

# Gerbach

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Country: Österreich / Austria    Region: Salzburg    Subregion: Bezirk Hallein    Town: Abtenau		
Difficulty: not as difficult	Grading: v3 a2 IV	Total time: 5h30
Approachtime: 45min	Tourtime: 4h30	Returntime: 15min
Altitude entry: 1080m	Altitude exit: 800m	Delta Altitude: 280m
Canyon length: m	Highest rapell: 30m	Amount rapells: 29
Transport: Bike/Mountainbike	Rock type:	drainage area: km²
Season:	Orientation:	Best Time:
Rating: ★ 3.5 (10)	Info: ★ 2.8 (5)	Belay: ★ 1.8 (6)
Specialities:		
Gear: Ropes: 2x40m		
<b>Summary:</b> (machine translated) Beautiful, narrow, remote vertical lime canyon; some wood entrapments; several slippery places; exposure south; best reached by bike; can be combined with Ackersbach in which the Gerbach flows (+1h); few chain anchors but mostly 2 Inox anchors (two tree loops); prone to flooding; emergency exit possible only at the beginning before the 30m cascade.		
<b>Hydrology:</b>		
<b>Access:</b> (machine translated) approx. 40min+ 20min bike From Salzburg south via the A10 to the exit Golling. Then continue on the B102 (Lammertalstraße) in the direction of Abtenau. At "Voglauerhof" turn left over the Lammer bridge and then immediately left again past the Ascherbad inn. Follow the mountain road to the large parking lot for hikers near Pichl (N47°36'03,00 E13°17'55,00). Here you park your car and change to your bike. With the bike you follow the wide (mostly flat) forest road for about 6Km (ca.20min) in the direction of Postalm until you reach the bridge over the Ackersbach (also canyoning tour). Here the bike is parked.  Alternative possibility □ mountain access: Via the toll Postalmstraße (€11,-2021) drive up to 47°38'36.1" - 13°25'22.9". Park the car here and change to the bike. From the parking lot at the barrier, follow the forest road with the hiking sign "Voglau bei Abtenau 3 1/2h", past the alpine pastures and along the Lienbach, the wide forest road leads about 4km down the valley. Here you cross the Zinkenbach (also canyoning tour) and after another 3km you reach the bridge over the Ackersbach. Here you can leave your bike.		
<b>Approach:</b> (machine translated) approx. 45min Directly at the bridge you can already see the water level of the Gerbach, which flows into the Ackersbach above the bridge. From the bridge you follow the forest road for about 100m up to the third left fork (the first two lead to the forester's house). If you pass the third fork, you will see a yellow hiking sign with the inscription "Voglau/Postalm" (old Postalmstraße). Here, an inconspicuous path leads up to the forest road (Karrenweg Hochzinkenalmen). Follow this first in open terrain, then through the forest to the steep rock face and bridge over the Gerbach at 1080m high. Tip: after about 30min uphill, you could also descend/enter the canyon on the left (directly in front of the 30m cascade) (= approx. 1h time saving).		

**Tour:** (machine translated)

approx. 4-5h

The Gerbach is certainly one of the most beautiful and rewarding canyons in the Salzburg area. Unfortunately, there are some annoying wooden canyons in the canyon that should not be underestimated. Who is interested in the interesting remote narrow canyon should definitely check the weather and water level, as well as carry emergency drill kit and a few slings. As already mentioned in the access, you can start the canyons from the very top at the small bridge over the Gerbach or from further down (visible deer trail on the left). Right at the beginning (entry bridge) comes the first 10m abseil in the narrow part of the gorge. Small descents and several slides follow until the first high 20m rappel point (chain anchor on the left). To get to the next anchor after the step, you have to climb up a rocky ridge on the right. After that, there are some short rappels and downclimbs in a rather open canyon environment. After a 10m abseil on the right, one could leave the canyon to the left to the forest road (the only possibility!). A short downclimb follows until you are in front of the beautiful 30m cascade. The cascade can be rappelled in one piece to the right of a construction sling or it can be divided (10m+20m). After this abseil it remains narrow and continuous. About 20 abseils follow up to max. 25m via single pitons or tree slings. Attention. The single pitons are not always immediately visible and the tree slings are mostly to be attached by yourself. However, the downclimb or even a jump should be well considered (in case of doubt rather sacrifice a sling!). Between the rappelling steps there are some mostly slippery tree entanglements that have to be climbed over or downclimbed. At the end of the tour there is a nice 25m rappel with a rock hole on the left side. After that comes a rather flat slippery section with two short rappels before you are back at the bikes at about 800m.

**Return:** (machine translated)

15min Bike

From the bridge (Ackersbach junction) follow the forest road by bike back down to the parking lot in Pichl.

**Coordinates:**

Canyon Start [47.6387 13.3464](#)

Parking Entry and Exit [47.6433 13.4215](#)

Parking Entry and Exit [47.5999 13.2982](#)

Canyon End [47.6314 13.3426](#)

## Reports:

2024-11-09 | Wolfgang | ★★★★★ | 📖 | 🪚 | 🌊 Low | 🟢 Completed  
Everything in order here, unfortunately little water (machine translated)

2024-10-26 | Thomas Fras | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★★ | 🌊 Low | 🟢 Completed  
Today again from the very top, first step ring left, second step sling around deadwood, third step pitons left somewhat hidden in the gap, then large cascade with chain anchor left in front, even after that everything is well set up only not always immediately recognizable 📖 I put two new W-ring in the upper part and removed old slings. Now of course less sunlight but still nice. (machine translated)

2024-10-20 | Wolfgang | ★★★★★ | 📖 | 🪚★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed  
Went "all the way up" for the first time today, didn't get on at 30: The upper part would be very nice, unfortunately just a lot of wood and moderately equipped; tw thin cords around trees, etc, we have set a piton. The upper part should be doable in 45-50 minutes. The lower part is great as always - if there weren't some wood obstructions it would be a TOP canyon; we could do it in a good 2 hours. Afterwards, of course, the Ackersbach was added Should anyone find a Garmin watch (rather in the lower part or at the exit) -- please contact 0699 17444222 - thanks, my friend has lost it. (machine translated)

2024-07-27 | Thomas Fras | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed  
Entry at C30, all anchors okay, new anchor + chain anchor on the right at the abseiling point in the rock hole (see topographic view), superiore combination with Ackersbach (everything secured there too). (machine translated)

2024-05-20 | Isabella Rosenau | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed  
Hardly any anchors in the upper part, rappels from trees necessary. Lots of wooden obstructions and very slippery. Otherwise tiptop. (machine translated)

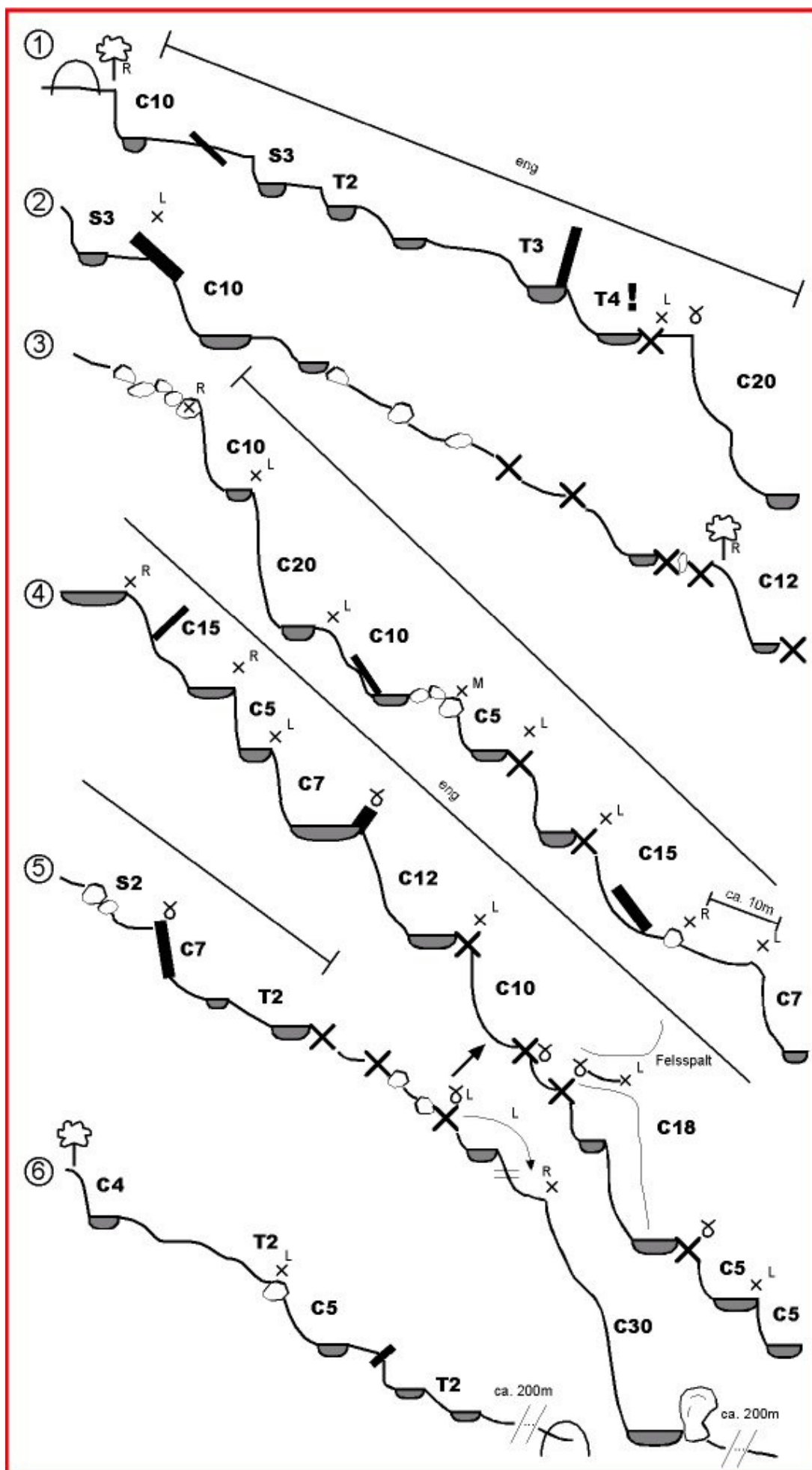
2023-10-26 | Wolfgang | ★★★★★ | 📖 | 🪚 | 🌊 Low | 🟢 Completed  
With the bike to the exit Ackersbach cycled (comfortable about 25min) Then back to Forststr and the normally described approach chosen. We are like last year before the 30m cascade entered. Great tour; all stands ok, Verklausung keeps within limits, towards the ends increasingly slippery. Then the Ackersbach attached. Recommended combination. Approach from the end of Ackersbach to entry before the 30er cascade about 40min Gerbach then about 2h10min (machine translated)

2023-07-09 | Thomas Fras | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★★ | 🌊 Low | 🟢 Completed  
Have today some material (W-rings) bored, should fit until the next high water,:-) (machine translated)

2023-06-01 | Thomas Fras | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★ | 🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed  
Currently very beautiful and rewarding, entanglements not bad, have set some new boron hooks. Entry before 30m cascade📖 (machine translated)

2023-03-09 | System User | ★★★★★ | 📖 | 🪚 | |  
Info: Teile der Canyonbeschreibung wurden automatisiert übernommen. Konkret die Felder Weblinks, Koordinaten, Rating, Ort von <https://canyon.carto.net/cwiki/bin/view/Canyons/GerbachCanyon.html>

2023-03-09 | System User | ★★★★★ | 📖 | 🪚 | |  
Daten importiert von <https://www.canyoning.or.at/index.php/liste-aller-canyons/549-gerbach>



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