Grabenbach / Jabron

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Create: 2023-03-09 20:49:53	**Update:** 2026-05-22 15:38:51	**Print:** 2026-11-10 11:11:04
Country: Österreich / Austria **Region:** Oberösterreich **Subregion:** Bezirk Gmunden **Town:** Bad Ischl		
Difficulty: not as difficult	**Grading:** v3 a3 III	**Total time:** 4h55
Approachtime: 30min	**Tourtime:** 4h15	**Returntime:** 10min
Altitude entry: 750m	**Altitude exit:** 550m	**Delta Altitude:** 200m
Canyon length: 1600m	**Highest rapell:** 15m	**Amount rapells:** 11
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:** limestone	**Drainage area:** km²
Season:	**Orientation:** North	**Best Time:** 11-15 o'clock
Rating: ☆ 3.8 (12)	**Info:** ★ 2.5 (6)	**Belay:** ★ 2.4 (10)

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 2x40m
drill tool,

Summary: (machine translated)
Be sure to check the water level before starting the tour; good physical condition and surefootedness required; slippery throughout; double cascade dangerous at high water level; many walking and climbing passages; many rappelling points are in the water stream; some jumps can be made with caution.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
Coming from Strobel am Wolfgangsee direction. Bad Ischl --> after the tunnel turn right into the Rettenbachtal --> after the bridge at the innkeeper follow the mountain road/gravel road (sign dead end) --> !Do not drive to the exit of the road, but park at a large street alcove on the left (here branches off a small forest road on the right)

Approach: (machine translated)
From the parking lot, follow the forest road down--> before the bridge, the water level can be read at the wooden measuring station house--> after the bridge, always along the steep forest road--> past the excavator crash memorial plaque --> to the clearing (level) --> here still before the raised stand right into the stream (red small iron bridge at the entry!).
Entry also possible directly above the "Doppler".

Tour: (machine translated)
After the bridge there is the first slide, which can be downclimbed and jumped --> after a short walking passages there is a 12m long slide.
rappel into the 'Dome' --> after the 'Dome' follows a longer walking passage --> in the upper part of the canyon is the well known double cascade (ca. 2x15m rappel with deep pools) which can be very dangerous at high water levels --> at the double cascade there are enough pitons to build up a ropeway system (for jumping pros the second 15m rappel would be jumpable after checking the depth) --> after this point there are several slippery walking/climbing passages and smaller rappel steps in the middle of the gorge --> ideally there are also several jumping points (mostly very slippery) --> the middle and final part take the most time because of the varied places, strength and concentration --> at the end of the canyons to the confluence with the Rettenbach --> get off here. The tour is now well drilled so that you can find several possibilities in many places.

Return: (machine translated)
At the point where you meet the Rettenbach, it is best to walk upstream along the bank for about 20 m and then cross the Rettenbach.
On the opposite side you will find an initially inconspicuous path that leads in a few minutes to the forest road.
When you reach the forest road, walk back about 100m to the right until you reach the parking lot.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 47.6806 13.6945
Alternative Canyon Start 47.6859 13.6858
Canyon End 47.6924 13.6803
Parking Entry and Exit 47.6932 13.6838

Reports:

2025-08-28 | Montie | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ | 🕮 ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
It would make sense to separate the upper and lower part of this canyon (superiore & inferiore, obere & untere etc.). The upper part isn't bad, but the two small rappels, of which one is nice, and a small slide just don't quite make up for the following hike to the lower part. The upper part for me is very much an optional part, which on repeat I would probably leave out. The lower part was, however, much nicer than expected. Perhaps we were lucky, because it wasn't very slippery at all. The water level was nice, no complications or dangers. Nice rappels, some jumps (though a few currently not possible due to the logs in the pools) and narrow sections. Entry for the upper part is not at the clearing but slightly beyond it at a concrete bridge. As for the duration: I was a bit sick, so we (2 people) took our time, had a 20 minute break in between, managed to miss the path out and took a way longer route back, and we still did not need the full 5 hours.

2025-08-15 | Gabriel | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Low | 👍 Completed
We did the tour in pairs. Some places have to be downclimbed. There are anchors at the higher points. Very beautiful and varied canyon. Total time under 4 hours (machine translated)

2025-06-19 | Max H. | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Low | 👍 Completed
Canyon has changed somewhat, Nasensprung is closed with tree trunks and shallow, individual excavator plates have been washed away and can now be found further down. (machine translated)

2025-05-16 | Badegruber Friedrich | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ | 🕮 | ⚓ ★ ★ ★ | ≋ Low | 👍 Completed
Tour has changed a lot since last year. In the meantime, an anchor has torn out on the Doppler, I have replaced the fixed ropes. Jump at the next pool no longer works. The excavator is further ahead but is stable. The blockage on the left is now in the pool so jumping over the nose is no longer possible. The rest of the tour is almost the same as always, some of the obstructions are new, others are gone. (machine translated)

2025-05-01 | Manuel | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 | ⚓ ★ ★ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
Absolutely great tour We had a lot of fun. Thanks to the guys who fixed a few new ropes (machine translated)

2024-08-31 | Joey CIA | ☆ ☆ ½ | 🕮 | ⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Low | 👍 Completed
Stands Ok, lots of pushing in the first part of the canyon. (machine translated)

2024-03-09 | Horst Lambauer | ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
Tour was walked. All stands ok. Slippery as always. Times: 4 experienced/athletic people Total: 3:15 Access: 35 min Upper part incl. getting dressed: 1h Lower part: 1.5h Way back: 10 min (machine translated)

2023-11-04 | Wolfgang | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 | ⚓ ★ ★ ★ | ≋ High | 👍 Completed
Used the "nicer" day between rainy days to try the Grabenbach again with more water. Equipped with good knowledge of the canyon, floating anchors etc. it was challenging but also a lot of fun. (machine translated)

2023-10-15 | Wolfgang | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ ★ | ≋ Low | 👍 Completed
The Grabenbach presented itself today in very nice condition; although rather little water, this for it clear and the pools well flushed that you can jump almost everywhere (where you want). Almost not at all slippery it made a lot of fun (only towards the end it would be more and more slippery). Actually we wanted to get in at the Doppler, but we got lost on the approach and then we were already up at the small inconspicuous bridge. Especially the upper part was as good as not slippery and made (surprisingly) a lot of fun. Well set up , partly with fixed ropes. (machine translated)

2023-07-15 | Patrick Summerer | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Low | 👍 Completed
Most stands OK, partly the glue is somewhat broken out at the glue hooks. The pools are well washed out, many jumps possible! (machine translated)

2023-03-09 | System User | ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 | ⚓ | |
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