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Switzerland and Netherlands March 2024

March trip to Davos, Switzerland and Netherlands including:

Zurich Airport Hyatt Regency Review: Always a pleasant stay with consistent quality and service. Read more...

Davos Ameron: One of my favorite hotels in Europe with great food, service, and wonderful rooms. The best value hotel in Switzerland. Read more...

Schiphol Amsterdam Hilton Airport Review: Convenient hotel at the airport within about 10 minute walk to terminal. Really nice rooms with a view, but awful showers on 11th Executive Floor. Read more...

Schiphol Amsterdam Hilton Airport Review (stayed twice on this trip): Another nice stay, but once again awful shower, this time on the 10th Executive Floor. Read more...

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The Traveler's Guide to Wellness: Spices, Body Lotions, and Tea for Health on the Go

Traveling can be an exhilarating experience, offering a chance to explore new places and cultures. However, it often comes with less-discussed drawbacks like stress, elevated blood pressure, poor circulation, and the temptation of unhealthy eating. Fortunately, nature provides a bounty of solutions in the form of spices, body lotions, and teas that can help mitigate these issues. This guide explores how incorporating these natural remedies into your travel routine can enhance your health and improve your travel experience.

The Bemer PEMF Device Review and Experience Coordinated with Red Light Therapy and Proper Diet

Review in progress as of 14 April 2024.

I'm using the Bemer pad with Red Light Therapy (from Amazon) and along with a plant based diet (healing from within). Unless you work at being healthy, the Bemer experience will most likely effect symptoms more than the problem. For example, if your arteries are clogged from a diet of eating saturated fats, it's unlikely that the Bemer will have much effect for the long run. I'll discuss this more as I put the Bemer through its process.

Please click on the link below to read more...

DIY Skin Cream for Travellers

The best proven anti-wrinkle cream is sun tan lotion. 90 percent of wrinkles are from Sun exposure.

In addition, the skin is your largest organ. Use an emollient to reduce inflammation.

Make your own travel-size skin creams at home. Make them Zinc based for extra skin protection.

Mexico February 2024

Cancun Mexico trip including:

Conrad Tulum resort review: Wonderful stay at this resort which is only one year old. Conrad has a very consistent quality of product and service. [Read more...](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20240212-conrad-tulum-5322.html)

Banyan Tree MayaKoba Resort Review: The Banyan Tree is a world-class resort with an amazing setting. [Read more...](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20240217-banyan-tree-mayakoba-802.html)

The Netherlands American Cemetery December 2023

The Netherlands American Cemetery and Memorial stands as the sole American military burial ground in the Netherlands. This site is steeped in history, situated close to the renowned Cologne-Boulogne road, originally constructed by Roman engineers. This road was historically significant, having been traversed by Julius Caesar during his military campaigns in the region. It also served as a route for notable historical figures such as Charlemagne, Charles V, Napoleon, and Kaiser Wilhelm II. In May 1940, this ancient route was overtaken by the forces of World War II, marking a significant advance into the Low Countries. By September 1944, the same road witnessed the retreat of German troops who had occupied these nations for four years.

October 2023 Lucerne, Berchtesgaden, Austria, and Davos

Burgenstock Resort: October visit to the Burgenstock.

[Burgenstock Palace Suite 2321 2023 Fall](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20231012-burgenstock-2422.html) <p></p>

ZRH Hyatt: Convenient airport Hyatt.

[ZRH Zurich Airport Hyatt Regency Suite 920](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20231013-zrh-hyatt-regency-920.html)

[ZRH Zurich Airport Hyatt Regency Suite 535](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20231021-zrh-hyatt-regency-535.html) <p></p>

Kempinski Berchtesgaden Resort Beautiful fall weather at my newest favorite resort in Europe

[Suite 258](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20231014-kempinski-berchtesgaden-258.html)

[Area History](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20231015-berchtesgaden-history.html)<p></p>

Alders Hotel Innsbruck: Nice hotel with great location but has black mold issues.

[Alders Hotel 704](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20231018-innsbruck-alder-704.html)<p></p>

Ameron Hotel in Davos One of our favorites.

[Suite 309](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20231020-davos-ameron-309.html)<p></p>

September 2023 Lucerne and Zermatt Switzerland

Burgenstock Resort: Early fall visit to the Burgenstock. [Burgenstock Palace Suite 2321 2023 Fall](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230912-burgenstock-palace-2321.html)

ZRH Hyatt: Convenient airport Hyatt. [ZRH Zurich Airport Hyatt Regency Suite 531](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230913-zrh-zurich-airport-hyatt-regency-531.html)

Riffelalp Resort: Wonderful Riffelalp experience just before the fall closure until winter. [Zermatt Riffelalp 2222 Suite 101](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230914-zermatt-swiss-riffelalp-403.html)

Hyatt Regency at the Zurich Airport: Super comfortable and modern hotel at the airport. [ZRH Zurich Airport Hyatt Regency Suite 713](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230917-zrh-zurich-airport-hyatt-regency-713.html)

Late Summer 2023 Olbia Sardina and Davos

Hilton Airport Amsterdam 2023 August: Hilton Honors AMEX with Diamond card benefits to get upgrades. Early checkin and breakfast included with access to executive lounge. Short visit day prior to Sardinia. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230817-ams-hilton-airport-943.html)

Sardinia Olbia Felix Hotel: In the middle of the city. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230818-olbia-sardinia-felix-309.html)

Cala Cuncheddi Olbia: Nice resort with some drawbacks. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230819-olbia-sardinia-cuncheddi-226.html)

Davos Ameron Hotel: Another fantastic stay at modern hotel with wonderful rooms and buffet. Great Pinza for dinner. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230821-davos-ameron-134.html)

[Suite 438 and 436 Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230825-zrh-zurich-airport-hyatt-regency.html)

Summer 2023 Including Rhodes | Dalaman | Ankara | Zermatt | Interlaken | Davos

Hilton Airport Amsterdam 2023 July: Hilton Honors AMEX with Diamond card benefits to get upgrades. Early checkin and breakfast included with access to executive lounge. Short visit day prior to Rhodes. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230714-ams-hilton-airport-1029.html)

Rhodes Greece Atrium Plantinium Resort: Seaside resort just outside of the port of Rhodes. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230715-rhodes-greece-atrimum-230.html)

Ankara Turkey: Hilton Diamond Status with free upgrades, access to lounge and free breakfast. Business meeting for renewable energy. Wonderful Turkish hospitality with lower prices than Europe. Stayed using Hilton Honors Points. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230719-ankara-turkey-hilton-1407.html)

Hilton Resort in Dalaman Turkey: Beautiful expansive oceanside resort with some of the best buffet food as an all-inclusive resort. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230721-dalaman-turkey-hilton-1519.html)

Zurich Airport Hyatt Regency: My favorite hotel located at ZRH with easy access to airport supermarkets, and Swiss rail service. Stayed there three times including business meetings. [Suite 509 Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230723-zurich-airport-hyatt-regency-0509.html)
[Suite 438 and 436 Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230803-zurich-airport-hyatt-regency-438.html)

Zurich Airport Hilton: Outdated Hilton with poor buffet. Stayed using Hilton Honors Points. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230727-zurich-airport-hilton-613.html)

Swiss Travel Pass and Half Fare Card: Used both 8 day Swiss Travel Pass and Half Fare Card. Barely used full Swiss Pass over 8 days, but recovered half fare card within first use. From now on will use half fare card which gives you most flexibility (but must purchase rail tickets day prior for SuperSaver fares, which are then half price, compared for standard point-to-point fares.)

Swiss Travel Pass ZRH to Brunnen, Rutli, and Fluelin Switzerland: One of my favorite day excursions from Zurich airport. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230803-zurich-airport-hyatt-regency-438.html)

Interlaken Merkur Hotel: Overpriced and awful stay next to train station. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230728-interlaken-merkur-12.html)

Davos Ameron Hotel: Wonderful stay at modern hotel with wonderful rooms and buffet. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230729-davos-ameron-118.html)

Zermatt Riffelalp Resort: Two stays within a week at the wonderful Riffelalp located high above Zermatt on

Europe Spring 2023

Hilton Airport Amsterdam 2023: First time in a while not on Diamond Status - so applied for AMEX with Diamond card benefits to get upgrades. Charged me 45 Euro for early checkin under Gold Status. Short visit touring Amsterdam prior to Lisbon cruise. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230421-amsterdam-hilton-425-airport.html)

Aurea Lisbon 2023: Beautiful hotel near cruise ship docks. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230422-lisbon-portugal-aurea-414.html)

Venice Hilton Molino Stucky 2023: Diamond Status with free upgrades, access to lounge and free breakfast. Toured Venice. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230430-venice-molino-stucky.html)

Beau Rivage Weggis Switzerland Suite 304 2023: Finally a good break in the weather for this wonderful hotel in the heart of Switzerland. Fantastic breakfast and great service. Perfect location for lake boats, Mt. Rigi and Lake Lucerne. One of my favorite hotels in Switzerland. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230502-weggis-beau-rivage-304.html)

Burgenstock Palace Suite 2321 2023: My 14th stay since 2017 at what I consider the best high-end resort in Europe. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230505-burgenstock-palace-2321.html)

Hyatt Place Suite 857 Zurich Airport 2023: More expensive and less quality than Hyatt Regency at same location. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230506-hyatt-place-857-zrh.html)

Hyatt Regency Suite 929 Zurich Airport 2023: Best value for modern airport hotel experience. Clean, organized, and one of my favorites. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230507-hyatt-regency-929-zrh.html)

Swiss Travel Pass Weggis and Rutli Switzerland: Touring local Lake Lucerne destinations. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/topics/20230504-swiss-pass-app-hyper-travel.html)

Swiss Travel Pass ZRH to Brunnen to Andermatt Switzerland: One of my favorite day excursions from Zurich airport. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/topics/20230507-swiss-pass-hyper-travel-brunnen-to-anderstatt.html)

Lake Lucerne Switzerland Steam Powered Uri Paddlewheel Boat: Vintage steamer from Lucerne to Fluelen. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/topics/20230507-uri-steam-paddlewheeler.html)

MSC Fantasia Suite 131126 Embarkation: Boarding the cruise in Lisbon. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/cruise-reviews/msc-fantasia-131126-day-01.html)

MSC Fantasia Suite 131126 Le Havre Day 04: Visit to Le Havre France on cold windy rainy day. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/cruise-reviews/msc-fantasia-131126-day-04.html)

Mexico February 2023

Cancun Mexico trip including:

Conrad Tulum resort review: Wonderful stay at this resort which is only one year old. Conrad has a very consistent quality of product and service. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230223-cruising-review-conrad-tulum-1317.html)

Fairmont Mayakoba resort review: Awful stay including product and service shorting. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230226-cruising-review-fairmont-mayakoba-805.html)

Banyan Tree restaurant resort review: The Banyan Tree is a world-class resort with an amazing setting. I'd rank in the top three resorts in the world. [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20230225-cruising-review-banyan-tree-cello.html)

Hotels.com website: I tried to write a review on the website and was unable to. I spend an hour with Hotels.com staff online chat and on the phone. They were unable to locate any link other than website feedback. They were unable to tell me where the review link was. They staff gave me Google as a place to write a review. All I can say is that the Hotels.com reviews are either fake, or they are not able to substantiate where they come from. Shame on you Hotels.com [Review](https://cruisingreview.com/topics/hotels-com-fake-reviews.html)

Switzerland October 2022

Annual fall trip to Switzerland in October using 4-day Swiss Travel Pass and the Swiss Travel Pass App to show huge savings. Typically in the fall, the SBB offers a Swiss Pass Autumn discount. Standard price for 4-day Swiss Travel Pass for 1st Class is 447 CHF. Discounted price is 317 CHF. For my 4 day journey throughout Switzerland, I was able to accumulate 666 CHF of value.

[Burgenstock Palace Hotel near Lucerne Switzerland Fall Colors](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20221029-bugenstock-palace-2304.html)

[Lake Lucerne cruise and Vitznauerhof in Vitznau Switzerland](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20221028-vitznau-vitznauerhof-402.html)

[Hyatt Regency The Circle in ZRH and quick visit to Bern Switzerland](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20221031-hyatt-regency-circle-407.html)

[Using the Swiss Travel Pass over Four Day SBB Autumn Promotion showing savings using App](https://cruisingreview.com/topics/20221101-swiss-pass-app-october-2022.html)

Switzerland September 2022

Annual fall trip to Switzerland in September using 6-day Swiss Travel Pass and the Swiss Travel Pass App to show huge savings. Beautiful fall weather and even some snow up in Zermatt on 17 September. Beautiful Lauterbrunnen Valley with spectacular views of the alps.

[Burgenstock Palace Hotel near Lucerne Switzerland](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20220915-luzern-burgenstock-304.html)

[Riffelalp Resort Suite 203 Zermatt Switzerland](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20220916-zermatt-riffelalp-203.html)

[Oberland Hotel 7 in Lauterbrunnen Switzerland](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20220919-lauterbrunnen-oberland-7.html)

[Zermatt to Lauterbrunnen using the Swiss Travel Pass by train and lake boat](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20220919-zermatt-luzern-lauterbrunnen.html)

[Lauterbrunnen to Geneva using the Swiss Travel Pass](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/20220920-lauterbrunnen-geneva.html)

[Using the Swiss Travel Pass over Six Days showing savings using App](https://cruisingreview.com/topics/20220920-swiss-travel-pass-app-6-day.html)

[Using the Zermatt Matterhorn Peak Pass over three days showing savings using App](https://cruisingreview.com/topics/20220920-swiss-travel-pass-app-matterhorn-peakpass.html)

The Best Kept Secret in Europe

Welcome to the Riffelalp Resort. With the Best View in the World The Riffelalp Resort at 2222 meters above Zermatt, Switzerland.

The most amazing view in Europe, of the iconic Matterhorn. Resort is above Zermatt. Located half way up the Gornergrat, it has the best view of the western sky and sunset than anywhere in the region.

The Matterhorn is in the foreground. Please follow the link below to read about this epic resort.

Updated in September 2023.

Still the best. Amazing staff, location, and suites.

How to HyperTravel

Have you ever wanted to travel to the max in the shortest amount of time ? We're all limited in time, but with huge price increases in the travel industry, making the most of your travel time has become even more important.

The goal of HyperTravel is to see as much as you can, and then you can revisit the places you like the most when you have more time.

In this case, my first HyperTravel was in Switzerland, where I could take advantage of the amazing Swiss Travel Pass, which allows you to take advantage of unlimited transportation (rail, boat, bus) and many lifts (or at a huge discount) and 500 museums. Events not included are generally at a 50 percent discount.

[Day One: Lucerne Home Base to Zermatt Matterhorn](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/hypertravel-zermatt-may-2022.html)

[Day Two: Lucerne Home Base area alps and museums](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/hypertravel-klewenalp-stanserhorn-lucerne.html)

[Day Three: Lucerne Home Base to Engelberg and Zurich](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/hypertravel-engelberg-lucerne-zurich.html)

More details are at the dedicated HyperTravel page link below.

Top Pick for World's Best: The Burgenstock Resort

This is my all-time favorite resort, located above Lake Lucerne in Switzerland.

After undergoing a multi-hundred-million dollar facelift and renovation, the result is nothing short of spectacular. The staff is the best in the world.

The views, food, atmosphere and wonderful feeling will leave you spellbound. The hiking and views from around the resort are world class and provide stunning vistas of the alps and nature.

Updated after late spring visit at the WaldHotel 2022.

[Burgenstock WaldHotel Suite 4512 and 4801 May 2022](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/burgenstock-waldhotel-4801.html)

[Burgenstock Palace Hotel Suite 2402 Easter Spring 2022](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/burgenstock-palace-2402.html)

[Burgenstock Palace Hotel Suite 2202](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/burgenstock-palace-2202-nov-2021.html)

[Burgenstock Palace Hotel Suite 2222](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/burgenstock-palace-2222.html)

[Burgenstock Palace Hotel Suite 2309](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/burgenstock-palace-2309.html)

[Burgenstock Hotel](https://cruisingreview.com/resorts/amazing-burgenstock-resort.html)

Using Apple AirTag for Travel

The Apple AirTag is a small electronic device which allows you to track where it is. It occurred to me that this would be perfect for luggage, so I bought a set of four with optional holders.

The key features of the AirTag are that if it is paired with your recent iPhone (11 or above) it can give you precision directions to the item using FindMy app, beep on command, or put into Lost mode to allow other iPhones to send you anon updates, or even assign a phone number to it to help locate. The Bluetooth device (5.0) is estimated to have a range of 800 feet.

May 2022: Now traveling to Switzerland and the UK and will update after the trip...

Conrad Bora Bora Resort February 2021

February 2021: Just returned from a wonderful trip to French Polynesia and the Conrad Bora Bora Nui. The Conrad has now reopened as of May 2021 (mostly to Americans who are more free to travel due to the huge drop in Covid cases due to the vaccines).

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