

Sulzer Wasserfall

Almbachklamm, Ludlbach

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Country: Deutschland / Germany Region: Oberbayern / Upper Bavaria Subregion: Landkreis Berchtesgadener Land Town: Marktschellenberg		
Difficulty: a little difficult	Grading: v4 a3 III	Total time: 2h20
Approachtime: 10min	Tourtime: 1h30	Returntime: 40min
Altitude entry: 750m	Altitude exit: 600m	Delta Altitude: 150m
Canyon length: 260m	Highest rapell: 28m	Amount rapells: 9
Transport: Car optional	Rock type: limestone	Drainage area: 1.80km ²
Season: April - October	Orientation: South	Best Time: 9-14 o'clock
Rating: ★ 3.8 (11)	Info: ★ 2.6 (8)	Belay: ★ 2.4 (10)
Specialities:		
Gear: Ropes: 2x30m, 1x60m		
Summary: Schöne, kurze vertikale Schlucht ohne Wegstrecke; einige Engstellen; Halbtagestour; gut kombinierbar mit Kargraben, Rothmannbach oder Weißbach; Kalk und Dolomitgestein; trotz der Namensgebung sauberes Wasser ;-); ca. 1,5Km ² Einzugsgebiet; gut eingerichtet; Standplätze wurden in 2017 erneuert; Exposition Süd; €9,- Wegerhaltungsgebühr (2026) wenn Überstellungsfahrzeug bei Kugelmühle. Die Gebühr von 9€ wird von Canyonisten i.d.R. nicht verlangt. Hier wird man vom Kassenwart durchgelassen. Alternativ kann im Bach bis zur Steintreppe gegangen und ausgestiegen werden.		
Hydrology: Der Sulzer Wasserfall hat zwar keinen direkten automatischen Pegelstand, allerdings befindet sich in der Nähe die Pegelmessanlage der Berchtesgadener Ache in welche der Sulzer Bach, sowie die Almbachklamm münden. Ein normaler Wasserstand lässt sich bei 10 - 15 m ³ /s erwarten. Über 15 m ³ /s dürfte die Fortsetzung in der Almbachklamm sehr aquatisch werden. Zudem wird es schwierig den exponierten Stand nach dem 3. Abseiler zu erreichen.		
Access: (machine translated) 1st possibility with shuttle car: From Salzburg Süd drive towards Berchtesgaden. After the village of Marktschellenberg there is a long straight. At the exit of the straight there is a turn-off over a small bridge (Königseeache) to Kugelmühle/Almbach where you can park your shuttle car. Take the 2nd car back to the village of Marktschellenberg. Turn left at the church (crossroads) and continue along the mountain road towards Ettenberg. 50m after the large hiking parking lot (Neuhäusel), turn right. There are 2 wooden huts on the right (otherwise there is a large parking lot). 2nd possibility: See exit/return route. (From the parking exit, follow the hiking signs "Ettenberg via Talgrabenweg". From here continue left up to the road. Then turn left back to the parking entry.		
Approach: (machine translated) From the parking lot at the 2 wooden huts, follow the forest road (no driving sign) right over a small bridge. Immediately after the bridge, turn left and walk downhill next to the stream until you reach another junction with a wooden hut. Turn left again here and continue downhill to a weekend house. Do not cross the private property here but enter the stream beforehand (approx. 750m).		

Tour:

Gleich nach dem Haus kommt die 1. 12m Abseilstelle. Schnell verengt sich die Schlucht. Nach ein paar Schritten folgen die 4 nächsten Abseilstellen die alle direkt in der Wasserführung sind. Bei höherem Wasserstand können die Stufen schnell problematisch werden! Vor allem der Stand nach dem 3. Abseiler (C8) ist li hinter der Felswand ausgesetzt angebracht und sollte nur mittels Seilsicherung erreicht werden. Von hier hat man schon einen schönen Blick in den Almbach. Nach der 4. Abseilstelle (C16) wird es wieder offener. Es folgt ein 28m Abseiler zum Kettenstand links. Die nachfolgende schräge Abseilpiste ist mit mehreren Zwischenstände ausgestattet, sodass hier maximal 20m am Stück abgeseilt werden. Alternativ kann vom Stand 6 auch 40m durchgeseilt werden, falls man entsprechend lange Seile mitführt. Ansonsten folgt nach dem C28 -> R20 -> R20 jeweils links. Dann C10 und C20 rechts. Nach der letzten Abseilstelle steht man schon fast am Wanderweg vom Almbach auf ca. 600m.

Return: (machine translated)

Depending on where you parked your car, you can either follow the path next to the Almbachklamm gorge downhill to the parking lot (transfer sign) at the Kugelmühle. Or you can follow the path only briefly to the hiking signs "Ettenberg via Talgrabenweg". From here, continue left up to the road. Then turn left back to the parking entry.

Tip: On the way back to the Kugelmühle, there are a few beautiful pools at the exit of the Almbachklamm gorge that invite you to jump when the water is at the right level/depth.

From the hiking trail in the Almbachklamm you can see bolts and stands all the way to the exit of the gorge.

Coordinates:

Parking at Exit [47.6701 13.0316](#)

Alternative Canyon End [47.6700 13.0301](#)

Parking at Entry [47.6825 13.0140](#)

Canyon Start [47.6763 13.0147](#)

Canyon End [47.6741 13.0148](#)

Reports:

2026-06-06 | MajorCanyons | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Deadwood was still present at the first rappel point. All belay stations had been properly equipped with new chain anchors. We repaired three stations; some were loose and one had been torn out. We attached new plates and nuts here. Over the total 98 meters to the exit of the route, there were 4 intermediate belay stations. None of the abseil points reached 40 meters. 1. 28 meters 2. 20 meters 3. 20 meters 4. 10 meters 5. 20 meters. Accordingly, 1x 60m or 2x 30m would have been sufficient. Based on the available topographic view, we really fumbled around with 2x 50m... updated topographic views with all chain anchors and options will follow. The rating has been adjusted slightly, as the exposed chain anchor in particular is technically somewhat challenging and the right single hook cannot be used due to a tree. We therefore found a rating of V4 appropriate for the canyon and the most difficult single section. The aquatic section is fine. We've raised the severity rating to III, as there's no flood protection or emergency exit for 45 minutes. With today's sunshine, it was an incredibly beautiful canyon with nearly 100 spectators. (machine translated)

2026-05-23 | Bavarian Canyoning | ★★★★★ | 📖 | 🪚★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Some of the rock was very slippery. Most of the anchors were fine. Partly chain anchors and partly single pitons. Right at the first rappel there is a lot of dead wood waiting for new neoprens with holes! 📖 The tour was combined with the Almbachklamm gorge, as we had placed a car at the entry and exit and it was on the way anyway. (machine translated)

2026-04-27 | Christian Balla | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

When the weather is nice, this is simply a dream canyon, especially in combination with the Almbachklamm (BGL). Condition of the anchors mostly good, but some glued anchors are not professionally glued. (machine translated)

2025-08-18 | Markus Jendryan | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

There is a tree in the first rappel, but it is easy to do. The "problematic" third rappel has now been equipped with a ring bolt on the right, so that it can be easily belayed or, for inexperienced climbers or when the water level is high, a ropeway can simply be set up. The pool is also full of gravel up to standing height. From the 3rd rappel onwards, you are in the full focus of people taking photos of the waterfall from the hiking trail, so you should be aware of this. There is a lot going on here, especially at the weekend. (machine translated)

2025-07-03 | Christian Balla | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Streambed at parking lot was dry, but a good amount of water from entry. Anchor condition good, only minor potential for optimization. 2x40m ropes are perfect in this canyon, anyone who has to downclimb with them has overlooked the anchors We continued via the Almbachklamm, a worthwhile combination - nice rappel in the Sulzer waterfall, great slide & possible jumps and much more aquatic following the Almbach towards Kugelmühle. (machine translated)

2024-07-02 | Jason Walker | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★ | 🪚★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Anchors are fine. Quite a few singles and unlinked though. Grippy rock. Tree still in first abseil. Abseil 3 is into a pool, you can stand, but it is deep, and in high flows it could be pretty exciting! Abseil 5 - bring double 50m rope if you don't like downclimbing.

2024-06-09 | Christian Balla | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Very nice short tour. Condition of the anchors very good. Lots of wood in the water right at the start. Rock with good grip. Thin neo was sufficient. We returned via the hiking trail, about 50 minutes at a very relaxed pace (machine translated)

2024-06-08 | Joey CIA | ★★★★★ | 📖 | 🪚★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Nice but short. Stands ok (machine translated)

2024-06-08 | Bavarian Canyoning | ★★★★★ | 📖★ | 🪚★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

The rock was very grippy thanks to the high water. All belays were in top condition. Some were a bit loose, but were tightened again. At the beginning of the tour you have to fight your way through some wood and it's not the longest tour, but in the sunshine it's a very nice tour with beautiful rappels. It could possibly be combined with the Almbach gorge, but we climbed straight back up to the starting point (car). Price for the Almbach gorge (hiking trails) currently €8 (machine translated)

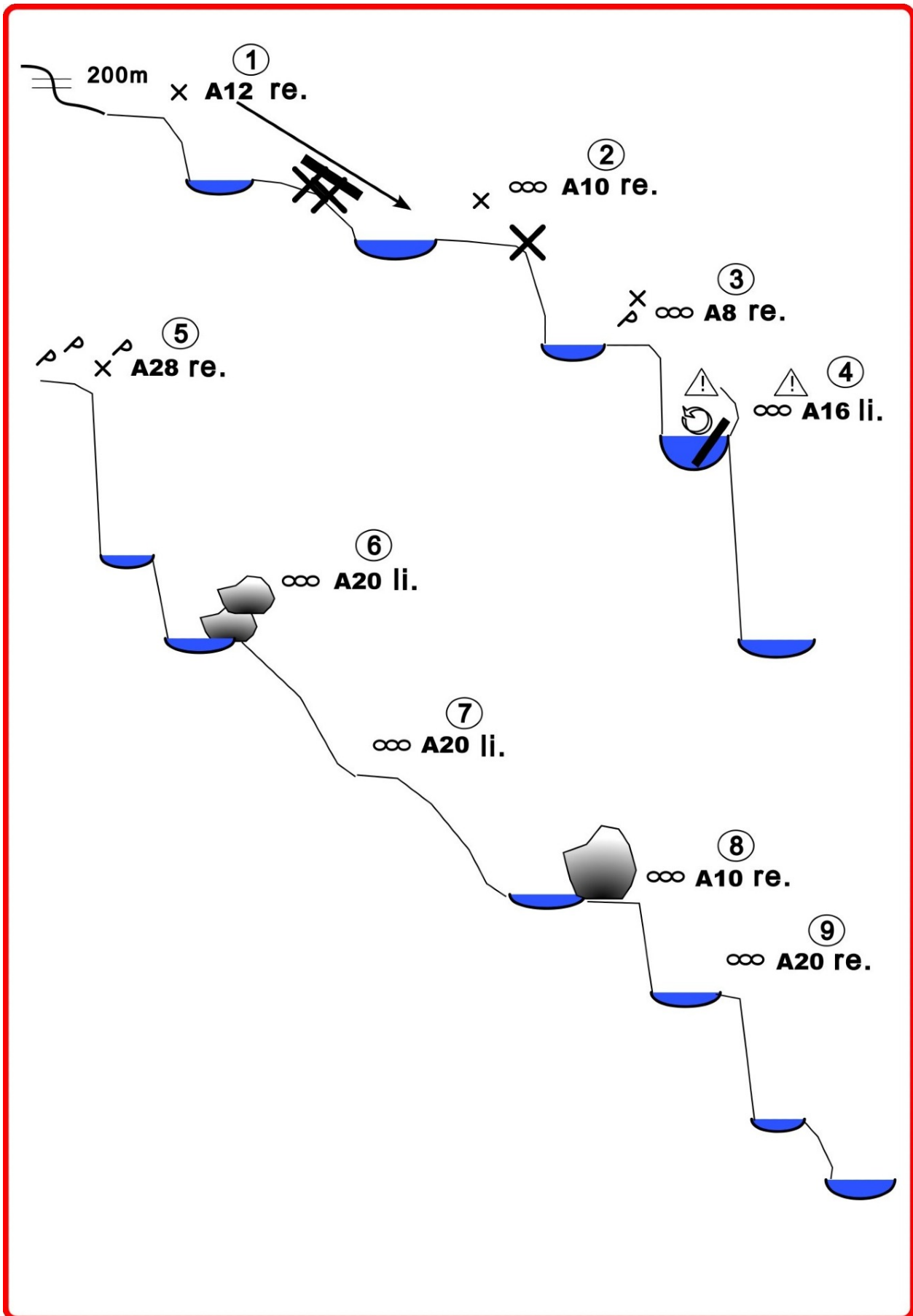
2023-05-07 | Sietse Winter | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★★ | 🌊 High | 🍏 Completed

At the second height abseil, be careful with abseiling on the left side of the rock. Quarry danger. (machine

Parts:

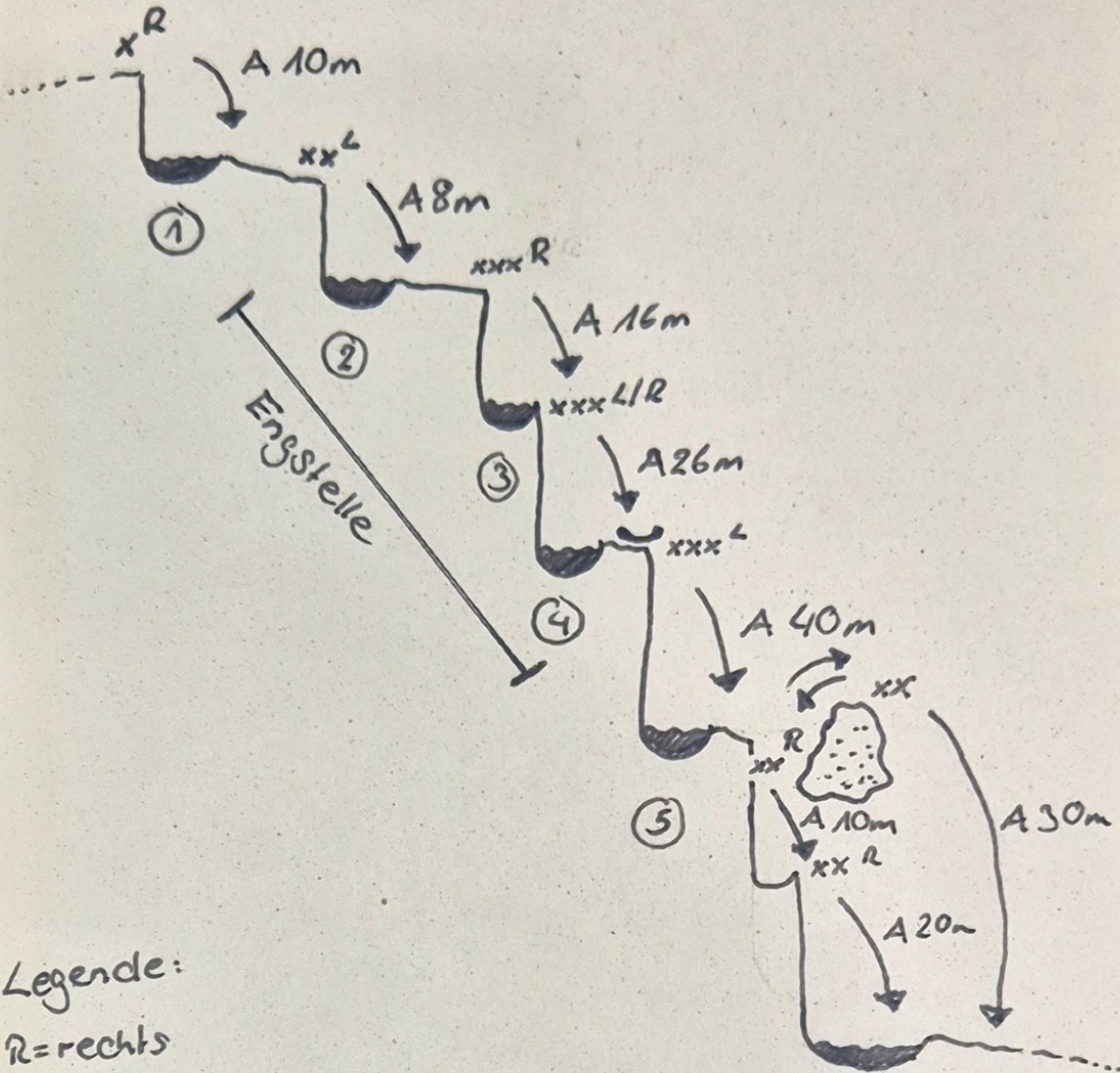
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Almbachklamm (BGL), v3 a3 II, 45min+2h+10min



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Legende:

R = rechts

L = links

O = oben

A = Abseiler

☪ = Seilgelande

⊙ = Stein

↻ = Umgehen