

# Zurich to Wädenswil

Switzerland - Zürich



lac Zurich (Amis St Colomban)



*On the shores of the lake as well as on the side of the hill, the crossing of successive urban areas with their beautiful residences testifies to the past and present wealth of the canton.*

Still on the waterfront but on the southern shore of Lake Zurich, which is heavily urbanised, mainly in residential areas. On the coast, successive cities connected in particular by a railway line go up mountainsides to a highway overlooking the lake.

## Useful information

Practice : Pedestrian

Duration : 6 h

Length : 22.7 km

Trek ascent : 400 m

Difficulty : Easy

Type : Step

Themes : Water

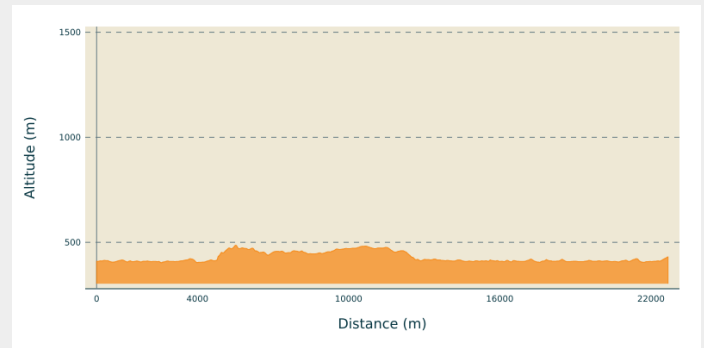
# Trek

**Departure** : Cathedral,  
Grossmünsterplatz, 8001 Zürich

**Arrival** : Roman Catholic Church of St.  
Mary, Eintrachtstrasse, 8820 Wädenswil

**Cities** : 1. Zürich

## Altimetric profile



Min elevation 403 m Max elevation 486 m

From the cathedral, join the bridge (Münsterbrücke) and turn left onto the Stadthausquai to the lake. Turn right towards the boat loading docks.

### At this point, two solutions are possible:

- **Take a boat to Rapperswil (itinerary described in practice "by boat").**
- **Follow the south shore to reach Rapperswil by foot, itinerary described below.**

1. After the loading docks, continue westward as close as possible to the water, crossing an esplanade, an arboretum and a marina. The track joins the Mythenquai followed up to the level of a campsite (Fisher's Fritz camping).
2. Turn right onto the pedestrian ascent (Grenzsteig) which passes under the railway and reaches Alte Landstrasse followed to the Kilchberg sanatorium. After the hospital, leave the main street and go down on the left (Mönchhofstrasse). At the end of the bend, go down left (Dorfstrasse) and turn right at the second street (Böndlerstrasse) which joins the old road (Alte Landstrasse). This road leads to Rüschlikon.
3. Cross the Nidelbadstrasse and continue opposite on Alte Landstrasse to a roundabout in Thalwil. Continue to the right on Sonnenbergstrasse and shortly after take the first street on the left (Tödistrasse) and continue until you reach an agricultural field on the left.
4. Turn right at an angle onto the "Grundsteinweg" pedestrian crossing, which extends into Bönistrasse and crosses Tischenloostrasse. Turn left until you reach the junction on the right of a Breitiweg trail. This trail crosses the fields to greenhouses. At this point turn left to reach Alte Landstrasse again. Turn right on this street and before a "Sparkasse" bank on the left, you will find a passage under the railway track. This passage joins Bickelstrasse and lower down Fachstrasse (car garage). To the right of the garage, go down the street and cross a second railway track by a pedestrian crossing to the right. Join the lake via Bahnhofstrasse and continue on Seestrasse until it passes under the railway

at the entrance to Horgen.

5. Continue straight on Seegartenstrasse and join the trail "84 Zürichsee Rundweg" until you reach Wädenswil.
6. At the city's marina, turn right into Hafenstrasse, which crosses the railway tracks, and immediately turn left to follow the tracks on the other side, past the station and take the third street on the right (Seehofstrasse) followed by Eintrachtstrasse which leads to the church.

# On your path...



🌊 Lake Zurich (A)

🏰 Local Museum (C)

🚠 Adliswil cable car (B)

🏰 Castle Au (D)

# All useful information

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## ← Lake Zurich (A)

Lake Zurich is shaped like a banana, 42km long and 4km wide.

[Find out more.](#)

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## ← Adliswil cable car (B)

It is possible to gain height by taking a cable car up to Felsenegg, which offers a panoramic view of the surroundings of Lake Zurich.



## 🏠 Local Museum (C)

Remains show the presence of lake dwellings in the Horgen region more than 5000 years ago. With the opening of the Gotthard mule track around 1230, Horgen became an important crossroads. The local museum in Horgen tells this story.

[Find out more.](#)

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## 🏰 Castle Au (D)

Originally built in 1650 in the Venetian style, the castle was renovated in 1928 in neo-baroque style. It has 50 rooms with limited public access, as the castle is now mainly reserved for receptions and conferences. Its park can be visited.

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