# **HEUBERG ROUND**







## **TOUR DESCRIPTION**

Tourism office Hirschegg Walserhaus heading towards Mittelberg, after about 50 m via the Gerbeweg to the Panorama path, past the chairlift and Protestant church to the SuiteHotel Kleinwalsertal, keep left, over Parsennlift to Schwarzwassertalstraße, then descend right to the Wäldele junction, turn left at the sports field and along the Schwarzwasserbach, past the waterfall to the Kessellöcher (steep ascent), left into Schwarzwassertalstraße, right at the fox farm into Rohrweg, past the paddling pool to the main road, cross the main road, descend by Sport Rief, via Haldeweg and Dürenbodenstraße back to the starting point Tourism office Hirschegg Walserhaus.

## **ROUTE DESCRIPTION**

50% asphalt, 50% gravel path

#### **RECOMMENDED EQUIPMENT**

**EMERGENCY CALL:** 140 Alpine emergencies Austria-wide 144 Alpine emergencies Vorarlberg 112 Euro emergency call (works with any mobile phone/network) www.vorarlberg.travel/sicherheitstipps

Sturdy footwear. Hiking poles recommended for steeper sections. Rainproof clothing and headgear if necessary.

## **FURTHER INFO & LINKS**

### Further links

## How do you consciously experience nature?

Nature is 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, but it also protects against avalanches and mudslides and regulates the climate. It is in our hands to support nature in all that it does for us. One thing is certain, together we can achieve more:

Respectfully in NATURE – CONSCIOUSLY together – far-sightedly EXPERIENCE Respectfully in nature

Breathe deeply and recharge, be outdoors and feel free. When we enjoy nature, we are guests in the living room of shy animals and rare plants. If you behave respectfully, they will gladly share their habitat with you in the future as well.

#### Stay on paths and marked routes

If you follow the designated paths and routes, you will surely discover new favorite places. This also respects protected areas, because many animals and plants need special protection.



Goal: Hirschegg

Especially in winter, every disturbance costs wild animals unnecessary energy they need to survive.

#### Avoid dawn and nighttime

Morning and evening hours are when most wild animals search for food. If disturbed, they become stressed, which can be life-threatening for them especially in winter. If unavoidable, please stay on the marked path, do not use bright headlamps, and remain calm.

## Stay clean & take your trash with you

It goes without saying: take your trash back with you, both in the mountains and in the valley. Please also take biological waste because composting is much slower at higher elevations. You can dispose of trash correctly at home or your accommodation — please note there are no trash bins in public spaces in the Kleinwalsertal.

#### In the natural toilet

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

#### With dog on the route

Do you always have your four-legged partner under control, even if he smells marmots, deer, or other wild animals? If the dog follows his hunting instinct, wild animals have only flight left. On a leash you are both safe. Near grazing livestock, keep dogs on a short leash. If an attack by a grazing animal is expected: immediately release the leash. In the valley, there are numerous dog stations for disposing of dog bags. Farmers and alpine keepers thank you because feces in meadows and fields contaminate fodder and make the livestock sick.

#### Conscious together

#### Be considerate of others

Everyone loves to enjoy a special little spot. But often we are not alone. No problem, there is enough space. Take your time, make way for oncoming people, help if someone needs it, and always share a smile. This way, nothing stands in the way of friendly interaction and relaxed enjoyment of nature.

#### Appreciate the cultural landscape

Alpine landscapes touch through their contrasts: impressive peaks and natural forests alternate with gentle valleys, well-maintained meadows, and pastures. In the Kleinwalsertal, this charming landscape at three altitude levels is no coincidence, but the result of an interplay of nature and cultural landscapes. Behind it is the work of farmers, alpine and forestry economies, as well as hunters. Through their work, they ensure that the attractiveness of the recreational area and the biodiversity are preserved. We say thank you already when we stay on marked paths and enjoy regional products.

## Far-sighted experience

## Safe on the route - for you and others

Whether in winter on a ski or snowshoe trip or in summer on a mountain tour, anyone traveling in alpine terrain must be well prepared. This includes thorough information and route planning as well as the right equipment. Correctly assessing alpine hazards requires much knowledge and experience. Why not learn from professionals and go on a route with one of the experienced guides?

Nature Experience Map, scale 1:12,000; Kleinwalsertal route map (with hiking guide), scale 1:25,000; DAV hiking map, scale 1:25,000; the respective maps are available for purchase at the Walserhaus Hirschegg.

Morning -3 °C
MOUNTAIN
-2 °C
VALLEY



Evening -1 °C MOUNTAIN -1 °C VALLEY