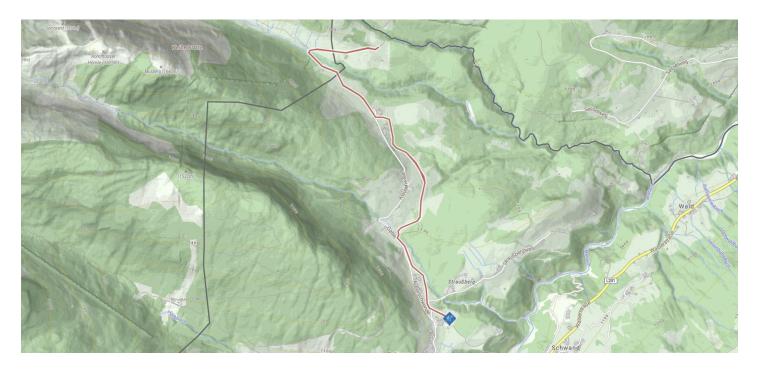
# WINTER HIKE FROM SCHWENDE TOWARDS OSTERBERG



MEDIUM WINTER HIKING



# **TOUR DESCRIPTION**

This diverse winter hiking trail is characterized by a variety of landscapes; it leads through agricultural villages, sunny hillside slopes, a snow-covered moorland, and spruce forests, ending in snow-blanketed mountain meadows. The winter hike starts at the Gasthof Bergblick and continues over sunny slopes with views of a charming moorland towards the Alpengasthof Hörnlepass.

From here, the winter trail runs partly parallel to the cross-country ski track, following the national border to the idyllic high valley basin in the Außerwald. The groomed winter trail ends on a sunny slope near an old barn, offering a highly rewarding view of the Allgäu and Kleinwalsertal peaks. The hike returns along the same route to the starting point.

## **ROUTE DESCRIPTION**

Riezlern / Schwende, Gasthof Bergblick - Klausenwald - Gasthof Hörnlepass - Außerwald - Gasthof Hörnlepass - Klausenwald - Gasthof Bergblick

### **RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT**

EMERGENCY NUMBER:

144 Alpine emergencies in Vorarlberg

112 Euro emergency number (works with any cell phone/network)

Sturdy shoes and weather-appropriate clothing. Hiking poles are recommended for steeper sections.

### **FURTHER INFO & LINKS**

Tips

The slopes in Schwende and Außerwald get sun early in the day, so it is possible to set off in the late morning. **Further links** 

The starting point of the winter hiking trail is located directly on the Schwendeloipe and runs parallel and very close to the groomed trail for part of the way. Winter hikers and cross-country skiers should be considerate of each other here. Pedestrians should not enter the trail, but remain on the winter hiking trails.

Natur Erlebnis Karte, M 1:12.000; Tourenkarte Kleinwalsertal (mit Wanderführer), M 1:25.000; DAV-Wanderkarte, M 1:25.000; die jeweiligen Karten sind kostenpflichtig im Walserhaus Hirschegg erhältlich.

