Bergün Filisur

Canton of the Grisons · Switzerland

TRAVEL GUIDE

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Overview

Bergün and Filisur are two villages on the Albula railway in eastern Switzerland. The line is a World Heritage railway, built in the early 1900s. It climbs through tunnels, bridges and loops, and the Landwasser viaduct is its best-known sight.

Bergün has old houses and a railway museum. Filisur has a station junction and a small museum.

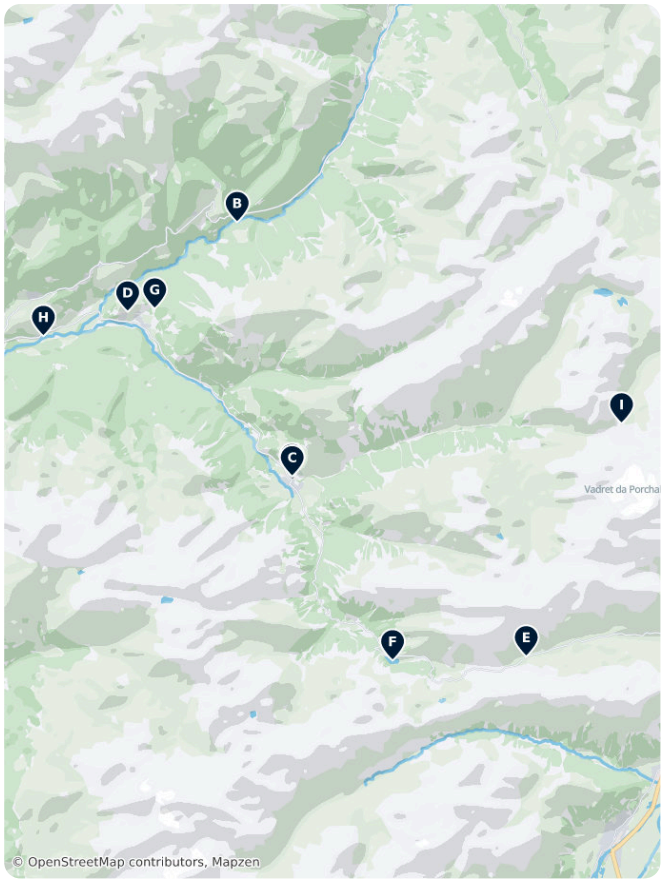
When to visit

June to October is best for hiking and the railway. December to March is the season for sledging and cross-country skiing. Spring and November are quiet.

MONTH	CONDITIONS	DAY °C avg / max	NIGHT °C avg / min	
January	Great Great for skiing	2° / 7° Feels like -2°	-7° / -15°	12 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
February	Great Great for skiing	3° / 7° Feels like -1°	-7° / -16°	Dry air · Calm winds
March	Good Good for skiing	5° / 10° Feels like 2°	-3° / -12°	13 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
April	Poor Poor for hiking	10° / 17°	2° / -7°	15 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
May	Fair Fair for sightseeing	16° / 23°	7° / 2°	21 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
June	Good Good for sightseeing	21° / 27°	11° / 6°	20 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
July	Good Good for sightseeing	23° / 27°	13° / 7°	20 rainy days · Calm winds
August	Good Good for sightseeing	23° / 28°	13° / 8°	19 rainy days · Calm winds
September	Good Good for sightseeing	19° / 24°	9° / 3°	15 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
October	Good Good for hiking	14° / 21°	6° / -1°	14 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
November	Fair Fair for skiing	7° / 14° Feels like 4°	0° / -10°	14 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds
December	Good Good for skiing	3° / 8° Feels like -1°	-5° / -15°	13 rainy days · Dry air · Calm winds

Climate data: NASA POWER (MERRA-2) · 1996–2025

Top sights



- A Albulabahn is a mountain railway with bridges and spiral tunnels, a World Heritage site.
- The Landwasser viaduct is a curved stone bridge leading straight into a tunnel in the rock. A viewing point lies close to Filisur.
- B Zügenschlucht is a narrow gorge near Wiesen, reached on foot.
- C Bahnmuseum Albula tells the story of the railway.
- D Small Railway Museum Filisur is a small museum at Filisur.
- E Albulapass is a high mountain pass above Bergün.
- F Lai da Palpuogna is a small mountain lake near the pass.
- G Ruine Greifenstein is a castle ruin above Filisur.
- H Bad Alvaneu is a small spa near Alvaneu.
- I Kesch Alpine Hut is a mountain hut for hikers.

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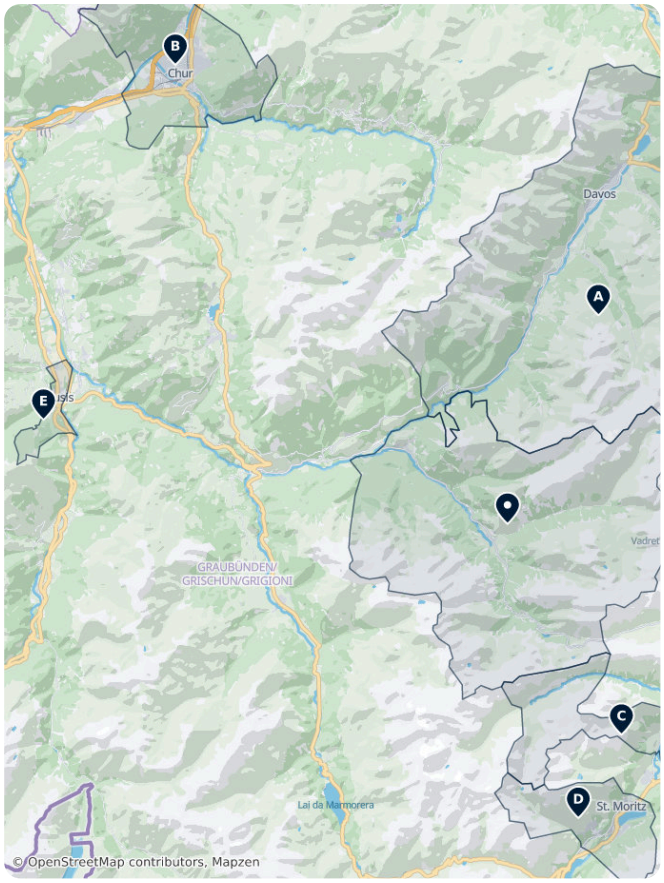
What to experience

- Ride the Albula line.
- Walk the railway trail from Preda to Bergün.
- See the Landwasser viaduct from the viewing point.
- Hike through the Zügenschlucht gorge.
- Sledge in winter on the run from Preda.

Day trips

- A Davos is a big resort town, about 30 minutes away by train.
- B Chur is the capital of the canton, about 1 hour away.
- C Samedan and D St. Moritz are in the Upper Engadin.
- E Thusis is at the foot of the Viamala gorge.



Where to explore

- Davos and Thusis are the nearest towns.

Getting there

- By air: Zurich is the main airport, about 2 hours 30 minutes away.
- By train: Bergün and Filisur are on the Rhaetian Railway from Chur to St. Moritz. Check times on SBB.
- The railway ride is a highlight itself.

Getting around

- The villages are small and easy to walk.
- A train links Bergün with Filisur and the Engadin.
- A railway path leads from Preda to Bergün, with trains and sledges in winter.

Getting around on foot & by bike

WALKABILITY

High

The village is small and mostly flat. Trails climb steeply.

CYCLING INFRASTRUCTURE

Moderate

Roads climb to the pass.

Driving

- A car is not needed for the railway villages.
- The Albula pass road is closed in winter.
- Parking is easy in both villages.

Food & drink

Try Graubünden barley soup, dried meat and cheese dishes. Local restaurants use mountain cheese. Engadin nut tart is a typical sweet.

People speak German and Romansh. English is widely understood.

What to eat & drink

BREAKFAST

Birchermüesli
A raw-oat, fruit, and yogurt breakfast invented by a Zurich doctor around 1900, now standard on breakfast buffets.

LUNCH

Rösti
A fried, shredded-potato cake, originally a Bernese farmer's breakfast, now a national side dish.

DINNER

Cheese Fondue · Fondue
Melted Gruyère and Vacherin cheese in a shared pot, eaten by dipping bread cubes on long forks.

Raclette
Cheese melted tableside or under a grill and scraped over boiled potatoes, pickles, and onions.

Zürcher Geschnetzeltes
Sliced veal and mushrooms in a creamy white-wine sauce, traditionally served with rösti.

Älplermagronen
Alpine herder's macaroni gratin with potatoes, cheese, and cream, often topped with fried onions and served with apple sauce.

SNACKS & STREET FOOD

Cervelat
Switzerland's best-known sausage, usually grilled and often called the country's unofficial national dish.

SWEETS & DESSERTS

Swiss Chocolate · Schweizer Schokolade
Switzerland pioneered milk chocolate in the 19th century; look for small-batch chocolatiers alongside the big national brands.

Basler Läckerli
A dense, spiced honey-and-candied-fruit biscuit from Basel, traditional around Christmas.

DRINKS

Swiss Wine · Vin Suisse
Mostly consumed domestically rather than exported; Valais and Vaud, along Lake Geneva, produce the best-known Chasselas whites.

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Safety & health

- The area is very safe.
- Do not walk on railway tracks.
- Mountain weather changes fast.
- Avalanche risk exists in winter.

History

The Albula railway opened in 1903 to link Chur with the Engadin. Engineers built 55 bridges and 39 tunnels. In 2008 it became a UNESCO World Heritage site together with the Bernina line.

Bergün was a stop on an old route across the Albula pass.

Country facts

Quick practical facts for Switzerland at a glance:

CURRENCY
CHF CHF

EMERGENCY
112

ELECTRICITY

Type C / Type J
230 V · 50 Hz

LANGUAGES
German, French, Italian, Romansh

TAP WATER
Safe to drink

Top sights





A Albula Railway

The Albula Railway is a single track metre gauge railway line forming part of the so-called core network of the Rhaetian Railway, in the...

Spuenda da Latsch, 7484 Bergün Filisur, Switzerland
(46.63154, 9.74645)



B Zügen Gorge

Around three kilometres long, this stunning gorge is an ideal place for a hike. You can read information about the area on the panels.

7494, Switzerland (46.69918, 9.72510)

C Bahnmuseum Albula

Veja Stazion 11, 7482 Bergün/Bravuogn
(46.63096, 9.74659)

Mo–Su 10:00–17:00

bahnmuseum-albula.ch, +41 81 420 00 06

D Small Railway Museum Filisur

(46.67518, 9.68232)



E Albula Pass

The Albula Pass is a Swiss mountain pass in the canton of Graubünden. It lies at the heart of the Albula Alps, on the watershed between the...

(Unnamed Road), 7522, Switzerland (46.58260, 9.83798)

F Lai da Palpuogna

Lai da Palpuogna is a mountain lake at Albula Pass in the municipality of Bergün, in the Grisons, Switzerland.

7482, Switzerland (46.58153, 9.78579)



G Greifenstein Castle

Greifenstein Castle is a ruined castle in the municipality of Filisur of the Canton of Graubünden in Switzerland.

7477, Switzerland (46.67599, 9.69290)

H Bad Alvaneu

121 Albulastrasse, 7473, Switzerland (46.66861, 9.64944)

Mo–Th	10:00–20:00
Fr	10:00–21:00
Sa–Su	10:00–20:00

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