Wirtatobel (Unterer Abschnitt)

Rickenbach

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Country: Österreich / Austria **Region:** Vorarlberg **Subregion:** Bezirk Bregenz **Town:** Bregenz		
Difficulty: a little difficult	**Grading:** v4 a3 IV	**Total time:** 1h41
Approachtime: 1min	**Tourtime:** 1h20	**Returntime:** 20min
Altitude entry: 650m	**Altitude exit:** 540m	**Delta Altitude:** 110m
Canyon length: 800m	**Highest rapell:** 40m	**Amount rapells:** 6
Transport: Car optional	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** 6.80km²
Season:	**Orientation:** South	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 2.5 (3)	**Info:** ★ 1 (2)	**Belay:** ★ 2 (1)

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 2 x 45m

Summary: (machine translated)
Actually an insignificant forest stream, only once it breaks off over 40m. This single place is really beautiful, otherwise gibts nothing exciting. The upper part is equipped, but in my opinion not worth a walk, and therefore not described here.

Hydrology: (machine translated)
https://vowis.vorarlberg.at/stationsInfo/tbl_Abflussstationen.aspx

Access: (machine translated)
Drive by car from Bregenz in the direction of Langen. About 5km from Bregenz you drive through an avalanche gallery and park shortly after crossing the Rickenbach on the left side. There is also a bus stop at the entry. From the Bregenz train station there is a bus every hour during the week and every 2 hours on public holidays to the Wirtatobel bus stop.

Approach: (machine translated)
Descend into the streambed right next to the bridge

Tour: (machine translated)
Right at the beginning there is a rappel over 2 cascades (ca.25m) then it goes unspectacular to the 40m rappel. Here first rappel at a tree orographically left about 5m to then rappel from the clamping block the 40m. After that you come to a 20m high abseil point which is secured by an hourglass. The valley becomes wider and wider, the car wreckage in the stream increases. Get off here on the orographic right side to the road.

Return: (machine translated)
From the streambed across the road and avalanche gallery back to the car

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 47.5019 9.7936
Canyon End 47.4975 9.7948
Parking at Exit 47.4931 9.7931
Parking at Entry 47.5023 9.7937

Reports:

2025-09-06 | Aaron | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
It was very slippery, but the tour has something. (machine translated)

2024-07-20 | Christian Balla | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
Anchoring is very moderate, but we always found something. Partly sporty downclimbing. There are obligatory showers and bathing spots, so even in summer it's fresh with 2-3mm wetsuits, but doable. The way back tarnishes the memories of this canyon. It goes steeply up the slope through the forest. Footprints are only occasionally to be found. (machine translated)

2023-03-09 | System User | ☆ |🕮 |⚓ | |
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Parts:
Wirtatobel (Oberer Abschnitt), v? a? ?, 5min++5min
Wirtatobel (Unterer Abschnitt), v4 a3 IV, 1min+1h20+20min
Wirtatobel (mittlerer Abschnitt), v2 a1 I, 0min+45min+15min