Hintertuxbach

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Country: Österreich / Austria **Region:** Tirol **Subregion:** Bezirk Schwaz **Town:** Hintertux		
Difficulty: not as difficult	**Grading:** v3 a3 VI	**Total time:** 4h5
Approachtime: 30min	**Tourtime:** 3h30	**Returntime:** 5min
Altitude entry: 1755m	**Altitude exit:** 1510m	**Delta Altitude:** 245m
Canyon length: 650m	**Highest rapell:** 20m	**Amount rapells:** 21
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:** limestone	**Drainage area:** 17.90km²
Season: September - November	**Orientation:** North	**Best Time:** 11-14 o'clock
Rating: ☆ 4.7 (17)	**Info:** ★ 2.8 (7)	**Belay:** ★ 2.1 (15)

Specialities:
Dam (autom. flushing),

Gear:
Ropes: 2x30m

Summary: (machine translated)
Beautifully washed out, very cold marble gorge (Hochstegen limestone marble) below the Hintertux Glacier.
A diversion tunnel - Tuxbachbeileitung - diverts most of the water from the large Kunerbach stream into the Schlegeis reservoir located in the next valley incision. This diversion can be switched by means of a so-called desander system in the event of debris inflow - even a small amount may suffice - in which case the entire Kunerbach would flow at least temporarily through the Hintertuxbach. I quote from www.alpinesicherheit.com/canyoning from 26.09.2013: "A deadly flood must be expected at any time, as the automatic flushing systems of the canyons are located above the canyon!"

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
From the A 12 (Kufstein - Innsbruck) we turn off at Jenbach onto the federal road 169 into the Zillertal. After 31 km we reach Mayrhofen, drive past the village on the 169 and a little later turn off onto the L 6 in the direction of Finkenberg, Lanersbach,Hintertux - 18.5 km to Hintertux. A good km further and we reach the large parking lot of the Gletscherbahn. At the southwest end of this parking lot we park our vehicle near the road bridge over the Breitenbach coming down from the west.

Approach: (machine translated)
We cross the aforementioned bridge, walk along the dirt road on the right above the valley station and head towards the now visible final waterfalls of the Hintertuxbach stream. Initially on the orographic left-hand side of the stream, we follow the climbing tracks upwards, soon cross the stream to the other side and have several opportunities to look down into the gorge. About halfway up (after a good 15 minutes) we see a bridge over the stream on the righthand side. You can now continue on this side of the stream on the AV trail 526 (towards Spannagelhaus) to turn right at 1760m above sea level onto a path that leads to the stream and crosses it on a concrete bridge. Entry is directly above over the wide gravel bed.
However, it is better to cross this wooden bridge again at about half the ascent distance to the western edge of the gorge. Here, the route leads pathlessly across a meadow up to the clearly recognizable path that runs up from the bottom right. This takes us to the water drainage for the small power station at the bottom of the valley. You can start here (1700m above sea level) if you only want to walk the attractive lower parts of the stream.
Otherwise, continue along the path until you can see the wide gravel bed and the waterfalls cascading over it (entry at the northern exit of this gravel bed).

Tour: (machine translated)
First in the upper relatively open and not unattractive parts with some smaller rappels down to the water drainage.
Here entry into the gorge with many rappels. The anchors are mostly set up for rappels outside the beam. The grain of the rock inspires us just as much as its erosion. One rappel exits in front of a 1.5m diameter hole in the rock (forced passage). There are repeated (emergency) exits via iron clamps. Towards the exit of the tour, you cross under the mighty cover plate of the screw cave. There are several descent options here.
Back out in the open, we reach the final waterfalls. Do not descend to the left here, but follow the water arm to the right again to an attractive narrow passage that exits at the level house (after a narrow slip).

Return: (machine translated)
From the gauge house in the direction of SSW up to the path and on it back to the parking lot.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 47.0977 11.6739
Parking Entry and Exit 47.1078 11.6740
Canyon End 47.1053 11.6747

Reports:

2026-10-19 | Patrik | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Low | 👍 Completed
We started at 11:30 a.m. So the sun was out while we were getting dressed and partway through the canyons. No meltwater. Cold but beautiful. (machine translated)

2026-10-18 | Montie | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ | 🕮 | ⚓ ★ | ≋ Low | 👍 Completed
Beautiful canyon, well worth the drive. Obviously cold water but it wasn't too bad. Not sure about the via ferrate part, it was very old and pretty unsafe. Perhaps there is just a way around it with some rappels, but once it got bad we were already committed. If this is the normal route this part needs an update. Other than that, very nice rock, clean blue water, and some old but ok anchors.

2026-10-11 | Joey CIA | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 | ⚓ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
Some of the stands were very rusty but still in decent shape. Super day, beautiful crystal-clear ice-cold water. (machine translated)

2026-09-30 | RichardK | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 | ⚓ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
Nice, relatively slippery; some of the anchors are a little rusty, but they're still good. No jumps right now. The ropes aren't in such good shape anymore. (machine translated)

2026-09-13 | Tom Holz | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ | ⚓ ★ | ≋ High | 👍 Completed
Entry point at the water outlet from the small power plant. Lots of water—a jet about 50 cm thick in the jet pipe below the outlet. Good pressure and flow further down the course. Conditions are okay, but at this water level, you’re not always outside the jet. Accordingly, use detachable systems—Rappel Guide, top rope, etc.—without exception. (machine translated)

2026-02-07 | Clarissa Linder | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
A lot of ice, but all the belays are still easily accessible and the places are climbable. At 11.45 a.m. we had sun while changing and then some sunshine in the canyon. (machine translated)

2025-11-08 | Horst Lambauer | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ | 🕮 | ⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
Bach was already cooler today. At this point, the sun only briefly comes over the ridge in the upper part. It was very slippery in the water and the stones outside were frozen over with wet ice. So it was a nice sliding party ◫
We placed a few rings in places where the old ones really didn't look good anymore and replaced some fixed ropes. An impressive canyon, unfortunately with little light this time. (machine translated)

2025-11-01 | Joey CIA | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 | ⚓ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
Despite quite warm temperatures 11 degrees at the exit perfect water level. Rope railing very old or defective and many of the stands are past their best. Great canyon but very slippery at the moment. (machine translated)

2025-10-25 | Peter Lampacher | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
All good. Some of the anchors are now quite outdated... (machine translated)

2025-09-23 | Patrik | | 🕮 | ⚓ | ≋ High | 👎 Not done
Currently rather a lot of water, therefore not walked on. (machine translated)

2024-10-19 | Peter Lampacher | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ | ≋ High | 👍 Completed
Top conditions, plenty of water for the time of year. (machine translated)

2024-09-08 | System User | | 🕮 | ⚓ | ≋ Crazy | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Hinter-Tuxer Wasserfälle Nous sommes entrés avec un debit correcte sous un ciel bleu, au cours du premier cinquième le temps s'est couvert. Lorsque nous avons atteint le premier tiers et les premières hautes cascades, la quantité d'eau était trop élevée et nous avons interrompu la descente. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22373/observations.html)

2023-12-30 | Peter Lampacher | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
Winter ascent at approx. -2°C, lots of ice in the gorge. Not all stands accessible (ice / snow), easily doable with appropriate equipment. (machine translated)

2023-10-18 | Joey CIA | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 | ⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Low | 👍 Completed
Super tour insanely cool water color! Stands all ok! Dreamlike day! (machine translated)