

Women on a Mission Tour- day 2

Walking time	05:00 h
Time Uphill	05:00 h
Route Length	16.1 km
Difficulty	Middle
altitude meters uphill	1222 hm
highest point	2262 m
Stamina	

Skills

Route Start	Gerlos Ort
Route End	Zittauer Hütte



Description

On top of the world

Suitably fortified with a hearty Zillertal breakfast, our day begins in Gerlos. You can, if you want, leave your car at the car park of the Iskogelbahn cable car. From there we follow a wonderfully scenic route alongside the stream in an easterly direction. Initially the walk takes us through the pleasant coolness of the forest to the dam wall of the Durlaßboden reservoir. After crossing the dam crest we continue along a picturesque forest trail beside the edge of the reservoir. This hiking trail lets you enjoy nature at its very finest! After passing the rustic Bärschlagalm mountain hut, we follow a short section of paved road that offers breathtaking views of lush, green meadows and grazing cattle before we reach the Alpengasthof Finkau inn. For lovers of good food this is the perfect place to stop and enjoy the mouth-watering local specialities served there. The pork, beef and game used in the home-made dishes are all locally sourced. If you feel it's too early for the first stop, then you can continue a bit further and enjoy a hearty snack in the Trisslalm hut while taking in the spectacular mountain view.

The landlord will gladly give you information on the surrounding mountains, tracks and routes. Rested and fortified with the hut's home-produced and home-made products, the hike really gets down to business over the next 2,5 hours. Enjoy the first fantastic ascent up a wide trail to the goods cable lift station of the Zittauer Hütte.

The next ascent, steeper and somewhat rougher, is sure to get your pulse really going before we reach today's final destination, the Zittauer Hütte. The route across the rock slabs takes us past a waterfall, followed by a spectacular vista of the Reichenspitz mountain range and its glaciers. The hut's idyllic setting beside the lower Wildgerlossee lake at the foot of the Reichenspitz range is truly unique. Equally exceptional is the unforgettable view of the jagged landscape of the Wildgerlos glaciers which you can enjoy from the hut's sun-drenched terrace while savouring a cool, refreshing drink. Enjoy! You've earned it!

