

Wild Waters

Invigorating hikes by the water in Untertal and Obertal
12 detachable pages show the different tours





Crystal clear, naturally pure.

Exciting gorge hike right by the water

Wild Waters – a celebration of life itself!

Everything starts with water. It shapes the landscape, gives life, and fascinates us by its diversity. Walking next to the water is an adventure for all five senses. Refreshing, healthy and invigorating. Since 2005, these water hikes in Schladming have had a name: »Wild Waters«.

What began in Untertal has gone one stage further in neighboring Obertal. »Wild Waters« has become »Wild Waters2«. 2 valleys, in all their unspoiled natural beauty. Better still: highly attractive walking trails by the water, leading through two high valleys to alpine meadows and high peaks –»Wild Waters2« is all of this and more. An extraordinary hiking experience. A celebration of water. A celebration of life!



Enjoy natural drinking water – also where you stay



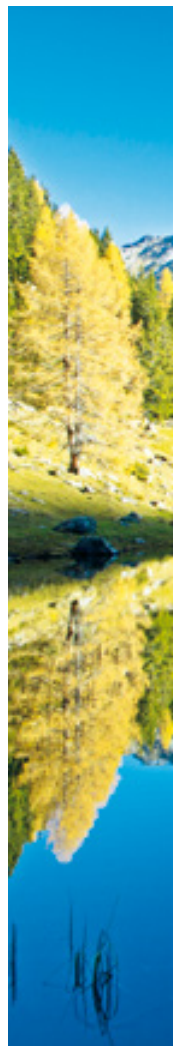
Playful, lively, refreshing...



Giglachsee Lake



Riesach Waterfall



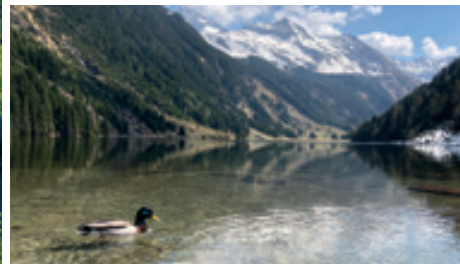
The Klafferkessel – natural wonder and relic of the Ice Age



Near the water | Alpine trail »Höll«



Invigorating water – Almenrunde Tour in Obertal



Diving in – jumping for joy



Picture-postcard motif – the Duisitzkarsee

The Wondrous World of Wild Waters

Water sculpts. Formless, soft – yet stronger than stone – it changes rocks, ravines and whole valleys. Experience the extraordinary power of water. Up close. Gentle and languid, or untamed and torrential. From the outlet of the Talbach into the River Enns, to the springs far above, bubbling up out of the ground. In the heart of the Schladminger Tauern. Where this great gift of nature has its origin.

Did you know?

- The human body consists of 70 % water.
- The human brain actually consists of 90 % water.
- Water covers 72 % of the earth's surface.
- 97 % of all water is sea water, 2,7 % freshwater and only 0,3 % is drinking water.
- Sea water and human blood have the same pH value of 7,4.



Test your courage on the 50 m (!) long rope bridge

Many paths lead through two high valleys

In **Untertal**, along the banks of the Untertalbach, you can discover wondrous treasures of nature – from the wild and romantic Talbachklamm Gorge and the »Tot-eisboden«, to mystical and beautiful Tettermoor.

In **Obertal**, you will walk alongside the Obertalbach in the footsteps of the miners of old.

You will find interesting facts about the history of the two valleys in the Hopfriesen Nickel Museum, a restored smelting furnace. Around it runs a barrier-free walking trail, leading you gently through the pristine natural setting.



Information about tours and rest stops at the trailheads



Rest at the Giglachsee Lake





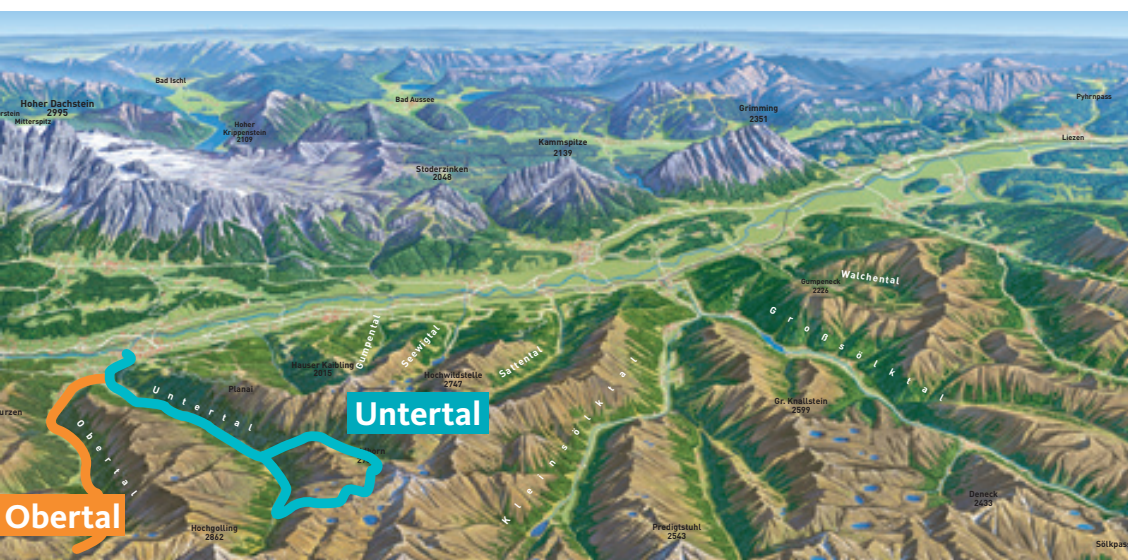
... up and away

Alpine Trail »Höll« in **Untertal** will take you past the impressive Riesachfälle, the highest waterfalls in Styria.

Boldly you will cross the 50 m long cable suspension bridge and, after some 500 steps, reach the idyllic Riesachsee. For a magnificent adventure, you may wish to hike up to the Klafferessel: a high-alpine landscape of more than 30 mountain lakes, the cradle of the abundant waters of the Schladming Tauern.

In **Obertal**, you can set out from the Nickel Museum on the Almenrunde, a trail which leads you to the fiord-like Giglachseen and a natural jewel – the Duisitzkarsee.

Starting from the Eschachalm, you have a choice: either take the Duisitzkarsee Rundwanderweg, leading in the footsteps of the old silver miners to the Keinprechthütte, or hike the Bergseeweg to the Ursprungalm.



Facts

- 1.000 km of walking trails
- 300 mountain lakes
- 950 km of bike paths & trails
- biggest Nordic-walking network in the Alps
- different theme paths

The villages in the Schladming-Dachstein region captivate with their variety of offers and Styrian hospitality. Schladming is a member of »Austrian Hiking Villages«.



Hike to the Keinprechtthütte
⚡ 661 m ⌚ 4:30 h 🗺️ 📶

Neualm-Dulsitzkar Tour
⚡ 675 m ⌚ 4:30 h 🗺️ 📶

Königstour Klafferessel
⚡ 1753 m ⌚ 10:00 h 🗺️ 📶

Family Hike
⚡ 204 m ⌚ 2:30 h 🗺️ 📶 🚶

Alpine Trail »Höll«
⚡ 282 m ⌚ 1:45 h 🗺️ 📶
Sonntagskarseen Lakes
⚡ 1100 m ⌚ 8:00 h 🗺️ 📶

»Wild Waters« Theme Trail
⚡ 747 m ⌚ 6:00 h 🗺️ 📶 🚶
Walking time to the Riesachsee and
back to Seeleiten Car Park

**Wild Waters
in Untertal**

Planai

Fastenberg

Talbachklamm Tour
⚡ 168 m ⌚ 1:30 h 🗺️ 📶 🚶
Variant 2 ⚡ 121 m ⌚ 1:15 h 🗺️ 📶 🚶

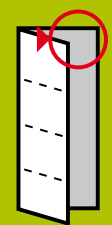
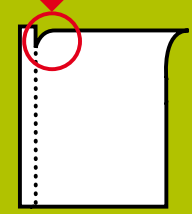
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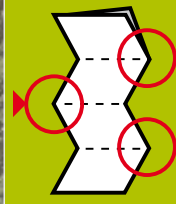
Get there safely

with 12 handy detachable trail leaflets

- 1.) Detach the trail leaflet along the perforated edge
- 2.) Fold it lengthwise



- 3.) Fold it across into four, put it in your pocket, and start the tour of your choice – enjoy :-)



Symbols

- Information
- Inns, restaurants
- Car park
- Landscape highlights
- Public toilet
- Cultural highlights
- Chalet refuge
- Starting point, trailhead
- Rest stop
- E-bike charging station
- Family-friendly path
- Pram-friendly path
- Sports or leisure shoes required
- Mountain or trekking shoes required
- Tour out and back
- One-way tour (different start and finishing point)
- Full tour

H Bus stop and hikers' bus
 The hiking bus operated by Planai-Hochwurzen-Bahnen runs from Schladming to Untertal as far as the Seeleiten car park, to Obertal as far as the Eschachalm, and to Preunegggtal as far as the Ursprungalm. Depending on the season, the bus runs up to 7 times daily to Untertal, 4 times daily to Obertal and 3 times daily to Preunegggtal. There are plenty of well-signposted bus stops. Sommer-Card holders travel free.



Wild Waters Refreshment Opportunities @ Hiking Bus

Huts @ Refreshment Stops

5) **Sondlalm**, Untertal
Tel.: +43 3687 61509
www.sondlhof-alm.at

8) **Gfölleralm**, Untertal/Riesachsee
Tel.: +43 676 59 08 068
www.gfoelleralm.at

9) **Kaltenbachalm**, Untertal/Riesachsee
Tel.: +43 664 41 60 817, +43 3687 23 477
www.starchlhof.at/kaltenbachalm-wilde-wasser.html

10) **Berallerhütte/Kotalm**, Untertal/Riesach
Tel.: +43 664 50 59 974
www.feichtlehner.at

11) **Waldhornalm**, Untertal
Tel.: +43 3687 61475
www.eliashof.at

15) **Wehrhofalm**, Obertal
Tel.: +43 3687 61197
www.facebook.com→Wehrhofalm

16) **Eschachalm**, Obertal
Tel.: +43 664 10 44 838
www.eiblhof.at

22) **Ursprungalm**, Preuneggatal
Tel.: +43 664 903 80 38
www.ursprungalm.at

Refuge Huts

12) **Preintalerhütte**, Untertal
Tel.: +43 664 14 48 881
preintaler.at/agp/index.php/unsere-huetten/
preintalerhuette, book ONLINE!

13) **Gollinghütte**, Untertal/Steinriesental
Tel.: +43 676 53 36 288
www.gollinghuette.com, book ONLINE!

17) **Fahrlechlütte**, Obertal
Tel.: +43 664 33 85 903, +43 664 98 33 253
www.fahrlechlueette.at

18) **Duisitzkarseehütte**, Obertal
Tel.: +43 664 97 33 684
www.duisitzkar.at

19) **Keinprechtthütte**, Obertal
Tel.: +43 664 43 30 346

20) **Ignaz-Mattis-Hütte**, Giglachkar
Tel.: +43 664 42 33 823
www.alpenverein.at

21) **Giglachseehütte**, Preuneggatal
Tel.: +43 664 90 88 188
www.giglachsee-huette.at

Inns @ Restaurants

1) **Landalm & Landauer**, Untertal-Dorf
Tel.: +43 3687 61573
www.landalm.at

2) **Gasthof Michlbauer**, Untertal
Tel.: +43 3687 61270
www.michlbauerhof.at

3) **Gasthof Tetter**, Untertal
(open Sundays & public holidays)
Tel.: +43 3687 61130
www.tetter.com

4) **Waldhäuslalm**, Untertal
Tel.: +43 3687 61592
www.waldhaeuslalm.at

6) **Gasthaus zur Weißen-Wand**, Untertal
Tel.: +43 3687 61307

7) **Almgasthaus Riesachfall**, Untertal
Tel.: +43 3687 61678
www.gasthaus-riesachfall.at

14) **Windbacherstube**, Obertal
Tel.: +43 3687 61212, +43 664 17 84 501
www.windbacherstube.at
(open in winter only)

Bus lines

Buses operated by Planai-Hochwurzen Bahnen run regularly from Schladming into the valleys. The exact timetables can be obtained at the Schladming Tourist Office or can be found on the website of Planai-Hochwurzen Bahnen: www.planaiabus.at

Parking fees 2022

Wild Waters Untertal incl. use of the alpine trail 'Höll'

| | |
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| Car/day | 11,- |
| Bus/day | 65,- |

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| Summcardholder | |
| Car/day | 7,50 |
| Bus/day | 40,- |

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| Wild Waters Obertal | |
| Car/day | 7,- |
| Summcardholder | |
| Car/day | 5,- |

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|----------------------|------|
| Season ticket | |
| Untertal | 30,- |
| Obertal | 25,- |
| Untertal/Obertal | 40,- |

All prices in Euro. Unfortunately buses cannot park in Obertal.

Please note:

In Obertal, dogs are not allowed on the hiking trails from the Eschachalm in the direction of Duisitzkar and Keinprechtthütte! Up to Hopfriesen hiking with dogs is no problem, provided appropriate behavior.



For complete hiking and tourist information, please visit www.wildwasser.com, the Schladming Tourist Information Office, or our website.

Talbachklamm

168 m

1:30 h



Option 2

121 m

1:15 h



Adventure

Endurance

Landscape

Difficulty

915 m

751 m



Starting point

Kraiter-Talbachklamm or Untertal Village



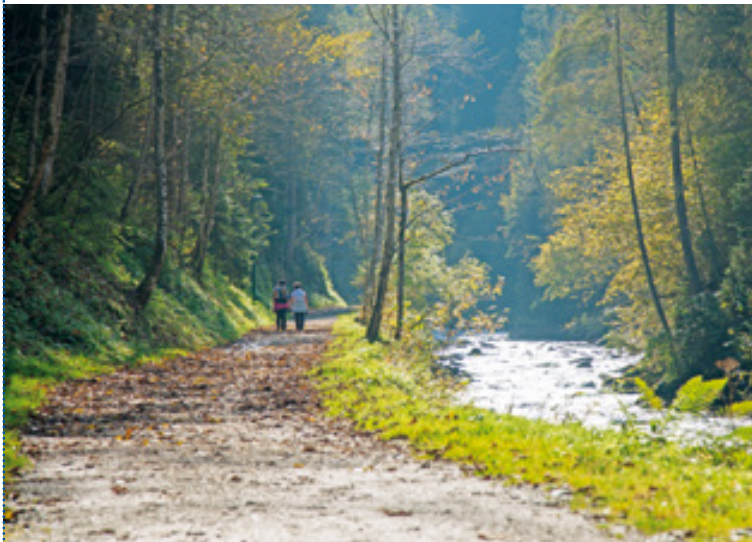
Rest stops

Restaurant Landalm in Untertal,
Talbachschenke (near valley access
Talbachklamm)



Bus stops

Schladming Lendplatz or Untertal Village



A hike between Schladming and Untertal Village

Down to Untertal Village and back with the babbling Talbach as your constant companion.

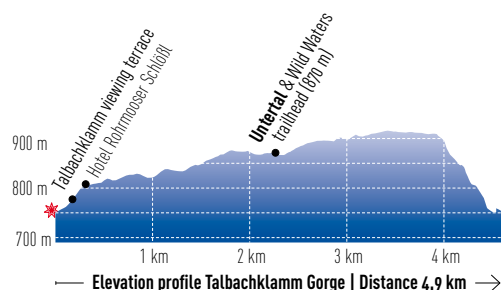
From the trailhead Kraiter-Talbachklamm, start off in the direction of the Talbach where, at a prominent signpost which looks like a pile of wood, you will make a left into the Talbachklamm. From a viewing platform, you will have an opportunity to experience the overwhelming power of the Talbach from a dizzying height, but in total safety. The path, rising slightly and also suitable for prams, runs alongside the roaring Talbach, reaching Untertal village in about 45 minutes, continuing from there to the trailhead.

From the trailhead, backtrack briefly on the same path, but after the war memorial in Untertal, turn right towards the valley mouth, following the Spreitzweg across the slopes of the Planai. On the little-used access road, you have a beautiful view of Rohrmoos and down into the gorge. At the end of the road, you reach the Spreitzhof, where you will hike down a steeper path into the »Grubegg« and back to the lower exit of the Talbachklamm.

Or the other way around: The route as described can also be walked if you start off at the trailhead in Untertal village.

Option 2: From Schladming to Untertal village and back on the same path through the Talbachklamm.

TIP: The trail from Schladming through the Talbachklamm to Untertal is illuminated in the evenings until midnight and is walkable all year long! In winter, you can add a tour through Rohrmoos by following the lit-up footpath from Untertal village along the Taler- and Rohrmoosstrae.





Untertal Scenic Tour

260 m

3:00 h



Adventure ■■■■■
Endurance ■■■■■

Landscape ■■■■■
Difficulty ■■■■■

1093 m
867 m



Starting point
Untertal Village trailhead

Rest stops
Landalm, Hotel Vitaler Landauerhof,
Gasthof Michlbauer, Gasthof Tetter

Bus stops
Untertal village to »Janerbrücke« or
Gasthof Tetter

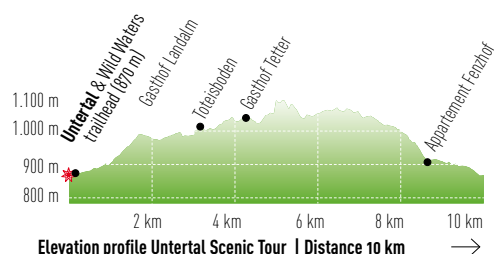


Untertal Village to the Tettermoor and back via the »Gföll«

From the Untertal Village trailhead, follow the Bachweg to Ahlhof Farm. After the farm, cross the meadow and walk along the farm path past more luscious meadows that rise towards »Gfölller« farm. Now follow the road that takes you over the Janerbrücke bridge, then via the Untertalstraße into the valley.

Follow the Untertalstraße for 400 m into the valley, then turn right onto the forestry road just before Hinkerbrücke bridge. Here, the Untertal Scenic Tour has its next natural highlight in store for you. The steep "Toteisboden" moor acts as a »natural refrigerator« – the openings in the hillside suck the air in during the winter and let it out during the summer. The result: unique vegetation.

After a short walk you reach the lower end of Tettermoor, then climb gently towards Gasthof Tetter. With spectacular views of the Dachstein, you will walk ca. 200 m towards the mouth of the valley, before turning right onto »Gföllweg«, which takes you high above the valley floor towards the valley mouth. After passing the »Bogenranch Bruno« archery course, hike along a beautiful forest path in the direction of Untertal and Fastenberg, until you reach the »Wieser« farm. Follow the path signposted »Schladming (via Spreitzweg)« and then hike from the Fenz farm on the Spreitzweg back to Untertal Village.





Family Hike

204 m 2:30 h

Adventure ■■■■■
Endurance ■■■■■

Landscape ■■■■■
Difficulty ■■■■■

1086 m
998 m



Starting point
Trailhead & Car Park Hinkerbrücke



Rest stops
Gasthof Tetter, Waldhäuslalm,
Sondlalm, Gasthof zur Weißen Wand,
Almgasthaus Riesachfall



Bus stops
Janerbrücke to Seeleiten Car Park/
Riesach Waterfall



Walk along the theme trail, suitable for prams

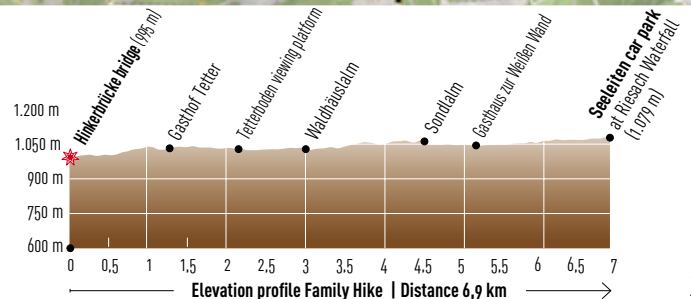
From Hinkerbrücke car park towards Gasthof Tetter, past the »Toteisboden« nature reserve, a unique natural feature of Untertal.

Once above Tettermoor, continue via the various info points, which provide interesting facts about water, and on to the Waldhäuslalm – which, with its fishpond and large playground, is a favorite location for both adults and children. A few meters beyond, you can cross the stream and follow the idyllic path between water and forest, until you get to the quaint, rustic Sondlalm, with animals to pet including hares, hens and goats.

A detour to the Weiße Wand (from the Sondlalm car park at the Sulzbergbrücke, approx. 300 m on the road into the valley) is also rewarding. Here, children can put their climbing skills to the test (included in the Schlamm-FamilyJOKER program).

The varied, family-friendly path then takes you to your destination on this leg of the journey – the Seeleiten car park by the Riesach Waterfall.

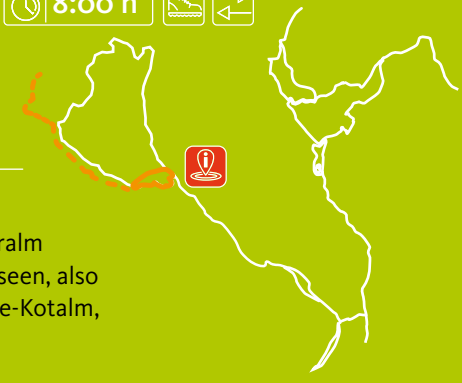
We recommend adding the short (suitable for prams) or long »Waterfall Tour«. More adventurous types can extend their walk to include Alpine Trail »Höll«.



Alpine Trail »Höll«

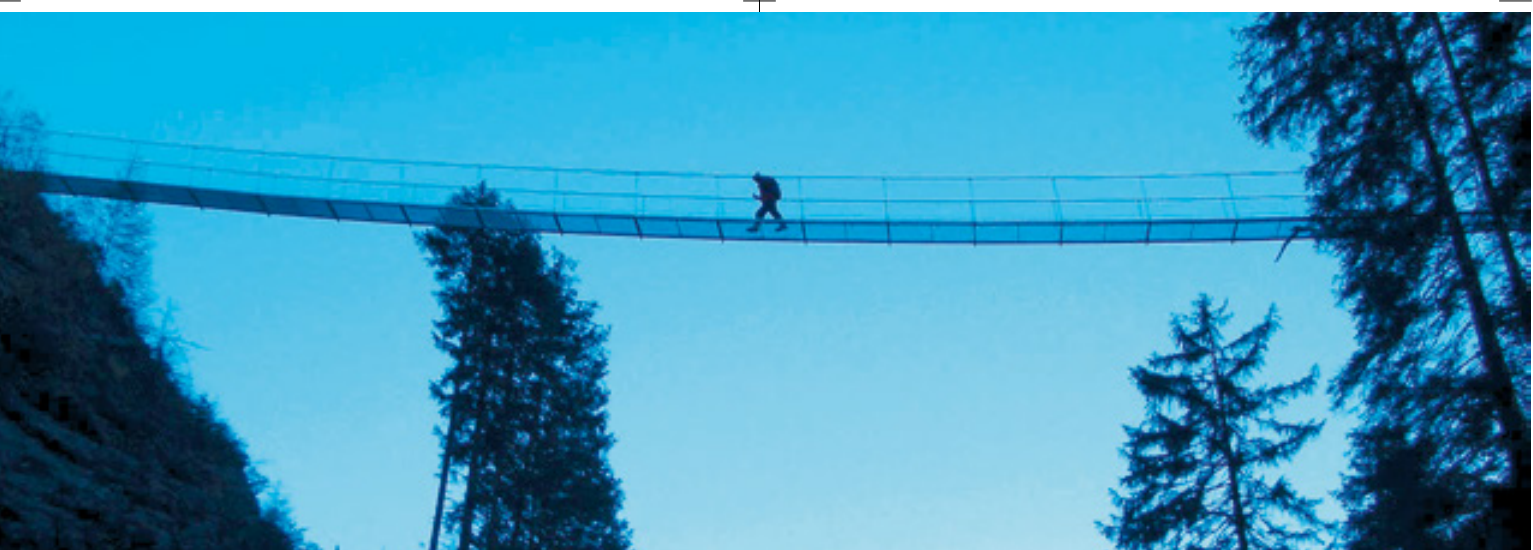
282 m | 1:45 h | Sonntagskarseen Lakes | 1100 m | 8:00 h

Adventure ██████ Landscape ██████ 1360 m
 Endurance ██████ Difficulty ██████ 1076 m



- Starting point**
Seeleiten Car Park/Riesach Waterfall
- Bus stops**
Riesach Waterfall/Seeleiten Car Park

- Rest stops**
Almgasthaus Riesachfall and Gfölleralm and, on the way to the Sonntagskarseen, also the Kaltenbachalm and Berallerhütte-Kotalm, Preintalerhütte and Waldhornalm



A Highlight of the Theme Trail in Untertal

The Alpine Trail through “Hell’s Gorge” (Höllschlucht) is definitely one of the highlights of the Wild Waters hiking experience.

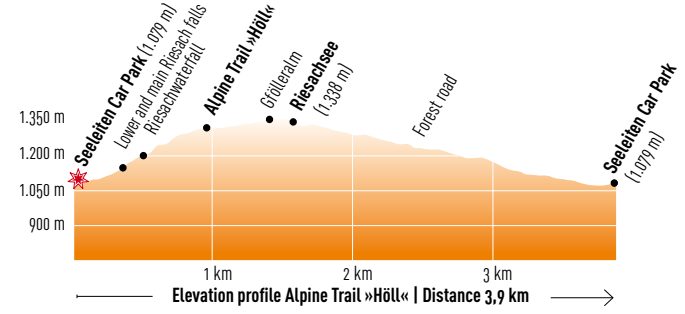
Alongside the Riesachbach, the trail leads first past the lower Riesach waterfall. Here, an access point was created very near the water, allowing you to really feel the power of the water and the spray on your skin and face.

The trail now leads to the main Riesach falls, the largest in Styria. The roar of the water is constantly in your ears as you approach. After the bridge over these falls, the real Alpine Trail begins through the Höllschlucht.

To get there, you cross a 50 m long suspension bridge at a dizzying height over the ravine. Continue via a trail and metal walkways through the gorge towards the Riesachsee. You get a true sense of the force of the water when you see the erosion which has shaped the rock. Viewing platforms treat you to amazing perspectives of your surroundings. For the return to Seeleiten car park, take the forest road.

For real mountaineers – continue to the Sonntagskarseen

If the Alpine trail isn't a sufficient one-day challenge for you, you can continue your tour to the Sonntagskarseen – a really rewarding hike to a unique lake-dotted landscape right in the middle of the Schladminger Tauern. Passing the Riesachsee, hike to the Preintalerhütte (1 – 1 ½ hours from Riesachsee), and from there in 1 hour to the lower Sonntagskarsee. If you want to reach the upper Sonntagskarsee, add an extra half-hour.



Königstour Klafferkessel

1759 m 10:00 h

Adventure Landscape 2618 m
Endurance Difficulty 1080 m



- Starting point**
Seeleiten Car Park/Riesach Waterfall
- Bus stops**
Riesach Waterfall/Seeleiten Car Park

- Rest stops**
Almgasthaus Riesachfall, Berallerhütte-Kotalm, Kaltenbachalm, Gfölleralm. Lodging opportunities: Gollinghütte, Preintalerhütte and Waldhornalm.



The Königstour of the Schladminger Tauern

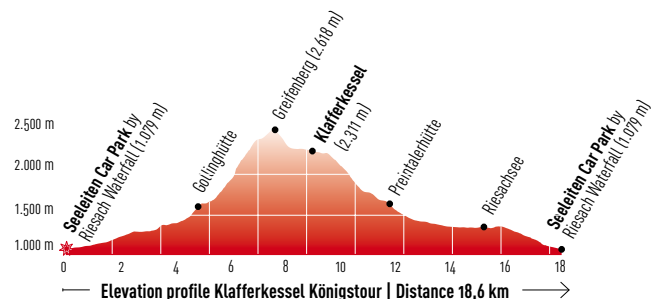
This is a hike to a relic of the Ice Age through high-alpine terrain, one of the most beautiful in the Schladminger Tauern. More than 30 lakes of different sizes are scattered over a plateau some 2300 meters above sea level.

From the Seeleiten car park, make your way through Steinriesental to the Gollinghütte. On the way, you will be able to admire the giant Schleier Waterfalls, whilst just a few minutes from the hut is the natural »Gollingwinkel« amphitheater at the foot of the north face of the Hochgolling.

From the Gollinghütte, the trail leads via steps and rocky outcrops to the Greifenbergsattel. A small lake, with the Hochgolling in the background, is the first imposing sight. The subsequent climb to the Greifenberg (2618 m) is across several tiers of scree. Towering above it all, and framing the Klafferkessel, rise the flanks of the Waldhorn opposite, before which, iridescent with the green of mosses, shimmer the scenic alpine tarns, large and small, scattered at various elevations.

From the summit you hike, initially across crumbly terrain (Trail No. 702 – short stretch of safety ropes) downhill through sharp switchbacks to an alpine cirque. Until well into summer, many of the lakes are covered with ice. The mosses and lichens, combined with the lakes and wild rocky scenery, give the impression of a primeval landscape. Through the Klafferkessel itself, you hike mainly downhill to the striking rocky edifice of the Greifenstein, where you then leave the cirque.

The hike continues steeply downhill through barrier terrain to the Lämmerkare and across a steep meadow to the Preintalerhütte and Waldhornalm at 1656 meters. The descent to the Kotalm starts rather steeply, after which it is mostly level until the Kaltenbachalm and Gfölleralm on the shore of the Riesachsee. The last descent on this long hike leads down a forestry road to the starting point next to Almgasthaus Riesachfall by the Seeleiten car park.





»Wild Waters« Theme Trail

747 m | 6:00 h | [Icons: Mountain, Arrow, People]

Adventure [Progress bar] Endurance [Progress bar]

Landscape [Progress bar] Difficulty [Progress bar] 1368 m 772 m [Mountain icon]



Starting point
Trailhead Kraiter-Talbachklamm, Schladming

Bus stops
Schladming Lendplatz to Riesach Waterfall/
Seeleiten Car Park

Rest stops
Restaurant Landalm, Hotel Vitaler Landauerhof,
Gasthof Michlbauer, Gasthof Tetter, Waldhäuslalm,
Sondlalm, Gasthaus Weiße Wand, Almgasthaus
Riesachfall, Gfölleralm, Kaltenbachalm



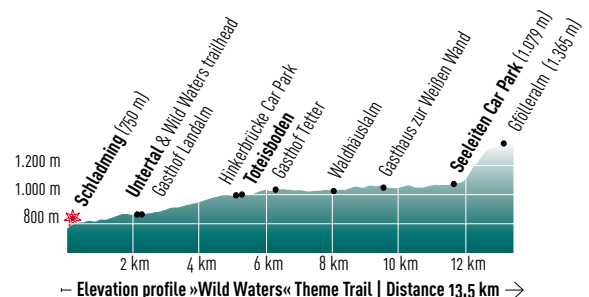
All at One Time

This day-long hike starts in Schladming at the Kraiter-Talbachklamm trailhead and takes you through the Talbachklamm towards Untertal (45 minutes), where you can see the confluence of the rivers Obertalbach and Untertalbach from the viewing platform.

Continue along the stream to »Ahl« farm and from there up the Janerweg to the »Gföll« farm. Walk along the road into the valley via the Janer to the Hinkerbrücke car park, shortly after which you will reach the »Toteisboden«, a unique environment with extraordinary flora. After a short walk you will reach the »Tettermoor«. Here, the Untertalbach meanders languidly through the moor. Particularly when the snow is thawing in spring, the Tettermoor plays a major role in protecting Untertal village and Schladming from flooding, briefly being transformed into »Tetter Lake«.

Passing info points on the theme trail and attractive places for a snack, continue to the big Seeleiten car park, where a further highlight, Alpine Trail »Höll«, begins. The splendid Riesach Waterfalls cascade in two cataracts a total of 140 meters into the valley – with viewing platforms which bring the tallest falls in Styria so near you can almost touch them. Shortly after that, on the 50 m long suspension bridge, you can view the surging river from a dizzying height.

Via innumerable steps, the trail leads through »Höll« gorge to the Riesachsee. For the return to Seeleiten car park, follow the forestry road. From the Seeleiten car park, the hikers' shuttle will take you back to Schladming. There are also numerous other bus stops along the theme trail.



Miners' Trail

 249 m

 3:00 h

Option 2

 298 m

 3:00 h

Adventure 
Endurance 

Landscape 
Difficulty 

1105 m 
954 m 



Starting point

Rohrmoos town center or Untertal
Village trailhead



Bus stops

Rohrmoos town center to Obertal-Hopfriesen
or Obertal-Eschachalm



Rest stops



Restaurant Landalm, Wehrhofalm, Eschachalm,
restaurants in Rohrmoos town center



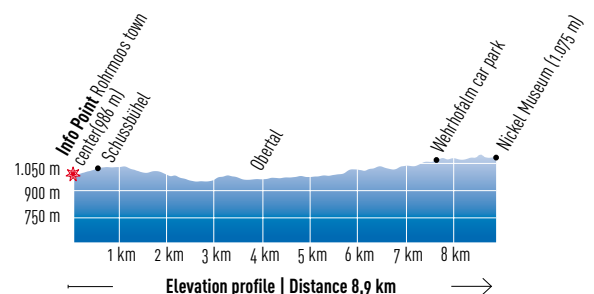
Hike to a historic mining area in Obertal

The Miners' Trail leads from the town center of Rohrmoos to a historic mining area in Obertal. From Rohrmooser Erlebniswelt, follow the pathway about 300 m in the direction of Hochwurzen. At the crossroads opposite the »Tauernweg« turnoff, branch left and walk across the Schussbühel and Rohrmooser Frei into Obertal valley. The Dachstein massif behind you, the Schladminger Tauern, where once the miners excavated silver and nickel, in front.

Past beautiful farmhouses, follow the course of the river into the valley – also ideal for cooling off along the way – simply dip your feet in the refreshing water. From the Wehrhofalm, the trail continues to the Nickel Museum in Hopfriesen. A visit to the workshops where once silver and nickel were processed gives a bit more insight into the life of those times (the museum is open every Wednesday and Friday in summer). Determined hikers extend their tour by another 30 minutes to the Eschachalm. Along the whole route, there are bus stops for your return to Untertal village or Schladming.

Option 2: Start in Untertal

Alternatively, you can begin the Miners' Trail at the trailhead in Untertal village. Here, you will pass the elementary school and the local timber yard, continuing through forest to the Ahornweg road. Passing numerous beautiful, traditional farms, you will reach the Hoheggerhof. From here, the route is the same as the one which began in Rohrmoos.





Smelting Furnace Tour


 160 m  1:30 h    

Adventure  Landscape  1106 m 
 Endurance  Difficulty  1043 m 



 **Starting point**
Wehrhofalm or Hopfriesen trailhead

 **Rest stops**
Wehrhofalm

 **Bus stops**
Obertal-Wehrhofalm or Obertal-Hopfriesen



A hike to the historical smelting furnace, now the Nickel Museum, in Hopfriesen

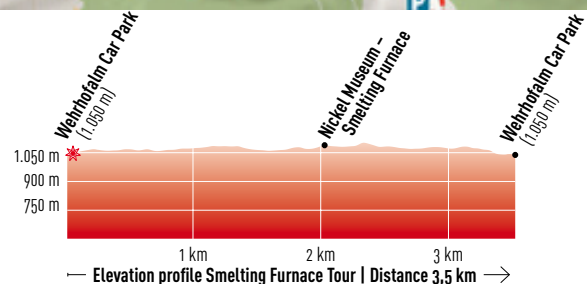
This is an ideal excursion destination for families and children. The short walk close to the Hopfriesen provides interesting facts and attractive sights, showing the history of mining in the Schladming Tauern, plus the children have plenty of opportunities to play.

The tour begins at the Wehrhofalm and leads to the left of the pond through a short stretch of forest, then along the forest's edge to a gravelroad, bringing you to the Eschachalm. Here, make a right and, after about 200 m, at the Hopfriesen trailhead, turn left over the bridge to the Nickel Museum.

The Nickel Museum

Passing the Holdalm, you arrive at the Nickel Museum, where you will find an exhibition on the history of mining in the Schladminger Tauern. The museum is open for visitors every Wednesday and Friday. Around the museum, the children can let off a bit of steam, including inside a specially constructed mine tunnel.

Now follow the forestry road to the bridge right next to the Wehrhofalm. As an alternative, you may wish to begin this tour at the Hopfriesen trailhead.





Neualm-Duisitzkar Tour

675 m

4:30 h



Option 2

533 m

3:00 h



Adventure ■■■■○
Endurance ■■■■○

Landscape ■■■■■
Difficulty ■■■■○

1757 m
1197 m



Starting point

Eschachalm trailhead in Obertal



Bus stops

Obertal-Eschachalm



Refreshment stops

Eschachalm, Duisitzkarseehütte, Fahrlechlütte



Please note: In upper Obertal, dogs are not permitted beyond the Eschachalm.



From Eschachalm via Neualm to Duisitzkarsee

The tour via the Neualm to the Duisitzkarsee is a beautiful hike at the Obertal valley head. The start and finish point for this hike is the Eschachalm at 1211 m above sea level.

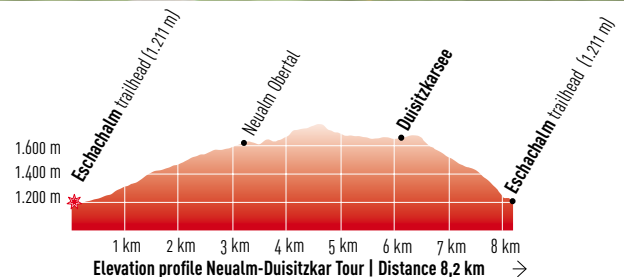
Along trail #774 (and at times on forestry road), it leads towards Neualm and the Keinprechthütte. The path rises steadily to the Neualm at 1618 m. This stage of the route will take you about 1 ½ hours.

After a short rest on the banks of the Obertalbach or on the terrace of the Neualm (no food or drinks served here), you again turn towards the mouth of the valley, following a trail leading to the Duisitzkarsee. Here, because of the many exposed roots and steep climbs, you need to be very surefooted. In general, however, the path between the Neualm and the Duisitzkarsee is only moderately up and down, with no major elevation changes. Passing through high forest and fields of mountain pine, after about 1 ½ hours you will reach the Duisitzkarsee at 1640 m above sea level, where the Duisitzkarseehütte and Fahrlechlütte invite you to enjoy a pleasant rest (also overnight if you wish).

Fortified by a delicious snack, you will be ready to tackle the last stage of the tour – from the Duisitzkarsee back to your starting point at the Eschachalm. Make your descent via the hiking trail or the forestry road, reaching your original starting point after 1 ½ hours. There, the Eschachalm invites you to treat yourself to coffee and cake.

Option 2: Duisitzkarsee – a natural jewel

A shorter variant of the tour involves a direct hike from the Eschachalm up to the Duisitzkarsee.



Elevation profile Neualm-Duisitzkar Tour | Distance 8,2 km

Hike to the Keinprechthütte

661 m 4:30 h

Adventure ■■■□□ Landscape ■■■□□ 1872 m
Endurance ■■■□□ Difficulty ■■■□□ 1197 m



Starting point
Eschachalm trailhead in Obertal

Rest stops
Eschachalm, Keinprechthütte

Bus stops
Obertal-Eschachalm

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In the footsteps of the silver miners in the Obertal

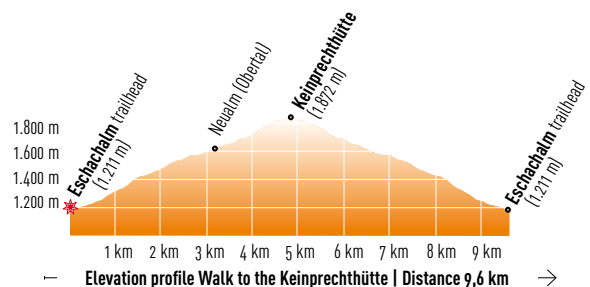
This mountain hike for all the family leads, generally close to the Obertalbach river, to the historical silver-mining area in Obertal valley, with the Keinprechthütte as its destination.

The starting point for the tour is the Eschachalm, beginning with a walk along the river, until you reach the Neualm (no catering). Here a terrace invites you to stop a while, and children will find plenty of play opportunities next to the nearby river.

From the Neualm, things get easier, the forest lies behind you, and small waterfalls enliven the scenery. Crossing open terrain, you cross the Neualmkar and eventually reach the Keinprechthütte. Nestled there in the cirque, the surrounding mountains of the Schladminger Tauern dominate the landscape.

The Keinprechthütte is a milestone on the Schladminger Tauern High Trail and is an excellent starting point for further mountain tours. Are you already keen to know what is hidden beyond the summits?

From the Keinprechthütte, the same trail or a forest path will lead back to your starting point – the Eschachalm. But you can also return via the Duisitzkarsee instead (please refer to the Neualm-Duisitzkar tour).





Obertal Almenrunde

1176 m 6:00 h

Adventure
 Endurance

Landscape
 Difficulty

2048 m
 1061 m



Starting point
Eschachalm trailhead in Obertal



Bus stops
Obertal-Eschachalm



Rest stops
Eschachalm, Fahrlechhütte, Duisitzkarseehütte,
Ignaz-Mattis-Hütte, Giglachseehütte



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Beautiful lakes and rustic mountain huts

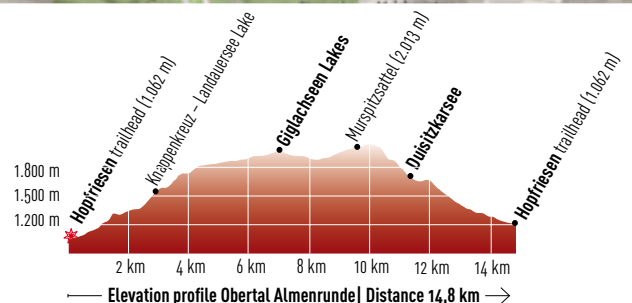
This tour takes you past some of the most beautiful lakes in the Schladminger Tauern. Along the way, you will discover quaint mountain huts inviting you to stay a while and rest.

The starting point for this variety-filled hike is the Eschachalm trailhead in Obertal, which you can reach easily by riding the hiking shuttle. From here, the first part of the tour takes you to the Duisitzkarsee, where the Fahrlechhütte and Duisitzkarseehütte invite you to take a rest. Now, a steep alpine trail leads up to the Murspitzsattel. You will walk through an ancient forest of larch and mountain pine with a wonderful view of the lake. In the early summer, this slope is full of flowering Alpine roses.

The path continues up- and downhill to the Giglachseen. To feel the full effect of this natural scene, which is quite beyond words, it is best to take a break at the Ignaz-Mattis-Hütte or Giglachsee Hütte, and even stay overnight.

Retrace your steps a short way to the Miners' Trail in the direction of Obertal, then follow path No. 776 across the charming alpine pastures of the Giglachalmen. There you will see remains of the former miners' houses. Having arrived at the Landauerboden, you will discover the turquoise waters of the Landauersee. From there, a trail leads into the forest, downhill to the old Kalkschmiedalm (no catering), and on to the Hopfriesen.

From the Hopfriesen trailhead, you can easily return to Schladming and Rohrmoos by hiking bus.




The Mountain Lake Path


 711 m  5:00 h  


Adventure 
Endurance 




Landscape 
Difficulty 

2047 m 
1196 m



 **Starting point**
Ursprungalm, Preuneggtal

 **Bus stops**
Ursprungalm or Obertal-Eschachalm

 **Rest stops**
Ursprungalm, Giglachseehütte, Ignaz-Mattis-Hütte,
 Duisitzkarseehütte, Fahrlehhütte, Eschachalm
 **Please note:** In upper Obertal, dogs are not permitted beyond the Eschachalm, which affects this hike from the Murspitzsattel.



From Ursprungalm via Giglachseen to Duisitzkarsee

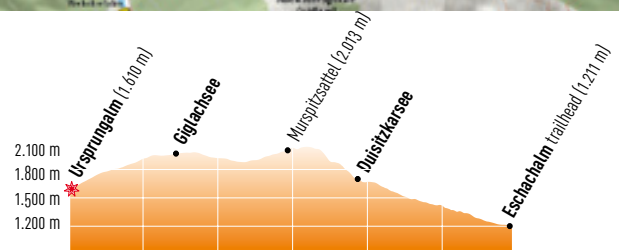
Water is our constant companion on this hike – the Giglachseen and Duisitzkarsee, gentle yet cool.

The Ursprungalm is the starting point for this hike. You can reach it comfortably by bus from Schladming or Rohrmoos. From here, you walk gently uphill for about one hour, finally coming to your reward – a breathtaking view of the Giglachseen. On the first part of the hike, you can also walk along the historical Roman road towards Giglach. 2,000 years ago, in the Roman period, this was a major trade route and Alpine pass.

Upon reaching the Giglachkar, you will pass the Giglachseehütte and the Giglachseen, coming to the Ignaz-Mattis-Hütte. At the end of the lake, you will find path No. 775, where you will come across the remains of ruined mountain huts and traces of the miners of old. Enjoy a brief glance back at the Giglachkar with its meandering stream – then continue along a trail bordered by mountain pines, over the folds of the mountain to the Murspitzsattel (2013 m), from where you are treated to a splendid view of the Duisitzkar and picturesque Duisitzkarsee.

Making a steep descent through the larch forest, you will soon reach the lake and be able to admire the mountain world reflected in its waters. Here, the Duisitzkarseehütte and Fahrlehhütte both invite you to take a rest.

The final leg of the route goes downhill – either via a hiking trail or forestry road – to the end of the hike, the Eschachalm. From here, the hiking bus will bring you back to Schladming and Rohrmoos.



— Elevation profile The Mountain Lake Path | Distance 11,8 km →



What else you should know!

Things to see

- Bromriesen silver mine and »Nickel Museum« in the Obertal Valley
- Dachstein Glacier (UNESCO World Heritage Site) – Ice palace and Sky Walk
- Brewery visit
- Town Museum and guided town tour in Schladming (also via digital audio guide)
- Reiteralalm children's adventure world
- Hopsiland Planai
- »Mirror Lake« on the Reiteralalm
- »Silent Waters« – lake hike to the Untersee

Cycling and Mountain Biking Routes

- Styrian Alps Tour
- Enns Cycle Path – along the Enns River
- Mountain-bike trails in Schladming-Dachstein
- Bike Park Schladming
- Reiteralalm Trails & Reiteralalm Junior Trails
- Maps can be obtained from the tourist office in Schladming

Recreational Activities

Rafting, canyoning, adventure park, mini golf, hang gliding, golf, tennis, Schladming Adventure Pool, riding, mountain go-carts on the Hochwurzen, downhill biking on the Planai, Schladming Cart Race, Pichl Lake, »Franzi« via ferrata on the Reiteralalm

Theme trails

- »Schwammerl« path
- Fairytale Path
- »Rossfeld« nature trail
- Panorama tour on the Planai
- »Silent Waters« Reiteralalm
- »Bankerl« path on the Hochwurzen
- World Cup Path on the Planai

Hiking Maps and Hiking Guides

- Hiking map of Schladming-Dachstein 1:50 000
- Hiking map of Schladming 1:25 000
- Summer Recreation Maps (available at Schladming Tourist Information Office)

Hiking Services

- 450 km trail network from 750 m to 2863 m, all levels of difficulty
- Guided hikes with qualified mountain/hiking guides, free of charge
- Sunday evening slide show »Mountains in the Light« by Herbert Raffalt
- Hiking tips from the Schladming Tourist Information Office
- Alpine schools and mountain guides
- Free use of buses and cable cars with the SommerCard
- Schladming Tauern High Trail – a multi-day tour
- »Mountain Pleasure Obertal« – a package for connoisseurs
- »A Taste of Schladming« - your first experience at a mountain hut



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- Innsbruck 265 km



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