Plotschenbach

Plotschgraben

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Country: Österreich / Austria **Region:** Steiermark **Subregion:** Bezirk Bruck-Mürzzuschlag **Town:** Frein an der Mürz		
Difficulty: not as difficult	**Grading:** v3 a1 III	**Total time:**
Approachtime: 50min	**Tourtime:** 3h	**Returntime:**
Altitude entry: 1120m	**Altitude exit:** 852m	**Delta Altitude:** 268m
Canyon length: m	**Highest rapell:** 32m	**Amount rapells:**
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season:	**Orientation:**	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 1.7 (3)	**Info:** ★ 2 (2)	**Belay:** ★ 1.5 (2)
Specialities:		
Gear:		

Summary: (machine translated)
Steep rappel canyon with narrow passages - scenic but dry. Most rewarding in early spring when the snow melts (but then be careful when crossing the Mürz after the canyon).

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
Exit: B23 from Mürzsteg in the direction of Mariazell. Parking directly in front of the tunnel at the Toten Weib waterfall

Entry: B23 to Frein an der Mürz. Cross the bridge over the Mürz - parking behind it

Approach: (machine translated)
Cross the Mürz and follow the forest road as it climbs south. After about 30 minutes you cross the Plotschenbach on a concrete bridge.

You can start here if you only want to walk the lower part. For the more rewarding upper part, continue along the forest road for another 20 minutes until you reach the stream after a forester's lodge, which seeps away directly above the canyon.

Tour: (machine translated)
The upper part is a forest gorge with some narrow gorges. There are tree obstacles and plenty of downclimbs - only the highest drops are equipped with 10 mm expansion bolts. On a reconnaissance tour during the snowmelt, this part was carrying water - but the rest of the year it is apparently dry. In 2014, large parts of this part were completely overgrown and therefore no longer worthwhile.

After the bridge, there are 4 more abseils of 20m, 10m, 25m (expansion hook on clamping block on the right) and 32m (chain at the top left) before you reach the mouth of the Mürz. After a water gauge house, an aluminum staircase leads out of the streambed to the parking lot.

Return:

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 47.7280 15.4968
Parking at Entry 47.7417 15.4850
Canyon End 47.7282 15.4862
Parking at Exit 47.7277 15.4839

Reports:

2026-10-03 | Alexander Murer | ☆ ☆ ⯪ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ | ≋ Dry | 👍 Completed
As expected, it was completely dry; we only walked the lower half, and the scenery was scenic. (machine translated)

2026-05-09 | Kren.Sebastian | ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ | ≋ Dry | 👍 Completed
Unfortunately, it's completely dry. (machine translated)

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