# **KANZELWAND TRAIL**







# **TOUR DESCRIPTION**

Walsermuseum Riezlern, along Walserstrasse, past the casino in Riezlern, at Hotel Jagdhof turnoff to Westeggweg to the Höhenweg, shortly after the end of Westeggweg turn right along the Höhenweg to Schwand, most demanding ascent via Riezler Alpe (Hinterbergtobel), Gundsattel (Kanonenroh), Bierenwanglift valley station, Rossgrund, Kanzelwand col, Kanzelwand mountain station with cable car ride to the valley station and from there back to the starting point Walsermuseum.

# **ROUTE DESCRIPTION**

20% asphalt, 80% trail

# **RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT**

**EMERGENCY CALL:** 140 Alpine emergencies Austria-wide 144 Alpine emergencies Vorarlberg 112 European emergency call (works with any mobile/network) www.vorarlberg.travel/sicherheitstipps

# **FURTHER INFO & LINKS**

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# How do you consciously experience nature?

Nature is much more than a backdrop for unforgettable mountain experiences. It is a habitat for animals and plants. It provides drinking water and supplies us with high-quality food. It not only supplies valuable raw materials but also protects against avalanches and mudslides and regulates the climate. We have it in our hands to support nature in all that it does for us. One thing is certain, together we can achieve more:

Respectful in NATURE - CONSCIOUSLY together - foresightedly EXPERIENCE

## Respectful in nature

Take a deep breath and recharge, be outdoors and feel free. When we enjoy nature, we are guests in the living room of shy animals and rare plants. If you behave respectfully, they will gladly share their habitat with you in the future as well.

# Stay on paths and marked routes

If you follow the indicated paths and routes, you will certainly discover new favorite places. This also respects protected areas, as many animals and plants need special protection. Especially in winter, every disturbance costs wild animals unnecessary energy which they need to survive.

Avoid twilight and night times



Sart: Riezlern

Goal: Riezlern

Morning and evening hours are the times when most wild animals search for food. If disturbed, they become stressed, which can be life-threatening especially in winter. If it cannot be avoided, please stay on the marked path, do not use bright headlamps, and behave calmly.

#### Stay clean & take your rubbish with you

It goes without saying: take your rubbish back with you, both on the mountain and in the valley. Please also take biological waste, as composting is much slower at altitude. You can dispose of rubbish properly at home or in your accommodation — please remember, there are no public bins in Kleinwalsertal.

#### Using the nature toilet

If you look for a quiet spot, please stay at least 50 m away from water bodies. Bury excrement or cover with a large stone. Use leaves or recycled toilet paper and take the paper back with you in a rubbish bag.

# Touring with dogs

Do you always have your four-legged companion under control, even when he catches marmots, deer or other wildlife on the scent? If the dog follows its hunting instinct, wild animals can only flee. On a leash you are both on the safe side. Keep dogs on a short leash near grazing livestock. If an attack from a grazing animal seems imminent: immediately unleash. In the valley there are numerous dog stations for the disposal of dog waste bags. Farmers and alpine farmers will thank you, as manure on meadows and fields contaminates the fodder and makes the livestock sick.

## Conscious together

#### Be considerate of others

Everyone loves to enjoy a special spot for themselves. But mostly we are not alone. No problem, there is plenty of space. Take your time, give way to oncoming people, help if someone needs assistance, and always offer a smile. This way, friendly coexistence and relaxed enjoyment of nature are guaranteed.

## Appreciate the cultural landscape

Alpine landscapes impress with their contrasts: imposing peaks and natural forests alternate with gentle valleys, cultivated meadows and pastures. In Kleinwalsertal, this charming landscape at three altitude levels is no coincidence but the result of an interplay between natural and cultural landscapes. Behind this lies the work of farmers, alpine and forestry workers as well as hunters. Through their work, they ensure the attractiveness of the recreation and leisure area as well as biodiversity are preserved. We already say thank you if we stay on marked paths and enjoy regional products.

# Foresighted EXPERIENCE

## Safe on the route - for you and others

Whether in winter on a ski or snowshoe tour or in summer on a mountain route, anyone in alpine terrain must be well prepared. This includes careful information and route planning as well as the proper equipment. Properly assessing alpine hazards requires a lot of knowledge and experience. Why not learn from professionals and go on tour with one of the experienced guides?

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 Walserhaus Hirschegg.

Morning

-4 °C MOUNTAIN

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5°C VALLEY Moon

-1 °C MOUNTAIN

7°C VALLEY Evening

-2°C MOUNTAIN 2°C

VALLEY