & buses are linked together and they run on time.

Thanks to this initiative, people are not forced to take the car.

Therefore, in my experience, I can say that the best method to move around Switzerland is with public transport.

One detail that I like about the trains was that on the table train they were wishing you a good day in different languages.



4rd February 2019

During this day, we went up to the Schilthorn to visit the 007 museum. Views are spectacular.

If you visit the museums with your Interrail passes you will get a 25% discount.

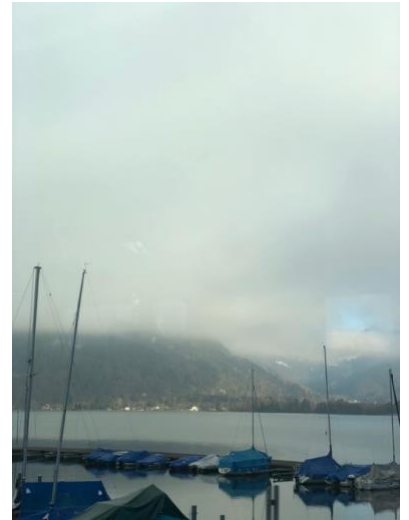
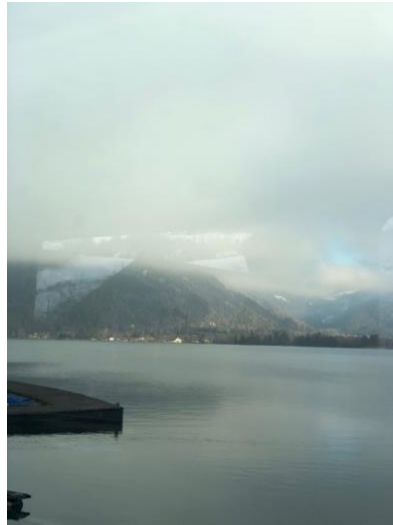


6th February 2019

One hour from Lauterbrunnen, we can find the capital of Switzerland, Bern.

This trip was included on the Interrail pass. The train arrived punctual allowing us to visit the city.





7th February 2019

On our last day, we travel from Interlaken to Lausanne.

In there we visited the Olympic museum, you have got a 25% discount if you show your Interrail pass.

After our quick visit to Lausanne, we got a train to Genève airport. This train is direct, so you will arrive at the airport terminal at the end of the journey.

The train was busy and people occupied two seats or more. I found that very rude as there weren't enough spaces to sit.

“Quick and easy to use” would be the phrase to describe my experience with the Interrail pass



I will finish with some advice for those traveling by train around Europe:

- Allocate enough time to pass through the Eurostar.
- Always carry a document holder to pack your travel passes
- Schedule the activities that you want to do and always check time.
- Revise if you have discounts or if they are free.
- Arrive in advance to catch the trains.
- Days in advance of your trip, check out that the documents are correct.

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