

After a tiring day, we go 'home' in time even for a photo. The clouds are awesome, almost touching the house. But you know, this is very usual, if not there is not so much green.

## **Up there is our home in Därligen**

Today we begin with a visit to French-speaking city of **Fribourg**. In Switzerland there are four languages that by number of speakers are: **German, French, Italian** and **Romansh**. The first occupies the center from north to south, the French speaking part lies to the west, and the other two share the southeast. It's curious, especially from my perspective, the treatment given here to languages. They are all official except Romansh that it is only for their speakers. But that does not mean that the labeling is done in the three languages. The vast majority of the cantons are **monolingual**, that does not mean that its inhabitants are too. It simply means that no one has to know the language of the neighbor and, therefore, the signs are placed only in the language of the canton and the teaching goes exactly the same. Imagine that in Spain!

Fribourg is built on a rocky peninsula in a revolt of the River **Sarine**. This leads to two different parts: the high and the low one. Let's start with the first and we arrive at the **City Hall**, from the sixteenth century, with tower and clock included. Wow! Today there is a market set up on the **Grand-Rue**, as in the Middle Ages. We stroll. The shops are all **homemade** and **handmade** products, especially food. Our mouths were watering with the smoked ham, with the almost infinite variety of cheeses, with the homemade meals. We could not resist the sweets. Excellent!

**The City and the Market:** the source of St. George dominates the square

The houses of the Grand-Rue preserved **medieval air** although some have been restored acquiring the status of French-style Baroque **little palace**. We follow the route and find the Gothic **Cathedral of St. Nicholas**.

**The cathedral:** difficult to photograph

**Web:** the network of tram wires filled the airspace

We went to the bottom but first we will do a panoramic shot. I only need five photos facing the sun and Lola standing up. The view deserves.

**Above and below:** on the left the Town Hall dominates the landscape and on the right hand the medieval town of Bauge

We came finally to the bottom after overcoming a very steep slope. We'll see then who's up! We walked around the neighborhood and go to the **bridge Berne**.

**Wooden bridge**

**The wall:** closes the city