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**1st day: Valtellina – Steping Aprica – Teglio – Tirano**

Arrival at the splendid **Valtellina**, stepping through **Aprica** (1181m ASL in order to admire the breathtaking panoramic view of the Italian Alps. Visit of **Teglio**, one of the most beautiful villages in Italy, the homeland of the “pizzoccheri”, which recipe has been guarded in the Pizzocchero’s Academy that here has its seat. Typical dinner of Valtellina. Overnight in Tiran zone.

**Religious tourism in Tiran**: According the tradition, in the dawn on 29th of September 1504 Madonna promised suspension of the plague, if there would be built a temple in her honor in the exact place when she disappeared. The people of Tiran, after being comforted from series of miracle events, have activated themselves in the construction of the imposing Basilica, which became very fast a goal for some believers from all Europe and the most important example of the Valtinello’s Renaissance. Pope Pio XII, in 1946, proclaimed Blessed the Virgin of Tiran “special patron saint of entire Valtellina.”

**2nd Day: Tiran – St. Moritz**

**Tiran** is posted in the heart of the Alps, on the border between Italy and Switzerland, always has been a crossroad of the populations, cultures, markets and travelers. Tiran is the point of arrival and departure of one of the most fascinating UNESCO properties: the **little red train of Bernina**. It is not just a railway line: it is one red fairytale on wheels which crosses the Alps, vineyards and ice houses.

**The journey**: it is unique in the world, to live glued on the small panoramic windows of Bernina Express. You start from 429m highness of Tiran to arrive at 2253m of the home station Bernina, then to climb down in the sweet valley which brings you at St. Moritz, in the heart of Endagina. Slopes also till 70%, between the most steep in the world, galleries and viaducts helicoids too and one spectacular view of 360°.

Departure from Tiran with the legendary little red train from Bernina (from the Swiss train company named Ferrovia Retica) to the “Schweizerische Eidgenossen schaft” (Swiss Confederation) with arrival on the train station of **St. Moritz** on time for lunch.

Return by bus in Tiran just to take a walk in the centre of the small land along the antique wall construction loved by Ludovico il Moro; Palazzo Salis, build in the begins of XVII century like an abode of the governors of Salis and Graubunden power of Valtellina. Madonna’s Saint place with inside the biggest power of Europe. Dinner and overnight.

**3rd Day: Livigno**

Departure to the Zone Franca of Livigno. The morning is dedicated for shopping and for a walk in the centre of the country ( 1816m ASL).

**Curiosity**: Livigno has a status of extra customs zone, by the Law 17 July 1910, and that’s why is free of some taxes, like the VAT tax. The principal reason of the creation of this zone was connected to the isolation which has characterized this area.

Lunch in a restaurant with typical menu and departure for a return.