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# Geneva

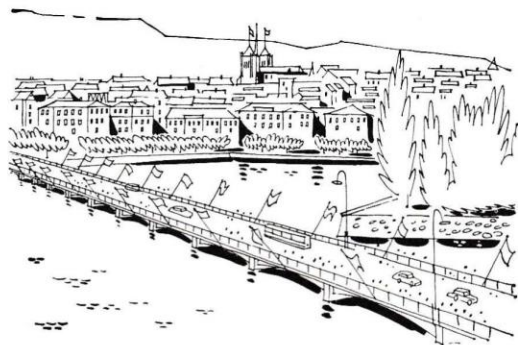
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Front cover: Port du Mont-Blanc and the Ile Rousseau.

## Introduction

Capital of its canton, third largest city in Switzerland, virtually sitting on the border of Switzerland and France, Geneva is the most French of all Swiss towns – from its wide, lake-skirting boulevards to the climbing, narrow streets of the old quarter.

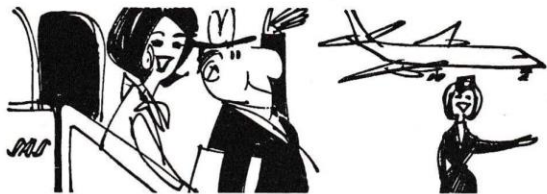
Contrary to Zurich, its official language is French – not that you will have difficulty making yourself understood in this center of United Nations, whose 319,000 inhabitants also possess a more-than-adequate knowledge of English, German and Italian.

The city's elegant buildings, busy street-café, flag-flying bridges, gay cosmopolitan array of restaurants, night-clubs and theaters – all further this affinity.

Geneva's history rolls back two thousand years to 58 B.C. when Julius Caesar established an army camp here from which to control all Gaul. But lest you're rapidly forming the understandably erroneous impression that the city is nothing more than a French satellite – let's clarify: present-day Geneva is essentially Swiss, its latter day achievements marked with the solid independence and unerring search for international union and peace which so characterizes its people. Independence came to Geneva in 1536, the same year as John Calvin made the city his home, a base from which to champion his new Reformed Church. In 1820 the Society of Peace was founded here, and it was a Swiss, Henry Dunant, who in 1863 proposed the formation of the International Red Cross.

In 1919, the city became the center of the League of Nations and International Labor Organization, and, subsequently in 1946, the European headquarters for today's United Nations.

Geneva is also the headquarters of EFTA – the European Free Trade Association.



In the final count, however, it is the city's striking beauty that thrills the visitor most. Here, the silver blue of Lake Léman (the Lake of Geneva), with snow-crowned Mont-Blanc rising kingly in the background.

Paradoxically it is this self-same beauty that also draws one out of the town. To ski. To climb. To whoop-it-up in the round of aquatic sports, or to explore by motorboat or comfortable scenic railway this enchanting land of medieval castles, witch-hatted palaces, and soaring, cloud-hidden mountains.

### Your arrival in Geneva

After passing through the passport and customs checkpoints within the Arrival Hall, you will come to the main airport building where there is a Passenger Welcome Service able to assist you with hotel reservations, car hire, sightseeing, and a notice board which you should consult if you are expecting any messages.

Here, too, are the post and telegraph offices, a bank, restaurant, hairdresser, bars and various shops. The bus-stop and taxi-stand are just outside the exit hall. It is only a ten-minute drive to the Air Terminal in town (D4). Bus fare SFR2.50 or by taxi, SFR12 plus a 10-15 % service charge.

If you have arranged for a self-drive or chauffeur-driven car to await your arrival, you should go to the Information Desk where the keys (or driver) will be waiting for you.

The Air Terminal (D4) is in the Cornavin Railroad Station, affording easy access to taxis, trolleybuses and buses, and stands central to many of the tourist hotels.

**Currency:** The monetary unit is the Swiss franc (SFR), divided into 100 centimes. There are no restrictions on foreign exchange.

**Entry regulations.** You will need a valid passport for entry into Switzerland. Most nationalities do not require a visa but if you are in doubt, consult your local Embassy or Consulate.

You may take in duty-free 200 cigarettes or 50 cigars or 250 gms. of tobacco; 1 liter of wine, and 1/4 liter of spirits; 100 gms. perfume provided the seals of the containers are broken, and 3/4 liter of toilet water.

### Hotels

Swiss hotels set the standard for the world, the degrees of service, cleanliness and comfort literally mountain-high. Make your reservation in advance as many international conferences and congresses take place here throughout the year and at such times, hotel rooms are very scarce.

In respect to booking, you should contact your travel agent or SAS. Either can offer you, through the SAS Travel Planning Service, detailed information on de luxe, first, tourist and pension class hotels – with immediate confirmation of accommodation in most. Of the many excellent hotels to choose from, we list the following:

#### De luxe

*Hotel des Bergues* (F4)  
33 quai des Bergues  
Tel. 31 50 50

*Hotel de la Paix* (F3)  
11 quai du Mont-Blanc  
Tel. 32 61 50

*Hotel Président* (G1)  
47 quai Wilson  
Tel. 31 10 00

*Hotel Richemond* (F3)

Jardin Brunswick  
Tel. 31 14 00

*Intercontinental* (off map)

7-9 Petit-Saconnex  
Tel. 34 60 91

#### First class

*Ambassador* (F5)  
21 quai des Bergues  
Tel. 31 72 00





**Cornavin (D4)**  
33 bd. James-Fazy  
Tel. 32 21 00

**Mediterranee (D3)**  
14 rue de Lausanne  
Tel. 32 60 50

**Métropole (H5)**  
34 quai Gén.-Guisan  
Tel. 21 13 44

**Rhône (E6)**  
quai Turrettini  
Tel. 31 98 31

#### Tourist class

**Astoria (D4)**  
6 place Cornavin  
Tel. 32 10 25

**Montana (E3)**  
23 rue des Alpes  
Tel. 32 08 40

The rates for a single room with private bath in one of the de luxe class hotels would range between SFR80 and SFR120; for a double room with bath between SFR90 and SFR160. In first class hotels a single with bath costs between SFR45 and SFR80; a double with bath between SFR70 and SFR100. A single room with bath in tourist class establishments costs from SFR40 to SFR50; a double room between SFR60 and SFR85.

Pension prices range from SFR15 upwards (for full board you must book for a minimum stay of three days).

Electricity: In Geneva the electrical voltage is 200 A.C.

**Suisse (D4)**  
10 place Cornavin  
Tel. 32 66 30

#### Pensions

**Belmont (off map)**  
26 route de Chêne  
Tel. 35 78 11

**Des Délices (B6)**  
9 rue des Délices (St-Jean)  
Tel. 33 33 73

**Dumas (I7)**  
17 avenue Dumas (Champel)  
Tel. 46 68 98

**Hautefeuilles (off map)**  
104 route de Chêne  
Tel. 35 20 10

**Les Fougeres (off map)**  
6 ch Vérey (Grange-Canal)  
Tel. 35 26 00

## Restaurants and cuisine

Although food in this part of Switzerland is predominantly French, you will find that a great many other internationally famous cuisines are also well represented in this cosmopolitan city. There are restaurants specializing in Italian, Spanish, even North African foods. Don't miss, too, the chance to sample some of the delicious dishes local to Geneva.

Typical are *fondue au fromage* – melted cheese with a dash of kirsch served bubbling in a casserole over a low flame (a so-called "friendly dish", where everyone at the table dips into creamy, delicious mixture with little balls of bread); *raclette*, a length of hard cheese melted and scraped on to your plate; *fondue bourguignonne* (bits of beef, on skewers, which are cooked at the table); *leberspiessli* – slices of sage-seasoned liver roasted on a spit; *kugeli-pastete* – a Lucerne special of minced meat and mushrooms baked in a pastry; a number of outstanding freshwater fish and superb cheeses; and all the mouth-watering, butter-rich pastries.

If you like wine with your meal, then try one of the scintillating local genre. Dôle (red) or Johannisberg, Dézaley or Fendant (white). Alternatively you may order Swiss beer – Cardinal – for example, or if you prefer soft drinks, one of the innumerable fruit juices.

**Au Chandelier (G7)**  
23 Grand-Rue  
Pleasant rendezvous in the heart of the old town.

**Au Plat d'Argent (G7)**  
7 rue Cherbuliez

**La Nasse (D5)**  
3 rue Cornavin  
Famous entrecote.

**L'Amphitryon**  
(Hotel des Bergues – F4)  
33 quai des Bergues  
Elegant French restaurant.

**Edelweiss (F1)**  
2 place de la Navigation  
Swiss specialities.

**Le Béarn (E7)**  
4 quai de la Poste





*Le Coq à la Broche* (E1)

48 rue de Genève

*L'Aïoli* (H5)

2 place du Port

*Le Gentilhomme* (F3)

(Hotel Richemond)

Jardin Brunswick

*Le Mazot* (E4)

16 rue du Cendrier

*Parc des Eaux Vives* (off map)

82 quai Gustave Ador

Very elegant restaurant in a beautiful park.

*L'Or du Rhône* (E7)

19 bd. Georges-Favon

*Mövenpick* (G5)

cnr. Fusterie-rue du Rhône

Excellent grills and Scandinavian specialities.

*Roberto* (H6)

13 Madeleine

Italian specialities.

*Mövenpick Beefclub* (E4)

17 rue due Cendrier

Excellent Angus beef steaks.

The numerous tearooms and cafés are ideal for snacks any time of day or evening till 10 or 11 p.m. Should you be shopping at lunch time, most department stores have a restaurant and snack bar.

### Meal times and prices

Dinner or lunch in a first class restaurant will cost between SFR20 and 30. Breakfast – continental-style of croissant rolls with butter, marmalade or jam, plus coffee – taken outside the hotel, SFR5. Breakfast is served from 7 a.m. Lunch from noon to 2 p.m. Dinner from 7 p.m. onwards.

### Sights

To get your bearings in Geneva, join one or more of the many guided sightseeing tours of the city. Daily coaches depart from the Gare Routière in rue Bonivard (F4) at 9.45 a.m. and 2, 3 and 4 p.m. (From November through March coaches depart only once a day at 2.45 p.m.) The tours cover all the main points of interest in Geneva and the surrounding area.

If time permits, take a boat trip on the lovely Lake Léman; in fact, during the summer months you can spend a whole day on the boat, enjoying a circular tour leaving in the morning from quai du Mont-Blanc and returning at around 9 p.m. If you find yourself with just a few hours, sail around the so-called Little Lake, which is the southern, narrow part of Lake Léman. The boat leaves the promenade du Lac at about 2 p.m. and returns before 6.30 p.m. There are frequent steamer services, too, to Lausanne and Montreaux as well as to many charming villages fringing the lake. You can also enjoy a shorter boat trip (1/2 or 1 hour) by the "Vedettes". Departure is from quai du Mont-Blanc in front of the Monument Brunswick (G3).

For wandering round on your own, we list the main sights:

**Palais des Nations** (C1). Originally built as the seat of the League of Nations, the Palace is of particular interest to the visitor. There are some 20 conference rooms, all decorated with gifts from different countries: tapestries, precious woods, leather hangings, frescoes and marquetry, giving each room a special character. Visitors especially admire the famous gallery of the Assembly Hall paved with Finnish granite, its walls and columns faced with Swedish marble.

Visiting hours are 9.30 to 11.30 a.m. and 2.30 to 5.30 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays; 10.30 to 11.30 a.m. and 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. on Sundays and holidays. From Place Cornavin (D4), take buses F or O. Admission fee.

**St. Peter's Cathedral** (St. Pierre's Cathedral – H7). Although a mixture of Roman and Gothic styles with a neo-classic façade, the Cathedral presents a harmonious whole. A climb to the top of the towers will reward you with a remarkable view over the Old Town, the lake, and the surrounding mountains. The interior, which is sober and austere, contains the chair of Calvin.

**Exhibition Palace** (G10) where a great variety of exhibitions and sports events take place. Also an extremely up-to-date convention center.



**Monument of the Reformation** (H7), dominated from above by the patrician mansions of the Old Town, was erected in 1917. The central group of figures include Farel, Calvin, Bèze and Knox. The statues on each side and the bas-reliefs evoke the history of the Calvin-inspired Reformation in Geneva and its repercussions in France, Holland, Scotland, Prussia, England, the U.S.A. and Hungary.

**Baur Collections Museum** (K7) specializes in Far Eastern art. Open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 2 to 6 p.m.; Sunday 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 2 to 6 p.m. Admission fee. Discount for group members.

**Old Arsenal** (H7) shelters in its arcades two cannons taken from the Austrians during their occupation. Note, while here, the two Cingria Mosaics.

**Grand-Rue** (G7), a realm of antique shops, art galleries and boutiques. Also contains the house in which the famous Genevese philosopher-writer Jean-Jacques Rousseau was born.

**Maison Tavel** (H7) with its quaint turret, is the oldest house in Geneva and is in the process of being transformed into the Museum of Old Geneva. Open every day 10 a.m. to 12 noon and to 6 p.m.

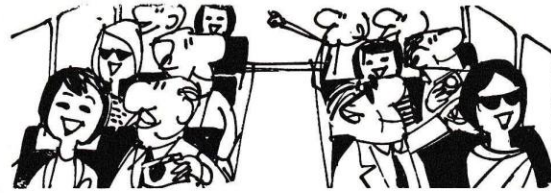
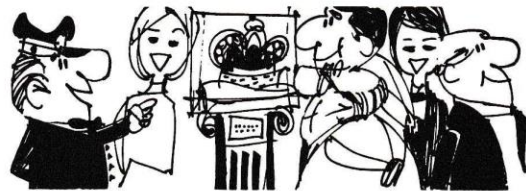
**Hotel de Ville** (H7) is the seat of the government. The Alabama Room, which witnessed the signing of the first Convention of the Red Cross (called the Geneva Convention) on August 22, 1864, can be visited (except during conferences) by asking the official guard (huissier).

**The Baudet Tower** (H7) is the oldest section of the Hotel de Ville, dating from 1455 and today houses the Council of State of the Republic and Canton of Geneva.

**Calvin Auditorium** (I7). Restored in 1959, on the 450th anniversary of this great Reformer. Open 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 2 to 5 p.m. (4 p.m. in winter).

**Grand Théâtre** (F7) was built in 1874 along lines inspired by the Opera in Paris. Reconstructed in 1961, it possesses one of the most modern stages in Europe.

**Victoria Hall** (F8). A gift to the city from Daniel Fitzgerald Pakenham Barton, Consul of Great Britain to Geneva, Victoria Hall, with its remarkable acoustics is the scene of outstanding concerts.



**Tour de l'Île** (E6). On the island between the two Ponts de l'Île is the tower of the castle built by Bishop Aymon de Grandson in 1219. A plaque on the wall recalls the fact that Julius Caesar, in his Commentaries, mentions his passage through Geneva at the beginning of his war against the Gauls in 58 B.C.

**The Jet d'Eau** (I2) was created in 1886 by an engineer in charge of Geneva's water supply. Today, 110 gallons are pumped out every second, leaving the base at the incredible speed of 125 m.p.h. to reach a height of 470 feet before cascading down in a beautiful arch. A truly memorable sight. Working season: Ascension Day to 30th September.

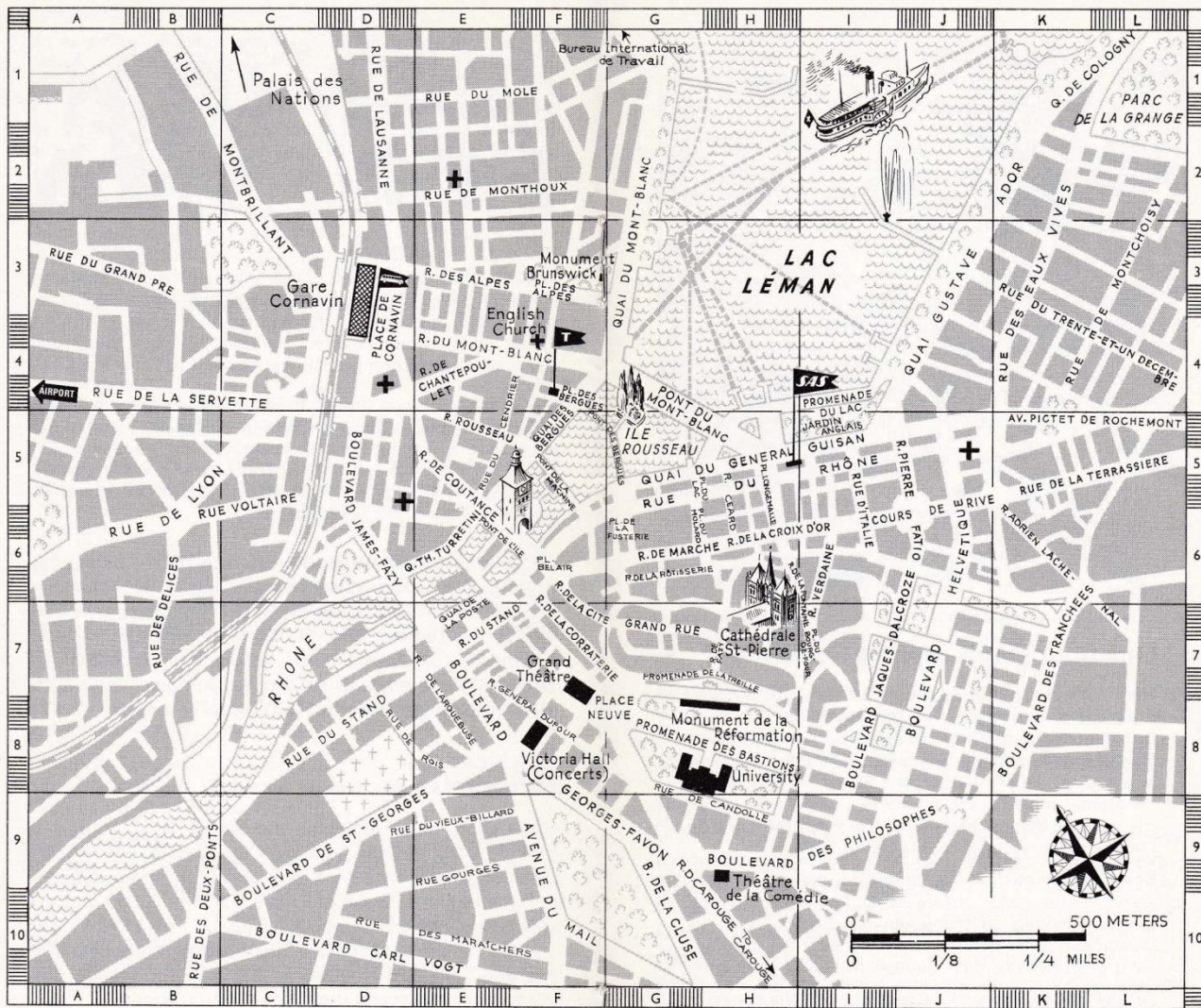
There are several other museums worth viewing, including the Ariana Museum (near Palais de Nations – C1), Voltaire Museum and Institute (B6), Museum of Old Musical Instruments (J7), Museum of Prints (I7) and the Art and History Museum (I7), which houses collections of watches and enamels of Geneva, paintings and sculpture, and also contains the Horological Museum.

## Excursions

For a short excursion, take the Salève Tour, by bus 8 from Rive to Veyrier (you pass the French border and customs) and thence by cable railway in seven minutes to the mountain station of Salève, 3,450 ft. (1,050 meters) above sea level. The mountain peak is 3,900 ft. (1,200 meters) high and there is a breathtaking view over the city and Lake Léman towards the Jura Mountains, the Mont-Blanc range and the Alps of Haute-Savoie.

It is only about 25 miles (38 kms.) from Geneva to the picturesque old French town of Annecy and 50 miles (80 kms.) to Chamonix, the world-famous ski center at the foot of Mont-Blanc. If possible, allow two or three days for this excursion and go by mountain railway to the glacier "Mer de Glace", then on by two exciting cable railways from the village to view the peaks of Europe's highest mountain.

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




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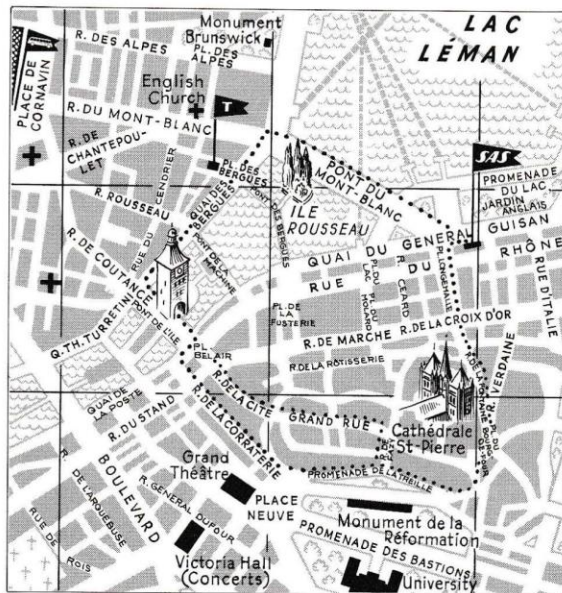
### Interesting sights in Geneva

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| (C1) Palais des Nations (The UNO Palace).                           | (H9) La Comédie (Theater).   |
| (F1) Bureau International du Travail (International Labour Office). | (H10) Exhibition Palace.     |
| (H7) The St.-Pierre (Cathedral).                                    | (K7) Baur Collection Museum. |
| (H8) Monument de la Réformation.                                    | (H7) Hotel de Ville.         |
| (F8) Victoria Hall (Concerts).                                      | (H7) The Baudet Tower.       |
| (F7) Grand Théâtre.   | (I7) Calvin Auditorium.      |

### Useful addresses

-  **SAS Ticket Office:**  
30 quai du Général Guisan (H5), tel. 21 65 22.
-  **Air Terminal:**  
(Gare Cornavin - D3).
-  **Tourist Information Office:**  
Association des Intérêts de Genève, 3 place des Bergues (F4), tel. 32 26 05.

Distance from city center to airport: 2½ miles (4 kms.).



## One hour's walk around Geneva

Start at the SAS Office, turning into the place du Port. Cross the place Longemalle and walk up the rue de la Fontaine to the place du Bourg-de-Four, a charming, old-fashioned square in front of the Court of Law. Close by stands St. Peter's Cathedral and, within easy reach, the promenade de la Treille, where a lovely view of the city spreads before the stroller. To reach the Pont de l'Île from here, you can choose one of two ways:

Down the rampe de la Treille to place Neuve, a square graced by the statue of General Dufour and enhanced by the proximity of the Jardin des Bastions with its Monument of the Reformation illustrating the development of Calvinism; then through rue de la Corratier.

Or down Rue H. Fazy, the Grand-Rue and the rue de la Cité where many tiny antique shops, art galleries and fashion boutiques can be browsed. From either the rue de la Corratier or the rue de la Cité continue along the rue de la Monnaie, cross the place Bel-Air and the Pont de l'Île. Turn right, stroll along the quai des Bergues and right across the pont du Mont-Blanc, passing the National Monument into the Jardin Anglais area and you are back in the quai du Général Guisan at the SAS Office.



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## The city of Carouge

Separated from Geneva by the waters of the Arve, Carouge is well worth a visit. This little city was founded by the Romans and expanded in the 18th century when part of the Duchy of Sardinia. It will enchant you with its charming houses, harmonious streets and squares and delightful fountains. Take streetcar No. 12 to Place du Marché in Carouge.

## Nyon

The old town looks peacefully down from a small hill crowned by the Castle and lovely 12th-century church. Nyon was founded in 45 B.C. by Julius Caesar as a camp for his veteran soldiers. The present fortress was rebuilt about 1570 by the Bernese on the site of an earlier stronghold. See, while there, the Roman museum and fine collection of old china. This prosperous, picturesque little market town had a thriving and famous chinaware industry in the 17th and 18th centuries, and flower-sprigged Nyonware is still in great demand today. Nyon lies on the Lake 20 miles (32 kms.) from Geneva.

## Lausanne

Internationally celebrated and charmingly situated Lausanne is ideal for all who love aquatic sports, breathtaking scenery, refreshing air, and fashionable night life. Enjoyable all-inclusive tours are offered by most of Geneva's leading travel agents, which include in their program, folklore evenings, relaxed lake cruises, wine-tasting in the famous vineyards of Lavaux and many other pleasurable surprises.







## Entertainment and night life

Geneva is a merry city, and you have a wide choice of evening entertainment.

**Concerts.** Some of the best symphony orchestras in the world, famous soloists and ensembles, come to perform in Geneva in the winter season (September to April). Victoria Hall (F8), Conservatoire de Musique (F8), Théâtre de la Cour St. Pierre (G7) and Salle de la Réformation (I5) are the main concert halls. September and October are the months when the Geneva International Competition for Musical Performers is held (see "Public Holidays and Special Events"). In summer, open-air concerts are given in the Parc de la Grange by the Orchestre de la Suisse Romande and various other orchestras, and St. Peter's Cathedral is the scene of organ recitals.

**Opera, ballet.** A fine repertoire of opera and ballet is staged from October through April at the Grand Théâtre de Genève (F7).

**Theaters.** The productions are of high standard. The season runs from October to May. But you should note that all performances will be in French.

*Théâtre de la Comédie* (H9)  
6 boulevard des Philosophes  
Tel. 24 05 00

*Nouveau Théâtre de Poche* (G7)

7 rue du Cheval Blanc  
Tel. 24 81 50

*Casino Théâtre* (H10)  
42 rue de Carouge  
Tel. 24 20 37

*Théâtre de Carouge*  
(off map)

52 rue de Carouge  
Carouge  
Tel. 43 66 44

*Théâtre de la Maison des Jeunes et de la Culture* (D6)  
5 rue du Temple St. Gervais  
Tel. 32 20 60

**Cinemas.** There are more than 30 cinemas in Geneva, showing international films. Some films are dubbed, but it is best to check the program list in the daily paper which also gives times of performances.

**Dancing.** Several of the hotels have dance-floors: Le Gentilhomme at the Hôtel Richemond and the Carnaval at the Hotel Intercontinental are two of the more popular.

**Night-spots.** From more than 20 cabarets and night-clubs you should try:

*Ba-ta-Clan* (H6)  
15 rue de la Fontaine

*Moulin Rouge* (E8)  
1 avenue du Mail

*Piccadilly* (I5)  
5 rue Tour-Maitresse

*La Tour* (H6)  
6 rue Tour-de-Boël

*Chez Maxim's* (F3)  
2 rue Thalberg

*Club 58* (K6)  
15 rue des Glacis-de-Rive

*Pussy-Cat-Saloon* (K6)  
15 rue des Glacis-de-Rive

## Tipping

A service charge of 10–15 % will normally be added to your hotel and restaurant bills. Baggage porters expect 1 franc for the first bag and 80 centimes for each additional piece. Hotel porters, chambermaids and cloak-room attendants should get a small tip, taxi drivers 10 % of the metered fare, barbers and hairdressers 10 % of the bill.

## Shopping and souvenir hunting

Modern shops, reasonable prices and top-quality merchandise make Geneva an excellent place to shop in. There are several good department stores – Grand Passage (G6 – 13 rue du Marché); Bon Genie (G6 – 34 rue du Marché); Samaritaine (G6); Epis d'Or (G6); Contis (H6); Kohler & Cie (H6); and Placette (E5) – all offering a wide choice of goods.





Watches are, of course, one of Switzerland's most famous products. Fine selections may be browsed at Patek Philippe (H5 – 22 quai du Général Guisan and Vacheron & Constantin (F6 – 1 rue Moulins en l'Île). If you're especially set on Polerouter watches, there's Universal, or if on Omega watches, try Les Ambassadeurs S.A. (G5).

Good jewelers also abound. Search out Gubelin & Fils (G6), Baszanger & Co. (F7) or Cartier (H5).

Then make sure you buy some of that wonderful Swiss chocolate – visit Mercure (G5), Villars (F6), or Chocolaterie du Rhône (G6 – 2 rue de Rhône), of the many, many shops.

For excellent winter-sports equipment try Delacroixriche Sport (I5 – quai du Général Guisan). For fine embroidery and laces, Ariel's (F6). For an overwhelming choice of delicious Swiss cheeses, Comptoir du Fromage (D5). And for "Bally" shoes, Chaussures Scheurer (G6).

Alternatively, if your sights are set on some of the enchanting Swiss handicrafts – ideal souvenirs – then browse through A l'Ours de Berne (H5).

## Business hours

**Shops.** Open from 8 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. weekdays. On Saturdays open until 5 p.m. only.

**Business Houses.** Open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. with lunch between 12 noon and 2 p.m.

**Banks.** Open 8.15 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Closed for lunch weekdays and usually all day Saturday.

## Transportation

Excellent local tram, bus and trolleybus services cover Geneva comprehensively. The fares on trams range from 50 centimes upwards, depending how far you go; the bus fare is 80 centimes irrespective of distance. A one-day card entitles you to roam as you please on all lines

at a fare of SFR3.50. Taxis start at SFR2.50 and charge an additional 80 centimes for each kilometer traveled. There are fast motorboat services across the lake: cost from one bank to the other, 1 franc.

If you prefer to hire a car, self-drive or chauffeur-driven, then contact the SAS office (tel. 21 65 22) for further information.

## Sports

Switzerland is famous for its skiing and mountaineering – only to be expected in a country which rarely stops being mountainous. In Geneva there are numerous clubs – consult the telephone directory.

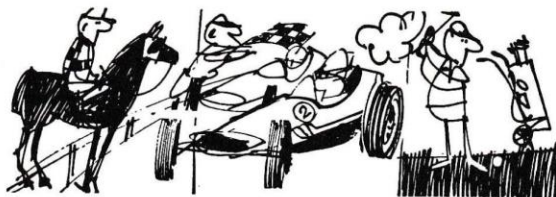
The Genevise do, however, sometimes turn to other sports: football, athletics, horse riding, motor racing, flying, rowing, sailing, fencing, golf, swimming, tennis . . . to name a few.

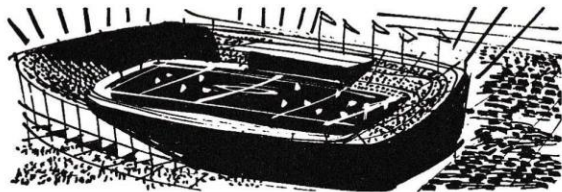
**Athletics and Football Stadiums.** Sports Park of Charmilles, route de Lyon (bus No. 6 from the station). Frontenex Stadium, plateau de Frontenex (buses A or B from cours de Rive). Richemont Stadium, avenue de Frontex (buses A or B from cours de Rive). Bout-du-monde Stadium, Champel (trolleybus No. 3). Varembe Stadium, avenue G. Motta, rue de Vermont (bus F from the station).

**Skating.** Geneva Skating Rink, quai des Vernets. Indoor rink of 2,730 square meters and seats for 10,000 spectators. Open-air rink, 1,800 square meters – October 1 to April 30.

**Riding.** Geneva Stables, 17 chemin de Grange-Falquet, tel. 36 10 59. Tram 12. Petit-Lancy Stables, route de Chancy, 111 Onex, tel. 42 54 19. Buses E, K or L. Meyrin Stables, 34–36 chemin de la Golette, Meyrin, tel. 41 49 53. Bux X. Bardonnex Stables, tel. 81 17 16. Bus M at Carouge.

**Mountaineering.** Swiss Alpine Club, 11 Grand-Rue, tel. 24 67 00.





**Sailing.** Boats may be hired along the quais of Mont-Blanc, Wilson and Gustave-Ador.

**Golf.** Geneva Golf Club, Onex, Chemin F. Chavaz, 18-hole course. Tel. 92 79 22. Reachable by trolleybus No. 2 or buses E, K or L.

**Swimming.** Geneva beach, Port-Noir, route de Vézenaz, tel. 36 24 82, Pâquis beach, Pâquis jetty, quai du Mont-Blanc, tel. 32 29 74. Reposoir beach, 222 rte. de Lausanne, tel. 32 42 65. United Nations beach, rte. de Lausanne, tel. 32 97 65.

**Skiing.** Geneva Ski-Club, c/o E. Hofstetter, 12-14 rue de la Corratierie, tel. 21 85 11.

**Tennis.** Geneva Tennis Club, parc des Eaux-Vives, tel. 35 53 50, bus 2. Champel Tennis Club (2 covered and 2 open courts), 22 av. Calas, tel. 36 44 36, bus 3. Drize-Acacias, 43 bis rte. des Acacias, tel. 36 51 83, bus 4. International Tennis Club, ch. Rigot, tel. 33 14 05.

## Climate and clothing

The climate in Geneva and at the resorts around the lake is pleasantly mild in spring and autumn, and warm during the summer months, May to September. Winter is somewhat chilly.

The average high and low monthly temperatures are:

	High		Low			High		Low	
	°F	°C	°F	°C		°F	°C	°F	°C
January	39	4	29	-2	July	77	25	58	15
February	43	6	30	-1	August	76	25	57	14
March	51	11	35	2	September	69	21	52	11
April	58	15	41	5	October	58	15	37	3
May	66	19	49	9	November	47	8	37	3
June	73	23	55	13	December	40	4	31	-1

Take light, cool clothing in summer, woolens in winter. A raincoat is always handy, as is a light topcoat for early spring. Formal dress is rarely needed even on special occasions. Laundry and dry cleaning facilities are fast and of a high quality; service takes from one to two days – your hotel reception will arrange this for you.

## Principal churches and places of worship

**National Protestant Church of Geneva:** Consistory office, 2 rue du Cloître, tel. 21 85 33.

**Roman Catholic:** Vicariat Général, 13 rue des Granges, tel. 24 55 12.

**Christian Catholic:** Church of Saint-Germain, rue St. Germain 1-11, rue des Granges.

**Hebrew:** Place de la Synagogue, tel. 20 46 86. Hebrew Synagogue, 52 rte. de Malagnou – av. Krieg, tel. 36 96 32.

**Lutheran Evangelical:** 20 rue Verdaine, Bourg-de-Four (services in German, English and Scandinavian languages), tel. 20 50 89.

**Russian Orthodox:** 1-3 rue Toepffer, tel. 46 47 09.

**American Church:** 3 rue de Monthoux (services in English), tel. 32 80 78.

**Church of England:** Holy Trinity, 16 rue du Mont-Blanc (services in English), tel. 31 51 55.

**Calvin Auditorium,** beside the Cathedral of Saint-Pierre, has services in foreign languages, tel. 25 84 55.

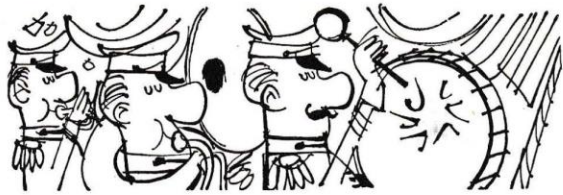
The times of services and celebrations of mass are published each week in the principal newspapers.

## Public holidays and special events

Shops and offices are closed on the following official holidays:

January 1	<i>New Year's Day.</i>
	<i>Good Friday.</i>
	<i>Easter Monday.</i>
	<i>Ascension Day.</i>
	<i>Whit Monday.</i>
August 1	<i>National Day: Shops open half-day.</i>





First Thursday  
of September    *Jeûne Genevois.*

December 25     *Christmas Day.*

December 31     *Restoration.*

There are, in addition, a number of festive events throughout the year:

March              International Motor Show.

June                Rose Week. A festival of ballet, concerts and open-air performances.

June 1              Commemorating the entrance of Geneva into the Swiss Confederation in 1814.

August–  
second week      Festival of Geneva. Open-air dances, fire-work displays. Geneva attracts visitors from all over the world for this event.

August–  
September      The Montres et Bijoux Exhibition, showing the best watches and jewelry made in Switzerland.

September–  
October          The Geneva International Competition for Musical Performers, concluding with a concert given by the prizewinners.

November         The International Official Horse Show. The world's leading horsemen gather here for indoor competitions.

December 11      Escalade.



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