SKI TOUR FROM THE IFEN CAR PARK TO THE STEINMANDL



SKI TOURING



TOUR DESCRIPTION

The ski tour to the **Steinmandl** (1,982 m) is a route to the local mountain of the Schwarzwasser hut. It offers ideal ski slopes and can also be easily combined with other summits.

The Schwarzwasser valley is also popular with winter hikers in winter. Especially on the first section to the Schwarzwasser hut, a little more consideration towards other winter sports enthusiasts is requested on ascent and descent. Then there is enough space and nature enjoyment for everyone.

Experience nature consciously stands for respectful coexistence among winter sports enthusiasts and towards nature. The described route takes into account the **designated forest-wildlife protection areas and wildlife rest zones** in the Schwarzwasser valley.

ROUTE DESCRIPTION

Ascent

The start of the route is at the Ifen car park, which can also be conveniently reached by bus (see "Arrival"). First, we follow the forest path along the Schwarzwasser stream, following the winter hiking trail, up to the Schwarzwasser hut (refreshment option, approx. 1,620m). Over the broad east ridge, which is located just behind the hut, we ascend to the summit.

Descent

The easier descent is along the ascent track. If conditions are safe, there is also a steeper/more beautiful descent through the basins located to the left of the east ridge in the direction of ascent. After arriving at the Schwarzwasser hut, we still have to push a little out of the valley.

RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT

Off marked pistes and paths, everyone is responsible for their own safety and must inform themselves about alpine hazards, especially avalanche danger. Weather conditions and snow conditions may require variations in the route.

The provided GPS track is only a suggestion. No liability can be assumed for the accuracy of the information.

EMERGENCY NUMBERS:

- 144 Alpine emergencies Vorarlberg
- 112 European emergency number (works with any mobile phone/network)

Important information for tour planning: The Schwarzwasser hut is expected to be closed until summer 2027 due to renovation works.

Complete ski touring equipment including avalanche emergency equipment: avalanche transceiver, shovel and probe (standard); optional backpack with avalanche airbag



FURTHER INFO & LINKS

Tips

Due to the longer approach through the initially flat Schwarzwasser valley, an overnight stay at the Schwarzwasser hut is recommended.

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Further links

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www.vorarlberg.travel/sicherheitstipps

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Morning -4 °C MOUNTAIN

2 °C VALLEY Noon -1 °C MOUNTAIN 6 °C

6°C VALLEY Evening -2 °C MOUNTAIN

2°C VALLEY