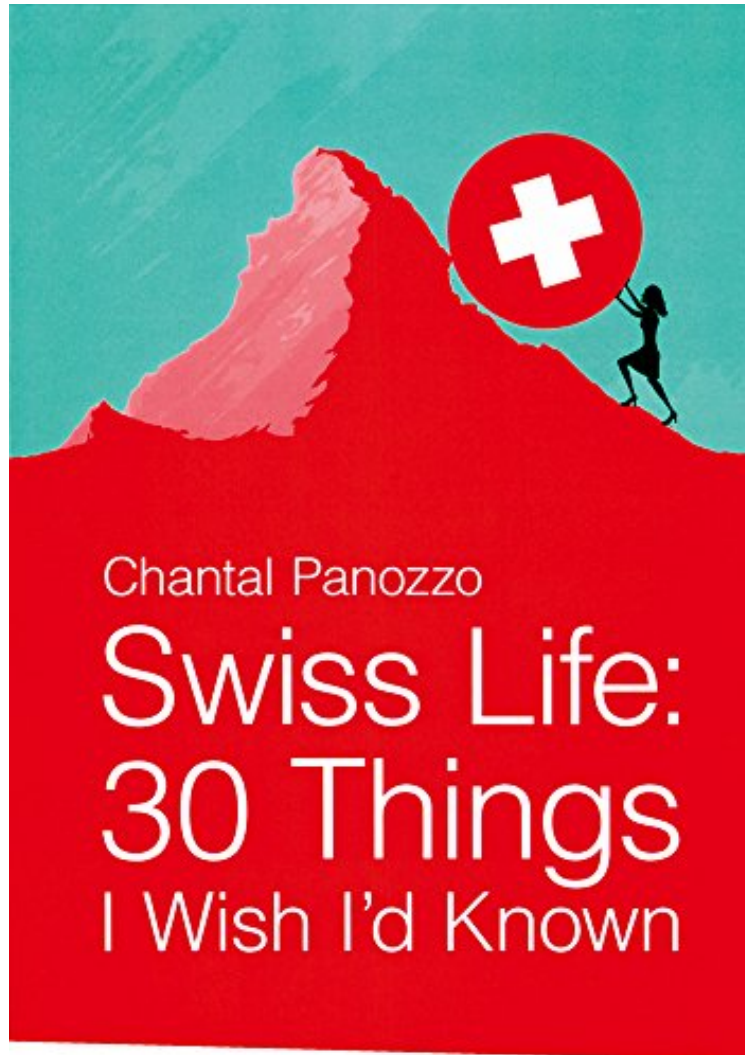


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Heidi I loved her article on her life in Switzerland and had to buy her book. She states in the introduction she almost called the book a B****h Abroad because it does seem like a lot of complaining. This is actually pretty accurate. Would have liked to see a little more about what she misses in Switzerland and how her adjustment was when returning back to the USA. 2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. A Few Interesting Things about Swiss Life By Judith Moen There were some interesting insights into Swiss life and culture. But the author became bogged down with her own pregnancy. The book then lost its way.

Life in Switzerland. The not-made-for-TV version. In 2006, American Chantal Panozzo moved to a spa town near Zurich ready for a glamorous life as an expatriate. She would eat chocolate. She would climb mountains. And she would order cheese in four languages. Instead, she lived a life more in tune with reality than fantasy. Contrary to popular American belief, Switzerland isn't just a setting in a storybook called Heidi. It's a real place where someone with a master's degree in communications can't make a phone call, where you can be hired in one language and fired in another, and where small talk doesn't exist—but phrases like Aufenthaltskategorien von Drittstaatsangehörigen do. Swiss Life: 30 Things I Wish I'd Known is a collection of both published (The Christian Science Monitor, National Geographic Glimpse, Chicken Soup for the Soul Books, and Brain, Child) and new essays in which Chantal discovers that no matter how hard she wills her geraniums to cascade properly, she will never be a glamorous American expatriate—or Swiss.

"Chantal Panozzo's book Swiss Life is addictive - I read it in one sitting. Her essays about the pleasures and perils of life abroad are humorous, eye-opening, and bittersweet. As Panozzo cracks the Swiss codes of work and pleasure, the reader is immersed in tales of language and longing, of fitting in and standing out. Irresistibly funny and poignant, Swiss Life is a must-read!" -Janet Skeslien Charles, author of Moonlight in Odessa