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Partnerships

SWISS to name 20 aircraft after Swiss tourist areas and resorts

SWISS is to conclude its 20th anniversary celebrations by naming twenty of its Airbus A220-100 and A220-300 aircraft after Swiss tourist areas and resorts in collaboration with Switzerland Tourism. The destinations concerned have been selected via a competition. And the top three winners will each be honoured with a full naming ceremony in one of SWISS's hangars.

Swiss International Air Lines (SWISS) is to conclude its current 20th anniversary celebrations with a very special action: twenty of its advanced Airbus A220-100 and A220-300 aircraft are to be named after Swiss tourist areas and resorts, to help publicize far and wide the sheer variety of Switzerland's tourist landscape. To this end, SWISS and Switzerland Tourism co-ran a competition last December inviting Swiss tourist destinations to submit their own imaginative presentations on why they should be selected. Over 50 entries were received, which were each assessed by a SWISS judging panel on their creativity, their originality, their authenticity and their connection to SWISS.

"We received so many outstanding and original entries, and it was far from easy to select our 20 winners," says Anja Beeler, SWISS's Head of Strategic Communications & Content Creation.

"We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our participants for all their creative contributions. And we're really looking forward to carrying the names of all the varied and unique winning Swiss tourist areas and resorts on our aircraft out into the world."

The SWISS social media community also selected three favourites from among the 20 winners in a worldwide online poll: Bad Zurzach (AG), Nendaz (VS) and Viamala (GR). Each of these will enjoy its own physical aircraft naming ceremony within a SWISS hangar – two in Zurich and one in Geneva – in the course of 2023.

The winning destinations:

Canton Aargau: Bad Zurzach, Rheinfelden
Canton Bern: Haslital
Canton Fribourg: La Gruyère
Canton Glarus: Braunwald
Canton Grisons: Lenzerheide, Val Surses, Viamala
Canton Lucerne: Sempach, Willisau
Canton Schwyz: Brunnen, Morschach
Canton Solothurn: Solothurn
Canton St. Gallen: Rapperswil-Jona
Canton Ticino: Mendrisio, Verzasca
Canton Uri: Andermatt, Rütli
Canton Valais: Nendaz, Saas-Fee.

Swiss International Air Lines (SWISS) is Switzerland's largest air carrier. With one of Europe's most advanced and carbon-efficient aircraft fleets, SWISS is a premium airline that provides direct flights from Zurich and Geneva to keep Switzerland connected with Europe and the world. Its Swiss WorldCargo division offers an extensive range of airport-to-airport airfreight services for high-value, time-critical and care-intensive consignments. As The Airline of Switzerland, SWISS embodies its home country's traditional values and is dedicated to delivering the highest product and service quality. The company has also committed to the ambitious climate goals of halving its 2019 net carbon dioxide emissions by 2030 and making its operations entirely carbon-neutral by 2050, particularly by promoting the use of sustainable aviation fuels. SWISS is part of the Lufthansa Group, and is also a member of Star Alliance, the world's biggest airline network.

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