

ST. MORITZ



St. Moritz is more than just a holiday resort. It was also the birthplace of Alpine winter tourism (in 1864) and has twice hosted the Winter Olympics. Nevertheless, St. Moritz first became famous thanks to its mineral springs, which were discovered 3,000 years ago and established the town as a summer spa resort early on.

St. Moritz, which is in the Upper Engadine, at an elevation of 1,856 m, boasts plenty of sunny days. It was exactly this sun that was legally protected as the emblem of St. Moritz in 1930. St. Moritz was often ahead of the times - for example, the first electric light went on at Christmastime in 1878, the first golf tournament in the Alps took place here, in 1889 and one of the first ski lifts in Switzerland began running in 1935. Guests from all over the world appreciate the modern Alpine lifestyle, characterised by top-class restaurants that can satisfy gourmet demands even by the side of the slopes, hotels that set standards in every category, and events of international calibre. The Via Serlas guarantees great shopping in a small space, though you can also find local specialties like the famous Engadine nut tart just around the corner. Sights such as the leaning tower, a remnant of the Mauritius Church from around 1500, or the Segantini Museum, offer a change from the life of luxury and the jet set.

GENERAL INFO:

Population: 5,233 inhabitants

Language spoken: Romansch, German

HOW TO GET THERE:

- Geneva Airport - Trains depart every half an hour, transfer time is around six hours, www.gva.ch
- Zurich Airport - Trains depart almost every half an hour, transfer time is approximately three hours and 30 minutes, www.flughafen-zuerich.ch
- EuroAirport Basel Mulhouse Freiburg – Trains depart almost every half an hour, transfer time about four hours and 45 minutes, www.euroairport.com
- St. Moritz Tourist Information, Via Maistra 12, 7500 St. Moritz, T. +41 (0)81 837 33 33, F. +41 (0)81 837 33 66, stmoritz@estm.ch, www.engadin.stmoritz.ch/stmoritz
- St. Moritz on youtube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ws_qzzbZXlg



HIGHLIGHTS

- **Corviglia** – where latest trends are celebrated, World Cup races carried out and gourmet dreams come true - on the home mountain of St. Moritz with its 3057-meter-high Piz Naire summit.
- **Segantini-Museum** – dedicated to the painter Giovanni Segantini who spent the final five years of his life in the Engadine.
- **Bernina Express** – by panorama train on the most scenic railway in Europe to the Puschlav.
- **Muottas Muragl** – impressive view over the lake region of the Upper Engadine. In winter by toboggan from the summit to the valley station.
- **Taxi through an ice channel** – on a thrilling taxi-bob-ride on the only natural ice bob run in the world.
- **Piz Nair Wall** – the start of the men's downhill (2003 World Championship) with a 100 per cent drop results in an acceleration from 0 to 130km/h in 7 seconds. Top skiing skills are a must.

RESTAURANTS

- **Chesa Veglia**

Located at Badrutt's Palace Hotel, the Chesa Veglia is a 1658 chalet hideaway with a Swiss restaurant, a pizzeria, a grill restaurant, two bars and a members' club.

Via Veglia 2, 7500 St. Moritz, T. +41 (0)81 837 28 00, www.badruttspalace.com/de/restaurants-bars-club/chesa-veglia

- **Joehri's Talvo**

An unpretentious, Michelin-starred restaurant serving European classics such as bouillabaisse and paella as well as traditional local dishes.

Via Gunels 15, 7512 - St. Moritz - Champfèr, T. +41 (0)81 833 44 55, T. 41 (0)81 833 05 69, info@talvo.ch, www.talvo.ch

- **La Marmite**

Go early for a table by the window at the mountainside La Marmite, owned by Swiss master chef Reto Mathis.

Mathis Food Affairs, Corviglia, 7500 St. Moritz, T. +41 (0)81 833 63 55, info@mathisfood.ch, www.mathisfood.ch/la-marmite

- **Restaurant Engiadina**

Located in the centre of St Moritz, Restaurant Engiadina is an old-fashioned family dining room with panelled interiors and Alpine touches. Hearty, well-priced dishes include fondues, steaks and carpaccio.

Via Dimlej 1, 7500 St. Moritz, T. +41 (0)81 833 30 00, info@restaurant-engiadina.ch, www.restaurant-engiadina.ch

SHOPPING

St. Moritz unites profound natural beauty with urban elegance. The Alpine town is home to a surprisingly extensive collection of fashion boutiques.

Via Serlas is St. Moritz's answer to Zurich's Bahnhofstrasse and Rodeo Drive in Los Angeles. Just on a much smaller scale. From Jimmy Choo and Gucci to Louis Vuitton, all of fashion's top international names can be found along this stylish shopping boulevard. You'll also find more major labels and boutiques in the village centre. In addition to the many fashion stores, shoppers in St. Moritz can also look forward to dazzling gemstones, stylish designer furniture, exquisite wines and a large selection of delicatessens. And yet, the next little lane filled with enticing local specialties is never far away. Take Hatecke's fat-free designer salsiz (smoked sausage) and top-quality bacon for example, Glatfelder's caviar and homemade coffee blends, or Hanselmann's legendary Engadin walnut tart.