

Kobelache

Kobelache, Kobelach, 1ère partie: Merlin's world - 2ème partie: Kanguru jumping, Kobel-Ache, Kobelach(e), Känguru Jumping, Merlins World

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Country: Österreich / Austria Region: Vorarlberg Subregion: Bezirk Dornbirn Town: Dornbirn		
Difficulty: not as difficult	Grading: v3 a3 III	Total time: 3h55
Approachtime: 10min	Tourtime: 3h30	Returntime: 15min
Altitude entry: 770m	Altitude exit: 510m	Delta Altitude: 260m
Canyon length: 1600m	Highest rapell: 20m	Amount rapells: 24
Transport: Car optional	Rock type:	Drainage area: 20.00km ²
Season:	Orientation: North	Best Time:
Rating: ★ 4.6 (43)	Info: ★ 2.9 (36)	Belay: ★ 2.9 (41)
Specialities:		
Gear: Ropes: 2x 30m (o. 1x 40m)		
Summary: (machine translated) Really nice canyon that has quite a few jumps, slides, and scenic attractions to offer. Due to the easy accessibility, the beautiful jumps and the many emergency exits, commercial operators drag masses of tourists through the stream on nice weekends. However, these can usually be easily overtaken. The parts of the canyon have been given different names, the upper part being called Merlin's World as far as I know, the lower part Kanguru Jumping. There is also an exit called "Jungels End".		
Hydrology: (machine translated) The Kobelache flows into the Enz, which has an automatic water level. The Kobelache should be doable up to 2 m ³ /s. Above 2 m ³ /s, a local canyon guide should accompany you, as many places have to be bypassed and slides/jumps are sometimes unfeasible or life-threatening.		
Access: (machine translated) Freeway exit Dornbirn Süd and then continue in the direction of Gütle. It is best to leave a bike (or second car) at the inn in Gütle and continue by car in the direction of Ebnit. Cross the Rappenlochschlucht gorge over a bridge and after another 650m a road branches off to the left uphill. Follow this road until you reach a saddle where you can park.		
Approach: (machine translated) Follow the road for about 80m until a forest road branches off to the left, which you follow to the bridge over the Kobelach.		

Tour: (machine translated)

Follow the stream at a leisurely pace until it cuts in completely unexpectedly. Here you rappel to the left, not slide. The pool is not deep enough. It goes down in a narrow area over several smaller jumps and a 12m rappel. After about 45 minutes, the terrain becomes more open again and you come to a large pool that actually invites you to jump. But be careful, it needs to be checked. It keeps silting up! When you reach the dam wall, you are at the exit of Merlin's World. Exit the path on the right via a metal ladder and follow the path downhill to a small bridge. At the dam wall, there is a chain anchor drilled orographically into the rock on the left, which allows you to rappel from the dam wall.

Alternatively, exit to the left before the dam wall. Here you come to several fixed ropes in the forest and finally to the hiking trail in the direction of Amannsbrücke. As an extremely nice rappel, you can abseil approx. 25m out of the window of the bridge (rappel point set up) onto an elevation (on the right) and jump from there to the test or you can descend to the left before the bridge and back into the Kobelache. The bypass on the left is definitely a worthwhile alternative.

Here you path into the lower part. Once again, you first follow the open stream until it suddenly narrows again. Pass under a bridge to reach the first higher jump, which is reached via a fixed rope on the left. This is immediately followed by the highest jump of the tour, but caution is advised here too. The pond is not at the same depth everywhere! Be sure to check the next two jumps marked on the topographic view (S6, S3). After a C6, more open terrain with slides and smaller jumps follows again. You reach the highest rappel point at 25m, where you can rappel from various stands. The most obvious and most beautiful is to rappel directly through the water (left belay), the easiest from the far right in the dry (you have to climb up a bit over a rock. The belay is towards the valley, not visible from above. If there is a lot of water, rappel here dry).

Then it gets tight again and you come to the grand finale: a 3m slide exits in a 5m free fall. You plop gently into a huge dark pool, wonderful! (Alternatively, you can jump from above the slide at approx. 14 m, but cross the stream at a height of approx. 2 m before the slide. There is an anchor for a rope traverse on the orographic left side).

Return: (machine translated)

You follow the stream for a short while until you can exit onto a path on the right side. This leads us directly back to the Gütle.

Coordinates:

Canyon Start [47.3749 9.7872](#)

Canyon End [47.3869 9.7815](#)

Parking at Exit [47.3912 9.7757](#)

Parking at Entry [47.3759 9.7859](#)

Reports:

2026-05-25 | MajorCanyons | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🚧★★★ | 🌊 Low | 👍 Completed

Because it was so nice, another round in the Kobelache. Everything as unchanged as in the previous ascents. Watch out with the cooking pot, the water level is getting lower and lower. (machine translated)

2026-05-23 | MajorCanyons | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🚧★★★ | 🌊 Low | 👍 Completed

Four of us walked both parts today. Dead deer is still lying and smelling... upper part as yesterday's entry all jump and slideable. In the lower part of the S8 doable again, but with ground contact. Caution! The S3 in the connection after the rappel is not feasible. Water depth approx. 1.70m! Lower part more slippery than usual. Jumps are doable. The jump at the final slide would be feasible, but the path to it is not accessible due to slippery conditions. Slide would be possible. Slight change again in the C20 area (penultimate rappel) compared to last year. The rock is still working. (machine translated)

2026-05-22 | MajorCanyons | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🚧★★★ | 🌊 Low | 👍 Completed

In the upper parts there is a dead chamois that has already started to decompose. Accordingly, it smells very strong in places. Otherwise, the jumps and slides are all free and doable, with the exception of the Mayer hole. The tree trunk still lies here. (machine translated)

2026-04-26 | Bastien P. | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🚧★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 👍 Completed

Only climbed the upper parts. The Mayer hole is not jumpable due to deadwood. (machine translated)

2026-04-26 | NlsHm | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🚧★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 👍 Completed

Only the upper section (Merlins World) has been walked. In good condition. All jumps and slides doable. (machine translated)

2026-04-25 | Waldemar Engelhardt | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🚧★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 👍 Completed

Got in after the Müselbach in about the middle of the canyon. Everything was ok. Some of the jumps were still covered in gravel, so be careful. (machine translated)

2026-04-25 | Bina | ★★★★★ | 📖 | 🚧★★ | 🌊 Normal | 👍 Completed

Pretty cold water. Compared to other canyons, the Kobelache is completely overrated. (machine translated)

2026-04-24 | Patrik | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🚧★★★ | 🌊 Low | 👍 Completed

All jumps and slides doable. The canyon has changed compared to 2 months ago... always exciting :- (machine translated)

2026-04-18 | Lukas Bergauer | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🚧★★★ | 🌊 High | 👍 Completed

Kann mich der Beschreibung vom Vortag anschließen. Einstieg um 16:00 mit 2qm (Enz). Mit selektiver Routenwahl sehr gut machbar. Der Müselbach verdoppelt die Wassermenge im unteren Teil.

2026-04-17 | MajorCanyons | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🚧★★★ | 🌊 High | 👍 Completed

Climbed into Merlins World today at 3m³ (2.5m³ in the Enz). First two rappels without problems. The C12 was fantastic with the water level in the sun! The second slot was impossible and had to be bypassed with a steel cable. The S4 is doable. Bypassed the Kochtopf, only white water and a highly active siphon. The bob run not feasible with the water level. The S5 without problems and without ground contact. The S6 before the exit of Merlins World is free again without ground contact. All in all, a very tough but wonderful tour at this water level! (machine translated)

2026-01-31 | Clarissa Linder | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🚧★★★ | 🌊 Low | 👍 Completed

All stands free of ice. Grödel currently still recommended. (machine translated)

2025-09-07 | Raimund | ★★★★★ | 📖 | 🚧★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 👍 Completed

Everything OK. (machine translated)

2025-08-24 | Fabian Preiß | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🚧★ | 🌊 High | 👍 Completed

Rather high water level at 1.8 m3. In the lower part a wooden shack with red fixed ropes, which was quite helpful. Thanks for that! Otherwise all good, very nice! (machine translated)

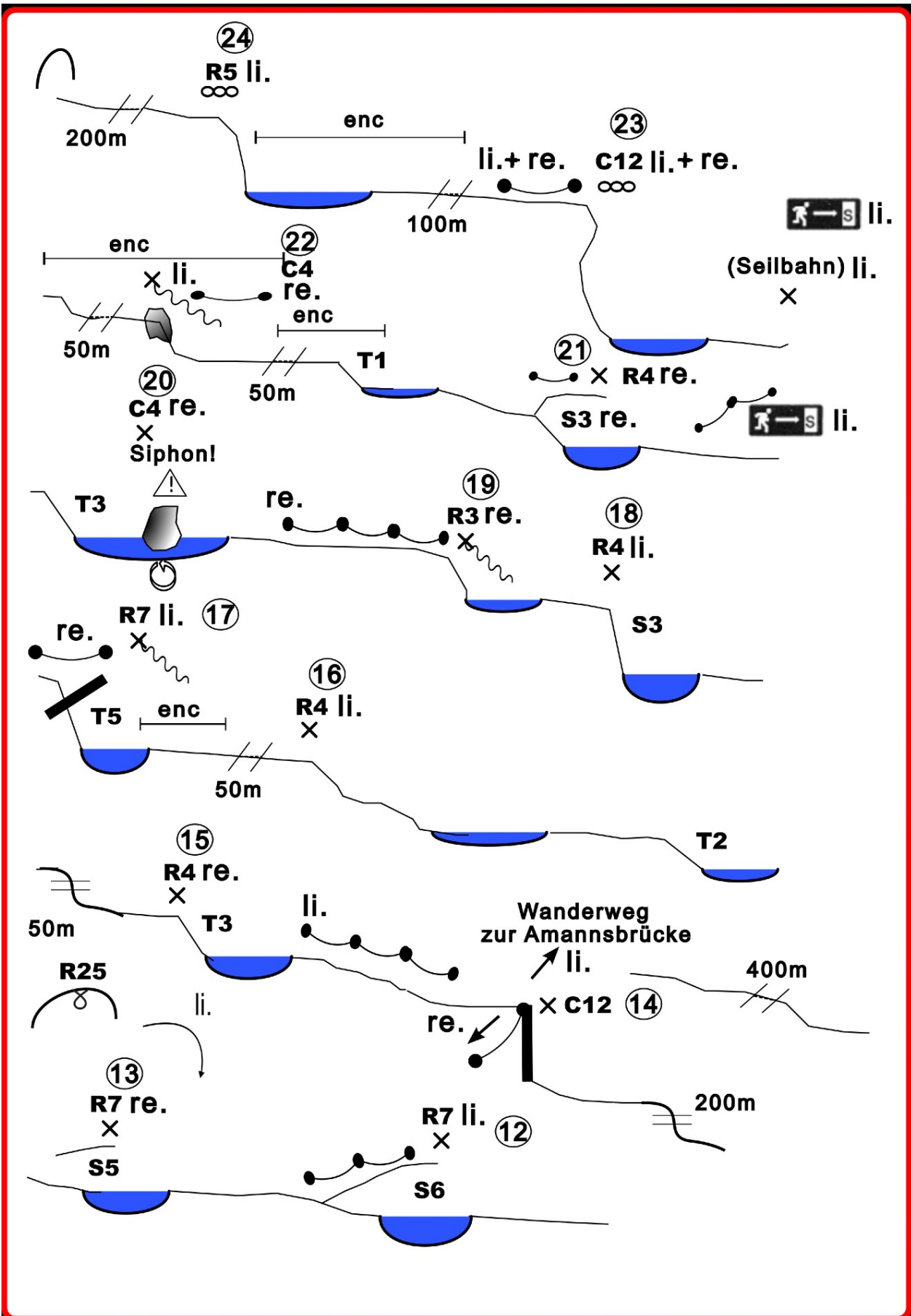
2025-08-20 | MajorCanyons | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🚧★★★ | 🌊 Low | 👍 Completed

Went today in rather rainy weather. Nevertheless, only 0.3m³ in the Enz. As at the weekend, all anchors were in top condition and the fixed ropes mostly in good shape. Some will have to be replaced soon, but not yet through

Parts:

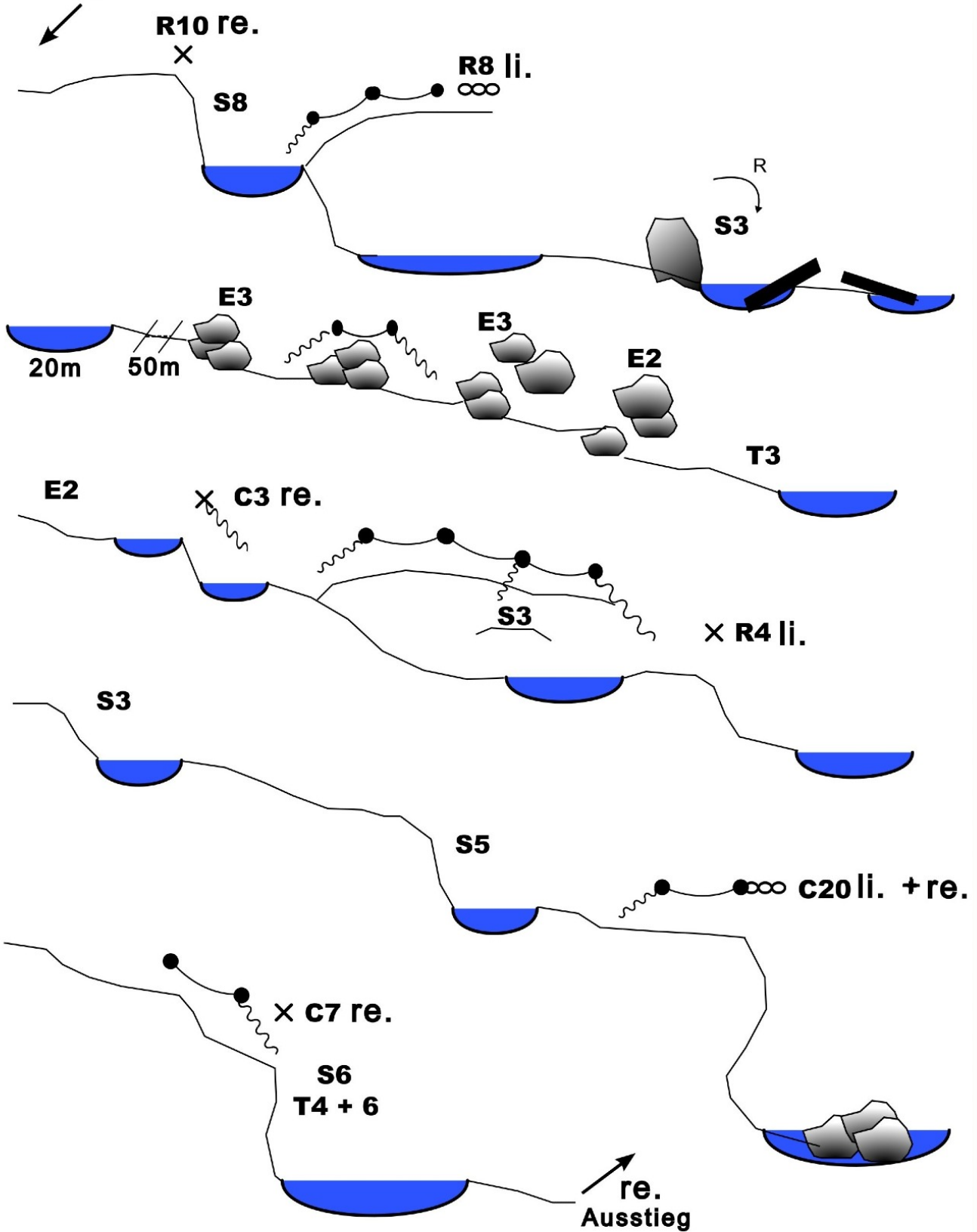
Kobelache (obere), v3 a2 III, 2min+1h+25min

Kobelache, v3 a3 III, 10min+3h30+15min



Topo von Mario Rojer vom 17.04.2026 (aktualisiert)

Ende oberer Teil mit S6
Einstieg unterer Teil



TOPO Koblach 2 (Unten)

