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The picturesque village of Zermatt is arguably the most magical destination in Switzerland with the main attraction, the iconic Matterhorn, taking pride of place in the spectacular alpine landscape. At night, the village transforms into a winter wonderland, directly out of a fairy tale. Hotels, bars, cafés and restaurants abound and food is a major part of the Zermatt experience, the mountain restaurants being particularly popular. Zermatt works like a magnetic charm for sporty types. One can easily see why, with 360 km of pistes, ample sunshine, and some of the best downhill skiing in Europe, all year round! The question is, to take to the slopes or relax in the spa? Well, alternatively, there's always the sun terrace... a lazy lunch and glass of Walliser white wine. Wonderful wonderland!

a weekend in Zermatt

A weekend in Zermatt is like a weekend in Wonderland! You'll be bewitched, beguiled and possibly a little bit bewildered. My survival tips:



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1 Look ma, no fur!

Puffer jackets are all the rage and it's not hard to see why. This hunkylooking model seems to be begging for a body to take it out in. To the slopes, the slopes! Never mind the weather... – canadagoose.com

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5 Did you know?

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- domperignon.com

6 Lost in the Alps

Lost in the Alps. The Alpinists ... this book contains the photographic work of 11 young photographers whose passion for the mountains and photography culminate in this extraordinary book.

- at-verlag.ch