

Sustainable travel experiences with Rhaetian Railway

From the oldest town in Switzerland through the UNESCO World Heritage site, past the eternal ice of the glaciers down to where palm trees grow: with Rhaetian Railway's world-renowned Bernina Express, you will be travelling on famous tracks past unique backdrops. Powered by 100% Graubünden hydropower, a journey on Rhaetian Railway is guaranteed to be a sustainable experience.

Environmental awareness has long been part of our daily lives and has fundamentally changed our economy, our society and also the way we travel. Sustainability is the future and by preserving a UNESCO World Heritage site and using renewable energy in a sustainable way, Rhaetian Railway is contributing to a better future in which people can travel more consciously.

Responsibility for unique landscapes

The Albula and the Bernina Line – a third of the entire Rhaetian Railway network – have been a UNESCO World Heritage site since 2008. This makes RhB the keeper of a treasure that, according to UNESCO, has an "exceptional and universal value for humanity". In order to safeguard the future of the UNESCO World Heritage site, Rhaetian Railway would like to make both passengers and locals aware of the value of this asset and thus continue to promote train travel as an environmentally friendly means of transport. UNESCO World Heritage sites are living places of wonder; but when you travel on the Bernina Express, it will be more than just the setup of the network underway that will amaze you. On its way down from Upper Engadin to Valposchiavo, the Bernina Express travels past the eternal ice of the glaciers. The "Morteratsch Glacier Trail" gives you glaciology at your fingertips and lets you see the consequences of global warming with your own eyes.

100% hydropower, 100% sustainable

Rhaetian Railway actively advocates environmentally friendly travel. Since 2013, it has procured all energy for its passenger trains from hydropower. All of its electrically driven passenger trains use energy obtained exclusively from hydropower from Graubünden. The electricity for all RhB real estate is also obtained entirely from hydropower. This is how Rhaetian Railway supports not only sustainable but also regional electricity generation.

Travelling on Rhaetian Railway for nature's sake

Rhaetian Railway's vision of sustainable resource and energy consumption also shapes the railway's actions "off track". Recycling systems at stations, point heating systems that switch on and off automatically based on weather data, and dimmable and cleverly controlled LED lighting are just a few examples of how Rhaetian Railway is committed long term to protecting our unique fauna and flora. RhB treats people and culture with great respect and makes its commitment transparent. Anyone travelling through Graubünden on Rhaetian Railway should be aware of the fact that they are making a much-valued contribution to preserving the nature and culture of the canton of Graubünden. A journey on the Bernina Express is not only a unique experience, but also a sustainable success story in the truest sense of the word.