

Hochalpbach

Hochalpbach, Sauruggbach, Biberbach, Streimbach

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Country: Österreich / Austria Region: Tirol Subregion: Bezirk Reutte Town: Steeg		
Difficulty: not as difficult	Grading: v3 a3 III	Total time: 4h45
Approachtime: 1h	Tourtime: 3h30	Returntime: 15min
Altitude entry: 1540m	Altitude exit: 1140m	Delta Altitude: 400m
Canyon length: 1000m	Highest rapell: 25m	Amount rapells: 10
Transport: on Foot	Rock type:	Drainage area: 8.00km ²
Season:	Orientation: South	Best Time:
Rating: ★ 3.5 (7)	Info: ★ 2.6 (5)	Belay: ★ 3 (4)
Specialities:		
Gear: Ropes: 2x30m		
Summary: (machine translated) Very nice, aquatic lime canyon; well arranged; some possible jumps and slides; the lower part is often used commercially; the last rappel into the Lech should be avoided because of the fishermen's association (exit right before last step); in the lower part narrowly cut; some possible emergency exits; exposure south; cold water; catchment area 8Km2!		
Hydrology:		
Access: (machine translated) From Reutte head south into the rear Lechtal valley as far as Steeg and then continue towards Warth. After the signs for Prenten, the road leads slightly uphill over a bridge that crosses the Lech. Immediately after the bridge, park your car in front of a wooden barn (there is also a large gravel parking place behind the barn (but private).		
Approach: (machine translated) Behind the barn (gravel parking place), follow the forest road downhill to the right to the first hairpin bend (the path from the exit on the right also comes up here). Take the left-hand path (path 432) up to the hunter's stand. If you follow the right-hand path at the fork at the Jägerstand, you will reach the lowest part of the canyon. To get to the upper part of the canyon follow the path to the left past the hunter's stand. Then keep right along the canyon into the Hochalptal. Shortly after the middle Hochalpe at approx. 1540m, descend into the streambed (spring runoff).		
Tour: (machine translated) The first half in the Hochalpbach is open and discontinuous with small steps that can be slid, jumped or rappelled (up to max. 12m). The second half (from badge no. 7) is then more vertical, more incised and technically more demanding. Some rappels are directly in the water with a powerful shower and should not be underestimated at higher water levels. Four approx. 25m abseils, interrupted only by small steps, follow each other without much distance. After the last abseiling point, there are a few small steps that can be jumped or downclimbed depending on the water depth. To avoid annoying the fishing association, the tour exits at approx. 1140m before the last 6m step into the Lech.		
Return: (machine translated) Before the last step (into the Lech), exit the canyon to the right at approx. 1140m (due to fishing). Follow the small path over the ridge up to the forest road at the hairpin bend and follow it back to the parking lot.		
Coordinates: Canyon Start 47.2589 10.2537 Canyon End 47.2493 10.2543 Parking Entry and Exit 47.2462 10.2469 Parking Entry and Exit 47.2477 10.2656		

Reports:

2026-06-06 | Airmax | ★★★★★ | 📖★★ | 🪚★★★ | 🌊 High | 🍏 Completed

Started from the very top. Water level is low. The stream is open at the top, but you can always rappel down to dry ground at the bottom. All anchors are in good condition. (machine translated)

2026-05-14 | Philipp | ★★★★★ | 📖★ | 🪚★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

We only did the lower part from badge no. 6, here all stands were in superioren condition and often double, only the nuts on the fixed ropes were partly loose. On the access we climbed too far, you have to take the right-hand path right at the start near the game fence. At the exit there is a wildlife camera in the tree, always smile 📷📷 (machine translated)

2025-05-25 | Airmax | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★ | 🪚★★★ | 🌊 High | 🍏 Completed

Only the lower part was climbed. You can almost always decide whether to rappel dry or wet. Anchors in good condition. (machine translated)

2025-05-16 | Kris Klein | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★ | 🪚★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Stands all OK. Auxiliary ropes in the lower part in good condition. All jumps questionable, as all pools are very shallow. Overall water level normal (see picture shortly before exit / mouth into the Lech, can be seen a little behind the bridge at the exit). Unfortunately, the petrol station after the exit had nothing on offer. Total duration approx. 4 hours car to car. (machine translated)

2023-03-09 | System User | ★★ | 📖 | 🪚 | |

Info: Teile der Canyonbeschreibung wurden automatisiert übernommen. Konkret die Felder Weblinks, Koordinaten, Rating, Ort, Länge des Canyon, Einfachseil Mindestens von <https://canyon.carto.net/cwiki/bin/view/Canyons/HochalpbachCanyon.html> und <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon/22401>

2023-03-09 | System User | ★★ | 📖 | 🪚 | |

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2022-07-13 | Christian Balla | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★ | 🪚 | 🌊 Low | 🍏 Completed

The Hochalpbach is fantastically scenic, but there is a lot of walking and climbing involved. The approach via hiking trail 432 is easy to find and easy to walk, but contains a few sections where it is steeply uphill. In the canyon, especially at the beginning, there are occasional scree fields which quickly start to move. In sunny, warm weather, there are plenty of pools that offer a refreshing dip. With a 5mm Neopren, however, it quickly gets a little warm when there is little water. (machine translated)