Kronburger Tobel

Kronburgschlucht,Kronburger Bach,Schönwies Canyon,"Crazy Banana",Kronburger Schlucht,Kronburgbach

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Country: Österreich / Austria **Region:** Tirol **Subregion:** Bezirk Landeck **Town:** Schönwies		
Difficulty: a little difficult	**Grading:** v4 a3 V	**Total time:** 5h
Approachtime: 45min	**Tourtime:** 4h	**Returntime:** 15min
Altitude entry: 1130m	**Altitude exit:** 800m	**Delta Altitude:** 330m
Canyon length: 1000m	**Highest rapell:** 25m	**Amount rapells:** 30
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:** dolomite	**Drainage area:** 10.00km²
Season:	**Orientation:** Northwest	**Best Time:** 9-16 o'clock
Rating: ☆ 4 (22)	**Info:** ★ 2.6 (19)	**Belay:** ★ 2.2 (20)

Warnings:

Mudflow

Canyon is prone to floods and mudflows. The river bed may change again and the anchors damaged or missing. Before committing, evaluation must be done, based on recent weather events. State of the anchors should be checked before pulling back the rope. Bolting kit useful, but anchor placement has to be sensible.

Specialities:

Gear:

Ropes: 2x35m

Summary:

Technical abseilcanyon renowned for its continuity, dark atmosphere, little to no escape route and devastating floods/mudflows that put the anchors to the test. Before committing one must evaluate current state of the canyon and avoid rain or thunderstorms at all cost.

Hydrology:

Water capture above, and release in the canyon halfway. Devastating floods with mud and other debris such as trees, most likely caused by the rupture of natural dams in/above the canyon.

Access:

Exit the Inntalautobahn A12 at Schönwies/Mils east of Landeck. At the western end of Schönwies, turn left off the main road into the village. Kronburg is signposted. Follow the mini-signs to Kronburg (west of the railroad and then into the forest). After 5 minutes the road leads over a bridge, park here.

Approach:

From the P we head to the bridge to check waterlevels and find a small, very straightforward trail on the orographic R with many viewpoints into the canyon and possible intermediate entrances. Your loss if you choose not to do the upper canyon. We continue steep, neglecting the panoramic hiking trail, until we reach a tunnel (road on our left). After the tunnel we continue 100m to easily descend into the river bed, backtracking these 100m to the start of the canyon.

Tour:

Multiple intermediate entrances exist that are only interesting for commercial tours, described here is the full tour. The entrance abseil originally was from a tree (at the exit of the approach tunnel). Now, an anchor is to be found on a large boulder R. Best not to pull back the rope yet, but check the state of the anchor on the second and highest abseil (+-30m) of the tour (R, two glue-in bolts, damaged since many years). A continuous string of smaller abseils follow, some of which are newer (2022-2024) and well-protected, recommended is to stay in the rope, to access the anchors. The lower canyon is excessively bolted, and often with fixed ropes. Two emergency exits now, one L and another R with fixed rope to ascend and reach the bridge in 5 min.

Return:

Either exit using the fixed rope R and reach the bridge/parking in 5 min. or continue in the canyon until we reach the Inn valley, return R via a small straightforward trail that cuts through the woods and back to the road.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 47.1768 10.6442
Canyon End 47.1827 10.6346
Alternative Canyon Start 47.1794 10.6399
Alternative Canyon Start 47.1810 10.6365
Parking Entry and Exit 47.1824 10.6366

Reports:

2026-10-13 | Ba | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Today, the two of us climbed from the top of the tunnel. We had to rappel twice from a tree in the upper section. In the middle, a belay point is way too far to the orographic left; in hindsight, I should have drilled a new one. Since we were two petite women, I had a panic ascender with me, so the section was challenging but manageable. Otherwise, it would have been really dangerous. As always, Kronburg is a veritable museum of broken anchors ;) (machine translated)

2026-09-02 | Flo | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
We started at the very top, just past the tunnel. Overall, the route had good holds and was well-maintained. Some of the pitons in the upper section were rusty, but they were still secure, and most of those in the lower section were new. Since some sections can currently be downclimbed, the number of rappelling points is reduced to about 25. The access took 40 minutes, and the route took about 2.5 hours. (machine translated)

2026-07-10 | Koen Gysels | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
We started at the sawmill. There's supposed to be a tunnel, but we didn't find it. (machine translated)

2026-05-05 | Florian Heufler | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Ascent as part of the gorge guide training. the middle part was climbed. stands ok as described by the predecessors. (machine translated)

2026-05-03 | Philipp | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Complete Kronburg today, some new anchors were set in the upper part. Overall good conditions, all stands usable, rather low water level. Even if it's warm outside, you should pack a thick wetsuit □□□□ (machine translated)

2026-04-18 | Simone & Armin | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Got in at the 35m rappel (E1). Stands are all ok. Some a little higher... In the lower area, the path to the entry was cleared... unfortunately they simply threw all the shrubs and smaller trees into the canyon □□□□□□ But it's not a problem... you can climb over it. There are fixed climbing ropes in the lower area. Here are 2 photos of the water level at the bridge. (Parking lot) (machine translated)

2025-10-19 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Kronburger Schlucht (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22070/observations.html)

2025-09-21 | Lukas Bergauer | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Fünf Personen in 1h50min - alles top.

2025-09-08 | Wido | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
All found well, the tracks of the flood are still very impressive. (machine translated)

2025-08-22 | Alex Arnold | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Beautiful canyon, good conditions. 1h45 for the whole thing for two (machine translated)

2025-07-11 | Jeroen Kirchner | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Flood happened. The river bed further flattened out and a couple of natural dams one of which near the water release (picture) is particularly unstable (more rocks may need removing). Most of the anchors are fairly unimpacted though partially covered in mud. Two lines got their redundant anchors & the abalakov was replaced though no longer necessary (it was part of an experiment with releasable systems and it should be possible to downclimb now). Used the exit with fixed rope shortly before the bridge.

2025-06-23 | Florian Heufler | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 High | 👍 Completed
Inspection as part of the canyoning rescuers' training course for the Tyrol Mountain Rescue Service Water level slightly higher today, but no rise or automatic flushing (machine translated)

2025-05-04 | Andreas Gobber | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
We were in there today when the water level was low and the "automatic rake" wasn't working today. We got in at the 35m rappel (classic "Area47" entry) and did the Kronburg to the exit. All the stands are usable here (but not all are good!) and you can get through without any problems. As usual, you can find a video of the tour on Instagram at https://www.instagram.com/reel/DJTnOoqgT9o/?igsh=Zjd4OWNidTVmMzZt (machine translated)