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WELCOME TO LAKE THUN

The Hauenstein Hotels Group comprises three exclusive 4- and 5-star hotels on Lake Thun, as well as accommodations in idyllic rural settings and six restaurants throughout the Lake Thun region.

With a total of 220 hotel rooms, suites, holiday apartments and luxury lakeside villas, Hauenstein Hotels is one of the largest hotel groups and employers in the Bernese Oberland.

The locations are spectacular: each unique building is situated by Lake Thun, nestled in the marvellous mountain scenery of the Bernese Oberland. You really do need to see it for yourself, so come and be enchanted by the surroundings and our warm and welcoming staff.



GRIZZLYBÄR ADVENTURE LAND IN FORST-LÄNGENBÜHL

Grizzlybär Adventure Land is right by the entrance to the Gantrisch Nature Park. It has a wide range of activities for visitors of all ages, all in a spectacular natural setting. During the colder months of the year it's fun to try the Finnish grill houses, where you can host your own barbecue or cheese fondue evening. The menu also includes delicious rösti specialties.

grizzlybaer.ch



DELTAPARK VITALRESORT IN GWATT

The three cornerstones of this 4* superior hotel with 5* lakeside villas are relaxation, exercise and enjoyment, the aim being to bring body, mind and soul into harmony. You will find the Deltapark Vitalresort nestled in the Kander Delta's 70,000 m² of parkland, surrounded by two nature reserves and located right on the shores of Lake Thun. Its spa facilities are perfect for recharging your batteries and leaving everyday life behind.

deltapark.ch





RESTAURANT BUREHUUS IN THUN

This restaurant is known for its high-quality Swiss cuisine, served in a cosy Burehuus (rustic) setting. It uses seasonal products sourced from local suppliers and prepares everything fresh in house in accordance with Label Fait Maison guidelines. The food on your plate will not only tantalise your taste buds but also satisfy your soul with the comfort of the "Burehuus".

burehuus.ch



SOLBADHOTEL IN SIGRISWIL

High above Lake Thun sits this 4* hotel with unique views of the lake and the surrounding mountain landscape. You can expect a warm welcome here, as the hotel prides itself on its hospitality. It would be hard not to relax here with everything the generous spa area has to offer: a saltwater pool, indoor and outdoor whirlpools, a sauna area with various saunas and steam baths, and a comprehensive range of spa treatments.

solbadhotel.ch

BELVÈDÈRE STRANDHOTEL IN SPIEZ

This prestigious 4* superior hotel in Spiez offers breathtaking views of the Bay of Spiez and Lake Thun. The Captain's Bar is the perfect place from which to take in those views. Guests are treated to creative culinary compositions and a wide selection of fine wines. The hotel's spa is a haven for relaxation and features an infinity pool, hammam and various saunas – including the barrel sauna in the hotel garden, which is a real highlight.

belvedere-spiez.ch



DISCOVER THE LAKE THUN REGION

Welcome to one of Switzerland's most beautiful and varied regions. The Lake Thun region is the perfect place to live, work and relax. For nature lovers, adventurers and connoisseurs, it's a true paradise. The region is a treasure trove of gems: from majestic

mountain peaks to the azure lake and picturesque villages. Because we love our region so much, we want to share with you all the best things to see and do here.



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THUN IN AUTUMN AND WINTER

Autumn and winter visitors to Thun will discover a town full of surprises. Explore historic alleyways and modern boutiques, lively markets and quiet lakeside paths, cultural attractions and the nearby mountains. Thun's castle, old town and lake all contribute to the unique charm you feel wherever you go. It's a place of au-

thentic hospitality, regional specialities and thriving culture. Thun has something for everyone, whether a short stroll, a delicious meal, or a starting point for an unforgettable trip into the snow-capped mountains. It never fails to surprise and delight.

#THUNERSEEMOMENTS

Would you like more suggestions for days out? Want to read some exciting stories about the Bernese Oberland and about us? Then check out our blog: "Lake Thun moments". Let the beauty of Lake Thun and its surroundings inspire you.



GO TO
LAKE THUN BLOG

THINGS TO DO AROUND THUN

SCHLOSS THUN (THUN CASTLE)

This medieval castle, with its striking crenellated towers, has dominated the townscape since the 12th century. Built by the Zähringer family, it once served as a symbol of power and as an administrative centre. Nowadays, as a museum, it invites visitors on an exciting voyage through time.

The exhibition covers various eras, from the age of chivalry, to the period of Bernese rule, to the town's modern history. The magnificent Rittersaal (Knights' Hall), one of the best-preserved banquet halls of the Middle Ages, is a particular highlight.

In addition to its history, the castle offers stunning panoramic views. From the towers, you can see far beyond the rooftops of the old town to the sparkling Lake Thun and the Alps.



DISCOVER
THUN CASTLE



THUN OLD TOWN

Just strolling through the historic old town with its raised pavements and little shops is an experience in itself. The Thun Christmas market in and around the Rathausplatz (town hall square) is truly special, with its lights, inviting aromas and regional crafts.



DISCOVER
THUN OLD TOWN



WINTER BOAT TRIPS

The heated BLS boats continue to operate on tranquil Lake Thun even during the winter months. Their large panoramic windows allow you to enjoy views of the snow-capped mountains, charming villages and calm, sparkling water.



LAKE THUN
BOAT TRIPS



THE DARK SIDE OF THUN

Accompany the night watchman on his rounds through the old town and immerse yourself in by-gone times. The tour takes around 90 minutes, during which you will learn exciting facts about the city fortifications, guilds and the work of the watchmen.



GO TO
THEMED TOUR

WHAT TO DO WHEN THE WEATHER IS BAD

When the weather is less than ideal for hiking and exploring, the spa facilities in the Hauenstein Hotels around Lake Thun are the perfect places to go to for some rest and relaxation. Each of the three hotels features a unique world of well-being, where you can look after body and soul and enjoy precious time to yourself.



SPAS AND WELLNESS

At our hotels, guests always have a place to relax and unwind. Each spa and wellness area has its own unique character. Deltapark Vitalresort has indoor and outdoor pools, saunas and steam baths; Solbadhotel Sigriswil has a unique saltwater spa high above the lake; and Belvédère Strandhotel has a stylish wellness oasis. But they all offer one thing in common: pure relaxation with views of Lake Thun and the surrounding mountains.



DISCOVER
OUR SPAS

MASSAGES AND COSMETIC TREATMENTS

All the hotels have professional teams who will pamper you with soothing massages and revitalising beauty treatments. The treatments are tailored to your individual needs, so whether its relaxation or revitalisation you're after, they won't disappoint. This makes every visit a healing experience.



DISCOVER MASSAGES AND
COSMETIC TREATMENTS



PRIVATE SPAS

For those who want to treat themselves to a private wellness experience, Hauenstein Hotels offer exclusive private spas. Enjoy complete privacy, a stylish ambience and your own oasis of relaxation. Deltapark Vitalresort offers themed spas called Asian Lagoon, African Lodge and Swiss Chalet – each with its own sauna and steam bath. The private spa at Solbadhotel Sigriswil offers a steam bath, rain shower, bathtub and relaxation area.



DISCOVER
OUR PRIVATE SPAS



CAREERS AT HAUENSTEIN HOTELS

Hauenstein Hotels is one of the largest employers in the Bernese Oberland, with more than 300 employees from more than 35 countries. As part of the Hauenstein Group, we endeavour to create a working environment that allows our employees to feel valued and comfortable, while also enabling them to develop both personally and professionally.

We recognise and nurture the individual strengths and talents of our employees – through internal training, targeted further education and by giving them responsibility in new areas. A key focus for us is providing development opportunities at all levels.



A GLIMPSE BEHIND THE SCENES

Larissa Muralt is the perfect example of how dedication and passion can help ensure a successful career. Since completing her hotel management training at the former GWATT Centre in 2008, she has continued to develop her skills, eventually becoming head of reception at what is now Deltapark Vitalresort. Her working day is full of variety. She organises the smooth running of the reception desk, plans shifts and holidays for the team, answers emails, talks to guests and, at the same time, takes care of all of the hotel's pricing. The fact that she is responsible for revenue management in addition to her duties on the reception desk shows how varied and demanding her role is. "No day is the same," says Larissa – and that's just what she loves about her job. Every day, she uses her expertise, empathy and flexibility to ensure that guests feel welcome from the moment they arrive. Her story shows that behind every warm welcome there are people working with great care and enthusiasm.



READ MORE ABOUT
LARISSA'S STORY IN OUR BLOG

ROOTED IN THE REGION FOR MORE THAN 70 YEARS

Hauenstein Immobilien AG is the owner and manager of all Hauenstein Hotels businesses and is also the Hauenstein Group's management office. Hauenstein Immobilien AG has been committed to promoting and supporting the Lake Thun region since the company was founded in 1954. It is one of the leading construction companies in the region for condominiums and houses with an excellent price-performance ratio.

We build for the future.
hauensteinimmo.ch



The Hauenstein Group management
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REGIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

Successful partnerships have always been a cornerstone of Hauenstein Hotels and the entire Hauenstein Group. We carefully select our business partners according to fair and transparent criteria.

We strive to build long-term partnerships based on trust and mutual support. We put long-term partnerships before short-term profit.



WINE FROM THE REGION

Regionality, passion and flavour: at our hotels, you can try local wines from the Lake Thun region.

The sun-drenched vineyards around Spiez and Oberhofen have shaped the landscape around Lake Thun and the area's wine culture. These wines add to the authentic character of our hotels and restaurants and reflect our connection to the Lake Thun region.

In collaboration with Spiezer Alpine Weinkultur, we have created two exclusive wines that are only available at the Deltapark Vitalresort and the Belvédère Strandhotel. This is just the kind of local partnership we cherish so much.

OUR SPECIAL EDITION WINES

HIMMELSLEITER RED

Our "Himmelsleiter" red wine combines two grape varieties, Cabernet Jura from Spiez and Merlot from Ticino, to create a purple-violet wine that bridges the northern and southern Alps. It was named Wine of the Week by NZZ Bellevue.

ESPRIT WHITE

For this wine, ripe Viognier grapes from a winemaker friend in Geneva are gently pressed and fermented at a cool temperature with a rediscovered Swiss yeast from 1895, together with Riesling-Sylvaner grapes from Spiez and grapes from a winemaker in the Solothurn and Basel Jura area.



ABOUT ALPINE
WINEGROWING IN SPIEZ



"SOLBAD" CUVÉE BARRIQUE

In collaboration with Rebbaugenossenschaft Oberhofen (Oberhofen Winegrowers' Cooperative), we have created an exclusive cuvée for the Solbadhotel Sigriswil, made from Pinot Noir and Diolinoir grapes and aged for 14 months in oak barrels. Pressed by master winemaker Simon Eberli, this wine combines elegance and depth – it is a characterful wine, created with passion and available exclusively at the Solbadhotel.



GO TO REBBAUGENOSSENSCHAFT
OBERHOFEN



REGIONAL CUISINE

Hauenstein Hotels are known as excellent places to stay, but they are also renowned for their outstanding food. Their six restaurants have something for every gourmet, from regional specialties to international delicacies.

TRY OUR SEASONAL RECIPE

We love helping our guests take a little piece of the relaxation and enjoyment we provide here home with them – a little taste of their stay with us.

Porcini mushroom risotto with cress

Ingredients:

- 2 shallots
- 20 g butter
- 200 g Aquarello risotto rice
- 200 ml white wine
- 400 ml vegetable stock
- 500 g fresh porcini mushrooms
- 100 g grated Parmesan cheese
- Salt and pepper

Method:

First, peel and dice the shallots, then sauté them in half the butter until translucent. Next, add the risotto rice and sauté briefly. Deglaze with the white wine and let it cook off completely.

Now gradually add the vegetable stock, stirring all the time until the risotto is creamy. While the rice is cooking, wipe clean the porcini mushrooms, set aside half a mushroom per person for decoration and dice the remainder.

Fry the diced porcini mushrooms in a pan, season with salt and pepper and then add them to the risotto. Now stir in the remaining butter as well as the Parmesan cheese until you have a smooth consistency.

Our chefs place great importance on using fresh, high-quality produce. Experience a world of indulgence with us and let us spoil you with our culinary specialities.



A RECIPE FROM

MARKUS HANDAU

HEAD CHEF, DELTAPARK VITALRESORT

Finally, fry the reserved porcini mushroom halves over a high heat, ladle the risotto on to plates and garnish with the mushrooms and some fresh cress.

“ENJOY!”



All our hotels participate in the Swisstainable sustainability programme.

AUTUMN AND WINTER HIKES

The golden light of autumn makes it a particularly beautiful time for hikes and great photo opportunities. At this time of year, the region around Lake Thun transforms into a sea of colours – perfect for anyone who wants to capture the magic of this season. In this issue, we introduce you to the best walking trails and

hikes for autumnal atmosphere and perfect photos. These locations offer breathtaking views, warm light and inspiring natural backdrops, whether you're travelling with a camera or simply want to capture special moments with your smartphone.

OUR TOP PHOTO-OP SPOTS

If you'd like to discover these and other photo spots, check out our dedicated map on Google Maps. This indicates where the prettiest parts of the Bernese Oberland are.



GO TO OUR
MAP ON GOOGLE MAPS



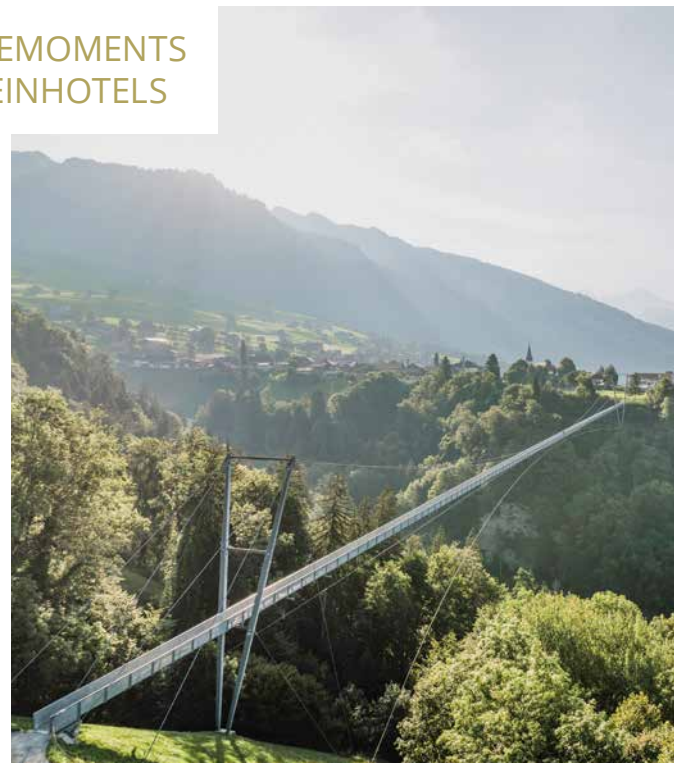
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A TRIP UP THE NIEDERHORN

In autumn, the Niederhorn offers a perfect combination of nature, views and adventure. Enjoy it by taking a leisurely train ride, a scenic hike or a thrilling descent on a trotti bike (scooter bike) – there's something for everyone here. The views of Lake Thun, the colourful forests and the rolling Alpine foothills make the Niederhorn an ideal destination for active autumn days.



DISCOVER
THE NIEDERHORN



SIGRISWIL SUSPENSION BRIDGE

The Sigriswil suspension bridge offers a unique experience high above the Gummischlucht gorge. With its spectacular views of Lake Thun, the autumnal colours of the surrounding landscape and the mountains, it is particularly beautiful at sunset. The bridge mixes a bit of a thrill with spectacular views, making it a popular spot for walks, photos and unforgettable moments surrounded by nature.



DISCOVER THE
SIGRISWIL SUSPENSION BRIDGE



HIKE FROM WIMMIS TO STOCKHORN

The physically demanding hike from Wimmis to Stockhorn is a great experience for practised mountaineers with a good level of fitness. The route takes you through autumnal forests and along scenic mountain paths up to the majestic summit. There is a worthwhile detour you can take to Lasenberg, where you can enjoy impressive panoramic views of the Simmental valley, the Stockhorn area and Lake Thun in the distance.



DISCOVER
THE STOCKHORN



WINTER HIKE IN AESCHI

The circular route, which is around eight kilometres long, starts in the centre of Aeschi and takes you across snow-covered fields and along quiet forest paths up to Sewenegg. From there, you can see out to the Kandertal valley, the Engstligental valley and the snow-covered peaks. The return route via Aeschiried has wonderful views of Lake Thun and the Swiss Plateau.



DISCOVER
THE HIKE



DISCOVER WINTER HIKES

The Lake Thun region is a paradise for hikers in winter as well as autumn. When snow blankets the landscape and the air is clear and crisp, the paths and trails transform into unique winter hiking trails. Walk along the lake, through snow-covered forests or on sunny mountain trails – every route combines exercise with spectacular experiences of nature.



DISCOVER
WINTER HIKES

On our blog **#Thunerseemoments**, you will find a selection of the most beautiful winter hikes around Lake Thun. It has everything from leisurely walks to scenic trails with panoramic views – find inspiration for active pursuits during the cold season.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR VISIT.
WE LOOK FORWARD TO SPOILING YOU AGAIN SOON.

ALL THE BEST FROM THE HAUENSTEIN HOTELS TEAM

FACTS



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spa facilities



220 rooms and
suites



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