Oberer Armatin-Höhenweg | Bludenz

MODERATE | PANORAMIC | CABLE CAR ASCENT/DESCENT | FROM A TO B | GEOLOGICAL HIGHLIGHTS



Tour description

Beautiful hike along the revitalised Obere Armatin-Höhenweg down to Bludenz.

The tour begins with a leisurely ride up on the Muttersbergbahn. The hike begins at the mountain station and leads down a forest trail to the pond, and from there along the forest road toward Tiefenseesattel/Alpe Els. After about 1.5 km, the trail branches off onto a hiking trail toward the Armatin or Upper Armatin High Trail. The trail leads through shady forests and past the Armatin and Muttersberg ravines. Shortly after the Muttersberg ravine, the trail splits into the Upper Armatin Ridge Trail and the regular Armatin Ridge Trail. Keep left here and continue the hike on the Upper Armatin Ridge Trail. The revitalized trail continues to the Grünegg viewpoint. There, you can enjoy the view toward Walgau, Altmann, Säntis, and Hoher Kasten in Switzerland.

The trail continues through two more small ravines until it joins Furklastraße (a forest road). Follow the forest road downhill until the hiking trail branches off to the right. Then switch to the hiking trail and follow it downhill to the Wasserschloss. Finally, walk a short distance along the road to the starting point at the Muttersbergbahn valley station.

The Armatin High Trail above Bludenz has a long history. It was originally built to secure the wild ravines above Bludenz and thus protect the city of Bludenz and the town of Nüziders. Over time, the trail fell into disrepair.

Thanks to the initiative of Karl-Heinz Dobler, the Vorarlberg Alpine Club, and other volunteers, the trail was restored in 2023 and made accessible to hikers. The revitalization also provided an opportunity to learn more about the history of the torrent control structures above Bludenz.

Along the trail, there are three information panels that provide insights into this history. Additional information can be accessed via QR codes on the panels.

- Historical Background & General Information
- Torrential Stream Control Structures and Engineering Works
- Bludenz Water Protection Areas & Drinking Water Supply

Public transport

City bus line 501, stop "Seilbahn Muttersberg"

Timetable enquiry online at www.vmobil.at

03:00 h duration	**7,87 km** Length
1391 m Highest point	**662 m** Lowest point
198 m Ascent	**911 m** Descent

Start	Alpine guesthouse Muttersberg
Finish	Muttersberg Cable Car
Tour type	Hiking trail
Difficulty	Moderate

Elevation profile



Condition	
Difficulty	
Result	
Landscape	

Best time of year

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
○	○	○	○	○	✓
JUL	**AUG**	**SEP**	**OCT**	**NOV**	**DEC**
✓	✓	✓	✓	○	○

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Parking

Car park at the valley station of the Muttersberg cable car (subject to charge)

Directions

Muttersberg cable car mountain station - pond - forest road towards Tiefenseesattel/Alpe Els - junction - Armatin-Höhenweg or Oberer Armatin-Höhenweg - Armatintobel - Muttersbergtobel - junction onto Oberer Armatin-Höhenweg - hiking trail - junction with Furklastraße - Furklastraße (forest road) - hiking trail - Muttersberg cable car valley station

Safety instructions

EMERGENCY CALL
140 Alpine emergencies Austria-wide
144 Alpine emergencies Vorarlberg
112 Euro-emergency call (works with any mobile phone/network)

www.alpenregion-vorarlberg.com/sicherheitstipps-wandern

Equipment

Ankle-high hiking boots with treaded soles, sun and rain protection, snack, filled water bottle and first aid kit. Hiking poles are recommended. Mobile phone in case of emergency.

Tips

For those who prefer to hike uphill and then take the cable car down to the valley, this tour can also be done in the opposite direction.

Safety in the mountains

EN NOTRUF:

EN 140 - Alpine Notfälle österreichweit

EN 144 - Alpine Notfälle Vorarlberg

EN 112 - Euro-Notruf (funktioniert mit jedem Handy/Netz)

further information