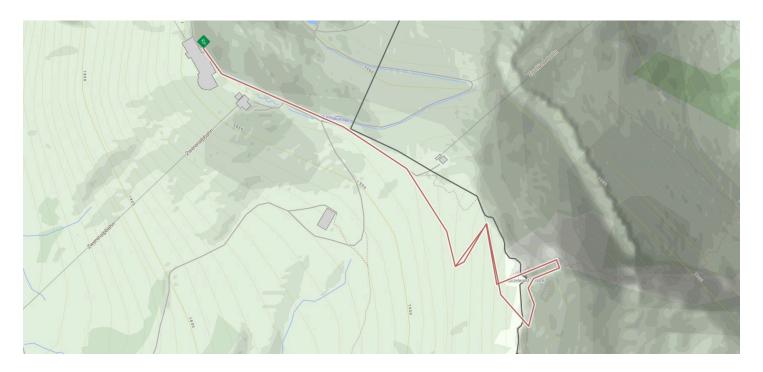
# KANZELWAND ADVENTURE VIA FERRATA



MEDIUM VIA FERRATA



## TOUR DESCRIPTION

The Kanzelwand Adventure Via Ferrata, also known as the Walsersteig, is a moderately difficult via ferrata (difficulty level B-C) located on the Kanzelwand. This short route is suitable for beginners as well as recreational climbers. A complete via ferrata set, surefootedness, and a head for heights are required. After a short and varied ascent, the summit offers stunning panoramic views of the Allgäu Alps, the Lechtal Alps, and the

The approach to the via ferrata starts from the top station of the Kanzelwand cable car, following a wide hiking trail along the ridge towards the Kanzelwand summit. Passing the top station of the Zweiländer chairlift, the trail winds through several switchbacks and leads very close to the rocks—almost directly to the Walsersteig entry point.

The via ferrata is continuously secured with cables. It begins with stepped terrain, passing over large rock blocks to a grassy ledge. After this corner, the route continues to one of its highlights: the Burmabridge, a 26-meter-long suspension cable bridge. Here lies the key section of the route: the steel cable leads beneath a rock wall (difficulty C) and continues with a short upward climb (difficulty B) to the via ferrata exit.

Afterward, a short detour leads to the Kanzelwand summit cross via the normal path, passing the via ferrata entry again, before returning to the Kanzelwand cable car top station.

#### **ROUTE DESCRIPTION**

Our tour starts at the mountain station of the Kanzelwandbahn. From here we follow the path / wide saddle in the direction of the Kanzelwand - summit. We continue to follow the well-signposted hiking trail in the direction of the Kanzelwand. After a few bends the path leads us very close to the rocks, past the stone field (which runs down to the left of us) we come directly to the entrance. The via ferrata is rope insured throughout, so we can follow the rope to the summit. After a short rest or a short detour to the summit cross, it goes down again. From the summit we follow the hiking trail back towards the Kanzelwandbahn.

## **RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT**

Alpine experience as well as absolute surefootedness and a head for heights required! Unsuitable for beginners and inexperienced users. No escape or emergency exit.

There is a danger to life in thunderstorms on via ferrata. Risk of falling rocks from people ahead. Commit at your own risk!

#### **EMERGENCY NUMBERS**

- 140 Alpine Emergencies Austria wide
- 144 Alpine Emergencies Vorarlberg
- 112 Euro-Emergencies (works with every mobile network)

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Goal: Riezlern

Condition

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Complete via ferrata equipment (climbing harness, via ferrata set, helmet), sturdy shoes, provisions and weatherproof clothing.

#### **FURTHER INFO & LINKS**

#### **Tips**

During the summer season, the Kleinwalsertal Mountain School offers via ferrata courses for beginners and families several times a week.

#### **Further links**

## How do you consciously experience nature?

Nature is so much more than the backdrop for unforgettable mountain experiences. It is a habitat for animals and plants. It provides drinking water and supplies us with high quality food. Not only does it provide valuable raw materials such as wood, it also protects against avalanches and mudslides and regulates the climate. It is up to us to support nature in everything that it does for us. One thing is certain, together we can achieve more:

#### **Smart in NATURE**

**CONSCIOUS** together

**EXPERIENCE** foresight

Smart in NATURE

Take a deep breath and recharge your batteries, be outside and feel free. When we enjoy nature, we are guests in the living room of shy animals and rare plants. If you behave smart, they will be happy to share their living space with you in the future too.

Stay on paths and marked routes

If you follow the marked paths and routes, you are sure to come to new favorite places. In this way you also respect protected areas, because many animals and plants need special protection. Especially in winter, any disturbance unnecessarily costs the wild animals the strength they need to survive.

## Avoiding twilight times

Standing on a mountain at sunrise is a special experience. The morning and evening hours are also the time when most wild animals are in search of food. If they are disturbed, they get stressed. If it cannot be avoided, please stay on the marked path, do not use a bright headlamp and enjoy the silence.

#### Stay clean & take rubbish with you

It goes without saying: You take rubbish with you again, on the mountain and in the valley. Please also organic waste, because it is composted much more slowly at altitude. You can dispose of the rubbish properly at home or in your accommodation - please remember that there are no rubbish bins in public spaces in Kleinwalsertal.

#### On the natural toilet

If you are looking for a quiet place, please be at least 50 m away from water. Bury excrement or cover it with a large stone. Use fallen leaves or recycled toilet paper and put the paper back in the trash bag.

## On tour with a dog

Are you always in control of your four-legged partner, even if he gets his nose for marmots, deer or other wild animals? You are both on the safe side on a leash. Keep dogs on a short leash near grazing cattle. If an attack by a grazing animal is foreseeable: leash off immediately. There are numerous dog stations in the valley for the disposal of dog bags. The farmers and alpine farmers thank you because manure in meadows and fields contaminates the feed and makes grazing cattle sick.

## **CONSCIOUS** to each other

## Consideration for other athletes and those looking for relaxation

Everyone loves to enjoy a special piece of earth for themselves. But most of the time we are not traveling alone. No problem, because there is enough space. Allow time, open the way in an accommodating manner, provide support when someone needs help and always give a smile. So nothing stands in the way of friendly cooperation and relaxed enjoyment of nature.

# Appreciating the preservation of the cultural landscape

Alpine landscapes are touching with their contrast: Imposing peaks and natural forests alternate with gentle valleys, well-tended meadows and pastures. In the Kleinwalsertal too, this delightful landscape at three altitudes is no coincidence, but the result of an interplay of natural and cultural landscapes. Behind this is the work of farmers, alpine and forestry as well as hunters. With their work, they ensure that the attractiveness of the recreation and leisure area and the diversity of species are preserved. We already say thank you if we stay on the marked trails and enjoy regional products.

#### **EXPERIENCE** farsighted

## Safe on tour - for you and others

Whether on a ski or snowshoe tour in winter or on a mountain tour in summer, anyone who is out and about in alpine terrain has to be well prepared. This includes careful information and tour planning as well as the right equipment. Correctly assessing alpine dangers 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 tour map (with hiking guide), scale 1:25,000; DAV hiking map, scale 1:25,000; the respective cards are available for a fee in the Walserhaus Hirschegg.





