

Fürstensteig

Vaduz 455m. - Berggasthaus Gaflei 1483m. - Fürstensteig - Barellakamin 1910m. - Bargellasattel - Berggasthaus Gaflei.

Starting point: Berggasthaus Gaflei 1483m., Triesenberg, Triesen (Liechtenstein) (Parkingspace at the hotel). [Liechtenstein - Vaduz - Triesenberg].

Total time: about 3.

Difficulties: *Spectacular route along the almost sheer rock-faces. Secured with steel wire ropes and a few steel steps where needed.*

Rating: ***

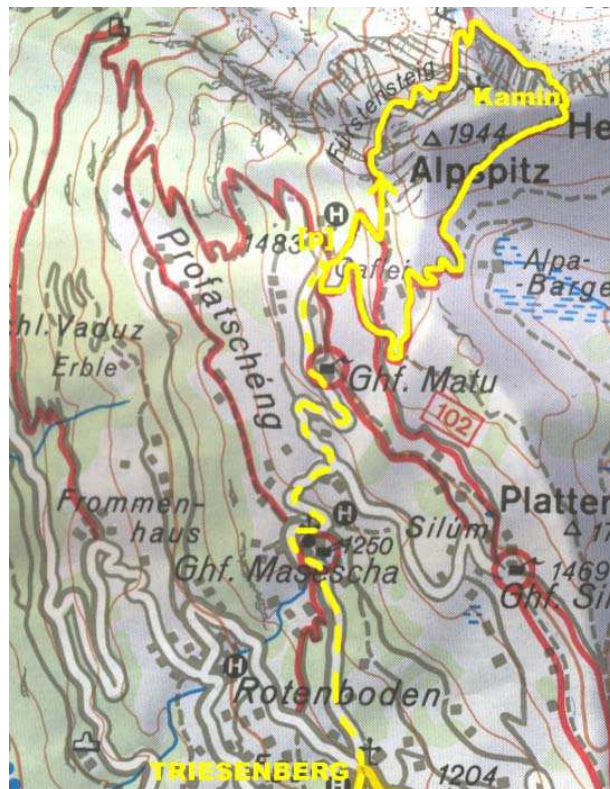
Why worthy?: Adventurous climb and great view to the valley a 1000m. below.

ROUTE DESCRIPTION:

This tour isn't in Vorarlberg, it isn't even in Austria, we have to go to principality *Liechtenstein*. Because it is nearby Feldkirch this tour is part of the Feldkirch Region Tours.

From *Feldkirch*, pass the border at *Schaanwald* and *Schaan* towards *Vaduz*. In the centre of *Vaduz*, go to the left, upwards towards *Triesenberg* and *Malbun*. At *Triesenberg* we follow the road signs towards *Gaflei*. Past hotel *Matu* we arrive at *Berggasthaus Gaflei*. You can park at the hotel (also a bus stop).

A sign points towards *Fürstensteig*. A gravel road goes upwards towards a junction. Here we go to the left. First we stay in the woods for a short while, then the path goes along the rock-faces: this is *Fürstensteig*! Most of the time, you don't have a clue how to get along those sheer rocks, it's really amazing!



The route leads to a turnstile and a bit further to a sign '*Gafleisattel*'. Here straight on towards *Kamin Bargella* (signpost). Over this new, broad path we climb 100 metres in height to *Kamin*, a sort of passage through the rocks. Now we descend towards the signpost *Gaflei - Mesescha* and over alps we get back to *Berggasthaus Gaflei*.

My parents and I made this tour during the summer of 1996

Difficulties:

* = Moderately easy tour (also perfect for a late afternoon walk). 2 hours max.

** = With some physical condition, no difficulties. From 1 to 3 hours max.

*** = Average tour, a moderately, good physical condition is needed! 2 till 4 hours max.

**** = Difficult tour. Sometimes you have to use your hands to climb (not all the way, just some parts). Between 3 and 6 hours.

***** = Very difficult tour. Here you're at the boundary of 'real' mountaineering. The 'climbing factor' takes the overhand. Mostly between 5 and 7 hours.

ps: some tours can be different than these ratings (like: a ** tour, with a duration of only 2 hours).***
