WINTER HIKE FROM RIEZLERN TO MITTELBERG



MEDIUM WINTER HIKING



TOUR DESCRIPTION

This winter hike starts in Riezlern and leads on a scenic winter hiking trail above Hirschegg to Mittelberg.

Starting from Riezlern, the hike, turning off the main road in front of the Xond farm with a view of the Widderstein, passes through the Hirschegg district Letzte. From there, on a prepared, steeply ascending winter hiking trail up to a panoramic ridge trail. This offers views of Hirschegg with the Ifen and Mittelberg with Bärenkopf and Widderstein. After passing a short but quite steep ravine, the panoramic trail continues relatively flat to the Mittelberg district Höfle. From here, it goes past the Alpenblick guesthouse, following the road on the Höflerweg, over the Höflerbrücke, and steeply ascending.

ROUTE DESCRIPTION

The tour starts in Riezlern opposite the Catholic Church. After a few minutes on the main road into the valley, turn left at the Ferienhof Stephanie towards Letzte / Zwerwald. Here you have a free view of the impressive Ifen. After about 20 minutes you reach the apartments Hilbrand. Here, the trail branches off to the left again and leads relatively steeply upwards for some 20 minutes. But the effort is worth it, as you can enjoy a wonderful panorama from the high trail: Hirschegg with the Ifen and Mittelberg with the Bärenkopf and Widderstein. After passing the short but steep ravine, the Panorama is again relatively flat until Höfle. On the way you can rest at the "Schwabenhütte", afterwards you soon reach the beautiful panoramic terrace of the "Gasthof Alpenblick". After a refreshment you continue on the road and turn left at the Haus Bergidyll to the right onto the Höflerweg until you reach the beautiful Höflerbrücke that was rebuilt after the 2005 flood. From here, it is a 10 minutes hike uphill back to Mittelberg / Alpenrose. If you prefer a less steep trail, you can turn to the left and walkd bach to Bödmen along the Breitach for about 20 minutes.

RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT

EMERGENCY CALL: 144 Alpine emergencies Vorarlberg112 European emergency number (works with any mobile/network)

Good footwear, weatherproof clothing, and possibly trekking poles.

FURTHER INFO & LINKS

Further links

The Höflerbrücke was built in 1891 by Josef Heim. In 1907, it was destroyed by an avalanche disaster. This massive avalanche from the Heuberg swept away two houses over 500 years old and 9 cattle stables with a total of 42 cows in the hamlet of Ahorn. 10 of the 15 residents who were in the supposedly safe house did not survive the disaster. The carpenter Josef Heim rebuilt the Höflerbrücke for the second time in spring 1907. In August 2005, it was again



washed away by flooding in the Breitach. The river also caused significant damage to the banks and walking paths during the flood.

Nature experience map, scale 1:12,000; Kleinwalsertal route map (with hiking guide), scale 1:25,000; DAV hiking map, scale 1:25,000; the respective maps are available for purchase at the Walserhaus Hirschegg.

Morning -2 °C
MOUNTAIN
-1 °C
VALLEY

Noon 0 °C MOUNTAIN 6 °C VALLEY

