

Altersbach

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Country: Österreich / Austria Region: Salzburg Subregion: Bezirk Salzburg-Umgebung Town: Oberburgau		
Difficulty: difficult	Grading: v5 a2 III	Total time: 4h
Approachtime: 50min	Tourtime: 3h	Returntime: 10min
Altitude entry: 850m	Altitude exit: 570m	Delta Altitude: 280m
Canyon length: 1200m	Highest rapell: 50m	Amount rapells: 16
Transport: on Foot	Rock type: limestone	Drainage area: km ²
Season:	Orientation: North	Best Time:
Rating: ★ 3.8 (20)	Info: ★ 2.8 (16)	Belay: ★ 2 (19)
Specialities:		
Gear: Ropes: 2x50m		
Summary: (machine translated) Very beautiful rappel canyon with 2 high abseiling points of approx. 50m; very beautiful panorama; swimming possibility at the Mondsee after the tour; only recommended with small groups and sufficient abseiling experience; exit/entry possible in the middle section; limestone.		
Hydrology:		
Access: (machine translated) approx. 15min From Mondsee take the main road (Romantikstraße) in the direction of St. Gilgen. After the village of Scharfling, turn left towards Unterach. After the tunnel, there is limited parking on the right next to the road, or it is better to continue for 300m and park at the public bathing area.		
Approach: (machine translated) approx. 50min From the parking lot, follow the hiking trail signposted Eisenau --> you will soon reach the final abseil (check water level) --> continue uphill and cross the stream after approx. 15min (exit/entry point) --> continue uphill here, past the water fountain and a wooden hut to reach the forest road with a fork --> follow the forest road to the right --> at the point where the forest road makes a slight left bend, leave it to the right and continue downhill along the inconspicuous forest path to the stream.		
Tour: (machine translated) approx. 3h After a short stretch in the streambed there is a dilapidated wooden bridge --> this is followed by a short narrow section with small washouts --> after a short stretch with downclimbs the canyon opens up --> here you have a beautiful view of the Mondsee --> via well-placed belays you go over 3 abseiling points from 5m to 20m to the first large 50m waterfall --> to get to the exposed belay on the right, a removable rope traverse should be set up for safety's sake!> The 50m abseil point runs only as far as the sharp edge in the water, after which you are in the overhang--> Alternatively, you can abseil left outside the water (intermediate belay after approx. 20m+30m) --> after the beautiful 50m waterfall, the next steps can be bypassed on the left--> this is followed by 3 short rappels (some of which can be bypassed) --> after two more short rappels, you cross the hiking trail that you walked up before (exit option) --> after the hiking trail there are five approx. 15-20m rappelling points that follow each other in quick succession (usually too slippery for downclimbing) --> to get to the exposed and usually very slippery stand of the 50m final waterfall, a removable rope traverse is advisable --> the rappelling point usually looks more spectacular from above than it is, as you are only in the water at the beginning of the rappelling route. (Alternatively, this abseiling point can also be divided into approx. 20m+30m).		
Return: (machine translated) approx. 10min At the bottom follow the trail on the left back to the parking lot.		

Coordinates:

Canyon Start [47.7915 13.4315](#)

Parking Entry and Exit [47.7994 13.4228](#)

Canyon End [47.7977 13.4264](#)

Reports:

2026-06-06 | Florian Heufler | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★★ | 🌊 Low | 🍏 Completed

The upper section has been well-maintained; the lower section still has a few homemade pitons. Pitch 6: either missing or overlooked! Station 5: We've installed a bolt and a Rapid link; a new piton could be drilled here when the opportunity arises Intermediate anchor torn out during the last rappel Everything else is great (machine translated)

2026-05-24 | Kevin Sindberg | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★★★ | 🌊 Low | 🍏 Completed

Good new pitches (thanks to Tom!) and, as always, a great view of Lake Mondsee (machine translated)

2026-05-23 | Thomas Fras | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★★ | 🌊 Low | 🍏 Completed

In the upper part 2x chain anchor on the high rappel (left) renewed + 5x W-ring on Kl. steps. In the lower part, a new chain anchor was also drilled on the last high rappel. The anchor at belay 5 is missing, but it can be rappelled via belay 6 without any problems. All in all, all belays are okay at the moment and nicely cleaned out, especially in the lower section. (machine translated)

2026-04-18 | Wolfgang | 📖 | 🪚 | 🌊 Low | 🍏 Completed

A lot has changed here in the last year - some of the wood has disappeared for the better and it's no longer slippery. Yes, there are still enough old anchors from the DIY store Stand 16 (the third from the top) here we have placed a new one on the right 2m above the "ancient chain stand". If you don't want it, you can still use the old DIY store ring on the left. The intermediate stand on the first high one looks good - but we didn't use it - we went down through it The last high one now has a tree in it - obviously it's holding well, we didn't want to shake it as there are often tourists at the bottom. The old intermediate stand is no longer recommended; there's a new one to the left of it (at least I've never noticed it before) - but unfortunately it's just another DIY store set. Otherwise sunshine and great weather (machine translated)

2025-06-30 | Der Insel Affe | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★ | 🌊 Low | 🍏 Completed

Stands all in order. Some slightly bent hooks but nothing serious. Now super grippy although every pool is completely blocked. (machine translated)

2025-06-27 | Edlinger Sepp | 📖 | 🪚 | 🌊 Low | 🍏 Completed

Canyon has only been provisionally rehabilitated by me after extreme flooding. Partly only one bolt as a stand - not recommended for guiding or groups! The canyon is practically wood-free, very much gravel and rockfall endangered! (machine translated)

2025-06-20 | David Mason | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★ | 🌊 Low | 🚫 Not done

Canyon has had a serious flood. Unsure of conditions of anchors. Recommend to take equipment for re-equipping, or wait until the canyon is checked.

2025-04-27 | JoeMo | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Great canyon. Some of the stands/drill hooks are a little loose, but all in all it's still passable without any problems. There is a lot of wood in the water, especially in the lower section. (machine translated)

2025-04-21 | Kevin Sindberg | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Some clogging has occurred over the winter, but nothing dramatic. The anchor on the C50 is a little rusty, but is still holding. (machine translated)

2024-10-05 | Max H. | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

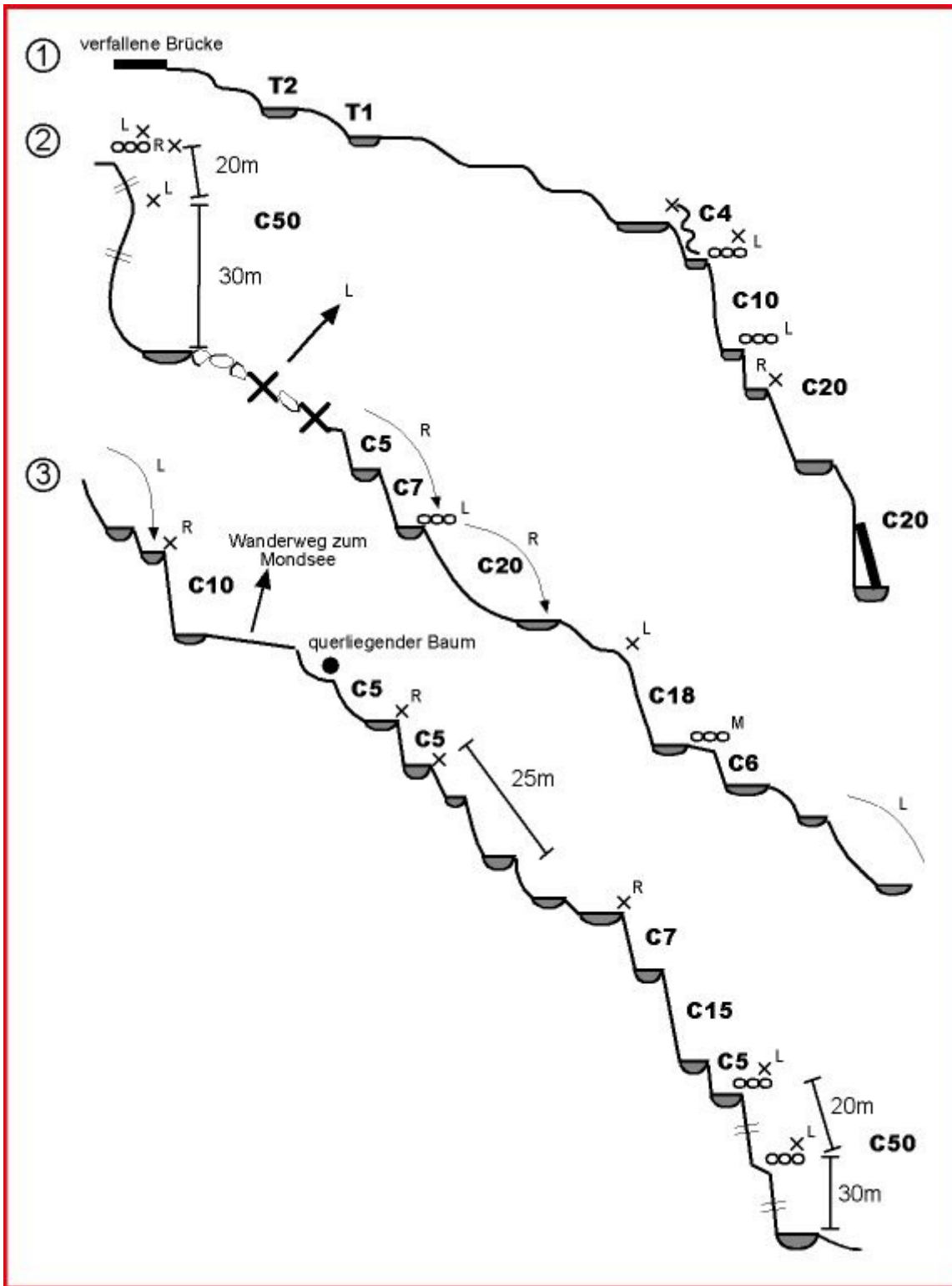
Always beautiful and usually still easy to walk when the water level in the area is high. The prohibition signs at the passage next to the hotel are new. Everything was fine in the canyon (we only hiked the upper part) (machine translated)

2024-07-01 | Jason Walker | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★★ | 🌊 Low | 🍏 Completed

Anchors, pretty good for around here. A few single hangers and a few interesting old pieces of bent rio-bar glued in! Easy walk up, stunning views, but the abseils are slippery as and not even one could be jumped.

2024-06-25 | Fimbi | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★★ | 🌊 Low | 🍏 Completed

Low water level, after rappel no. 5 there is a large rock in the pool. If someone wants to jump here, extreme caution is advised. Hooks are all slightly rusty. At the upper 50m rappel, the "sharp edge" is not in the water, but orographically to the left in the dry. No problem when pulling off, but next time I would take a rope protector with



Topo aus dem Jahr 1999 erstellt von Peter Sykora

E: 880m



A10re

A



2m

R1

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5m

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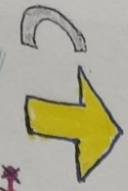
A25li

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20m



A15li

A20re

A8re

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A4li

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A: 480m

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Afersbach

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