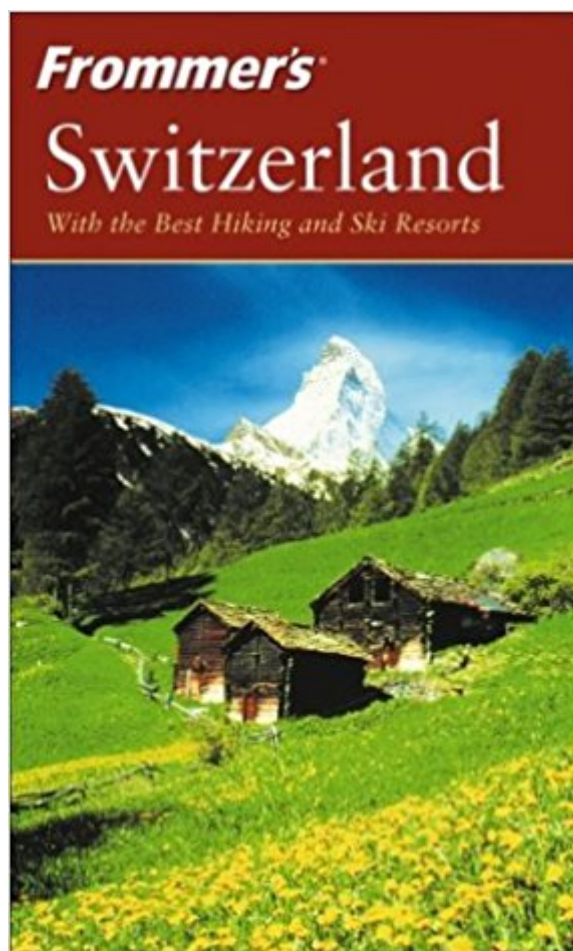


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# Frommer's Switzerland



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Veteran travel writers Darwin Porter and Danforth Prince have written numerous best-selling Frommer's guides, notably to France, Italy, England, Germany, and Spain. Porter, who

was bureau chief for the Miami Herald when he was 21 wrote the first-ever Frommer's guide to Spain while still a student. Prince, who began writing with Porter in 1982, worked for the Paris bureau of the New York Times.

Used this book to help plan a trip to Australia --- only kidding, just seeing if you are paying attention! I had never been to Switzerland and needed to come up with a vacation plan. Frommer's was a good start as they give you a great overview of all areas. Sometimes I wondered if the businesses they recommend had paid them as I found other establishments to be better than the ones recommended. Overall - it's a good place to start.

I have been using Frommers for all my leisure travel-related needs for the last 16 years, and it is becoming increasingly apparent to me that they are resting on their laurels. Don't let the year fool you. I am beginning to think that Frommers merely takes the last year's edition and slap the newest year on it to justify purchasing the 'latest' edition. Instead you get clearly outdated, overhyped information. Frommers likes to put it out there that they are 'in the know' for the best experiences, but let me tell you firsthand they overpromise in the form of their descriptions. A few examples. The 'Bear Pits' of Bern. Strongly implying that they have been at the same location for "[hundreds] of years" in the same location. "Be sure to bring a bag of carrots to feed them". Uh, WRONG. The so-called pits looks like a zoo exhibit on a hillside, complete with concrete caves, barriers, etc. In fact, when you go into Bern, you learn quickly that it has moved several times, along with the times. Oh, and forget those carrots. Total fabrication. You are not allowed to feed them. The clock tower in Bern is a bust. Save yourself travel fare and google a picture of it. The great show that is promised is a bust as well. I could go on and on about other places, such as their descriptions of Zurich, Lucerne and such. Don't get me wrong, they are fabulous cities in their own right, each with their own individual character. It's just that I consider it a complete betrayal of trust when you put out an outdated edition, resting on your laurels and never following up to see if you are current. Beware. This book is a piece of junk.

Wonderful! Lots of great information.

We are headed for Switzerland in a few weeks and most appreciate the data in this book on places to visit, eat and stay.

What I expected.

This was a great guide for us while driving in Switzerland. Frommer's recommendations and descriptions for places to stay and site-see were fairly accurate. When they list a five star hotel as such, believe it. They also included mini walking tours in various cities ... it was great!!! What a fantastic way to get acquainted with unknown spots!!!!

This was a gift to friends who are traveling to Switzerland for the first time.....perfect travel companion! And a great gift!

Frommer is always a good guide. I haven't actually finished it yet as I'm not traveling until August. Still, it was useful in deciding where we want to spend more time on our itinerary.

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