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Mountain records

If the Swiss want to boast about their mountains, they can find a few reasons:

They have more high peaks than any other country in Europe: 48 over 4000 meters.

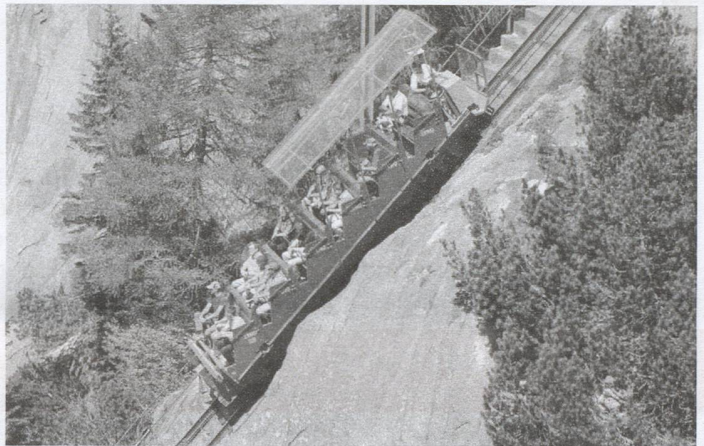
They lay claim:

- to the highest railway station in Europe, the Jungfrauoch, at 3454 m.
- to the highest cableway in Europe, Zermatt VS, ending at 3,883 m
- to the highest gravity dam wall in the world, Grande Dixence VS, at 285 m
- to the highest permanently inhabited village in Europe, Juf GR, population: 30, at 2126 m
- to the highest vineyard in Europe, Visperterminen VS, at nearly 1200 m
- to the highest brewery in Europe, Monstein GR at 1600 m
- to the highest tram in Europe, Zermatt VS at 2222 m
- to the highest museum in Europe, St Gotthard Pass, at 2100 m
- to the highest exterior elevator in Europe, the Hammetschwand lift to the top of Bürgenstock NW, 153 m

They also have:

- the steepest cog railway in the world, the Pilatus Bahn at 48% (and it's also the oldest cog railway in Europe)

- the steepest funicular railway in the world, the Gelmerbahn at the foot of the Grimsel Pass - in places 106%



Gelmerbahn at the foot of the Grimsel Pass

- the steepest road used by coaches in Europe, 28%, from the Kander to the Kien Valley in the Bernese Oberland
- the longest glacier in Europe, the Aletsch VS, about 23 km
- the longest continuous cogwheel railway in the world at the Wengernalp BE, just over 19km
- the longest chairlift over a glacier in Europe, the Furggsattel-Express, 2,600 m, which has its valley station in Zermatt and mountain station at the Furggsattel in Italy

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