Leadership Express

Wieslergraben,Russbach

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Country: Österreich / Austria **Region:** Salzburg **Subregion:** Bezirk Salzburg-Umgebung **Town:** Strobl		
Difficulty: very difficult	**Grading:** v6 a3 III	**Total time:** 4h13
Approachtime: 3min	**Tourtime:** 4h	**Returntime:** 10min
Altitude entry: 1100m	**Altitude exit:** 750m	**Delta Altitude:** 350m
Canyon length: m	**Highest rapell:** 50m	**Amount rapells:**
Transport:	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season:	**Orientation:**	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 3.3 (2)	**Info:** ★ 0 ()	**Belay:** ★ 0 ()

Specialities:

Gear:

Summary: (machine translated)
The tour presented here is a combination of two canyons. The Wieslergraben, which runs romantically through the forest at the beginning, falls increasingly steeply into the RussbachCanyon. The last drop of the Wieslergraben is a 140m high waterfall (dry when the water level is low), but before that you can get out relatively comfortably. Arrived in the RussbachCanyon one comes into a completely different scenic which makes canyoning hearts beat faster. Deep and narrow cut the stream pulls its way to the exit. Here you have to pay special attention to the weather, because there is no exit possibility in the Rußbach. In 1999, two climbers had to be rescued by helicopter.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
By car, take the Westautobahn exit at Regau, continue towards Salzburg and exit in Weißenbach (approx. 10 kilometers after Bad Ischl) in the direction of Postalm (toll road 17€ per car). Now one car can be parked in the first large rightward haipin bend at the exit. Continue with the second car in the direction of Postalm. After the Braunalm on the left-hand side of the road, there is a small parking lot on the right-hand side where you can park your car.

Approach: (machine translated)
You descend from the parking lot directly into the Wieslergraben.

Tour: (machine translated)
The first half of the Wieslergraben can be described as a hiking canyon. After a 6m waterfall and a walking section, you reach a 10m waterfall where the chain is located 10m further up on a rock face. This is followed by a slide that only lives up to its name when there is plenty of water. You follow the stream leisurely to a blocked waterfall where there is a rope on the right side that leads to a tree from which you can rappel. This is followed by a 3m slide, where there is also a fixed rope, and a few pools before the canyon suddenly becomes steeper and steeper. You come to a chain from which you can rappel over two waterfalls. The next cascade can be downclimbed on the right. Now look further into the depths and rappel first 36m, then 17m (the latter can also be downclimbed on the right). This part of the canyon can also be climbed when the water level is high, and it is easy to get out here. You only need to follow the signpost to the "Blonden Hütte" and then follow the cart path uphill back to the Postalmstraße. When the water level is low, you can continue rappelling over the 140m high waterfall into the Russbach canyon at several exposed stands. The most favorable abseiling combination is certainly to rush into the canyon with 2 x 50-meter ropes in three stages. The distances between the individual chain anchors can be found in the topographic view. Following the Russbach canyon, you reach a C5 waterfall which can be downclimbed when there is little water or rappelled from the right side of a chain. There is a fixed rope at the following blockage, which can be helpful when descending. After a few boulders, which are all downclimbed, you reach a fixed rope again, over which you can rappel 5m. The canyon ends with some beautiful swimming passages, from which it takes about 20 minutes to reach a torrent obstruction.

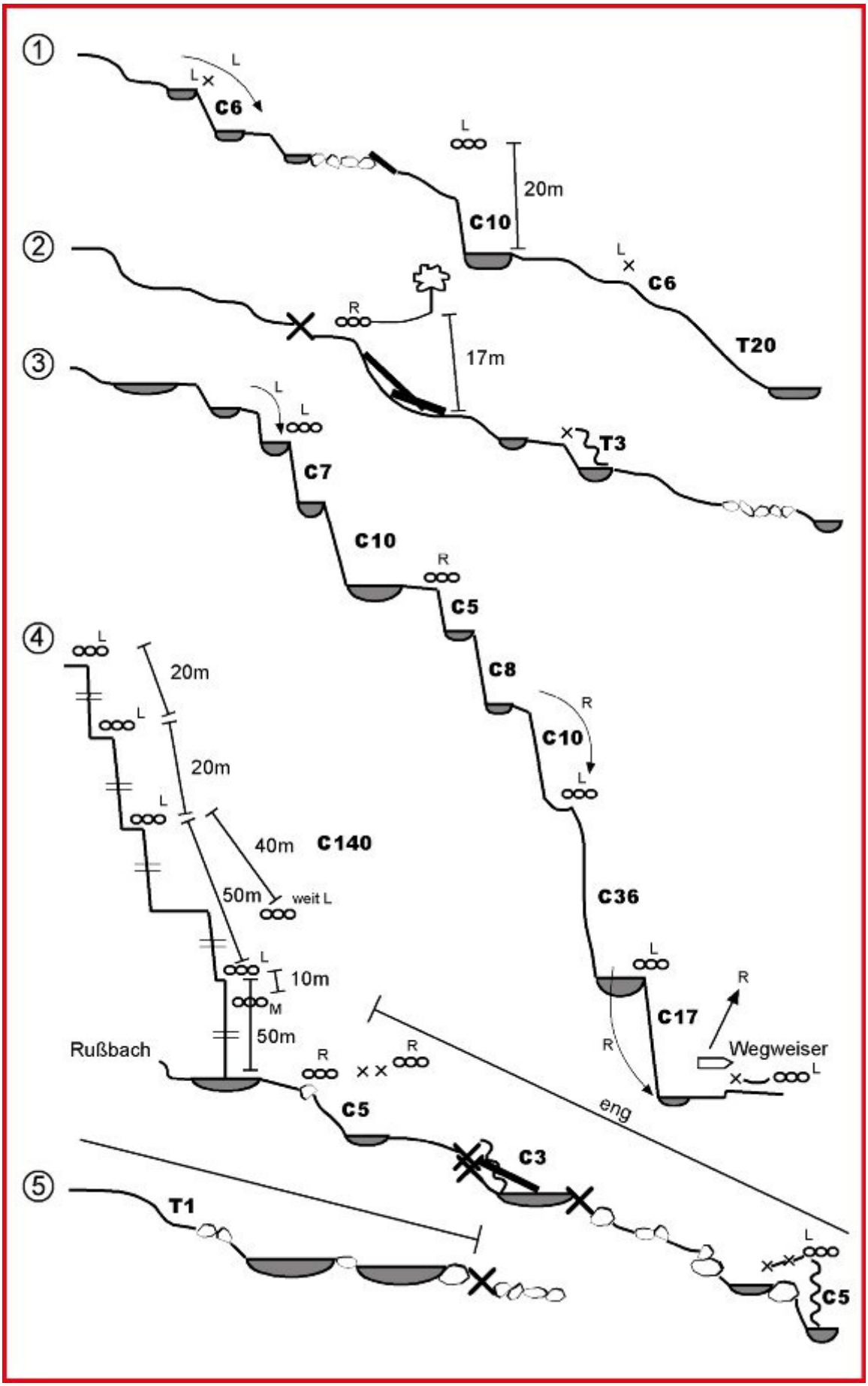
Return: (machine translated)
On the orographic right side of the riverbed, through the forest, you reach a forest road that you follow downstream to the parked car. If you are only traveling with one car, you must either return to the car via the marked hiking trail, or you stop.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 47.6601 13.4455
Parking Entry and Exit 47.6820 13.4776
Canyon End 47.6623 13.4613

Reports:

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In itself a great combination of two canyons, although most of the anchors and belays are quite outdated. The Wieselergraben with simple, beautiful rappels. With a little searching you can find the old anchors. You could still get out before the 140m wall. We continued as the belaystation still looked good, the other intermediate belaystations were very old and not particularly trustworthy. Maybe we didn't find new ones either. We added a new anchor each time and set a new belay about 35m from the end in the Russbach so that we could get down safely. Very slippery in the Russbach and also very old anchors and dilapidated rope traverses. Otherwise a nice narrow gorge section with a few blockages that we chained off because there was no place to stand. I would recommend a drill set for the ascent! (machine translated)

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