

Hinterer Weissenbach

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Country: Österreich / Austria Region: Oberösterreich Subregion: Bezirk Kirchdorf Town: Hinterstoder		
Difficulty: a little difficult	Grading: v4 a3 III	Total time: 5h
Approachtime: 2h	Tourtime: 3h	Returntime: 0min
Altitude entry: 1260m	Altitude exit: 800m	Delta Altitude: 460m
Canyon length: m	Highest rapell: 35m	Amount rapells: 23
Transport: on Foot	Rock type:	drainage area: km ²
Season:	Orientation: West	Best Time:
Rating: ★ 4.7 (2)	Info: ★ 0 ()	Belay: ★ 0 ()

Warnings:

Private property

The owner currently does not want anyone to walk across her property or park there. Negotiations are still going on. Please do not make this tour at the moment

Specialities:

Gear:

Ropes: 2x40

Summary: (machine translated)

Beautiful canyon, especially in the upper part; Adventurous access for people with scouting skills; Some rappels mandatory in water; Geologically unique canyon. Very rewarding for experienced canyoneers with stamina.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)

On the A9 coming from the north exit at St. Pankraz or coming from the south at Gleinkerau. From both exits drive in the direction of Hinterstoder. Drive through Hinterstoder always in the direction of the end of the valley. From the catholic church in Hinterstoder you drive about 3.8 km before a small parking lot with a chapel appears on the left. Directly after that you turn left into the Weißenbachtal. You drive about 2km into the valley, on the left side there is a nice wooden house and about 150m after that you can park directly in front of the bridge over the Weißenbach, where a gravel road goes up the mountain on the right. This parking lot is ideal, because some cars can stay without disturbing anyone. (Parking coordinates: 47.659953, 14.130017)

Approach: (machine translated)

Access: (2h)

Follow the asphalt road down the valley for another 400m until you reach a forest road on the right in the direction of Weißenbach. There you turn and after about 300m you cross the Weißenbach. Follow the forest road and as soon as possible go down towards Weißenbach, so that you reach the streambed (do not go to the exit where you meet the upper Weißenbach).

You walk in the streambed for about 500m, then you pass a hardly visible foundation of a whitewater dam (described in Canyon Wiki) before or left a small stream with a waterfall cascade flows in. From the parking lot you walk about 15-20 min. If you want to check the water, you stay in the streambed for about 200m and reach the final waterfall. Otherwise, go up the slope at the confluence of the waterfall cascade or left. Until now the way finding was easy ;-) but from now on it gets exciting. It is recommended in any case a navigation app, where you have an Open Street Map map, because the path - which is partly no longer apparent - is drawn there and that helps in the partly pathless terrain immensely to find again at least a game trail that shows you the way.

It is important to always keep in mind to stay about 30 - 40 Hm above the Weißenbach. The initially still visible path directly at the waterfall cascade, you should leave when you are about 40Hm above the Weissenbach and follow the barely visible game kicks and guessable hunters path further, always above the Weissenbach. You will soon come to a small boulder field in the forest, where the hunters path is clearly visible. I.e. if you are not yet on the hunters path, you have to search along the boulder field up or down. The terrain is very steep and you should find the hunters path here, otherwise it will be difficult to pass. Once you have the hunters path, follow it further along the Weissenbach stream, before you meet a new torrent dam of the Weissenbach stream at approx. 960 m altitude (approx. 30-45 min walking time away from the parking lot) (entry lower part).

To get to the upper part, walk to the exit of the gravel field where the gorge begins again and walk or left up the clearly visible path.

After a few meters of altitude you pass a stream and then come to a second one. Here you move a bit away from the gorge of the Weißenbach. You go up to the small waterfall of the stream and then climb relatively adventurously over a boulder field about 20 Hm up before you come to the ridge. Now you can again guess the gorge of the Weißenbach. Now it becomes exciting, because the path gets lost. I.e. one goes pathlessly into the valley in the forest and must watch some meters of altitude. At some point you meet again a dry stream and another one with a deep chute. The terrain is here already more open and late. here one should have found again the hunters path. One then comes to a place with salt stone for the game and is then in about 5 min at the entry at about 1260Hm

Tour: (machine translated)

Tour description upper part: ca 2h

The Weißenbach was at the time of our ascent (12.06.2020) in sensational condition. The canyon was professionally drilled by the mountain rescue, i.e. there is at least one glued anchor everywhere and each rappel point is numbered with partial indications of escape routes. Immediately at the first stand you will find a general description of the tour, described by the mountain rescue (on a sign).

The upper part of the. Ht. Weißenbach is sensationally beautiful. Fantastic mountain scenery, geologically the canyon is certainly one of the most beautiful in Austria. Due to the adventurous access and partial rappellers, which are mandatory in the water with high water pressure, but it is certainly a canyon for advanced canyoneers.

Until the SOS 17- rappel the canyon is relatively open, but in an impressive mountain scenery. From the SOS 16- rappel starts a highly impressive gorge, which first starts with a 12m-rappel, before at the SOS 15-rappel you rappel about 7m without visual contact to the chain anchor of the highest and most spectacular rappel. The 35m rappel is extremely impressive, because you have the feeling that you are at the bottom of the water shooting down with great pressure and the arrival from above is not visible. With a little skill, however, you can get under the waterfall and so the water pressure at the bottom is no problem. There follows another small 5m step and one has the feeling of coming from a cave back into a large valley. This place is sensational, because left and right about 150m walls go vertically upwards and in the middle is the relatively wide streambed of the Weißenbach. A small walking passages follows until the canyon narrows slightly again at the SOS 12 rappel point.

Care must be taken at the SOS 11 rappel because the water shoots down a relatively shallow chute and you cannot see the bottom of the chute through the white water. In the last third there is a big hole and through the chute you have a strong water pressure. It is recommended to bypass this place or. left with the rope with some skill.

After a short distance you come to the next gorge and the ambience of the canyon changes completely. At the top, the canyon has a high alpine, vertical character. From the SOS10 rappel, where also another stream flows in from or.left with a small waterfall, the canyon becomes more aquatic and gets more the character of a "forest canyon", but in a positive sense. Deeply cut dark, dark washed out limestone, crystal clear water and far above one over it lush green - a real color flash.

At the SOS 8 rappel, you think you only have to rappel about 7m into the pool below, but the rappel continues through impressive, polished chutes. The SOS7 rappel and a short swim marks the exit of the upper section.

Tour description lower part: approx. 1h

Compared to the upper part of the canyon, the lower part is unfortunately more "forest canyon style". While beautiful, after the flash of the upper part, this part can't quite maintain the level. The lower part is more open and is in the forest.

Begin does the lower part right at the torrent obstruction, which you climb down the right.

Relatively close to each other is the 20m rappel from the torrent and a 17m rappel, before you arrive after a short walking passages at a 20m rappel with a small "cannon tube".

After the cannon tube follows a walking and downclimb followed by a flatter rappel (SOS 3) until you are faced with a place where you do not know exactly how to get down here. One could bypass this place or. left (so it was probably also thought by the mountain rescue), however, we have attached a sling at a tree or. left and have seen only afterwards that or. right after a downclimb is attached a bolthook.

At the SOS2 rappel you have to pay attention to the rope retrieval, because the anchors were placed behind a rock bulge and then you come to the SOS 1 rappel. Here you have 2 options: Either you go directly in the water directly away from the SOS 1 rappel, but if the water pressure is too high for you, you can reach or. left with a rope traverse to a "dry" rappel point. Here you have to be extremely careful, because this place is insanely rockfall and really big chunks can be loosened by the ropes in the rappel.

Once at the bottom, you walk along the streambed for about 200m before arriving back at the waterfall cascade, where the access began.

Return: (machine translated)

As with the access, follow the streambed out of the valley, take the forest road and then the asphalt road to the parking lot.

Coordinates:

Canyon Start [47.6485 14.1631](#)

Parking Entry and Exit [47.6598 14.1299](#)

Canyon End [47.6512 14.1456](#)








Reports:

2023-05-09 | Corina |   |  Not done

Currently, the owner does not want to park on their private property or the access is used! Since we are in consultation with the owner, try to meet a good arrangement for all we ask you to refrain for the time being from a walk! (machine translated)

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