

Gornerbach

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Country: Schweiz / Switzerland **Region:** Kanton Uri **Subregion:** Gurtnellen **Town:** Gurtnellen

Difficulty:	Grading: v? a? ?	Total time: 3h50
Approach time: 45min	Tour time: 3h	Return time: 5min
Altitude entry: 1200m	Altitude exit: 820m	Delta Altitude: 380m
Canyon length: 500m	Highest rappel: 40m	Amount rapells:
Transport: on Foot	Rock type:	Drainage area: 17.00km ²
Season: September - November	Orientation:	Best Time:
Rating: ★ 0 ()	Info: ★ 0 ()	Belay: ★ 0 ()

Specialities:

Gear:

Ropes: 2x 40m

Summary:

(machine translated)

Beautiful waterfall on the Gotthard.

Hydrology:

Access:

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From the small town of Amsteg in the canton of Uri, take the old road (Gotthardstrasse) for 6.8 kilometers up the valley in the direction of Gotthard.

Turn right at the crossroads and drive 160 meters in the direction of Gurtnellen on the village road.

After crossing the bridge over the valley, keep left towards the metal factory.

Park in the large parking lot on the left-hand side (end of the road).

Approach:

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Go back a few dozen meters to pass under the railroad bridge and climb the stairs. Back on the tarmac, turn left to find the rest of the path, which also leads up steps.

You reach asphalt again and keep left to reach the departure of the cable car.

Now follow the tracks. Soon you will find a nice path that winds along the pressure pipe until you reach a small chapel.

From here, continue along the funicular and then beyond the terminus on a beautiful path.

Soon you will find a beautiful path that branches off to the left and joins the Gornerbach a few minutes later.

Tour:

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In many places it should be possible to leave the streambed, except at the abseiling points.

There is no swimming on this section, but there are some watered rappels that can be dangerous if the water level is high, especially after you cross the small wooden bridge before the C30. Please keep a low profile at this stage of the walk as the trail is a place of "gathering"....

The first part of the trail can be walked even if the current is strong, but the very slippery rock must make this part very acrobatic! The rest should be avoided as the pool drops off to the right between the 30 and the 17 abseil, not to mention the abseil itself, which is watered plenty when the water level is normal.

July to October, depending on snow conditions, seems to be a good time.

Partly slippery downclimb without anchors.

Return:

Coordinates:

Canyon Start [46.7300 8.6073](#)

Parking Entry and Exit [46.7262 8.6179](#)

Canyon End [46.7257 8.6167](#)

Reports:

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