



## **Hockey and the Alps – Switzerland and Italy**

### **December 26, 2025 – January 6, 2026**

**Featuring Zurich, Lugano, Lake Como, Milan and playoff games at the Spengler Cup.  
Enjoy New Year's Eve in Davos and Christmas markets in Lugano, Como, & Milan.  
Optional & schedule permitting: Swiss Hockey League game & Italy Serie A soccer game.**

Azorcan Tours presents a "Hockey and the Alps" trip of a lifetime to Switzerland and Italy. On boxing day we will fly from Canada to Zurich, Switzerland. We will arrive and stay in Zurich on the 27<sup>th</sup> evening. After checking in you may want to walk from our centrally located hotel to the Christmas market. Zurich is a global center for banking and finance that lies at the north end of Lake Zurich.

On the 28<sup>th</sup> morning we will check out, load the bus and have a walking tour of Zurich and free time to sightsee, shop and have lunch. That afternoon we will meet our bus and travel to Davos.

Davos will be our home from the 28<sup>th</sup> evening until New Year's Day. Our hotel is located within a short walk to the Vailant Arena where we will enjoy five games of the Spengler Cup - 2 quarter-finals, 2 semi-finals and the final.

The Spengler Cup is on the "bucket list" of almost every Canadian hockey fan. The Spengler Cup is considered the oldest international ice hockey team tournament. The trophy of the same name was awarded for the first time in 1923. The participating teams from all over the world are invited by the host Hockey Club Davos. The *Spengler Cup* has changed a lot since it started. At first, it was played outside until 1978. Then, it moved to the Eisstadion Davos (no Vaillant Arena), making it better for fans and players. The tournament consists of six teams playing in a round-robin format followed by three consecutive playoff days with the quarter-finals, semi-finals and the final game in the afternoon on New Year's Eve.

After the final we will enjoy a nice dinner party together to celebrate the coming year. On New Year's day we will check out and depart for Lugano.

Arriving in Lugano we will have lunch followed by a guided tour of the city including a trip on the Monte Brè Funicular for a great view of the city, the lake and the mountains. In the evening you may want to stroll down to the main square, Piazza della Riforma, to enjoy the Christmas market.

On January 2<sup>nd</sup>, you have a free day to enjoy Lugano. An option is if there is a Swiss League game scheduled in Lugano we can go enjoy a professional hockey game.

On January 3<sup>rd</sup> we will check out and enjoy a day at Lake Como just minutes away in Italy, we will take a boat from the town of Tremezzo to Bellagio, then to Varenna, before continuing to Como for free time to explore the town and it's Old World Christmas Market. In the early evening we will continue to Milan and check in to the hotel.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> we will enjoy a guided tour of Milan and the remainder of the day is free for you to explore the city. Schedule permitting we may have an optional opportunity to catch on of the city's famous Serie A soccer clubs, AC Milan or Inter playing a game at the famous San Siro Stadium.

On our last day we depart for a day trip to Turin where we will have a guided bus tour on arrival and then you will have free time to explore the city, shop or visits some of their great museums like the National Museum of Cinema located in the famous landmark, the Mole Antonelliana.

On the 6<sup>th</sup> we depart for the airport and return home.

Join us for this amazing tour that includes amazing locations, sights, Christmas markets and the Spengler Cup.



## TOUR ITINERARY

### Day 1 / December 26 / Friday

Check in at the airport  
Depart Canada for Zurich, Switzerland

### Day 2 / December 27 / Saturday

Arrive in Zurich  
Meet our bus and check in to the hotel  
Dinner at a restaurant, evening free  
Maybe go check out the Zurich Christmas Market  
Meals: D      Overnight: Zurich, Switzerland



### Day 3 / December 28 / Sunday

Breakfast at the hotel, check out of the hotel.  
Morning guided tour of Zurich including the picturesque lanes of the central Altstadt (Old Town), on either side of the Limmat River, that reflect its pre-medieval history. The waterfront promenades like the Limmatquai follow the river toward the 17th-century Rathaus (town hall).  
Free time to sightsee, shop and have lunch on your own  
Depart for Davos which lies within the canton of Graubünden. It's a popular ski resort with a conference center that hosts the annual World Economic Forum. Downhill and cross-country ski areas include Jakobshorn, Pischa, Rinerhorn and Parsenn.  
Arrive and check in to the hotel, evening free  
Meals: B      Overnight: Davos, Switzerland





## SPENGLER CUP

Tickets included on the East end of the Corner Arena behind the goal to both Quarter-finals, both Semi-finals and the Final.

### Day 4 / December 29 / Monday – QUARTER-FINALS

Breakfast at the hotel

Free morning in Davos to sightsee, shop and have lunch on your own

Walk to the arena

**15:00 QF Game # 1 – TBA vs TBA – Eisstadion Davos**

Free time for dinner on your own

**20:00 QF Game # 2 – TBA vs TBA – Eisstadion Davos**

Evening free and return to the hotel

Meals: B      Overnight: Davos, Switzerland



### Day 5 / December 30 / Tuesday – SEMI-FINALS

Breakfast at the hotel

Free morning in Davos to sightsee, shop and have lunch on your own

Walk to the arena

**15:00 SF Game # 1 – TBA vs TBA – Eisstadion Davos**

Free time for dinner on your own

**20:00 SF Game # 2 – TBA vs TBA – Eisstadion Davos**

Evening free and return to the hotel

Meals: B      Overnight: Davos, Switzerland





**Day 6 / December 31 / Wednesday – FINAL**

Breakfast at the hotel

**12:00 FINAL – TBA vs TBA – Eisstadion Davos**

Free time for lunch on own



Evening New Year's dinner and party

Enjoy the fireworks

Meals: B      Overnight: Davos, Switzerland



**Day 7 / January 1 / Thursday – Happy New Year**

Breakfast at the hotel, check out of the hotel

Depart for Lugano

Lunch included at a restaurant on arrival

Guided tour of Lugano which lies in southern Switzerland's Italian-speaking Ticino region. Its Swiss-Mediterranean mix of cultures is closely related to that of Italy's northern Lombardy region. This mix is reflected in its architecture and cuisine. The city stands on the northern shore of glacial Lake Lugano, surrounded by mountains. Its main square, Piazza della Riforma, is ringed with pastel-colored, neoclassical palazzi.

The Lugano tour includes the Monte Brè Funicular to the summit for a great view.

Check in to the hotel

Evening free to sightsee and explore Lugano.

Meals: B, L      Overnight: Lugano, Italy



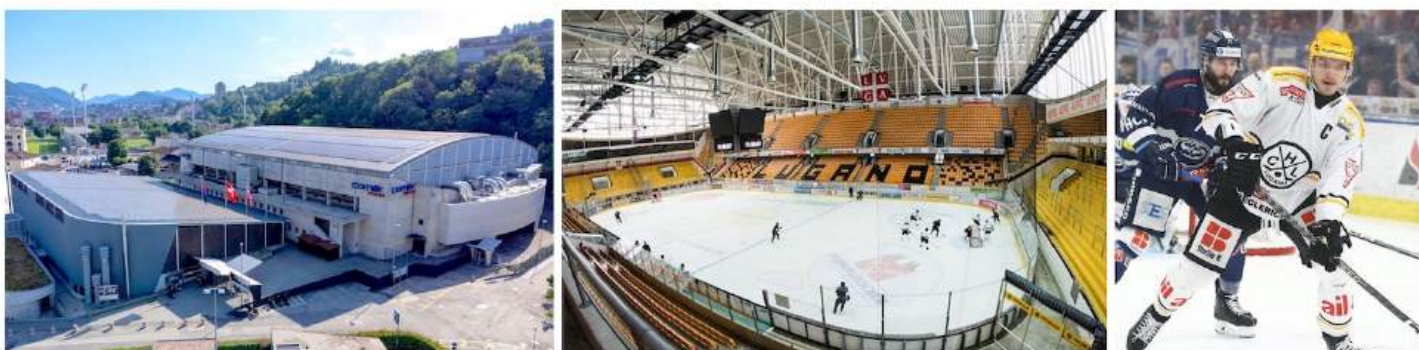


**Day 8 / January 2 / Friday – Lugano**

Breakfast at the hotel

Free time in Lugano to sightsee, shop and have lunch on own.

The Lugano Christmas Markets are still open until January 7<sup>th</sup>.



**OPTIONAL – Schedule permitting**

Depart for the Corner Arena

**Switzerland National League Game – HC LUGANO vs TBA (tickets extra)**

Return to the hotel, evening free

Meals: B      Overnight: Lugano, Italy



**Day 9 / January 3 / Saturday – Lake Como**

Breakfast at the hotel, check out of the hotel

Depart for Lake Como, located in Northern Italy's Lombardy region, is an upscale resort area known for its dramatic scenery, set against the foothills of the Alps. The lake is shaped like an upside-down Y, with three slender branches that meet at the resort town of Bellagio. At the bottom of the southwest branch lies the city of Como, home to Renaissance architecture.

Arrive in Tremezzo and enjoy free time before we catch our ferry

Take the ferry from the Cadenabbia Station to Bellagio and enjoy free time (1.5-2 hours)

Take the ferry to Varenna and enjoy free time (1.5-2 hours)



Take the ferry to Tremezzo and drive to Como  
Free time in Como to sightsee, shop and enjoy the Christmas market



From late November until January 6th, Como hosts [Città dei Balocchi](#), an Old World Christmas Market. Buildings and monuments are illuminated with twinkling lights, hot mulled wine perfumes the air and live music rings out. An ice skating rink adds festive fun, food stalls offer the opportunity to sample traditional delicacies and peruse handmade crafts.

Depart for Milan  
Arrive in Milan and check in to the hotel  
Evening free  
Meals: B      Overnight: Milan, Italy



### Day 10 / January 4 / Sunday – Milan

Breakfast at the hotel

Morning guided sightseeing tour of Milan, a metropolis in Italy's northern Lombardy region. It is know as a global capital of fashion and design. Home to the national stock exchange, it's a financial hub also known for its high-end restaurants and shops. The Gothic Duomo di Milano cathedral and the Santa Maria delle Grazie convent, housing Leonardo da Vinci's mural "The Last Supper," testify to centuries of art and culture.

Afternoon free to sightsee, shop and explore





The Milan Christmas market in the main square is open until January 5<sup>th</sup>. Every year, Piazza Duomo is transformed into a wonderful Christmas village, where the twinkling lights and enchanting decorations create a magical atmosphere.



**OPTIONAL – Schedule permitting**

**Serie A soccer game – Inter Milan or AC Milan – San Siro Stadium (tickets extra)**

Evening free

Meals: B      Overnight: Milan, Italy



**Day 11 / January 5 / Monday – Turin day trip**

Breakfast at the hotel

Depart for Turin

Arrive in Turin and meet our guide for a bus and walking tour of the city

Free time in Turin to sightsee, shop and maybe visit one of their great museums like the Italian National Museum of Cinema, the Egyptian Museum or the National Automobile Museum. During the holiday season until January 10<sup>th</sup>, Turin lights up though the *Luci d'Artista* where internationally famous artists create contemporary light installations.

Late afternoon return to Milan.

Evening free in Milan

Meals: B      Overnight: Milan, Italy

**Day 12 / January 6 / Tuesday**

Breakfast at the hotel, check out of the hotel

Depart for the airport and check in on arrival

Depart Italy for Canada



# HOCKEY & THE ALPS

## Tour information, cost, and insurance

### Hockey and the Alps Tour Includes

Return flight from Edmonton or Calgary to Zurich and returning from Milan

Please ask about other gateways. A no-flight discount is available below.

10 nights hotel accommodation in single or double occupancy

All transfers included in the itinerary

Breakfast daily

Dinner in Zurich and Davos plus lunch in Lugano

New Year's Eve dinner and party in Davos

Tickets to both quarterfinals, both semifinals and the final of the Spengler Cup

Azorcan official tour jersey

### Hockey and the Alps Tour Included Sightseeing

Guided sightseeing tour of Zurich, Lugano, Milan and Turin

Monte Bre Funicular in Lugano

Lake Como ferry transportation to Bellagio and Varenna

### Hockey and the Alps Tour Does Not Include

Travel Insurance (Medical and Trip Cancellation)

We recommend that all passengers purchase insurance at the time of registration.

Drinks at meals are not included.

Tickets and transfer to HC Lugano hockey if a game is available.

Tickets and transfer to Serie A soccer game in Milan if a game is available.

Optional free time activities

Tips for guides or bus drivers

### Hockey and the Alps Cost Per Person

Double or Twin room cost - **\$7395.00**

Single room cost - **\$8195.00**

### Tour Payment Schedule

Some hotels and tickets must be paid in advance and this has been reflected in the payment schedule.

Initial deposit to guarantee your spot on the tour - **\$ 1000.00**

Please complete the tour registration form and email with an image of your passports.

Second payment by June 15, 2025 - **\$ 1500.00**

Final Payment and final name list by **October 1st, 2025**

Payments can be made by check, bank draft or etransfer. Contact us for etransfer details.

Azorcan does not accept credit card payments for our tours.

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### Tour No Flight Discount and Extended Stays

Receive a **\$1900** discount to arrange your own flights and meet the group in Europe. Economy seats are reserved for the group.

If you want to extend your stay Azorcan can change your return flight and the gateway. There may be an additional cost to do this and on a group file we are limited by the number of passengers we can do changes on either the outbound or return flight.

We are holding flights from Edmonton and Calgary. We can request flights from other gateways.

### Optional Travel and Trip Cancellation Insurance

Azorcan Global offers an all-inclusive insurance policy or just a trip cancellation policy with Allianz Insurance. A copy of the insurance booklet and coverage is available on the tour webpage. It is up to each passenger to review the coverage and understand exclusions. We are not insurance agents so please call Allianz for any clarification on coverage. It is each passenger's responsibility to ensure they have proper coverage.

Azorcan will get a quote for **all-inclusive insurance** and for just **trip cancellation insurance** based on your age, tour cost and length of your trip once the tour is close to being full. Passengers over 65 will need to fill out a medical questionnaire to get quotes. After we get the quotes, Azorcan will have an insurance form where passengers can select their coverage option or they can decline our insurance.



### Spengler Cup Tickets

Spengler Cup tickets will be on the east side (O6, O8, O9) of the Vaillant Arena.



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