



## The legend of the devil's bridge in the Schöllenschlucht

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The Urner wanted to build a bridge in the Schöllenen, but they didn't know how, so they called out the devil's name. They had hardly said the word when the devil stood in front of them and offered to build the bridge himself. But he requested that the first person, who came over the bridge would belong to him. The Urner agreed and after three days the bridge was built. On its other side sat the devil and waited for the first person, who came over. The Urner however, on the advice of an intelligent gentleman sent a billy-goat over the bridge. The bouncy devil wanted to smash the bridge and got a huge stone in Göschenen. He stopped for a break and met an old wise woman, who scratched the sign of a cross on the stone. As soon as the devil saw this sign, he ran away and left the stone and bridge untouched. Since that time, the saying goes, he has never showed himself in the Urnerland anymore.

