



SMALL GROUP JOURNEYS

Winter Aerial Photography Gstaad, Switzerland by Nick Wallace January 21-26, 2024

5 nights from \$9,500 per person

5 guests minimum

Join Nick Wallace (<https://eyecandysafari.com/nick-wallace/>) on a thrilling photographic expedition to Gstaad, located at an altitude of between 1,000 and 3,000+ metres. Embark on an unforgettable journey with our professional photographic safari team to the picturesque landscapes of Gstaad, Switzerland. Gstaad, known as the “Diamond of the Alps,” is a true gem for nature and photography enthusiasts alike. Yet despite its style and class, Gstaad has remained genuinely Alpine and down-to-earth. It is proud of its tradition and lives and breathes it every day.

Our carefully crafted safari promises a unique blend of breathtaking scenery, wildlife encounters, and expert photography guidance, ensuring you capture the beauty of this Alpine paradise like never before. At night we will photograph local chefs in their own kitchen. Practicing the art of proper lighting and indoor photography while enjoying the feast the chef prepares.

Don't miss this opportunity to explore in helicopters, hot air balloons, paragliders, along with flying drones, the enchanting landscapes of Gstaad, Switzerland, and capture moments that will last a lifetime and be published in one of our future editions. ([Gstaad Through the eyes of the Falcon](#))

Book your spot today and get ready to frame the beauty of Gstaad through your lens like never before!

Included

- Pre course advice for prep and planning
- Helicopter inside Saanenland
- Local Guide
- All accommodations
- Most meals and dinners
- Access to locations
- Transportation throughout safari
- Vehicle for the expeditions
- Photographic instruction throughout safari course and materials
- Photography classes
- All applicable taxes
- Wi-fi
- Access to Nick Wallace School of Photography

Excluded

- Airfare to/from Switzerland
- Transfers to/from Gstaad
- Personal items (laundry, souvenirs, etc.)
- Gratuities for lead photographer and guide
- Travel insurance
- Items of a personal nature including but not limited to alcohol and soft drinks outside of dinner, laundry, medical expenses and phone charges.

Itinerary

January 21, 2024

EVENING BEFORE DAY 1: ARRIVE GSTAAD, SWITZERLAND

Arrive to Gstaad, meet other safari members and orientation dinner.

Chalet. Meals: Dinner.

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January 22, 2024

DAY 1:

Morning Lesson.

How to photograph from a helicopter safely, camera settings and in-flight communication.

Mid-Day Heli Flight.

Afternoon/ Evening Editing Images.

Evening presentation each photographer presents their best 10 photos from the day.

Dinner at restaurant by local Chef, Photography Session.

Chalet. Meals: Breakfast, lunch.

Photography: Landscape and aerial photography, editing.



January 23, 2024

DAY 2:

Surrounding valleys of the Saanenland:

Morning Helicopter Flight.

Mid-Day Helicopter Flight.

Evening Helicopter Flight.

Image download and review between flights. Discussion with instructor for improvements and feedback.

Each photographer presents their best 10 photos from the day.

Dinner at Chalet by local Chef, Photography Session.

Night photography workshop.

Chalet. Meals: Breakfast, lunch.

Photography: Landscape, aerial photography, sunrise, mid-day, and sunset photography.

January 24, 2024

DAY 3:

Morning Helicopter Flight.

Mid-Day Glacier 3000. Prepare to be awed as you hover above the Glacier 3000 ice field, a vast expanse of glistening ice and snow that stretches as far as the eye can see. The glaciers here are a testament to the ageless beauty of the natural world, and from above, you'll witness their intricate crevasses and sparkling blue hues that are simply mesmerizing.

Peak to Peak walk, shooting on the glacier. Husky Sledge ride optional. Lunch on top of the mountain (included).

Afternoon Drone Class.

Each photographer presents their best 10 photos from the day.

Night photography workshop.

Chalet. Meals: Breakfast, lunch (top of the mountain).

Photography: Landscape, glaciers and aerial photography.



January 25, 2024

DAY 4:

Morning Optional flights, either drone, paraglider, or helicopter.

Afternoon Balloon Flight over the Saanenland, a haven in the Swiss Alps. Framed by majestic peaks, quaint villages nestle in verdant valleys, their rustic chalets mirroring the timeless beauty of the landscape offer an exquisite palette for your photography. In Saanenland, nature and tradition coexist harmoniously, promising a visual feast for any photographer's soul.

Evening review of all images

Each photographer presents their best 10 photos from the day.

Dinner out

Chalet. Meals: Breakfast, lunch.

Photography: Landscape and aerial photography.



January 26, 2024, Morning

DAY 5:

Hike with Drone and Cameras for Photo shoot.

Final presentation, best 5 images from the week.

End of the safari 3:00 pm.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch.

Equipment

Clothing

- Windbreaker.
- Waterproof jacket.
- Hiking shoes.
- Hiking socks.
- Hiking pants.
- Thick fleece or down jacket.
- Gloves.
- Winter hat.
- Sunscreen, lip balm, and sunglasses.
- Backpack.
- Water Bottle/thermos.

Photographic equipment

- A good camera with full manual controls, such as Sony A7iii equivalent or better. A selection of lenses is recommended, including a wide angle zoom (14-24 or similar) standard zoom (24-105 or similar), and a prime lens (50mm or similar) if desired.
- A good secure camera strap.
- Memory cards.
- Spare batteries for your camera.
- Optional gear for night sessions (Tripod & shutter release cable).
- Laptop with photo editing software installed "Mackbook Pro & Lightroom recommended".
- Binoculars.
- Torch/Headlamp.
- External storage for backing up your data, recommended 'Sandisk Extreme Pro Portable V2' (Two recommended).

