



PRESS RELEASE

Glamour, Golf & the Glacier Express **Kulm Hotel St. Moritz & The Chedi Andermatt Offer Luxury Golf Express Package**

Switzerland, April 2017: The Kulm Hotel St. Moritz (www.kulm.com) and The Chedi Andermatt (www.thechedi-anderlatt.com) have linked up with the Glacier Express to offer a unique Luxury Golf Express package that combines stays in two of Switzerland's most luxurious hotels, golf in glorious Alpine settings and a spectacular train ride between the two glamorous mountain resorts.



The Kulm Hotel St. Moritz & The Chedi Andermatt

Whilst staying at the legendary Kulm Hotel St. Moritz for two nights on a half-board basis, golfers will enjoy 18 holes at Switzerland's oldest golf course, Samedan, set in classic open parkland, and the nearby course at Zuoz with its undulating tree-lined fairways, as well as a round on the 9-hole Kulm Golf St. Moritz set within the hotel's extensive grounds, which was the first short course laid out in Switzerland and has spectacular views over Lake St. Moritz. Guests will also have complimentary access to the Kulm Spa St. Moritz for the duration of their stay and enjoy a 50-minute massage to ease any golfing aches and pains.

On departure, Luxury Golf Express guests embark on a 4½ hour railway journey on the Glacier Express crossing the spectacular curved Landwasser Viaduct, passing through the Domleschg Valley and across the Oberalp Pass where the train winds its way up to 2,034m, the highest point it reaches on the trip.

For much of the journey, the Glacier Express passes through the UNESCO World Heritage Site of the Rhaetian Railway in the Albula and Bernina landscapes. The train is not an 'express' in the sense that it travels at high speed – in fact it has a reputation as being one of the slowest express trains in the world – but it provides a one-seat ride that allows passengers to relish the stunning scenery, impressive rock formations and ancient castle ruins en route.

On arrival at Andermatt, guests transfer to The Chedi Andermatt, a luxury hotel combining Alpine chic and Asian expression, for a further two nights. In addition to access to the hotel spa and health club (where guests will experience a 60-minute Alpienne Mountain Massage), the package includes a round of golf at the Andermatt Swiss Alp golf course, which is located between the mountain villages of Andermatt and Hospental in the picturesque Urser Valley. Opened in 2014, this ecologically-developed golf course has made the best of the naturally undulating ground and is regarded as one of the most attractive golf layouts in the Alps.



Andermatt Swiss Alps Golf Course; Kulm Golf St. Moritz;

In summary, the Luxury Golf Express Package comprises:

- 2 nights at the Kulm Hotel St. Moritz on a half-board basis
- 1 round of golf at Kulm Golf St Moritz (9 holes), Samedan & Zuoz Golf Courses
- Kulm Massage (50 min.) per person
- The Glacier Express to Andermatt
- 2 nights at The Chedi Andermatt including one 3-course dinner
- 1 round of golf at Andermatt Swiss Alps Golf Course
- 1 Alpienne Mountain Massage (60 min.) per person

The cost is CHF 2285.00 per person sharing a double room or CHF 3120.00 for a guest staying in a single room.

For those golfers who prefer to drive along the picturesque mountain passes from St. Moritz to Andermatt rather than take the Glacier Express, the package is priced at:

- CHF 2100.00 per person sharing a double room
- CHF 2935.00 for a guest staying in a single room.

Reservations can be made via the Kulm Hotel St. Moritz by phone on +41 (0) 81 836 80 00 or by e-mail via reservations@kulm.com.

NOTES TO EDITORS

Kulm Golf St Moritz

The nine-hole Kulm Golf St. Moritz course, first laid out in 1891, meanders harmoniously through the town, past the St. Moritz bobsleigh run and the former Olympic Stadium (two winter Olympics have been held on the course, in 1928 and 1948), while enjoying spectacular views over Lake St. Moritz. Lying at a height of 1,860 metres, this demanding par 27 course is among the highest in Europe and was re-laid in 2001 to bring it up to date for the needs of today's golfers.

In addition to the course, the Club has a practice putting green and a driving range, as well as its own Club restaurant “Chesa al Parc”. An integral part of the offering at the Kulm Golf St. Moritz is the Academy, where beginners can discover the fascination of golf and seasoned players can improve their technique. Our experienced pros are on hand to provide individual instruction to guests, making use of state-of-the-art technical and audiovisual aids.

Kulm Hotel St. Moritz (www.kulm.com) was the first hotel to be built in St. Moritz. The Kulm Hotel opened its doors in 1856 and immediately became popular for summer spa and painting holidays, particularly among the British who comprised around 75% of the hotel guests. The owner of the Kulm Hotel, Johannes Badrutt, initiated winter holidays to St. Moritz from 1864 and, as a result, the hotel, resort and Switzerland itself celebrated 150 years of winter tourism in the 2014/15 season.

Since the 19th century, the Kulm Hotel has changed considerably through expansion and renovation, but the fabulous location at the heart of St. Moritz with views over the Lake remains the same. A member of The Leading Hotels of the World, Kulm Hotel St. Moritz has 172 rooms, five restaurants (offering formal dining, French fine dining – the Gourmet-Restaurant the K has 16 GaultMillau points, the Italian Pizzeria with 13 GaultMillau points, local Engadine specialities and Japanese), the extensive Kulm Spa St. Moritz (with a 20 m indoor pool with underwater music, various saunas and steam room, a Jacuzzi, a fully-equipped gym and treatment rooms, all with stunning views over Lake St. Moritz) and six conference rooms, with capacities ranging from 50 to 500 people.

Entertainment and sports facilities include the 9-hole Kulm Golf Course St. Moritz (the oldest golf course in the country), three tennis courts, a natural ice rink, a curling field and the Marmotta Kids’ Club. The Kulm Hotel St. Moritz is inextricably linked to the Cresta Run, which was built within the hotel’s grounds in 1891. To this day, tobogganing pilots congregate in the Kulm’s Sunny Bar, which is Switzerland’s oldest sports bar; the walls of the bar are lined with trophies and images of famous people who have hurled themselves down the infamous ice track.

Recent awards for the Kulm Hotel St. Moritz include being named best mountain hotel in Switzerland at the Connoisseur Circle Awards, Switzerland’s third Top Luxury Hotel in the 2016 TripAdvisor Travelers’ Choice® awards, as well as fifth place in the hotels worldwide recognised for best service category. This year, the Kulm was also named sixth best hotel in Switzerland by HolidayCheck and one of the most popular hotels worldwide; Bilanz Hotel-Rating 2016 ranked it eighth out of the 50 best holiday hotels in Switzerland. In 2015, the Kulm secured a top ten place in the “Friendliest Luxury Hotel” category at the Switzerland Tourism PRIX BIENVENU awards, entered the TripAdvisor Hall of Fame for excellence in hospitality for consistently achieving great traveller reviews on TripAdvisor, was named 5th best hotel in Switzerland by *SonntagsZeitung*’s hotel critic Karl Wild and was named the best five-star hotel in St. Moritz for wellness, active holidays and luxury travel by HolidayCheck; the hotel’s Gourmet-Restaurant the K also won 16 GaultMillau points. In 2014, the Kulm Hotel St. Moritz was included in a list of the top ten best holiday hotels in Switzerland compiled by renowned Swiss newspaper *SonntagsZeitung* and the top ten most welcoming luxury hotels in the country list put together by Switzerland Tourism.

In May 2016, Jenny and Heinz E. Hunkeler of the Kulm Hotel St. Moritz were named “Hoteliers of the Year 2016” by leading Swiss newspaper *SonntagsZeitung*, which publishes annual Hotel Rating Awards, the only honours sanctioned by Switzerland Tourism, the national tourist office.

Both the Kulm Hotel St. Moritz and its sister property Grand Hotel Kronenhof are owned by the Niarchos family.

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