Sulzkarbach

Sulzkarwasserfall

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Country: Österreich / Austria **Region:** Steiermark **Subregion:** Bezirk Liezen **Town:** Admont		
Difficulty: not as difficult	**Grading:** v3 a3 III	**Total time:** 4h15
Approachtime: 1h30	**Tourtime:** 2h	**Returntime:** 45min
Altitude entry: 1250m	**Altitude exit:** 1050m	**Delta Altitude:** 200m
Canyon length: 2500m	**Highest rapell:** 20m	**Amount rapells:** 11
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:** limestone	**Drainage area:** km²
Season: May - September	**Orientation:** East	**Best Time:** 11-15 o'clock
Rating: ☆ 3 (2)	**Info:** ★ 3 (1)	**Belay:** ★ 2.5 (2)

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 1x50m

Summary: (machine translated)
The first part is through a forested canyon; the last part is open and passes by beautiful waterfalls. Can be combined with a visit to the Sulzkaralm (+20 min).

Hydrology: (machine translated)
In the lower section, there is a water intake point for the small power plant at the exit.

Access: (machine translated)
Hartelsgraben parking lot (right next to the street/rails; alternatively, park at the large parking lot after the bridge).

Approach: (machine translated)
Access the hike along the scenic Hartelsgraben toward Sulzkaralm; at 1,250 m, follow the forest road to the right until you reach the turnaround point (“Rechtes Kammerl”). From there, follow the stream.

Tour: (machine translated)
There are three pools in the upper section of the stream; you can downclimb to them (mossy) or simply go around them. First rappel after about 100 m.

1. Anchor at a tree on the left (sling with quickdraw) across 2 pools, 20 m
2. Anchor on the right (1 carabiner + rapid link) 8 m over a step
*80 m walk (lots of debris in the canyon; one potential 6-meter rappel section skipped)
3. Anchor on the left (1 carabiner + rapid link) 15 m
*50 m in the stream or around it (lots of logs) to the edge (crosses the power plant maintenance path)—this is where the steeper, more scenic section begins
4. Belay station on the right (1 carabiner + quickdraw + tree + sling) 18 m
5. Belay station on the left (1 carabiner + rapid link) 15 m
6. Belay station on the left (2 carabiners + rapid link + sling) 20 m
*Water intake point, escape route to the left
7. Belay station on the right (2 carabiners + rapid link + sling) 20 m
8. Belay station on the right (2 carabiners + quickdraw + sling) 20 m
9. Belay station on the right (2 carabiners + quickdraw + sling) 20 m
*Escape route to the left
10. Belay station on the left (2 carabiners + quickdraw + sling) 18 m
11. Belay station on the right (2 carabiners + rapid link + sling) 18 m
*Walk 80 m to the power plant (wooden hut); from there, take the forest road back to the ascent trail (charcoal kiln).

Return: (machine translated)
Head back down via Hartelsgraben.

Coordinates:
Parking Entry and Exit 47.5919 14.7032
Canyon End 47.5724 14.7036
Canyon Start 47.5717 14.6991

Reports:

2026-10-25 | Rok | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Really cool forest canyon. All belay stations are in good condition. At the very first waterfall, we couldn't find an anchor, so we rappelled down from a tree. You can also go around it. The ratio of access/canyon/descent is a bit off... The fall colors are currently spectacular... (machine translated)

2026-08-30 | Kren.Sebastian | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
In the upper, dark, wooded section, there’s unfortunately some tree trunks, but you can easily work around those spots. The lower, open section is very mossy but not a problem. Compact, beautifully weathered rock. At 40 meters, rappellers may come within a hair’s breadth of running out of rope; 50 meters is better. All belay stations are in very good condition. (machine translated)

2023-06-17 | Robert Werner | |🕮 |⚓ | | 👍 Completed
Status summer 2023: nothing drilled, rappel over trees. Last steep section very slippery. In the lower part, there are footholds in places on the left-hand side downstream from the pressure pipe for a small hydroelectric power station. (machine translated)