# Kühbach

Bärenfallklamm,Haalenbach

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| **Country:** Österreich / Austria **Region:** Tirol **Subregion:** Bezirk Reutte **Town:** Reutte | | |
| **Difficulty:** not as difficult | **Grading:** v3 a1 III | **Total time:** 2h35 |
| **Approachtime:** 30min | **Tourtime:** 2h | **Returntime:** 5min |
| **Altitude entry:** 1079m | **Altitude exit:** 870m | **Delta Altitude:** 209m |
| **Canyon length:** 350m | **Highest rapell:** 40m | **Amount rapells:** 9 |
| **Transport:** on Foot | **Rock type:** limestone | **Drainage area:** 0.90km² |
| **Season:** June - October | **Orientation:** East | **Best Time:** 6-19 o'clock |
| **Rating:** ☆ 2.2 (8) | **Info:** ★ 1.6 (5) | **Belay:** ★ 2 (6) |

**Specialities:**

**Gear:**
Ropes: 3x40m

**Summary:** (machine translated)
Low-water canyon with a small catchment area, partly well incised and scenic. A good alternative tour if the Sababach does not seem feasible due to excessive water flow.

**Hydrology:** (machine translated)
Due to the rather small water catchment area, the canyon can usually be climbed without any problems. The Kühbach rarely carries water from the beginning of the first rappel. It usually seeps away beforehand and does not come to the surface again.

**Access:** (machine translated)
From Reutte drive via Pflach and Unterletzen in the direction of Gasthaus Bärenfalle. From the direction of Füssen on the L69 via Musau. Pass the inn and follow the forest road for a short while until you reach the parking lot for hikers before the first serpentine (875m altitude).

**Approach:** (machine translated)
Ascend the forest road on the left bank (Reintalstraße) for approx. 1300m and at 1055m turn left onto a forest path that leads us almost horizontally to the entry point.

**Tour:** (machine translated)
Initially a narrow canyon, later descending on open rocky ridges.

Unfavorable rope route at the start on the C35:
- High risk of swinging a bit and damaging the ropes
- Very high risk of the rope getting jammed in the crevice and then not being able to be pulled off.

For a detailed description, see https://alpinesicherheit.com/2018/kuehbach-canyoning-schluchtenfuehrer/

**Return:** (machine translated)
Once at the bottom, turn left out to the car.

**Coordinates:**
Canyon Start 47.5108 10.6870
Parking Entry and Exit 47.5135 10.6882
Canyon End 47.5132 10.6884
Waterlevel Checkpoint 47.5132 10.6885
Waypoint 47.5163 10.6792

**Reports:**

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2026-10-13 | Christian Hanf | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Dry | 👍 Completed
We had expected a little more water, but the persistent drought this summer and the low rainfall just weren’t enough. There was a tiny bit (very, very little) of water flowing here and there, but it wasn’t worth mentioning. That’s why the water level is listed as “dry.” The entry is easy to find. As for the C35..... ;-) If you take a close look at the anchor and the route, you can position the ropes accordingly so that getting stuck is virtually impossible. But everyone knows that something like that can happen anywhere and at any time. The placed anchors, however, are solid—you really don’t need anything else! If you’re climbing with a group, it’s recommended to rappel actively-passively all the way down to the last anchor to spare the rope. Similar to how it’s done in Ticino.... Regarding the rest of the route.... Don’t look at the topographic view anymore.... After the C35, there are many (short, 7–12 m) rappelling points at regular intervals, including on the orographic right, which aren’t shown on the topographic view. This is because the Tyrolean canyon guides and mountain rescue teams frequently train here. In addition, there are bolts from a climbing route and corresponding belay stations. You won’t find a C40 there anymore. In the lower section, where the canyon widens again, we didn’t find any rappelling hooks inside the canyon, so we rappelled from the belay stations of the climbing route on the orographic left. These belay stations are spaced every 20–25 m all the way to the exit. The canyon is especially recommended for practicing setting up and taking down belay stations! (machine translated)

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2025-07-29 | Christian Balla | ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ | 〰 High | 📈 Emergency exit
... Tour continuation from the previous day: After we had to leave the rope behind due to the extreme amount of water in the canyon, we entered the canyon again today. At the C35 we couldn't find a way to prevent the ropes from getting stuck. We decided not to drill due to the amount of water and the persistent rain. We went back to the C5, climbed up there again and then got out. As the canyon opens up further down, we tried to get in further down. After not being able to find a safe intermediate exit the day before, we were unable to find a suitable entry point below the C35 today. In the end, we climbed up a little from the exit and still had a nice day at the bottom. (machine translated)

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2025-07-28 | Christian Balla | ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ | 〰 High | 👍 Completed
We were at the entry of the canyon three times in a row (2x on 28.07., 1x on 29.07.) The entry is easy to find. The hiking trail there is easy to walk. A short downclimb begins directly at the entry. Here you can get out of the canyon anywhere. Then comes an approx. 5m high abseiling point (single piton) with an overhang - climbing back up is difficult but doable in water. After a maginal run with a small downclimb (without the possibility of an exit) you reach the C35. The course of the ropes on the C35 is extremely problematic: there is an extremely high risk of damaging the rope or not being able to get it off. At this point, a new belay with a better rope course, a diverter, rope protector or intermediate belay would have to be set up. Due to the unusually high amount of water in this canyon at the moment, this was not possible for us. On our first tour, the rope got stuck and we were unable to pull it off. The C35 is extremely difficult for a re-ascent, so we decided to try to get out via the next emergency exit. According to the description, there should be one - but where? We didn't find any suitable exits. There are many ways to leave the canyon, but we couldn't find any safe, suitable ways to get back to the entrance/exit or hiking trail. We decided to continue the tour. In doing so, we realized that the described topographic view could not fit. The fact is, as the tour progresses, there are more and more anchor points. At some point it felt like every 5 to 10 meters. We really enjoyed the final abseil (exit), which is also suitable as a checkpoint - one of the highlights of the canyon. After the tour, we went back to the entry to fetch the ropes from the C35. It was raining during this time. When we arrived at the entry point, the amount of water had multiplied and the water was full of sediment. (machine translated)

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2023-07-29 | Ralf Breitenstein | ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Everything in order, sufficient hooks. Water level after previous rains present but still low and not critical. (machine translated)

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2023-06-06 | Wolfgang Streicher | ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | | 👍 Completed
From the beginning of the canyon widening, the pitons were not consistently set in the fall line of the stream. Thus one saw oneself repeatedly forced to longer diagonal ropes. At least one could enjoy a very rare water flow here. (machine translated)

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2023-05-26 | Fred | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Everything in order.hooks in good condition, very many hooks in different places. (machine translated)

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2023-03-09 | System User | ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ | |