



Alpenvereinshütten



From hut to hut

The Glockner Trail

Hohe Tauern National Park



Circling the Grossglockner



Hiking around Austria's highest mountain in seven days

The Glockner Trail offers hikers and nature lovers a unique experience right in the heart of the Hohe Tauern National Park. This great mountain trail around the Grossglockner massif takes hikers on a tour that passes between towering glaciers, high alpine peaks and pastures that have been cultivated by mountain farmers for centuries.

The Grossglockner Trail tracks are clearly marked throughout, and hikers need neither cross glaciers nor climb difficult sections of rocks. Yet the hike should not be underestimated, as it does lead into high alpine territory with all of its inherent risks.

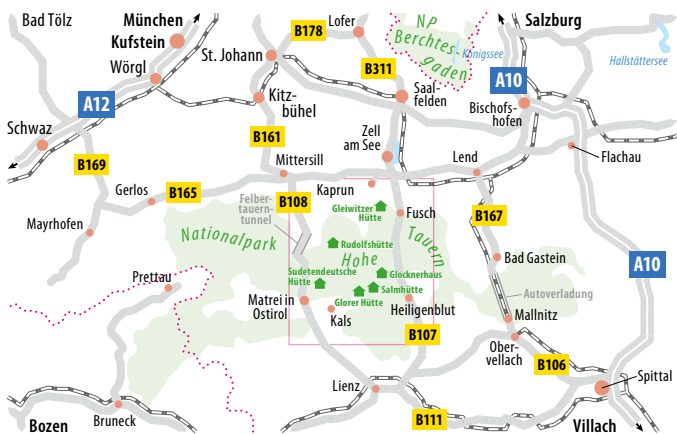
Each day's hike ends at a hut or inn, where hikers can find rest, food and accommodation. Alpine huts are equipped and maintained to provide for basic needs in terms of accommodation and food. As access is often difficult, it is essentially impossible to provide greater comfort, but this is not necessarily a bad thing, as it helps preserve the authentic character of these huts.

Hikers can choose to end the Grossglockner Trail – or start it – at each of the sections. The hike can be started or ended at Uttendorf, Kals, Heiligenblut, Fusch and Kaprun, all located in the valleys of the national park. Kaprun has been chosen as the start point in this brochure due to the town's easy accessibility.

The circuit around the majestic Grossglockner massif takes hikers through the three Austrian states of Carinthia, Salzburg and Tyrol, which share a strong commitment to protecting the unique natural environment of the Hohe Tauern National Park.

The Austrian Alpine Association (ÖAV), the German Alpine Association (DAV) and the Hohe Tauern National Park tourism region wish you an unforgettable and safe nature and mountain experience hiking around the Grossglockner.

In the heart of the Hohe Tauern



How to get there

The town of Kaprun (786 m) is the main start point for the Grossglockner Trail, as it is easy to reach even by public transport.

By public transport: International train connections to Zell am See station; then continue by bus (No. 660) to the base station of the Kaprun glacier funicular.

Further information: www.bahn.de, www.oebb.at, www.postbus.at

By car: From Munich: Take the A8 motorway to the Siegsdorf exit, then the B306 national highway to the Austrian border at Inzell and the B178 highway to Lofer. Continue on the B311 past Saalfelden and Zell am See to the large, free parking lot next to the Kaprun glacier funicular.

From Innsbruck: Take the A12 Inntal motorway to Wörgl, then the B178 to Lofer via St. Johann i. T., then as above.

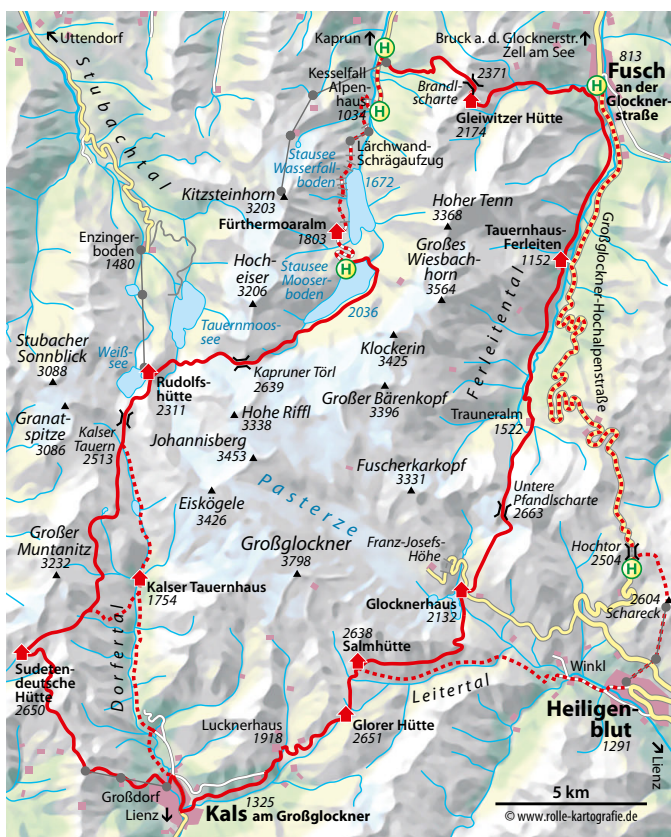
From Salzburg: Take the A10 Tauern motorway to the Pongau junction, then the Pinzgau national highway (B311) to Zell am See/Kaprun.

Untamed mountains and well-tended farmlands

The Hohe Tauern National Park was established in 1981 and extends across the Austrian states of Carinthia, Salzburg and Tyrol. The Glockner Trail takes hikers through the Grossglockner and Granatspitze massif in the heart of the national park.

The Hohe Tauern National Park, the largest nature reserve in the Alps, spans an area of 1836 square kilometres between 1000 and 3798 metres of altitude. It invites visitors to experience truly magic scenery of towering icy peaks, the largest glaciers in the eastern Alps, thunderous waterfalls and romantic alpine lakes.

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Its unique climatic, geological, hydrological and topographic environment makes this, Austria's oldest national park, a sanctuary for many species of flora and fauna that have become very rare or are even threatened by extinction elsewhere. Golden eagles and bearded vultures circle the majestic summits, while ibex and chamois tackle even the steepest of mountain faces with incredible ease. The rich flora of the Hohe Tauern mountains produces an impressive variety of flowers, and both flora and fauna have developed astounding adaptations to the harsh alpine climate.

However, the Hohe Tauern National Park is above all characterised by pristine, untamed nature and carefully tended alpine farmlands existing harmoniously side by side. The nature reserve extends across vast glaciers and rock faces and takes in mountain pastures that have been painstakingly cultivated for centuries.

Further information: www.hohetauern.com

Good to know

Hiking in high alpine terrain

The Glockner Trail is for experienced alpine hikers. While it follows well-marked tracks throughout, it does take hikers into high alpine terrain, for which a good level of fitness, sure-footedness and a head for heights are just as essential as sturdy hiking shoes and adequate equipment.

Times indicated are walking times only and do not take into account any breaks. Altitude differences are given as general guidance only. Consulting maps and guide books is indispensable in planning this hike – this brochure alone will definitely not be sufficient.

Difficulties stated for tracks are given for reasonable (“normal”) weather. However, heavy rain or snow can make tracks difficult or even impassable and hamper orientation. Freezing rain can easily transform rocky sections into insurmountable obstacles. In this case, the only safe option is to take the quickest route to the nearest hut or to descend down into the valley! Be sure to state your next planned stop when registering at huts.

Marked mountain tracks



Easy tracks (marked in blue) are mostly narrow. They may include steep sections, but none that pose a risk of falling.



Medium tracks (marked in red) are mostly narrow and frequently steep. They may include sections that pose a risk of falling. They may also include short sections with certain security fixtures such as steel ropes.



Difficult mountain tracks (marked in black) are narrow, frequently steep and pose a risk of falling. They commonly include sections with security fixtures and/or easy rock climbing sections that require hikers to use their hands for stability. These passages absolutely require hikers to be sure-footed and comfortable with heights.

Unmarked terrain



Alpine routes lead into pristine high alpine terrain. They are neither marked nor maintained. Alpine routes require excellent orientation, a sure ability to assess terrain and experience with alpine hiking.



Good preparation is half the hike

The following tips should be taken into account in preparing for any alpine hike to make sure you get the most out of it:

- Select tour length and difficulty in keeping with your level of fitness and ability.
- Always adapt tours to the least experienced hiker in the group.
- Check the weather before setting out.
- Check funicular timetables before setting out if planning to use this option.
- Check hut opening times with hut managers if planning to stay overnight.
- Factor in generous times for breaks and book accommodation.
- Plan for a return in the early afternoon to leave enough time before dark in case of difficulties.
- Ensure you have adequate equipment.
- Make sure to drink enough water while hiking.
- Set out early on your hike.
- Pack a hat and sunblock for sun protection.
- Pack a First Aid kit.
- Always take an appropriate hiking map on all hikes!

How was your hike?

Rate your stay at mountain huts at [huettentest.de](https://www.huettentest.de)

Newcomer in the mountains?

For tips and information please visit [alpenverein.de/at](https://www.alpenverein.de/at)

Current conditions, trekking information, a free app and lots more:



 [alpenvereinaktiv.com](https://www.alpenvereinaktiv.com)

Alpine emergencies

Emergency numbers

Austrian mountain rescue:

140

European emergency number:

112

Caution: Some emergency calls require an active SIM card!

Once you have called emergency services:

- Leave your mobile telephone switched on.
- Do not make other calls so you can be contacted by services.

Backpack First Aid

A First Aid kit should be packed in every backpack to ensure that quick aid can be provided and minor injuries can be treated.

The following is recommended as basic equipment:

Backpack First Aid

- ▶ Adhesive dressings
- ▶ Elastic bandage
- ▶ Sports tape (at least 2.5 cm wide)
- ▶ Disposable gloves
- ▶ 2 triangular bandages
- ▶ 2 First Aid dressings
- ▶ Sterile absorbent wound dressing (10 x 10 cm)
- ▶ Small scissors
- ▶ 2 emergency blankets

Alpine distress signal

The alpine distress signal can be used if an alarm cannot be raised by mobile telephone or any other means.

Whistling, shouting and light signals are best.

Distress signal

1st minute: Signal once every 10 seconds (6 x per minute)

2nd minute: P a u s e

3rd minute: Continue signalling as in the 1st minute (6 x per minute)

Response:

1st minute: Signal once every 20 seconds (3 x per minute)

2nd minute: P a u s e

3rd minute: Continue signalling as in the 1st minute (3 x per minute)

Basic backpack packing rule

As much as necessary, as little as possible.

Always keep in mind that you will need to carry your backpack across very challenging terrain over extended periods!

Equipment

Checklist

Basic equipment

- Hiking boots: secure foot support and protection against water, snow and rocks
- Functional underwear
- Breathable shirt/top
- Fleece jumper or cardigan
- Windproof, water-repellent all-weather jacket with hood
- Long pants made of robust, elastic synthetic fibre material
- Hiking socks or knee socks
- Beanie and gloves
- Lightweight change of underwear
- Backpack, approx. 40 litres for multi-day hikes
- Maps and guides
- Sun protection (sunglasses, sunblock, optional: hat)
- Adequate water (at least 1 litre per day)
- Food
- First Aid kit
- Emergency blanket
- Mobile phone
- Optional: telescopic hiking sticks

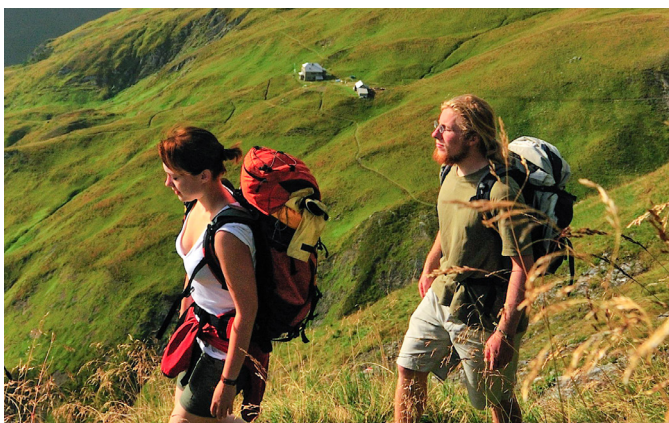
Useful extras

- Pocket knife
- Headlamp or torch
- Bivvy bag

For multi-day hikes and staying in huts

- Sleeping bag liner, non-slip socks/slippers
- Change of clothes
- Toiletries and towel

Staying overnight in huts



Hikers can find food and accommodation in huts of the alpine associations at the end of most Glockner Trail day sections. These huts are open between about mid-June and late September. During peak season, that is in July and August, it is advisable to book ahead.

As alpine huts are located at high altitudes with extreme climatic conditions and access is therefore generally difficult and expensive, their supply, waste and sewage infrastructure is often only basic. They are equipped and maintained to provide for basic needs in terms of accommodation and food!

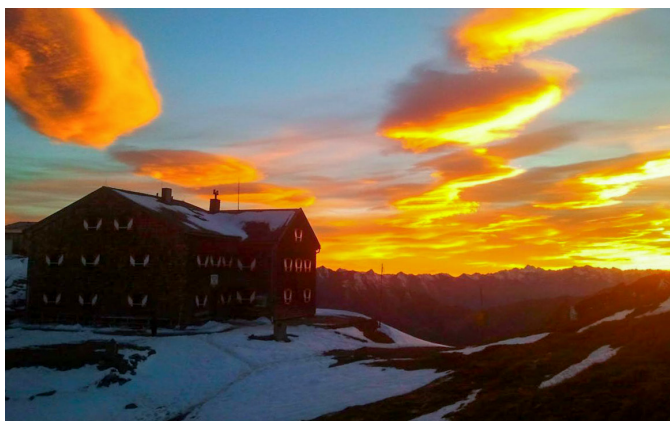
Please contact hut keepers for current information, also on dog-friendly accommodation. General, up-to-date information on huts and their opening times is available from alpenvereinaktiv.com.

Staying overnight in huts of the alpine associations













Keep the following rules in mind for your own comfort and that of others:




- Use your own towel, sleeping bag liner and slippers/socks.
- Use water and energy sparingly.
- Minimise rubbish and take your own rubbish with you for disposal in the valley.
- Do not smoke indoors; use ashtrays when smoking outside.
- Read and comply with hut rules and rates displayed.
- Consider the effort required for providing supplies to alpine huts in terms of prices charged for food and beverages.
- Luggage is only insured if an accommodation receipt is provided.

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Legend of hut signs and symbols

Activities	Equipment
 Hiking	 Showers available
 High alpine hiking	 Suitable for families
 Rock climbing	 Within mobile range
 Via ferrata	 Seminar facilities available
 Mountain biking	 EC card payment facility
 Ski touring	 Luggage transport facility

   Hut category (None, 1 or 2)



"Family-friendly huts"
Huts specialised in families.











"Taste of the mountains"
Huts supporting local suppliers
and offering regional specialties

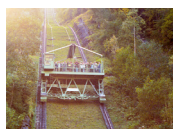


"Eco-label"
Huts with a great environmental record.

Legend of hiking signs and symbols

Track classification	Route information
 Easy mountain track	 Hazard
 Medium mountain track	 Total ascent (m)
 Difficult mountain track	 Total descent (m)
 Alpine route	 Distance (km)

The Glockner Trail



Lärchwand-Inclinator
(1605 m - 2036 m)



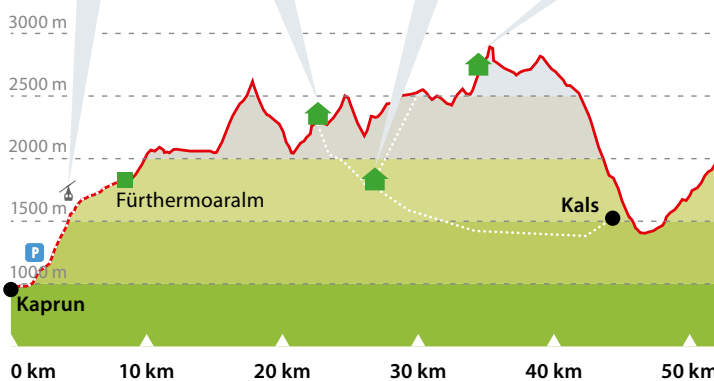
Rudolfshütte
(2311 m)



Kaiser Tauernhaus
(1754 m)



Sudeten-deutsche Hütte
(2650 m)



En route along the Glockner Trail

- An enjoyable, safe Glockner Trail requires not only good equipment and a close observation of any weather changes, but also alpine experience, fitness and sure-footedness.
- Some of the day sections involve a total ascent and descent of up to 3000 metres in altitude and hiking times of up to eight hours – excluding breaks!
- Easier or shorter alternatives are often available in addition to the more challenging, longer day sections. These are still very scenic, and hikers feeling in any way insecure should always opt for the safer alternatives.
- Less experienced hikers should only undertake the Glockner Trail with the support of a qualified mountain guide.
- Crossing slopes of hard, old snow is particularly hazardous even in late summer, especially in steep gullies. Always carry full or lightweight crampons in your backpack when hiking during these periods.
- The Glockner Trail can only be completed during the summer months, when the alpine huts in the region are open. It is highly recommended to book accommodation ahead.
- If you are planning to complete the Glockner Trail with your



Glorer Hütte
(2651 m)



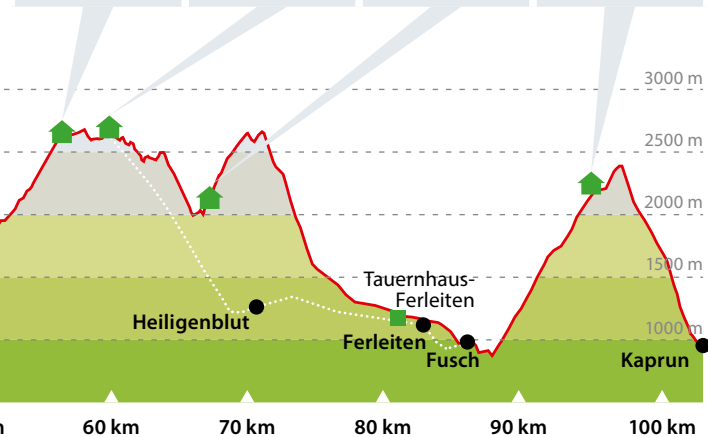
Salmhütte
(2638 m)



Glocknerhaus
(2132 m)



Gleiwitzer Hütte
(2174 m)



dog, always confirm that hut or inn hut keepers allow dogs when booking your accommodation.

- For detailed information on the Glockner Trail please visit alpenvereinaktiv.com.

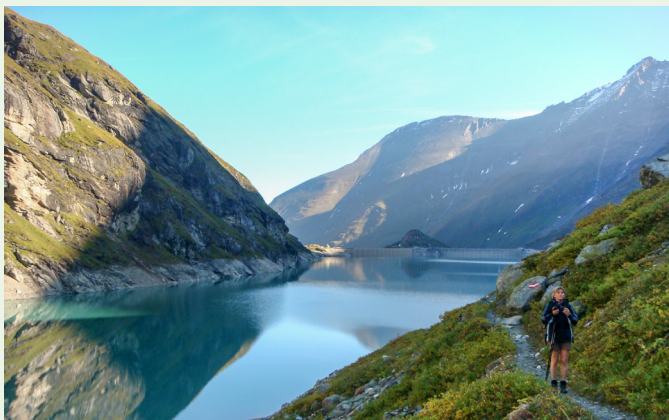
The Glockner Trail can also be booked as an all-inclusive package through a special service provided by the Hohe Tauern National Park tourism region (Salzburg). Visit www.glocknerrunde.at.

Day 1

Kaprun
(786 m)



Rudolfshütte
(2311 m)



Starting from the Kaprun glacier funicular parking lot, take the **Lärchwand inclinor** and a bus to arrive in comfort at the **Mooserboden reservoir** (2036 m), the starting point for the Glockner Trail hike. Walk across the top of the dam, then follow track No. 716 along the lake to the head of the valley. This track starts out flat and then leads across a distinctive moraine ridge in a number of bends. Follow the moraine trough high above the valley. Below **Kapruner Törl** (2639 m), the terrain becomes steeper and features loose slabs of rock.

▲ *Traversing this section can be challenging even in late summer, due to residual, hard snow. Be very careful about the possibility of slipping and falling on the loose slabs of rock!*

Follow a well-maintained track from Kapruner Törl down to the Übelkar cirque. Pass Vorderes Eisbichl and then descend a little more steeply to the Tauernmoossee Lake and the turquoise waters of the Ödenwinkelkees glacial stream. Cross this stream via the **Gaulmöselsteg bridge** (2018 m). The next section is a pleasant hike to a fork in the track: Take either the shorter, but steeper “Stone Stairway”, which is secured with a steel rope and ladder, or the somewhat longer, but gentler alternative via Hinteres Schafbichl (about 1 hour longer). Both take you to Berghotel Rudolfshütte.

▲ ● ↗ ≈ 915 m alt. ↘ ≈ 630 m alt.; *hiking time: approx. 6 hrs*

Note: Accommodation is also available at **Fürthermoaralm** (1803 m), located between the Wasserfallboden and Mooserboden reservoirs. This is also another option for starting your hike. From there, the ascent to the start of the Trail at the Mooserboden reservoir is about 45 minutes (200 m altitude).

Day 2

Rudolfshütte
(2311 m)



Sudetendeutsche Hütte
(2650 m)



Follow the track southwards from **Berghotel Rudolfshütte** (2311 m) down to Weisssee lake before ascending again towards **Kalser Tauern** (2513 m). The descent to the upper Dorferthal valley is very steep, but secured with a steel rope in the upper section. Access the challenging Silesia Mountain Trail (No. 517) with fabulous views of the western Glockner massif near **Tauernbrünnl/Erdiges Eck** (2213 m).

▲ *The Silesia Mountain Trail is well marked and secured. However, some sections may still be covered with old snow and remnants of avalanches even in July. There is a risk of falls. In this case, inexperienced hikers should descend from Tauernbrünnl to Kalser Tauernhaus (see alternative)*

Cross the Dorferbach stream (no bridge, but marked track) and climb along a steep western slope to a rocky ledge with a memorial cross. This is the **Spinnevitrol** (2512 m), from which a track leads to Kalser Tauernhaus. From here, the Silesia Mountain Trail continues relatively level to the Muntanitzschneid spur, except when crossing some rocky ledges. Enjoy excellent views along the way. Be careful when crossing the glacial Loamesbach stream and the steep ledges of Loameswand and Muntanitzschneid. These sections involve easy rock climbing. Follow an easy descent to the **Muntanitztrog** trough (2500 m, fork to Kalser Tauernhaus) before taking track No. 514 to ascend to the Gradetzattel ridge, at 2826 m the highest point of the Glockner Trail. After the Gradetzattel there is another steep descent to the former basin of the Gradetzkees glacier. Cross this basin diagonally. Then climb briefly up the moraine ridge to reach Sudetendeutsche Hut only a few minutes later.

● ↳ ≈ 14 km ↗ ≈ 1465 m alt. ↘ ≈ 1080 m alt.; *hiking time: approx. 8 hrs*

Day 3

Sudetendeutsche Hütte

(2650 m)



Kals

(1325 m)



From Sudetendeutsche Hut, retrace your steps from the day before until you reach the fork for the Sudetendeutsche Mountain Trail (No. 502B). Continue along an easy track to the **Stellachkar** cirque (2790 m) and then along a via ferrata to the **Dürrenfeldscharte** saddle (2823 m). On the other side of the saddle, descend the bends down to the gently sloped Dürrenfeld valley. The track then becomes steeper again and passes through rocky terrain below the Tschadinhörndl peak.

▲ *Residual, hard snow can make traversing the steep gully below Tschadinhörndl difficult even in mid-summer!*

Here, steep rocky slopes alternate with alpine meadows, and you may already be able to see the wide, grassy saddle of **Hohes Tor** (2477 m) in the distance. Continue along track No. 516 (Aussig-Teplitz Track) underneath the Drillingschneid, Blauer Knopf and steep Blauspitze peaks. The track initially undulates gently and then descends to the “**Chapel for Ill-Fated Mountaineers**” (2080 m) and the Glocknerblick restaurant, offering views of Kals along the way. Track No. 516 (Flower and Herb Nature Trail) then continues in bends through steep pine and larch forests, sometimes also passing ski slopes, down to Kals-Grossdorf. The centre of **Kals am Grossglockner** (1325 m) is only about another kilometre away.

● ↪ ≈ 12 km ↗ ≈ 243 m alt. ↘ ≈ 1530 m alt.; *hiking time: approx. 5½ hrs*

Variation

Alternative to Days 2/3

Rudolfshütte

(2311 m)



Kalser Tauernhaus

(1754 m)



Kals

(1325 m)



▲ *When choosing this option, the very long section to Sudetendeutsche Hut, which can be challenging in early summer due to residual snow, can be either avoided altogether or split into two shorter sections. This, of course, requires an additional day for the overall hike.*

As noted in the description for Day 2, continue from Berghotel Rudolfshütte via **Kalser Tauern** (2513 m) to the Upper Dorfertal valley and Tauernbrünnl/Erdiges Eck. From there, bypass the Silesia Mountain Trail and instead hike along Dorfer Lake and then down to **Kalser Tauernhaus** (1754 m) through a rugged landslide field.

● ↳ ≈ 9 km ↗ ≈ 265 m alt. ↘ ≈ 800 m alt.; *hiking time: approx. 3½ hrs*

From Kalser Tauernhaus, hikers can descend straight to Kals through the Dorfertal valley and Drabaschlucht gorge.

● ↳ ≈ 10 km ↗ ≈ 50 m alt. ↘ ≈ 480 m alt.; *hiking time: approx. 3 hrs*

Alternatively, they can ascend again from Kalser Tauernhaus to the Silesia Mountain Trail and Sudetendeutsche Hut. This track follows the Stotzbach stream in innumerable bends, until it eventually forks. Continue south below the Muntanitzschneid spur and then rejoin the Silesia Mountain Trail at the Muntanitztrog trough. Cross the Gradetztsattel saddle and follow the trail to Sudetendeutsche Hut as in the description for Day 2. Continue with Day 3 the next day.

● ↳ ≈ 7 km ↗ ≈ 1100 m alt. ↘ ≈ 190 m alt.; *hiking time: approx. 4 hrs*

Day 4

Kals

(1325 m)



Salmhütte

(2638 m)



Starting from the Kals town centre, the track briefly follows Dorfstrasse street to the Ködnitzbach stream. Turn left here onto a forestry road and continue towards the head of the valley and Lesachriegel peak. The track initially leads straight uphill and then up towards the **Glorergartenalm** (1804 m) meadows in steep bends. After another short uphill section, the track then forks left towards the Tschadinalm meadows. First pleasantly easy, it soon becomes increasingly steep until it reaches a fork at 2200 m altitude. Take the left track here, which crosses the tree line without gaining much altitude and then passes **Tschadinalm** (2330 m) and a wayside cross before it descends again to the **Peischlachbach** stream (2280 m). Follow track No. 713 towards **Peischlachtörl** (2480 m). This section takes you uphill and downhill through large boulders all the way to **Glorerhütte Hut** (2651 m), where you can stop for the night.

● ↪ ≈ 10 km ↗ ≈ 1500 m alt. ↘ ≈ 250 m alt.; *hiking time: approx. 5 hrs*

From here, follow the track in a north-eastern direction towards a fork leading to the Glatzbachtal valley (signposted), where you get your first glimpse of Grossglockner. The track then takes you across gently sloped pastures up to the **Glatzschneid** peak (2631 m) before it descends again steeply via Glatzgang towards **Nassfeld** (2594 m). The steep section is secured with ropes. This challenging part is followed by another easy ascent to **Salmhütte Hut** (2638 m) in a wide arc to the right.

● ↪ ≈ 3 km ↗ ≈ 150 m alt. ↘ ≈ 150 m alt.; *hiking time: approx. 1 hr*

Easier variation: Before reaching Glatzschneid, take the track down to the **Leiterbach** stream (2594 m). Join track No. 702B there to climb up to Salmhütte hut (about 15 min. longer).

Day 5

Salmhütte
(2638 m)



Glocknerhaus
(2132 m)



The Vienna Mountain Trail (track No. 741) gently descends from Salmhütte Hut across alpine meadows that are often ablaze with colour and flowers. It then ascends again briefly towards **Stocker-scharte** (2501 m) saddle. The Schwerteck and Schwertkopf peaks, two geologically fascinating formations, are of particular interest here, as is the view to the Leiertal valley far below. Edelweiss and gentian are often found along the track. The view down to the Pasterze glacier and across to Grossglockner and Johannesberg on the other side of the valley are equally impressive. A number of bends in the track – some of them steep – take hikers down to the **Margaritzenstausee** reservoir (2000 m). The track crosses the dam and then climbs a little on the other side to reach **Glocknerhaus Hut** (2132 m) on the Grossglockner High Alpine Road.

● ↳ ≈ 7 km ↗ ≈ 300 m alt. ↘ ≈ 800 m alt.; *hiking time: approx. 3 hrs*

Day 6

Glocknerhaus
(2132 m)



Fusch
(813 m)



Track No. 728 leads from Glocknerhaus to a steep ledge and then east towards a small mountain lake. It then climbs up towards the basin of the Südliche Pfandlscharte and Untere Pfandlscharte (2663 m) saddles..

▲ *Hazardous sections due to old snow even in late summer!*

The descent down to **Späherbrünnl** (2295 m) and **Trauneralm** (1522 m) is very steep in sections. The Glockner Trail then takes hikers down to the Ferleital valley and along the Fuscherache river to the Tauernhaus Inn in Fusch/Ferleiten. This section is quite easy and leads to a lovely end point for the day after a long climb down. From here, hikers can also take the post bus to Fusch as an alternative. If they choose to walk, they continue in a northern direction to the farms on the **Wimmer Berg** (960 m) and then along a road for about 800 metres until the track forks off again. After a short climb, the track joins track No. 725, which leads directly down to **Fusch** (813 m)

● ↳ ≈ 22 km ↗ ≈ 791 m alt. ↘ ≈ 2075 m alt.; *hiking time: approx. 7½ hrs*

Variation

Alternative to Days 5/6

Salmhütte
(2638 m)



Heiligenblut
(1291 m)



Fusch
(813 m)



▲ *Hard residual snow can be found in the northern section of this hike, even in late summer, particularly near Pfandlscharte. In case of doubt, the alternative route via Heiligenblut is recommended in order to avoid these hazardous sections.*

From Salmhütte Hut (end of Day 4), descend straight down to Heiligenblut through the beautifully scenic Leitertal valley. Follow the Graf Salm track down to the Leiterbach stream and hike across picturesque alpine meadows to Trogalm, then continue down towards **Heiligenblut** (1291 m) past Winkl village.

● ↳ ≈ 11 km ↗ ≈ 65 m alt. ↘ ≈ 1410 m alt.; *hiking time: approx. 4½ hrs*

The Grossglockner funicular takes hikers from Heiligenblut to the **top station** (2593 m), from which they continue hiking towards **Schareck** (2604 m), their first stop. From there, the Geo-Trail Tauernfenster Nature Trail takes them through geologically fascinating terrain down to the **Mauskarscharte** saddle (2507 m). The track initially descends gently and is secured with ropes in its steeper sections. It then continues from the saddle towards **Rossköpfel** (2588 m), but veers around to the right to bypass this peak before taking hikers up to **Tauernkopf** (2626 m). Then it is only a short descent to the **Hochtor** pass (2575 m) and the southern access to the Glocknerstrasse road, from where hikers can take a post bus to Ferleiten or Fusch.

● ↳ ≈ 4 km ↗ ≈ 177 m alt. ↘ ≈ 223 m alt.; *hiking time: approx. 3 hrs*

Day 7

Fusch
(813 m)



Kaprun
(911 m)



From the centre of Fusch, walk past the church in a south-western direction towards the Hirzbachtal valley. The short detour to the Hirzbach waterfall is a worthwhile scenic detour. Then follow track No. 725 through steep terrain up to Feistalpl and the narrow Grabenschlucht gorge, where you cross the Hirzbach stream and keep climbing up to **Hirzbachalm** (1715 m). Veer left to reach a wayside cross following an easy climb.

The track then leads up in numerous bends and finally reaches wide alpine meadows with a unique flora. This is the scenic location of beautiful Gleiwitzer Hut (2174 m), where hikers can choose to end this section. If staying overnight at this hut, there may even be enough time for a detour to the Imbachhorn peak (2470 m, about 1 hour ascent), which offers supreme views.

● ↪ ≈ 8 km ↗ ≈ 1350 m alt. ↘ ≈ 100 m alt.; *hiking time: approx. 3½ hrs*

From Gleiwitzer Hut, take track No. 723 north for a short distance until the track forks. Keep to the left and climb steeply up to the **Südliche Brandlscharte** (2371 m) saddle, which offers a fabulous view of Brandlsee lake. Continue on via the north-western ridge and descend to Harleitenalm past **Rosskopf** (1999 m) before following the winding track across flower-laced mountain pastures down to the parking lot of the **Kaprun glacier funicular** (911 m). If you did not travel by car, take the bus back to Kaprun or Alpenhaus Kesselfall.

● ↪ ≈ 10 km ↗ ≈ 330 m alt. ↘ ≈ 1580 m alt.; *hiking time: approx. 5½ hrs*

Additional information

Alternative accommodation

Kaprun/reservoirs starting point:

Fürthermoaralm (1803 m)

Opening times: early June to mid-September

Tel.: 0043/(0)6547/7158 - 234 35

office@fuerthermoar.at

www.fuerthermoar.at

Day 3

Kals Tourist Information

Ködnitz 7

A-9981 Kals a. Großglockner

Tel.: 0043/(0)50212/540

kals@osttirol.com

www.kals.at

Day 5

Heiligenblut Tourism Association

Hof 4

A-9844 Heiligenblut

Tel.: 0043/(0)4824/20 01

office@heiligenblut.at

www.heiligenblut.at

Day 6

Grossglockner-Zellersee Tourist Information

Raiffeisenstraße 2

A-5671 Bruck-Fusch

Tel.: 0043/(0)6545/72 95

info@grossglockner-zellersee.info

www.grossglockner-zellersee.info

Cable cars/funiculars

Kaprun, Lärchwand Inclinator

Tel.: 0043/(0)503/132 32 01

tourismus@verbund.com

www.verbund.com

Grossglockner Funicular

Hof 94

A-9844 Heiligenblut

Tel.: 0043/(0)4824/22 88

grossglockner@skisport.at

www.grossglockner.at



Alpine hotel



Double/twin/multi-bed 200
Dormitory 52
Winter room dormitory 0

Rudolfshütte (2311 m)

Private

UTM(WGS84): 33T Ost 319938 / Nord 5222825

B/L (WGS84): N 47° 08' 3,5" / E 12° 37' 32"

Equipment



Activities



Open June to September

Contact

Hut keeper: Jenny Wiesalla

Tel.: 0043/(0)6563/82 21

info@rudolfshuette.at

www.rudolfshuette.at

Access

From **Uttendorf/Enzingerboden** (1480 m) take the cable car straight to the hut.

Hike from Enzingerboden following track No. 715 to Grünsee lake and on to Weisssee lake and Rudolfshütte Hut.

● *Hiking time: approx. 3 hrs*

Nearby huts

Oberwalder Hütte (2973 m);

● *Hiking time: approx. 6 hrs*

Kaiser Tauernhaus (1754 m);

● *Hiking time: approx. 3½ hrs*

Sudetendeutsche Hütte (2650 m);

● *Hiking time: approx. 8 hrs*

Peaks

Granatspitze (3086 m);

▲ *Ascent: approx. 2½ hrs*

Stubacher Sonnblick (3088 m);

▲ *Ascent: approx. 2½ hrs*

Tauernkogel (2683 m);

● *Ascent: approx. 2 hrs*

Medelzkopf (2761 m);

● *Aufstieg: ca. 2 hrs*



Managed hut



Dormitory room 20
Dormitory 32
Winter room dormitory 12

Sudetendeutsche Hütte (2650 m)

DAV-Sektion Schwaben

UTM(WGS84): 33T Ost 0315909 / Nord 5215280

B/L (WGS84): N 47° 02' 57" / E 12° 34' 34"

Open Late June to mid-September

Contact

Hut keeper: Ang Kami Lama

Tel.Hut: 0043/(0)720/34 78 02

Tel. Valley: 0043/(0)660/353 33 81 (*during off-season*)

sudetendeutschehuette@alpenverein-schwaben.de

www.sudetendeutsche-huette.de

www.alpenverein-schwaben.de

Equipment



Activities



Access

From Felbertauernstüberl (1160 m) via Steineralm (1909 m);

● *Hiking time: approx. 4 ½ hrs*

From Glanz (1545 m) or **Weiler Stein** (1344 m) via Steineralm (1909 m);

● *Hiking time: approx. 4 hrs*

From Kals to Adlerlounge by funicular (2405 m) or **from Matrei to the top station of the Goldried cable car** (2190 m) then via Kals-Matreier-Törl (2207 m);

● *Hiking time: approx. 4 ½ hrs*

Nearby huts

Kaiser Tauernhaus (1754 m);

● *Hiking time: approx. 4 hrs*

Rudolfshütte (2311 m);

● *Hiking time: approx. 8 hrs*

Peaks

Glocknerblick (2800 m);

● *Ascent: approx. ½ hrs*

Großer Muntanitz (3232 m) via Wellachköpf;

● *Ascent: approx. 2½ hrs*

Gradetzsipz (3063 m);

● *Ascent: approx. 1 hr*

Vorderer Kendlsipz (3076 m);

● *Ascent: approx. 2 hrs*



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Dormitory room 20
Dormitory 30

Kals Tauernhaus (1754 m) DAV-Sektion Mönchengladbach

UTM(WGS84): 33T Ost 0319597 / Nord 5215751

B/L (WGS84): N 47° 04' 14" / E 12° 37' 26"

Equipment



Activities



Open Early June to mid-October

Contact

Hut keepers: Gerlinde and Peter Gilber

Tel.: 0043/(0)4876/83 93 or 0043/(0)664/985 70 90

peter.gilber@aon.at

www.kals-tauernhaus.de

Access

From Kals/Taurer (1521 m);

● *Hiking time: approx. 1½ hrs*

Nearby huts

Rudolfshütte (2311 m);

● *Hiking time: approx. 4 hrs*

Sudetendeutsche Hütte (2650 m);

● *Hiking time: approx. 4½ hrs*

Stüdlhütte (2801 m);

● *Hiking time: approx. 5½ hrs*

Peaks

Spinnevitrolkopf (2483 m)

● *Ascent: approx. 2½ hrs*

Medelzkopf (2761 m)

● *Ascent: approx. 4 hrs*



Managed hut



Dormitory room 12
Dormitory 37
Winter room dormitory 4

Glörer Hütte (2651 m)

DAV-Sektion Eichstätt

UTM(WGS84): 33T Ost 0326433 / Nord 5211149

B/L (WGS84): N 47° 01' 51" / E 12° 42' 56"

Equipment



Activities



Open Early June to early October

Contact

Hut keeper: Alfred Graf

Tel.: 0043/(0)664/303 22 00

www.dav-eichstaett.de

Access

From Kals/Lucknerhaus (1920 m);

● Hiking time: approx. 2 hrs

Nearby huts

Salmhütte (2644 m)

● Hiking time: approx. 1 hr

Stüdlhütte (2801 m)

● Hiking time: approx. 2½ hrs

Lucknerhütte (2241 m)

● Hiking time: approx. 2½ hrs

Peaks

Medlspitze (2678 m)

● Ascent: approx. 30 min.

Großglockner (3798 m)

▲ Ascent: approx. 6½ hrs

Böses Weibl (3121 m)

● Ascent: approx. 4 hrs



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Dormitory room 22

Dormitory 30

Winter room dormitory 6



Salmhütte (2638 m)

ÖAV-Sektion Wien

UTM(WGS84): 33T Ost 0326866 / Nord 5212908

B/L (WGS84): N 47° 02' 49" / E 12° 43' 14"

Equipment



Activities



Open Mid-June to late September

Contact

Hut keeper: Helga Pratl

Tel.: 0043/(0)4824/2089

salmhuetten@aon.at

www.alpenverein.at/salmhuetten

Access

From Kals/Lucknerhaus (1920 m);

● *Hiking time: approx. 2½ hrs*

Nearby huts

Glocknerhaus (2132 m) via Stockerscharte (2465 m);

● *Hiking time: approx. 2½ hrs*

Glorerhütte (2642 m) via Glatzschneid (2650 m);

● *Hiking time: approx. 1 hr*

Stüdlhütte (2801 m) via Pfortscharte (2828 m);

● *Hiking time: approx. 3 hrs*

Erzherzog-Johann-Hütte (3451 m) via Hohenwartscharte;

▲ *Hiking time: approx. 3½ hrs*

Peaks

Großglockner (3798 m)

▲ *Ascent: approx. 5 hrs*

Hinterer Leiterkopf (2891 m)

● *Ascent: approx. 2 hrs*

Schwertegg (3247 m)

▲ *Ascent: approx. 2 hrs*



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Dormitory room 48

Dormitory 40

Glocknerhaus (1520 m) ÖAV-Sektion Klagenfurt

UTM(WGS84): 33T Ost 330566 / Nord 5215320

B/L (WGS84): N 47° 04' 18" / E 12° 46' 10"

Equipment



Activities



Open Mid-May to late October

Contact

Tel. Hut: 0043/(0)4824/246 66

Tel. hut keeper Helmut Schlager: 0043/(0)664/201 45 95

glocknerhaus-alpincenter@gmx.at

www.glocknerhaus-alpincenter.at

Access

Toll road all the way to the hut

Nearby huts

Oberwalderhütte (2973 m);

● Hiking time: approx. 3 hrs

Salmhütte (2644 m)

● Hiking time: approx. 3 hrs

Peaks

Großglockner (3798 m)

▲ Ascent: approx. 6½ hrs

Racherin (3093 m)

● Ascent: approx. 3 hrs

Spielmann (3027 m)

● Ascent: approx. 3 hrs

Hinterer Leiterkopf (2891 m)

● Ascent: approx. 3 hrs



Inn 

Double/twin rooms 2
Holiday home 4

Tauernhaus-Ferleiten (1152 m)

Private

UTM(WGS84): 33T Ost 334122 / Nord 5226281

B/L (WGS84): N 47° 10' 08" / E 12° 12' 40"

Equipment



Activities



Open Early May to late October

Contact

Hut keeper: Family Unterberger

Tel.: 0043/(0)664/158 01 00

www.tauernhaus-ferleiten.at

Nearby huts

Schwarzenberghütte (2267 m)

● Hiking time: approx. 3½ hrs

Gleiwitzer Hütte (2174 m)

● Hiking time: approx. 5 hrs

Glocknerhaus (2135 m)

● Hiking time: approx. 7½ hrs

Peaks

Großes Wiesbachhorn (3564 m) via Schwarzenberghütte

● Ascent: approx. 9 hrs

Hoher Tenn (3368 m)

● Ascent: approx. 4 hrs

Hohe Dock (3348 m)

● Ascent: approx. 6½ hrs

Pfandscharte (2663 m)

● Ascent: approx. 5 hrs



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Dormitory room 19
Dormitory 32
Winter room dormitory 12

Gleiwitzer Hütte (2174 m)

DAV-Sektion Tittmoning

UTM(WGS84): 33T Ost 331086 / Nord 5231826

B/L (WGS84): N 47° 13' 10" / E 12° 46' 13"

Equipment



Activities



Open Mid-June to early October

Contact

Hut keeper: Antje Böttcher

Tel.: 0043/(0)664/929 49 89

gleiwitzerhuette@gmx.de

www.gleiwitzerhuette.at

Access

From Fusch (1521 m);

● *Hiking time: approx. 3½ hrs*

Nearby huts

Heinrich-Schwaiger-Haus (2802 m)

● *Hiking time: approx. 8 hrs*

Peaks

Imbachhorn (2470 m)

● *Ascent: approx. 1 hr*

Rettenzink (2510 m)

● *Ascent: approx. 1 hr*

Bauernbrachkogel (3125 m)

● *Ascent: approx. 3½ hrs*

Hoher Tenn (3368 m)

● *Ascent: approx. 4½ hrs*

Informationen

Maps and guides

AA map Granatspitzgruppe; *sheet 39, 1:25.000*

AA map Glocknergruppe; *sheet 40, 1:25.000*

AA map Schobergruppe; *sheet 41, 1:25.000*

Freytag & Berndt Großglockner-Kaprun-Zell am See; *WK 122, 1:50.000*

KOMPASS Matri in Osttirol; *WK 46, 1:50.000*

AA Guide Glockner- und Grantaspitzgruppe;

Willi End/Hubert Peterka, Bergverlag Rother, München

This brochure provides a general overview of the Glockner Trail and huts and other accommodation on the way. It cannot replace detailed consultation of maps and guide books.

Bookings and tourist information

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