Kronburger Tobel

Kronburgschlucht,Kronburger Bach,Schönwies Canyon,"Crazy Banana",Kronburger Schlucht,Kronburgbach

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Country: Österreich / Austria **Region:** Tirol **Subregion:** Bezirk Landeck **Town:** Schönwies		
Difficulty: a little difficult	**Grading:** v4 a3 V	**Total time:** 5h
Approachtime: 45min	**Tourtime:** 4h	**Returntime:** 15min
Altitude entry: 1130m	**Altitude exit:** 800m	**Delta Altitude:** 330m
Canyon length: 1000m	**Highest rapell:** 25m	**Amount rapells:** 30
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:** dolomite	**Drainage area:** 10.00km²
Season:	**Orientation:** Northwest	**Best Time:** 9-16 o'clock
Rating: ☆ 4 (17)	**Info:** ★ 2.5 (14)	**Belay:** ★ 2.1 (15)

Warnings:

Mudflow

Canyon is prone to floods and mudflows. The river bed may change again and the anchors damaged or missing. Before committing, evaluation must be done, based on recent weather events. State of the anchors should be checked before pulling back the rope. Bolting kit useful, but anchor placement has to be sensible.

Specialities:

Gear:

Ropes: 2x35m

Summary:

Technical abseilcanyon renowned for its continuity, dark atmosphere, little to no escape route and devastating floods/mudflows that put the anchors to the test. Before committing one must evaluate current state of the canyon and avoid rain or thunderstorms at all cost.

Hydrology:

Water capture above, and release in the canyon halfway. Devastating floods with mud and other debris such as trees, most likely caused by the rupture of natural dams in/above the canyon.

Access:

Exit the Inntalautobahn A12 at Schönwies/Mils east of Landeck. At the western end of Schönwies, turn left off the main road into the village. Kronburg is signposted. Follow the mini-signs to Kronburg (west of the railroad and then into the forest). After 5 minutes the road leads over a bridge, park here.

Approach:

From the P we head to the bridge to check waterlevels and find a small, very straightforward trail on the orographic R with many viewpoints into the canyon and possible intermediate entrances. Your loss if you choose not to do the upper canyon. We continue steep, neglecting the panoramic hiking trail, until we reach a tunnel (road on our left). After the tunnel we continue 100m to easily descend into the river bed, backtracking these 100m to the start of the canyon.

Tour:

Multiple intermediate entrances exist that are only interesting for commercial tours, described here is the full tour. The entrance abseil originally was from a tree (at the exit of the approach tunnel). Now, an anchor is to be found on a large boulder R. Best not to pull back the rope yet, but check the state of the anchor on the second and highest abseil (+-30m) of the tour (R, two glue-in bolts, damaged since many years). A continuous string of smaller abseils follow, some of which are newer (2022-2024) and well-protected, recommended is to stay in the rope, to access the anchors. The lower canyon is excessively bolted, and often with fixed ropes. Two emergency exits now, one L and another R with fixed rope to ascend and reach the bridge in 5 min.

Return:

Either exit using the fixed rope R and reach the bridge/parking in 5 min. or continue in the canyon until we reach the Inn valley, return R via a small straightforward trail that cuts through the woods and back to the road.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 47.1768 10.6442
Canyon End 47.1827 10.6346
Alternative Canyon Start 47.1794 10.6399
Alternative Canyon Start 47.1810 10.6365
Parking Entry and Exit 47.1824 10.6366

Reports:

2025-10-19 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Kronburger Schlucht (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22070/observations.html)

2025-09-21 | Lukas Bergauer | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Fünf Personen in 1h50min - alles top.

2025-09-08 | Wido | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
All found well, the tracks of the flood are still very impressive. (machine translated)

2025-08-22 | Alex Arnold | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Beautiful canyon, good conditions. 1h45 for the whole thing for two (machine translated)

2025-07-11 | Jeroen Kirchner | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Flood happened. The river bed further flattened out and a couple of natural dams one of which near the water release (picture) is particularly unstable (more rocks may need removing). Most of the anchors are fairly unimpacted though partially covered in mud. Two lines got their redundant anchors & the abalakov was replaced though no longer necessary (it was part of an experiment with releasable systems and it should be possible to downclimb now). Used the exit with fixed rope shortly before the bridge.

2025-06-23 | Florian Heufler | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 High | 👍 Completed
Inspection as part of the canyoning rescuers' training course for the Tyrol Mountain Rescue Service Water level slightly higher today, but no rise or automatic flushing (machine translated)

2025-05-04 | Andreas Gobber | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
We were in there today when the water level was low and the "automatic rake" wasn't working today. We got in at the 35m rappel (classic "Area47" entry) and did the Kronburg to the exit. All the stands are usable here (but not all are good!) and you can get through without any problems. As usual, you can find a video of the tour on Instagram at https://www.instagram.com/reel/DJTnOoqgT9o/?igsh=Zjd4OWNidTVmMzZt (machine translated)

2025-04-11 | Jeroen Kirchner | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
All ingredients are united for a new devastating flood/natural dam to build. To appreciate, one should do the top start (at the tunnel), notice the moving rocks and trees that have been cut and fallen/thrown into the river bed. If these rocks or trees are not there, it is best not to enter unprepared! Regarding the broken anchor: its location is in the flow, hence impossible to replace in a durable way. Let's try sth new. I've placed an abalakov/Sanduhr with 12mm drill in the most obvious location. When damaged or missing, it should be easier to replace than a broken bolt.

2025-04-06 | Gregor Bernsteiner | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
from entry stand 35 - stand 08 (guide Riml/Amor). Few bolts damaged. !!!!Attention 1 bolt broken!!!! But still easy to walk on. The water level rose significantly for an hour!!! (machine translated)

2025-03-28 | Clarissa Linder | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
See previous comments. 1 loose bolt at the exit of a fixed rope! (machine translated)

2024-10-18 | Jeroen Kirchner | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Water levels are stable, some pools are clean of gravel. Did another effort to remove damaged anchors, in total since i started with this +-40 anchors. Warning: 1 glue-in with ring (right bank, half-way the canyon) is broken, but still may be of use since this passage is practically downclimbable without aid. 3 hours for the full canyon in 3 persons.

2024-10-11 | Manuel Reindl | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Water level very low. Stands ok. Upper and middle part walked on. (machine translated)

2024-09-06 | Jeroen Kirchner | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Removed many of the fixed ropes before the heavy rains that are forecasted. Noticed a couple of new trees and (not stainless & some unnecessary) steel anchors.

2024-06-14 | Max Rudholzer | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
At present, we strongly advise against visiting the Kronburg. There are unresolved problems with the power plant