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# Blue Lakes and Idyllic Towns *in the Bernese Oberland*

**Mythical waterfalls, crystal clear lakes and impressive canyons.**  
This excursion takes you to a selection of beautiful lakes and picturesque villages. Let yourself be enchanted by the blue gold!

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# Tips for your journey around the lakes *of the Bernese Oberland*



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## Thun on Lake Thun

Your first stop brings you to the charming town of Thun. Discover its historical old town with preserved buildings and impressive walkways along the water. Visit the white castle on Mount Schlossberg and enjoy the panoramic views over Lake Thun and the majestic Bernese Alps.

[thunersee.ch/en](http://thunersee.ch/en)



## Oberhofen on Lake Thun

Welcome to Oberhofen – the former fortified castle from the 12th century and its romantic park are an idyllic location on Lake Thun. Pay a visit to the Churchill memorial and do not miss the beautiful steam paddleboat “Blüemlisalp” on the lake.

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## Sigriswil

Follow the route to Sigriswil which is located above Gunten. Would you like to cross the 340 meter long suspension bridge? Enjoy spectacular views of the nearby mountains.

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## Saint Beatus Caves, Beatenberg

According to a fairy tale, a terrible dragon lived in the large caves of Lake Thun 1900 years ago. It was only the Irish monk Beatus who succeeded to ban him from the region. Since then, a visit to these magical caves bring you deep inside the Niederhorn Mountains.

[beatushoehlen.swiss/en](http://beatushoehlen.swiss/en)



## Interlaken

It's lunchtime! Enjoy the view over the impressive Jungfrau Mountain from the terrace of our legendary sister hotel Victoria-Jungfrau Grand Hotel & Spa.

[victoria-jungfrau.ch/en](http://victoria-jungfrau.ch/en)



## Lake Brienz

Drive along the left bank of Lake Brienz via Oberried to the famous carving village of Brienz. The most romantic part of this area is also known as Brunngasse and was awarded as “Europe's most beautiful alley”. These particularly pretty chalets are from the 18th century and preserve its traditional decoration.

[www.brienzersee.ch/en](http://www.brienzersee.ch/en)



## Giessbach Waterfalls

Stop by the historic Grand Hotel Giessbach for an afternoon tea and enjoy the wonderful view over the deep green Lake Brienz. You may also visit the Giessbach Waterfalls and take the oldest funicular railway in Europe.

[giessbach.ch/en](http://giessbach.ch/en)



## Reichenbach Falls, Meiringen

A funicular brings you from Meiringen to the legendary Reichenbach Falls (May-October). It is this place that writer Sir Arthur Conan Doyle chose for his hero Sherlock Holmes to be killed in the fight against Prof. Moriarty. The Museum and the statue on Casinoplatz are a must-see for every Sherlock Holmes fan.

[grimselwelt.ch/en](http://grimselwelt.ch/en)



## Aare Canyon, Meiringen

Drive through the Haslital, one of the largest transverse valleys of the Alps, towards the origins of the Aare River and you will find a canyon which is 200 meters deep. You can visit it from April to November.

[aareschlucht.ch/en](http://aareschlucht.ch/en)



## Spiez

Would you like to cool off on the way back home? The “most beautiful bay in Europe” offers you this opportunity – a small path on the left-hand side of the castle leads you directly down to the beautiful Lake Thun passing by the vineyards, which have been the starting point of today's excursion.

[spiez.ch](http://spiez.ch)