

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION SWITZERLAND & ITALY

PASSPORT AND VISA INFORMATION

Your passport needs to be valid for **at least six (6) months** after your journey ends, and should have a minimum of three (3) blank visa pages for entry and exit stamps.

Holders of U.S. and Canadian passports are not required to obtain a tourist visa for entry into Switzerland and Italy for stays of up to 90 days.

Our partner VisaCentral offers easy, efficient U.S. passport and visa processing. Visit them online at visacentral.com/abercrombiekent or call 844 823 1224 and reference A&K's account number 73001. Service fees apply.

Citizens of other countries should contact the appropriate consular office for entry requirements pertaining to their journey.

COVID-19 COUNTRY ENTRY REQUIREMENTS & TRAVEL ADVISORIES

Switzerland and Italy currently have no COVID-19 vaccination or testing requirements for entry for U.S. and Canadian residents. Visit the U.S. Department of State at travel.state.gov or the Government of Canada at travel.gc.ca/travelling/advisories for up-to-date information.

CASH & CREDIT CARDS

Major credit cards are widely accepted, and there is easy access to ATM outlets. In smaller cities, shops and cafes may prefer cash payment for goods and services. Unattended self-service payment kiosks such as those in parking garages, train stations or gas stations only accept a Chip and PIN card or cash.

PACKING LIST

Please use the provided A&K luggage tags, even if your bags already have ID tags. This makes it easier for A&K staff to find and manage your luggage for you.

Clothing

Choose versatile, casual clothing that can be layered if the weather (or level of air-conditioning) requires. Cotton and other light fabrics are comfortable choices for summertime. Spring and autumn temperatures dictate medium-weight clothing selections. Pack a coat, hat, gloves, boots, warm socks and sleepwear, if you are visiting Switzerland between late October and early April. Smart casual attire is appropriate for evenings. Formal clothing is not necessary.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Casual slacks | <input type="checkbox"/> Walking shorts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Polo shirts, casual short-sleeve shirts or blouses | <input type="checkbox"/> Long sleeve shirts or blouses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Comfortable walking shoes with low or no heels | <input type="checkbox"/> Lightweight raincoat and umbrella |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sweater or fleece jacket | <input type="checkbox"/> Brimmed hat or visor for sun protection |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sleepwear | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal garments |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Socks | <input type="checkbox"/> Swimwear/cover-up |

Other Recommended Items

- Face masks and hand sanitizer
- Sun block and lip balm
- Sunglasses
- Prescriptions and medications (in their original bottles and/or packaging)
- Simple first-aid kit
- Extra eyeglasses/contact lenses
- Smartphone
- Charging cables for electronics
- Global travel adapter

Laundry service is available at most hotels and dry cleaning is available in larger cities. Check costs and return times before using these services.

TIPPING GUIDELINES

While decisions regarding tipping rest entirely with you, we suggest the following gratuities (noted in U.S. dollars) depending on the type of journey:

| | All Small Group Journeys and Pre/Post Tour Extensions | Tailor Made Journeys |
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| Resident Tour Director or Group Extension Guide | \$20 per person, per day | Not applicable |
| Local Guides | Included | \$25 per person, per day (full day) |
| Drivers | Included | \$15 per person, per day (full day) |
| Airport Transfer Drivers | Included | \$5 per person, per transfer |
| Hotel Porters | Included | \$2 per bag |
| Housekeepers | Included | \$2 per person, per night |
| Included Meals | Included | Included |
| Restaurants or Room Service on Own | 10-15% unless already added | 10-15% unless already added |

For extra nights or Tailor Made services added to a Small Group Journey, please follow the Tailor Made Journeys guidelines for these days only.