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## **UNESCO-World Heritage in Switzerland**

### **A weekend dedicated to the UNESCO World Heritage**

**The traditional World Heritage Days will take place again in 2022. On the weekend of 11 and 12 June, UNESCO World Heritage sites in Switzerland will open their doors and invite you to discover the unknown, the unique and the extraordinary.**

"Some things are so precious that the whole of humanity must watch over them" is the motto of the UNESCO World Heritage Convention. For a place, a building or a region to be included on the World Heritage List, many criteria must be met. Switzerland has 13 sites that have made it onto UNESCO's exclusive list. A good reason to focus on World Heritage at least once a year. The World Heritage Days offer unique insights into Switzerland's most diverse natural and cultural treasures and allow views that are otherwise often denied to visitors.

#### **One highlight follows the next**

At this year's World Heritage Days, culture enthusiasts, families and hikers will find be able to participate to special programs. For example, the Rhaetian Railway in Landquart is hosting a large railway festival. A unique treasure weighing 200 tonnes from the Tectonic Arena Sardona can be visited in Ilanz. The Swiss Alps Jungfrau-Aletsch takes visitors on a free glacier tour. And in the Abbey of St. Gall, visitors can immerse themselves in medieval writing culture during special guided tours.

All information about the World Heritage Days and the detailed visitor programmes:  
[www.worldheritagedays.ch](http://www.worldheritagedays.ch)

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#### **The UNESCO World Heritage in Switzerland**

The aim of the World Heritage Convention is to protect and preserve for future generations cultural and natural properties of "outstanding universal value" that bear the UNESCO "World Heritage Site" label. Switzerland has four natural and nine cultural heritage treasure. [www.ourheritage.ch](http://www.ourheritage.ch)