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Country: Österreich / Austria **Region:** Vorarlberg **Subregion:** Bezirk Bregenz **Town:** Mellau		
Difficulty: very difficult	**Grading:** v6 a3 III	**Total time:** 6h
Approachtime: 30min	**Tourtime:** 5h	**Returntime:** 30min
Altitude entry: 1450m	**Altitude exit:** 750m	**Delta Altitude:** 700m
Canyon length: 1000m	**Highest rapell:** 70m	**Amount rapells:** 33
Transport: Cablecar	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season:	**Orientation:** North	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 3.2 (4)	**Info:** ★ 2 (2)	**Belay:** ★ 2 (3)
Specialities:		
Gear: Ropes: 2x80		
Summary: (machine translated) Long, rather open, alpine rappel canyon. The centerpiece is a 70m waterfall that can be seen from the L200.		
Hydrology: (machine translated) https://vowis.vorarlberg.at/stationsInfo/tbl_Abflussstationen.aspx		
Access: (machine translated) From Dornbirn via Bödele into the Bregenzerwald and on to Mellau. Then park at the parking lot of the Mellau mountain railroad.		
Approach: (machine translated) Take the train up at a leisurely pace, then head east toward Kanisalpe until you reach a bridge after about 30 minutes. From there, walk along the stream for 2 minutes to the entry. On foot (without using the mountain railway), from the parking lot head toward Kanisfluh; after 1,500 meters, turn right toward Hofstätten. At Hofstätten, turn right toward Mittagsspitze, and you'll reach the bridge described above (about 2 hours).		
Tour: (machine translated) The upper section has an alpine character, and an exit would be very difficult. At A1, it is recommended to set up a rappelling guide (rope system) to the fixed rope (steel cable). It is very slippery here, and on the left, the water pushes you against the rock. At 2A, rappelling is advantageous. Before A4, go around the large boulder on the left, then traverse to the right and set up a rope traverse to the belay station. The middle section is open and easy to traverse. There are exit options everywhere. The lower section begins where the canyon narrows again; this is also where the last emergency exit to the left is possible. After 4 rappelling points, you reach the highlight: the 70-meter waterfall (as described in the guidebook), which can be descended via 2 rappels (10 m/60 m) or 3 rappels (10 m/35 m/30 m). After another 4 rappelling points, you reach the exit of the route.		
Return: (machine translated) It is essential to pay attention to leave the streambed after about 300 m to the left (block) and follow an old path, later on the edge of the meadow to the goods road, then left back to the parking lot.		
Coordinates: Canyon Start 47.3286 9.8977 Canyon End 47.3379 9.8998 Parking Entry and Exit 47.3454 9.8893		

Reports:

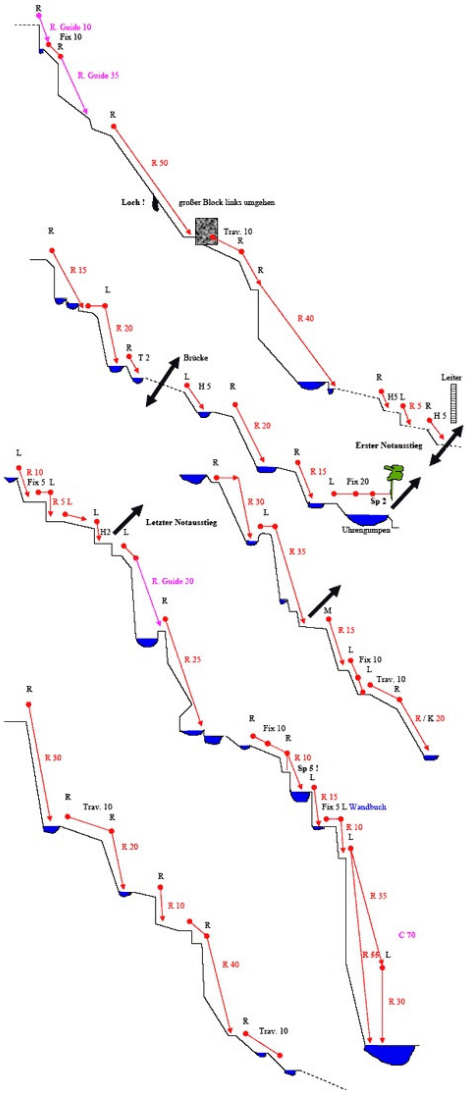
2026-07-04 | Raimund | ☆ ☆ ⯪ |🕮 |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
All gauges are in place, but some are hard to find. The river level at the Mellau measuring station was about 4–5 m³. I took a picture at the entry when the water was low, just for comparison. (machine translated)

2026-06-07 | Harald Gunz | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 High | 👍 Completed
There’s quite a bit of water flowing in the upper section. All the anchors are still in good condition. Unfortunately, it’s very slippery right now. As a result, some chain anchors are harder to reach. You need a keen eye to spot some of the anchors. Also, unfortunately, the mount for the route book is broken. (machine translated)

2025-10-19 | Andreas Gobber | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
A really great alpine canyon which is, however, quite slippery. The ascent with the cable car (16,20€ as of 10.2025), the many high rappels, the great surroundings and 2 possible flat jumps make it really attractive. The anchors are good, but they are not always easy to follow and are more suitable for water-shy canyoneers. The canyon book is located directly in front of the high rappel and is easy to find. It should also be mentioned that one or two of the downclimbs are sporty. (machine translated)

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