Griesbach

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Country: Österreich / Austria **Region:** Steiermark **Subregion:** Bezirk Liezen **Town:** Sankt Gallen		
Difficulty: not as difficult	**Grading:** v3 a2 II	**Total time:** 2h40
Approachtime: 50min	**Tourtime:** 1h30	**Returntime:** 20min
Altitude entry: 940m	**Altitude exit:** 800m	**Delta Altitude:** 140m
Canyon length: m	**Highest rapell:** 25m	**Amount rapells:** 10
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:** dolomite	**Drainage area:** km²
Season: May - October	**Orientation:** Northwest	**Best Time:** 11-15 o'clock
Rating: ☆ 3.2 (4)	**Info:** ★ 2.8 (4)	**Belay:** ★ 2 (4)

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 2x30m

Summary: (machine translated)
A short, alpine yet beautifully eroded dolomite gorge between the Kleiner Buchstein and the Großer Buchstein.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
From Admont, take the B117 over the Buchauer Sattel. At Griesbauer, turn right onto a sand road and follow it for a short distance to a small parking area just before the forest road begins.

Approach: (machine translated)
Cross the bridge and follow Trail 664 toward Sparerriegel/Kleiner Buchstein. First, hike for about 15 minutes along the forest road into the valley floor, then turn left onto another forest road and soon follow a beautiful hiking trail up the forest ridge. You'll briefly return to the forest road before turning right again onto a path. At an elevation of about 920 m, turn right into the mountain forest (trail marker on the right; 10 m further on, a moss-covered boulder with a small cairn; the trail levels out) and cross horizontally toward Griesbach off the trail. The mountain forest is sparse and easy to walk through. After 10 minutes, you'll reach a clearing below several large boulders; cross straight ahead and, on the other side, perform a brief ascent to a salt lick. Below the salt lick, follow a distinct game trail into the canyon, which you'll reach at the base of the Karende.

Tour: (machine translated)
1. Belay station (1 carabiner + quickdraw) on the orographic left, 6 m
2. Belay station on the right (1 carabiner + ring) 7m
*Walk a short distance and downclimb
3. Belay station on the left (1 carabiner + ring) Rappel 25m over two pools (can be downclimbed)
*Walk 80m and downclimb
4. Belay station on the right (1 carabiner + ring + sling + old carabiner) 10m
*Walk a short distance; the gorge narrows; no further exit routes
5. Belay station on the right (2 carabiners + rapid link + sling) 12m wet (On the left, next to a boulder: 1 bolt + ring, 10 m, dry)
6. Belay station on the right (1 bolt + ring), 8 m; large clamping block above
7. Belay station on the left (1 bolt + ring), 14 m
8. Belay station on the right (1 bolt + ring), 15 m
9. Belay station on the left (1 bolt + ring) 8 m
*Short walk and downclimb
10. Belay station on the right (1 bolt + ring) 10 m
*Last short gorge, 2 m slide (shallow)

Return: (machine translated)
Descend in the wide gravel bed until you can ascend to the right to the access forest road. Take the forest road back to the parking lot.

Coordinates:
Parking Entry and Exit 47.6477 14.5936
Canyon Start 47.6371 14.6068
Canyon End 47.6378 14.6037

Reports:

2026-10-03 | Rok | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
Everything's fine. A wonderful fall atmosphere. (machine translated)

2026-08-22 | Rok | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ High | 👍 Completed
Everything’s fine so far. A very short but rewarding route, with a really cool four-pitch rappelling sequence near the end. Read the approach directions carefully. At the clearing, start by going slightly uphill to the left of the ridge; later, follow the ridge up to the salt lick, then head down. (machine translated)

2026-08-14 | Kren.Sebastian | ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
Water levels are currently good compared to the surrounding canyons. At the start, one portage was added and a few others were improved. Overall, the conditions are very good, and it’s definitely worth the trip! (machine translated)

2026-05-17 | GeorgB | ☆ ☆ ½ | 🕮 ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ | ≋ High | 👍 Completed
Surprisingly beautiful short tour. Access in the last part is pathless but without obstacles. There may also be a real path into the cirque. The rock is beautifully washed out but also very slippery. (machine translated)