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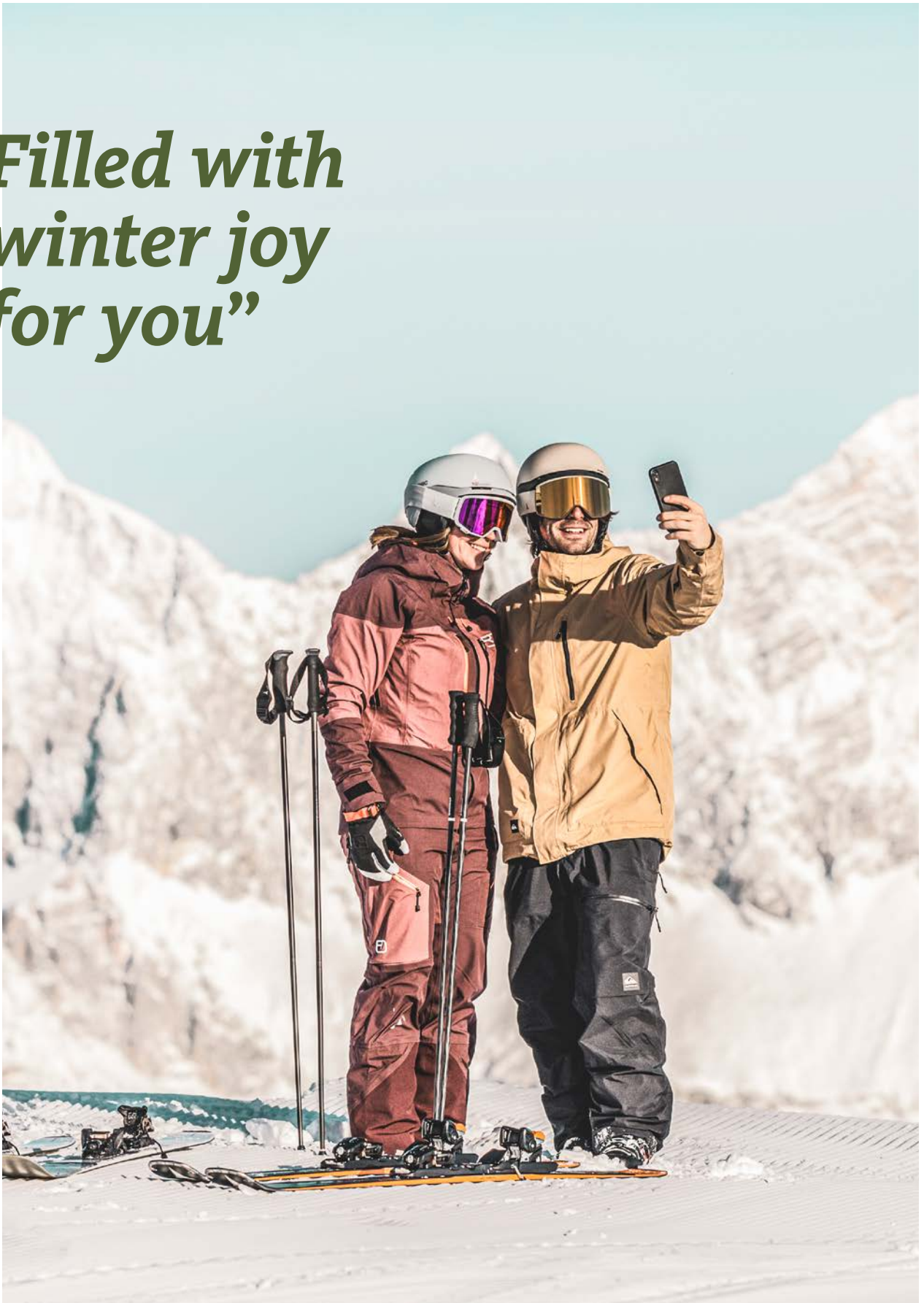
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SCHLADMING
DACHSTEIN



***“Filled with
winter joy
for you”***





Welcome

We're there for you if you want to experience true happiness on your winter holiday. In our magazine you can find out how and where to find what makes you happy, in the Schladming-Dachstein region.

Dizzying heights. Tour tips for summiteers. Glistening cross-country skiing trails and perfect slopes. The feeling of bliss. Cinnamon-spiced mulled wine at the Advent market and a delicious Kaiserschmarren in the ski lodge. Insider tips from the local communities and all you need to know about the new mountain station on Dachstein. The spectacular night slalom, the brilliant ski opening and activities off the slopes. Reliable, good quality service with the personal touch to top it all off. All this makes up the Schladming-Dachstein holiday region. In a nutshell, it is more than just another destination. What sets us

apart is our Styrian culture, our mentality, rural life, our traditions and genuine hospitality. We are very proud of our region and are happy to invite guests from all over the world to immerse themselves in our world – to collect happy memories, to enjoy winter in all its glory, to make their stay unforgettable, and to bring our guests closer to the Schladming-Dachstein region. The “FürDich Magazine” is here to make all this easier. As the name suggests, everything important is summarised here for you. We hope it's a pleasure to read and wish you a winter wonderland full of joy as you find your happiness in the Dachstein region!



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We are there for you!



Tracks in deep snow

Freeriding in the Schladming-Dachstein region is unique. Professional Jochen Becker gives you invaluable tips for excellent preparation.

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Megastars Bryan Adams, Sting and Simply Red will really heat things up at Planai Stadium for three days.



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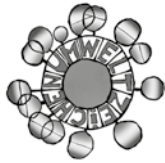
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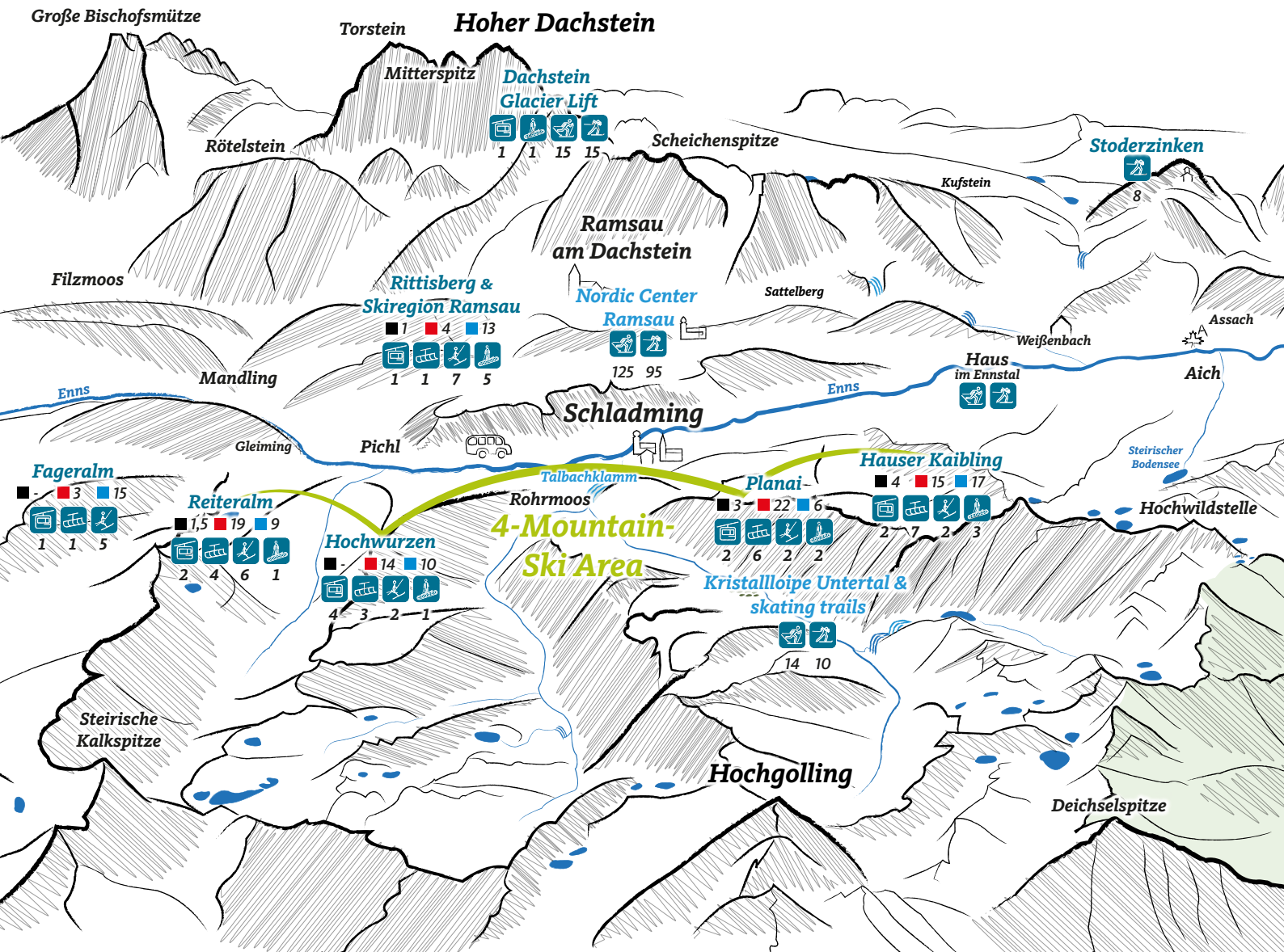
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SÖLKTÄLER NATURE PARK

Unlimited Skiing Fun



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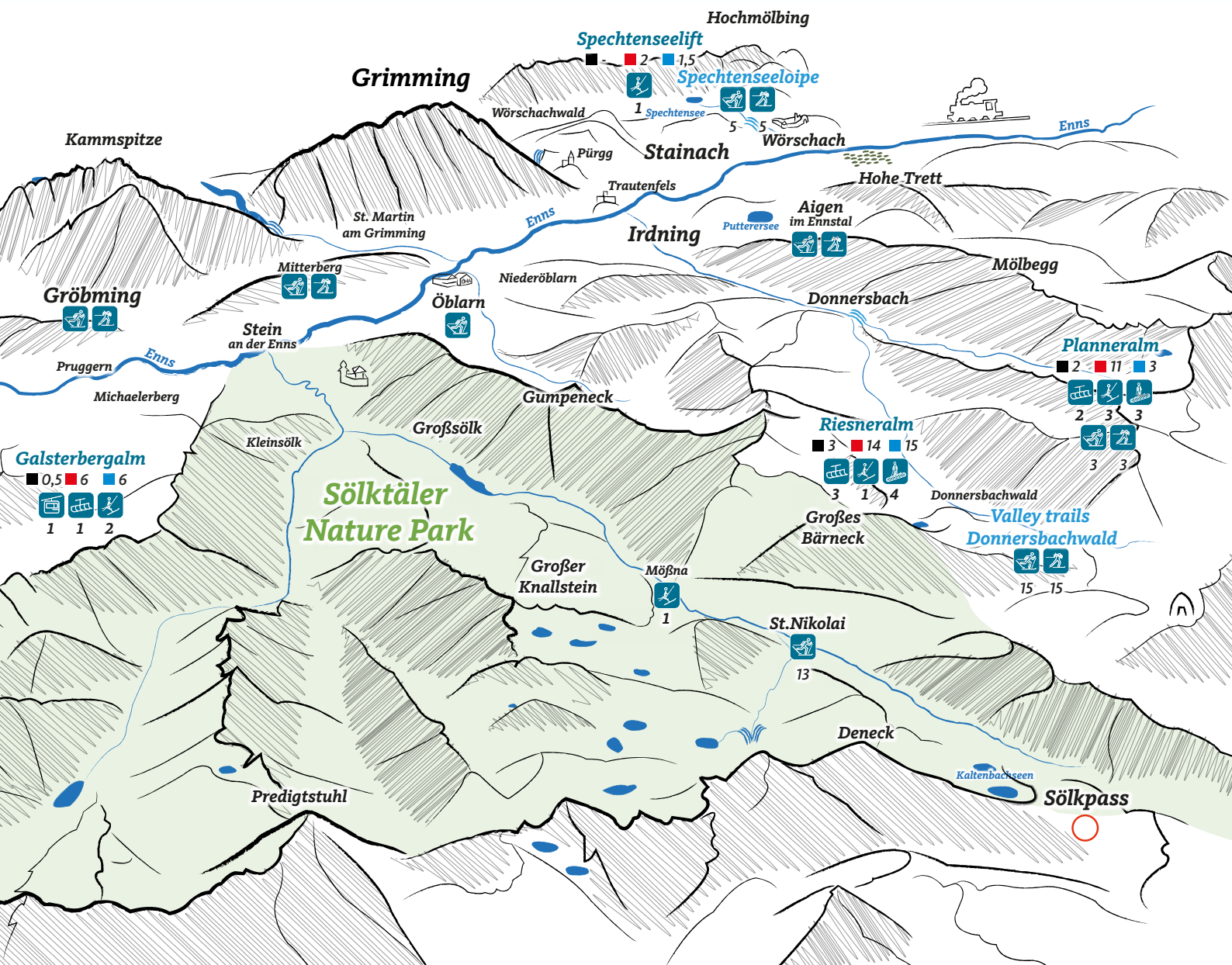
Blue piste: easy



Red piste: medium-difficult



Black piste: difficult



Winter



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***“You will
enjoy every
single turn”***

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Snow *update*

The ski lift operators are once again setting things in motion and greatly expanding the winter experience. Here you can find the latest information about new ski lifts, cable cars and stations, as well as special offers. We also provide detailed information on our most important ski mountains.

Connecting people and mountains – that has always been the task of the ski lift operators. This year, winter holidaymakers can look forward to attractive new features on several ski mountains.

Travel up in comfort with the new gondola “Rohrmoos I”

The connection from Schladming to Rohrmoos is now provided by a modern Doppelmayr 10-passenger cable car. The new “Rohrmoos I” lift has a capacity of 2,300 passengers per hour. 30 panoramic gondolas ensure maximum passenger comfort. A first in the Schladming 4-mountain ski circuit is that skis can be taken into the cabins of the new cable car. In addition, the spacious panoramic gondolas offer plenty of space for other sports equipment such as snowboards. This makes boarding and exiting quicker and, above all, easier, which is a bonus for families with small children.

Very multifunctional: the new Planai West valley station

The newly designed “Planai West” valley station is another high-quality centre for winter sports enthusiasts. In combination with the new 10-passenger “Rohrmoos I” cable car, this creates an attractive access point to two ski mountains: Planai and Hochwurzen. The renovated valley station offers optimal infrastructure for winter sports fans, including the new “WESTend” lounge, a large sports store, improved access and exit options with escalators and lifts, as well as state-of-the-art ski depots. Particular attention was paid to contemporary architecture. Thanks to its convenient location within walking distance of the Schladming train station, the new valley station is also easily accessible for day guests arriving by train.



NEW “ROHRMOOS I” GONDOLA

NEW from winter 2024/25: The most powerful chairlift in Styria

High performance: new 8-seater chairlift at Hauser Kaibling

Reaching the highest mountain in the 4-mountain ski circuit has become an even greater combination of superlatives. The new 8-seater chairlift “Kaiblinggrat” from the renowned manufacturer Leitner has replaced the previous 4-seater chairlift “Quattralpina” from 1992, and is the most powerful chairlift in Styria. With a speed of 6 metres per second, it transports up to 3,600 passengers per hour to 1,868 m above sea level in just 4.5 minutes.

This chairlift helps you soar to new heights

The little ones are also reaching new heights: the conveyor belt at the access has a riser that automatically raises children smaller than 1.25 m by 15 cm so that they can sit comfortably and safely. The 68 ultra-modern premium 8-seater seats, complete with hood, seat heating and individual footrests, take you swiftly to the top. A unique direct drive ensures a quiet and environmentally friendly operation. The new mountain station now offers even more passenger comfort thanks to a significantly wider roof, new sanitary facilities and a modern guidance system.



Kaiblinggrat 8er

Valley station: 1,414 m

Mountain station: 1,868 m

Capacity: 3,600 persons/hour

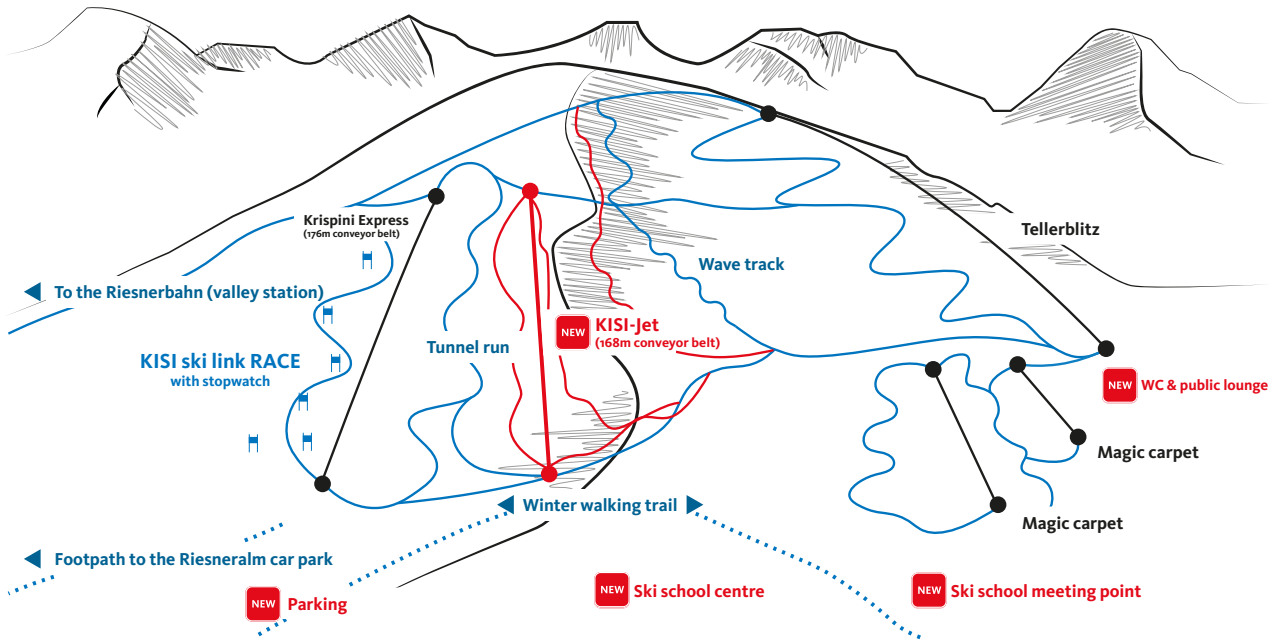
Speed: 6.0 m/s

Bonus for kids: easier access with a riser

Winter and summer operation



Lots of new features on Riesneralm



Great fun for little ones on Riesneralm

In the valley of the Riesneralm-Donnersbachwald ski area, a true paradise for little skiers has been created, thanks to the further expansion of Austria's first children's ski circuit: the new KISI-Jet, a conveyor belt with a length of 168 m, and a new ski school centre. It offers by far the largest range of beginner facilities in the region and is also one of the leaders in this respect in Austria. Two access points to the children's ski circuit ensure a smooth introduction to skiing fun. There is also a spacious lounge at the Tellerblitz lift that is open to the public. Toilets, snack vending machines and a rest area for mothers with small children (including baby changing facilities) round it all off.

A treat for every beginner

There's a reason to celebrate with endless beginner options – now with an additional 168 m conveyor belt!





From spectacular to family-friendly: Planai and Hochwurzen

The heart of the 4-Mountain-Ski Area Schladming is unforgettable: a variety of slopes including the legendary World Cup course, cosy refreshment stops, adventurous tours or night-time skiing and tobogganing fun. Experience winter at its most beautiful, surrounded by the wonderful mountain landscape.

Planai: world class in every respect

On Planai, where the legendary World Cup night races take place every year, there is something for everyone – whether it's sporty and challenging or more leisurely and relaxing. In addition to slopes of all difficulty levels, there is a wide range of other attractions: exciting funslope and funcross trails, the Planai Superpark for freestylers, and permanent race tracks provide the ultimate adrenaline rush. Talented youngsters like to drop in on the 'funny bunny', Hopsi. They can make their first fun tracks through the snow in the Winterkinderland kids' area. The views are also world class. From the summit of Planai there is a fantastic panoramic view of so many snow-covered mountains. The Hochsitz viewing

point near the mountain station of the Mitterhaus 8-seater chairlift offers a perfect view of the widest piste on Planai. Simply enjoy the panorama before heading down the slopes.

Winter walking trail with excursion to the "North Pole"

But there is another way: the winter walking trail on Planai is a magical alternative to skiing. The approximately one-hour circuit goes from Hopsi Winterkinderland through a picturesque winter landscape. A highlight of the route is the "North Pole". From this seven-metre-high viewing platform, one can enjoy the winter tranquillity and be enchanted by the wonderful view of the Dachstein massif and the Ennstal Valley.



Hochwurzen: Cheers to winter!

Neighbouring Hochwurzen also has a wealth of experiences to offer: perfectly groomed slopes, fun on the seven-kilometre natural toboggan run, the picturesque 4-season trail for winter walks and a marked track for ski tourers. To top it all off, take a moment to enjoy the breathtaking view of the surrounding mountains and the wide Ennstal Valley from the summit. The summit is also easily accessible for excursions, as it is located right next to the mountain station of the Gipfelbahn cable car.



Floodlit fun for night people

When it gets dark, it's the perfect time to strap on skis or get on a toboggan, because on Hochwurzen, the night becomes a stage for extraordinary winter fun. The freshly groomed slope no. 33 and the seven-kilometre-long natural toboggan run then shimmer in the floodlights and offer a unique skiing and tobogganing experience. And while gliding through the snow, take in the impressive view of the illuminated valley.

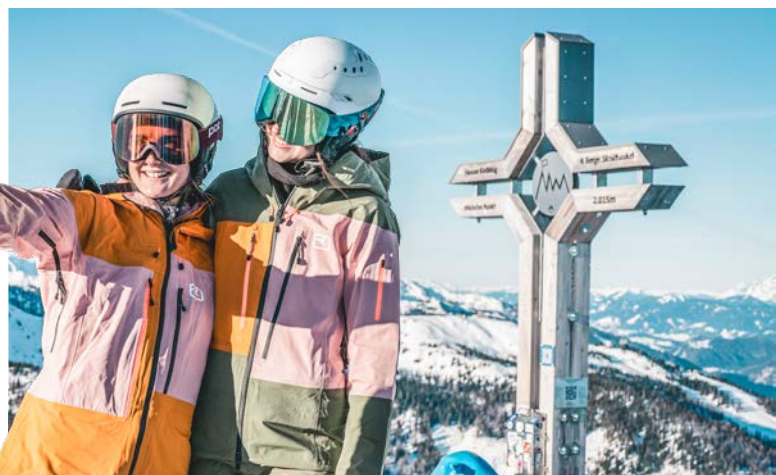
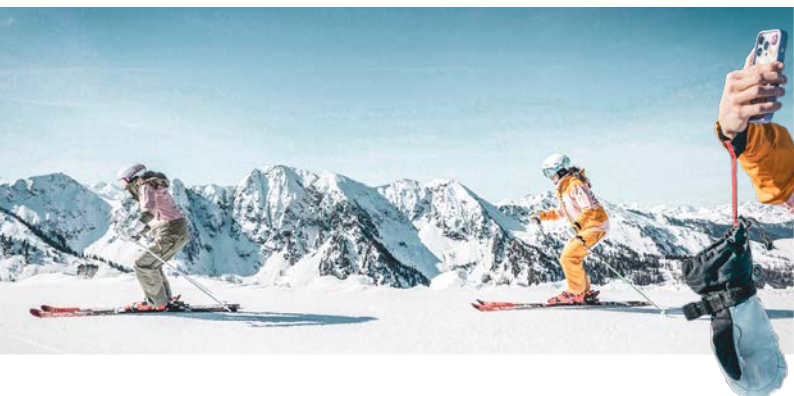
Food mountains

Everything has gone well, but still hungry for more? Tasty delicacies and regional specialities await at the Genuss-Specht-Wirte gourmet restaurants on Planai and the traditional chalets on Hochwurzen. Enjoy a leisurely break on the sunny, panoramic terraces or in the cosy dining rooms and be pampered with warm hospitality and delicious food.

Extended sliding time

On the seven-kilometre-long natural run on Hochwurzen, tobogganing is possible until late into the night.





Highly gratifying: Hauser Kaibling

It is the ideal access point to the 4-Mountain-Ski Area Schladming. Spacious parking areas and the huge free practice area at the valley station ensure the perfect start to a fun day's skiing. Hauser Kaibling also boasts stunning slopes, an XXL funslope, 15 rustic ski lodges and to top it all off, the most powerful chairlift in Styria.

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A peak straight off a postcard

At the top: at 2,015 m, the summit of Hauser Kaibling is the highest point of the 4-Mountain-Ski Area. In addition to the best snow conditions, it offers breathtaking panoramic views of the Ennstal Valley and Dachstein. It is perfect for atmospheric photos of an unforgettable day's skiing.

Kaiblingalm, a natural gem

Kaiblingalm is also beautiful. It is one of the most impressive places in the region and is easily accessible with the modern Alm 6-seater chairlift, which itself offers fantastic views. Once at the top, take advantage of the photo point with a view of the Dachstein massif. Right next to it, kids and the young-at-heart can start off on the XXL funslope, one of the longest in Austria with a length of 1,460 m.

The 24,000 m² Wollis Kids' Park is ready for all ski and snowboard beginners directly at the valley station of the 8-passenger cable car. A button lift, three magic carpets and slopes suitable for beginners are the perfect preparation for skiing or snowboarding fun. Practice costs nothing, because two conveyor belts are available even without a ski pass.



Very loooong winter fun
Promise: the XXL funslope is one of the longest in Austria.

Multiple award-winner: Reiteralm

A day's skiing on the fourth mountain of the 4-Mountain-Ski Area is always an excellent idea, because Reiteralm is a playground for young and old sports enthusiasts alike. Motivated early risers also like to go there at the weekend. It's no wonder, as it has carried a special seal of quality for years.

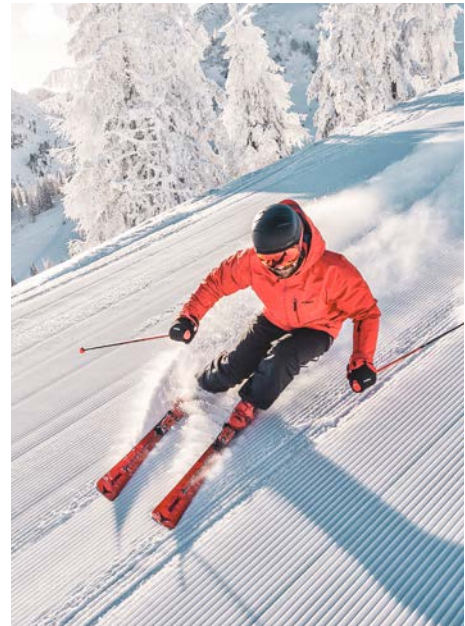
Yes, the freshly groomed pistes on Reiteralm, the magnificent views of the Dachstein massif and the culinary refreshment stops are sure to make an impression. What's more, numerous extra facilities offer fun, enjoyment and action for the whole family, including the cross park and the "Cool Running", "Kids' Cool Running", "Skimovie Reiteralm" and "Speed Check" race courses with speed measurement. But there are even more special features.

Fun on the slopes for early risers

Making first turns while others are still having breakfast? This is only possible on Reiteralm! On Saturdays and Sundays, this ski area might tempt early risers to an early start. The first ascent is at 7.45am – for the entire winter season. It's an incomparable feeling when the golden morning sun is reflected in the fresh snow.

Golden times for winter sports fans

It's not only the early bird that catches the worm. Reiteralm's wide range of offers has also been awarded several times. For the fifth time in a row, Reiteralm was awarded the prestigious international gold piste seal of quality. No other ski mountain in the European Alps has achieved this!





Slow down and enjoy: Fageralm

**If a winter's day is to be a pleasure, it has to be on Fageralm!
Plenty of space on the wonderful natural snow slopes, a picturesque
high plateau with the most hours of sunshine, and rustic ski lodges
for culinary delights – that's the way to live!**

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What is the best way to enjoy skiing? When skiing on the sunny high plateau of Fageralm over gently undulating slopes with soft natural snow as a base, one feels only pure elation.

Unique family and children's ski routes

The extensive, sun-blessed high plateau is the ideal setting for a wide range of children's activities. The lovingly designed children's ski routes, "Animals of the Fagerwald forest", "Red Indian path" and "Viking piste", as well as the wave, boardercross and speed courses and the kids' land in the valley will delight kids and parents alike.

The enjoyable way

True to its slogan, "Slow down and enjoy", Fageralm also offers enjoyable ski touring on the piste: after ascending in the wintry natural landscape, there are breathtaking panoramic views at the summit.

Just hang out and relax

At the sunniest and most panoramic point of Fageralm at 1,885 metres above sea level, the Goliath relaxation oasis with a swing and a sunlounger invites you to hang around and relax.



Skiing fun for young and old: Galsterberg

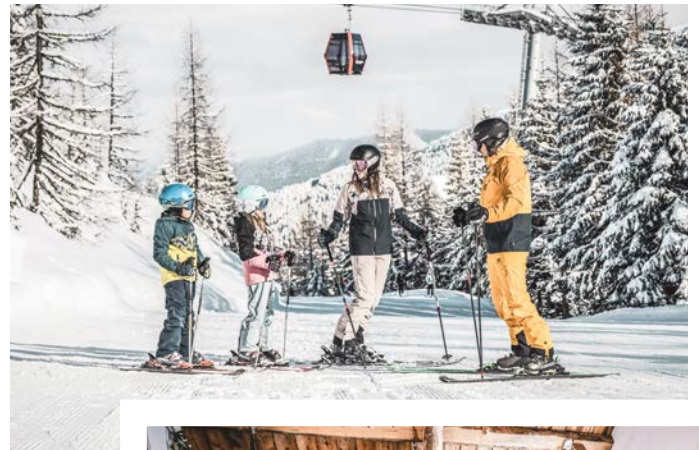
Just 20 minutes from Schladming, Galsterberg opens the doors to a winter adventure paradise. The modern 10-passenger cable car goes up to the mountain station in just six minutes, where a variety of winter adventures await.

Skiing and family fun with a view

On Galsterberg, there are slopes suitable for every level, from fast runs to leisurely slopes. Families love “Galstiland”, where little skiers can playfully test their skills in the Little Gallier Park. The fun runs are perfect for exciting descents with obstacles and offer magnificent views of the surrounding mountains.

Tobogganing fun and ski touring pleasure

Experience the thrill of the five-kilometre natural toboggan run, which provides adrenaline-filled rides during the day and at night. At night, the toboggan run sparkles under colourful lights and provides extra adventure. For ski tourers, the marked routes through the winter forest or along the pistes offer breathtaking views of the snow-covered landscape.



Culinary highlights

The ski lodges on Galsterberg offer skiers a cosy break. Enjoy regional specialities and soak up the magnificent view of the surrounding mountains.

High five!

There is no chance of boredom on the five-kilometre natural toboggan run.

Experience winter: Ski Rittisberg

This mountain is perfect for families. Downhill skiing, tobogganing, cross-country skiing and hiking become a real experience here. What's more, in the face of the mighty Dachstein, one will encounter all kinds of surprising characters.

Mascot Kali, the friendly "Ramsaur", is not the only attraction in his snow kingdom: in addition to talking giants, funny dwarves and good fairies on the 4 km long fairy-tale downhill run, Rittisberg offers many other magical things for families. After all, it is home to the largest kids' world in Styria. But even experienced skiers can look forward to fabulous slopes. In addition to the 8 children's slopes and 11 km of blue runs, there are also 9 km of intermediate and difficult runs.

Cross-country skiers in high spirits!

The new high-altitude trail expands the range on offer in Ramsau, Austria's leading cross-country skiing region. Now cross-country skiing is also possible in skating and classic style at 1,600 m above sea level. The circuit stretches over 5.5 km. Right next to it is an accompanying trail for walkers that winds its way through snow-covered forests to cosy lodges. A new winter hiking route leads directly to the summit cross. Of course, there are also great views of the nearby Dachstein mountain along the way. The new combined lift with 10-seater gondolas and chairs provides a relaxing ride to the starting point.



This family mountain in Ramsau am Dachstein offers so much:

- 9 family-friendly ski lifts directly on site
- Night toboggan run on Rittisberg
- Kaliland and adventure slopes for children
- Austria's longest fairy-tale descent
- Largest children's ski school in the region
- Snow-covered slopes for the best conditions
- Winter welcome parties and mini bob run



Winter fun into the night

Two evenings a week toboggans are allowed into the gondola, when night tobogganing on Rittisberg is on the menu. The starting point is at the snow-sure altitude of 1,500 m, and then the 3.5 km long floodlit toboggan run heads down into the valley. A roar for big and small – but fully-grown dinosaurs are sadly not allowed to join!



Insider tip in the Alps: Riesneralm

Shhhhh! ... We can tell you only this: the easternmost ski mountain in the region is always worth a visit. New ideas have been implemented here for many years and our motto of “more skiing – less time on the lift” has been put into practice.

It's no longer a secret that Riesneralm in Donnersbachwald is a mountain providing a lot of momentum. After all, it offers four continuous valley runs of up to 7 km in length.

A winter of superlatives

The valley is also thinking in new dimensions, because Austria's first children's ski circuit is a big deal for beginners. Speaking of a “big deal”: in 2020, the largest snowman of all time was built in the ski area with a height of 38.04 m!

Shooting for the stars

But there is also plenty of snow on the slopes. Experienced skiers venture onto the difficult mogul slope or the black European Cup slope while the slopes called “Die Schneidige” and “Die Sonnige” are more relaxed. One is even called “5*****”, but there is top-class skiing on all 32 kilometres of slopes. Taste buds will be pampered with a wide range of delicious dishes and every trick in the cookbook in the chalets. The most original viewing platform in the Alps also awaits at the summit.

Ideal setting for beautiful winter days

Not only the photo points at the “Riesner Krispen” and the “Hochsitzplateau”, but the whole region is just stunning!

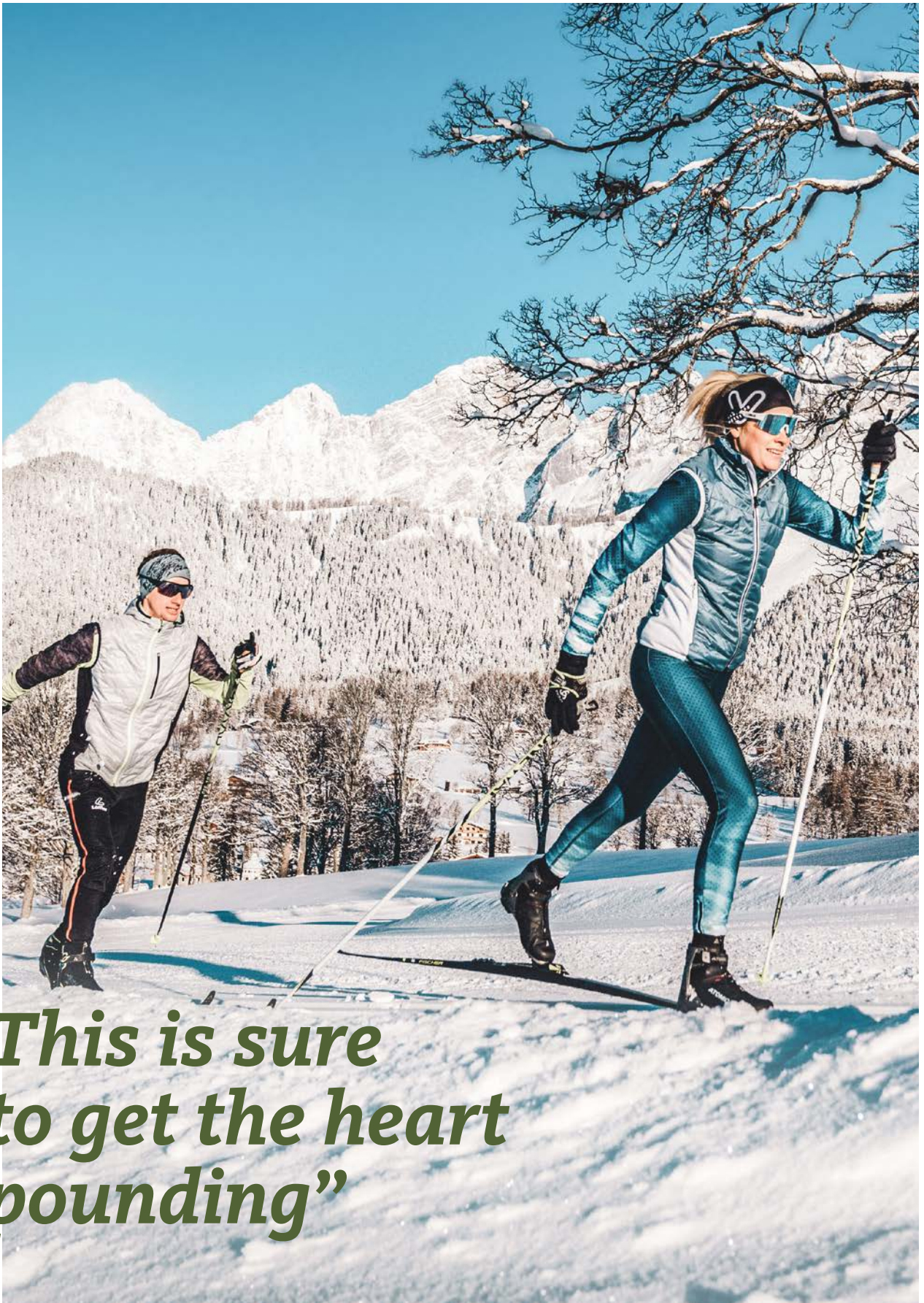


Breath



talking





***“This is sure
to get the heart
pounding”***



Cross-country skiers' Dream

Cross-country skiing on the sunny plateau, the magic of the Kristalloipe trail, and training conditions that even the Scandinavians dream of: Schladming-Dachstein is a cross-country skiing paradise. To find out where the fantastic trails are and which cross-country skiing events are a must, see what the cross-country skiing expert has to say.

Glistening snow, two tracks, as well as an infinite expanse. The winter landscape on the high plateau looks like something out of a fairy tale. The thick white blanket bathes the forest and meadows in a softness that is reminiscent of a bed in a sea of clouds. The temperatures are anything but inviting, but it is precisely the sub-zero temperatures that create this magic at the foot of Dachstein. "And they guarantee ideal training conditions," says Jan. His breath breaks the cold air for a moment and creates small clouds of mist. A few drops of water remain on his eyelashes and freeze in a matter of seconds. The young athlete knows these environmental influences only too well, as Jan works for an international ski manufacturer and tests the latest cross-country skis all year round. He loves Scandinavia as a travel destination, but the Schladming-Dachstein region can easily keep up when it comes to winter sports training opportunities.

Cross-country trails for every level

"The wide range of different trails inspires me and many of my training colleagues. Here in the area, everyone – from beginners to professionals – can find the perfect cross-country skiing route," explains Jan, before dropping his cross-country skis on the ground. The finest snow crystal mist swirls up and outsparkles the cross-country skiing trail for a moment. But this competition is won by the perfectly groomed trail, which is a total of over 220 km up here on the sunny plateau of Ramsau am Dachstein and is therefore far more durable than the short-lived snow mist. "Consistency is important, in training too," adds the cross-country skier.

Permanent snow guarantee

Consistency is also an issue when it comes to perfectly groomed cross-country skiing trails. On the one hand, this requires a good knowledge of trail grooming; on the other hand, the weather conditions must be right. Jan explains, "Fortunately, here at the foot of Dachstein, you can count on good winters, sufficient snow and correspondingly cold temperatures. This guarantees winter sports at the highest level – something that can no longer be taken for granted." If anyone should know, it's probably someone who tests skis all over the world in a wide variety of conditions. "Speaking of testing: I recommend that all cross-country skiing fans also try out the other trails in the area. A special insider tip is the Untertal Valley, where you can train on the 13.5 km long Kristalloipe trail with a magnificent view of the mountain giants of the Klafferessel along the Untertalbach brook in a winter idyll that is second to none," says the cross-country skiing pro. Jan also mentions the Spechtensee trail, which circles Lake Spechtensee that is idyllic at any time of year, the challenging Planneralm high-altitude trail and the cross-country skiing trails around the Riesneralm ski area.



Still no map of paradise?

A detailed trail map and more information can be found here:





Glacier trail & Dachstein Run

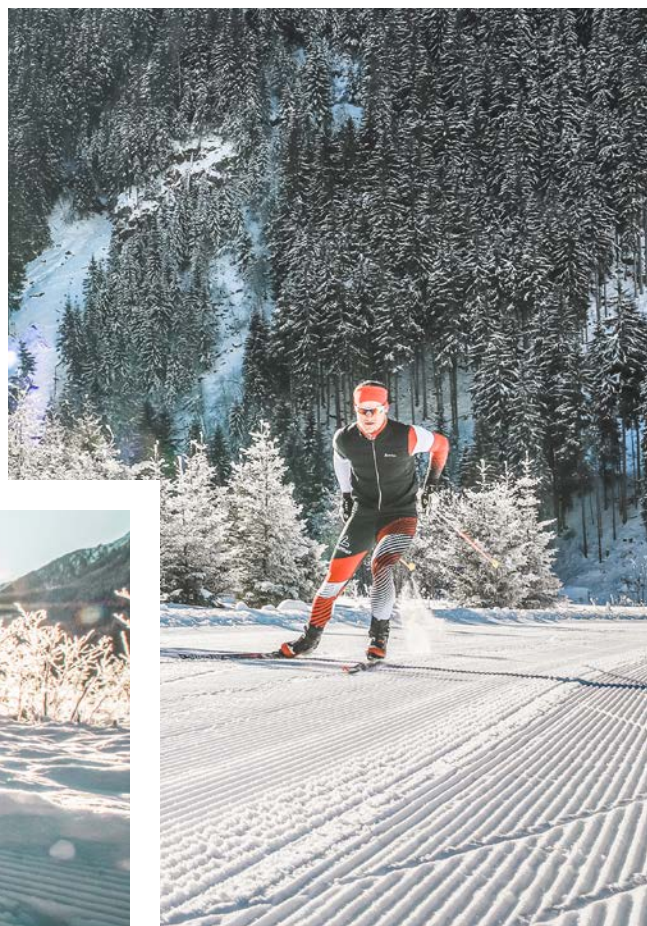
The international elite of Nordic skiing like to race on the sunny Ramsau plateau for good reason: at an altitude of 2,700 metres, the longest glacier trail in the world stretches out amidst an incomparable mountain backdrop on the Dachstein Glacier. “With a length of 10 kilometres and an ascent of 220 metres in altitude, the Hallstätter Loipe is a medium-difficulty, high-alpine glacier trail that promises unique, distant views between Gjaidstein and Eisstein. The best way to do this is to book a ride up the mountain on the

new Dachstein cable car early enough and enjoy the training to the fullest,” remarks Jan. He is currently preparing for the Dachstein Run, which will take place in Ramsau am Dachstein from 10 to 12 January 2025 and is now considered a unique sporting event in the region. From professionals to amateur athletes and nature lovers, cross-country skiers of all abilities can find the right challenge for them. “You can start individually, choose a long or short distance or take part in the 10-kilometre team competition,” explains the ski tester, who will be competing for his employer. “My girlfriend is taking part in the leisure run. It’s 5km long and combines enjoyment with culinary delights,” jokes Jan, before he adjusts his cap and picks up his poles to run another lap on the great trail. To take part in the Dachstein Run 2025, secure an early bird ticket now!

ForYou Club

Your individual cross-country skiing experience: If you are a cross-country skiing enthusiast, then take the chance to enjoy an exclusive ForYou moment at the leisure run and be part of the Dachstein Run event weekend. Experience the perfect combination of sporting activity, professional cross-country skiing training and culinary highlights in a winter wonderland. You will also receive 25 points in the ForYou Club for your participation.

More information
can be found here.



Ramsau am Dachstein is Austria's cross-country skiing centre:

- 125 km of classic trails and 95 km of skating trails
- 20 cross-country skiing circuits with different levels of difficulty for beginners and professionals, lengths (up to 30 km) and altitudes
- Many cosy refreshment stops and lodges along the trails, including Schladming-Dachstein "Almkulinarik" alpine culinary art
- 4 excellent cross-country skiing schools and professional rentals
- Night trail and full moon cross-country skiing experience
- Awarded the Styrian cross-country skiing trail seal of quality
- Kali's Cross Park
- High-altitude trail on Rittisberg



Valley trails in other villages in the region:

- Schladming-Untertal: classic Kristalloipe and two skating trails, awarded the Styrian cross-country skiing trail seal of quality
- Spechtensee trail near the idyllic moor lake in Wörschachwald
- Hinterwald & Vorderwald cross-country skiing trails, Donnersbachwald
- Planneralm high-altitude trail
- Classic trails for connoisseurs and ski hikers in the Sölktäler Nature Park
- Stoderzinken high-altitude and skating trail
- In good snow conditions, there are more cross-country skiing trails on Mitterberg, in Gröbming and Haus im Ennstal



***“Happiness
reaches the
ultimate top”***

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Highly eventful

Dachstein – one of the most prominent white giants in the world – was long considered unconquerable. Nowadays, a ride on the Dachstein-Gletscherbahn gondola allows you to get very close to this famed alpine locale in just a few minutes. In winter, visiting the Dachstein Glacier has a very special charm. Now that the mountain station has been renovated, there is even more to experience there.

At 2,700 m above sea level, the new Dachstein mountain station awaits visitors. This innovative building, which generates up to 80% of the energy it needs itself thanks to its photovoltaic glass façade, is remarkable not only for its sustainability, but also for its modern design and numerous attractions. One highlight is the glacier restaurant with a 280-degree view of the surrounding peaks. Natural materials such as loden, stone and wood create a cosy atmosphere and invite visitors to hang around. A break here is a must! The glacier restaurant, with its breathtaking views and regional cuisine, is an invitation to indulge and

enjoy. But that is by no means all. The Dachstein Sky Ladder, the Dachstein Suspension Bridge with the Stairway to Nothingness, the Ice Palace and many other attractions ensure that a winter day on Dachstein is a special experience for the whole family.

Winter hiking on Dachstein

The Dachstein Glacier offers a breathtaking backdrop for winter hikers. The high-alpine hiking routes offer spectacular views of the surrounding mountains. Whether leisurely or challenging – winter hikers can enjoy pure winter freshness and nature here.

Cross-country skiing on Dachstein

At an altitude of 2,700 m, the Dachstein Glacier also offers a varied network of trails for cross-country skiers in a high-alpine location, surrounded by an impressive mountain backdrop. Whether skating or classic, here you can experience the pure pleasure of cross-country skiing, with wonderful views included.

Dachstein Gourmet Days:

Breakfast with panoramic views and glacier fondue – evening indulgence at the Dachstein

Experience the winter landscape on the Dachstein while enjoying culinary delights. Three days a week, a generous breakfast buffet awaits you at the glacier restaurant until 11 am (advance reservation required). And every Thursday, you are invited to savor an evening glacier fondue in a cozy atmosphere.

More information
can be found here.



Dachstein – the ski touring paradise

Dachstein is a true paradise for ski tourers. Probably the most famous tour is the Dachstein crossing, also known as the “Austrian National Ski Tour”. This impressive tour, which can also be tackled on alpine skis, leads from the Dachstein-Gletscherbahn gondola mountain station to Obertraun in Upper Austria. It not only offers breathtaking views, but also a unique variety of landscapes. This ski tour is no problem for anyone with moderate stamina and good skiing skills. Nevertheless, it should be done with an experienced tour guide to avoid dangers such as crevasses. Another classic is the Rumlerrunde, a challenging ski tour around the impressive Dachstein massif. This tour requires experience and stamina, and the rewards are unbeatable views in the midst of a fantastic mountain backdrop. But there are also specially prepared piste tours on the roof of Styria and Upper Austria for beginners and connoisseurs to enjoy the fascinating winter landscape of Dachstein on easy and safe routes.

Freeride adventure on Dachstein

Freeride fans will also enjoy some great adventures here. Probably the most popular descent is the Edelgrieß from the Dachstein Glacier to Ramsau am Dachstein. With a length of eight kilometres, it offers everything that ambitious freeriders are looking for: adventure, challenge and spectacular scenery. For those who like it even steeper and more challenging, the Schwadrinn awaits. This high-alpine freeride descent is only suitable for very experienced freeriders and promises a unique experience.

Conclusion: a winter paradise for everyone

Dachstein offers the right winter experience for everyone. The combination of sporting challenges, breathtaking nature and exciting attractions makes it one of the most varied and beautiful destinations in the Alps.





More information about the Dachstein crossing

**We recommend doing the
tour with a professional.**

Enjoy the breathtaking world of mountains and winter sports – our highly qualified, state-certified mountain and ski guides are ready to accompany you on your personal dream tour!

**Here you will find a list of all
mountain and ski guides in the
Schladming-Dachstein region.**



“Experience the pure winter idyll”

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Nature the gentle way

Treating nature and wildlife habitats with awareness is important in order to preserve biodiversity and maintain a sustainable balance. By showing respect and consideration for natural habitats, it helps to protect ecological systems and leave an environment worth living in for future generations.

Tours through nature

Crunching snow, snow-covered forests and idyllic landscapes. Discover the enchanting winter world of the Schladming-Dachstein region with three unforgettable tour suggestions. It is particularly important to be mindful of nature.

Whether snowshoeing in the Obertal Valley, a leisurely walk on the Moosrundwanderweg trail in Irdning or an exciting evening ski tour on Galsterberg: a winter adventure awaits.

Enjoy untouched nature on a snowshoe tour in the Obertal Valley. The surrounding peaks offer breathtaking views to experience the winter wonderland to the fullest. The Moosrundwanderweg trail in Irdning offers a leisurely walk, which enchants visitors with the tranquillity and beauty of the win-

ter landscape. The evening ski tour on Galsterberg is a special highlight for adventurers. Equipped with a headlamp, become immersed in the mystical silence of the snowy night and experience its magic up close.

Discover these three unique tours that will fill up your senses and get your heart pounding. Become immersed in a personal winter wonderland.



TIPS FOR A MINDFUL APPROACH TO NATURE

Find out about the weather and snow conditions



Caution: The weather can change quickly in the mountains! Avoid summits, ridges and safeguards in snowfall or storms.

Get going in an environmentally friendly way



Various ski and valley buses are available for environmentally friendly travel to winter hikes and ski tours. Timetables can be found at www.schladming-dachstein.at/bus.

Choose the right path



Wild animals need their peace and quiet: so please always use designated routes. Stay away from any trees above the forest line, where sensitive species such as the black grouse live.

Respect wildlife sanctuaries



Do not leave the paths, especially in the morning and evening hours when wild animals are active. That means refraining from touring at dusk and at night.

Take responsibility



Don't leave any garbage behind and help to preserve the beauty of the surroundings. Keep dogs on a lead to avoid distressing other animals. Protect the young forest and avoid afforested areas. Use designated parking areas and do not block access to roads or paths.



1 With snowshoes through the Obertal Valley

The start is either in the centre of Rohrmoos, next to Hotel-Pension “Das Platzl”, or at the valley station of the Gipfelbahn Hochwurzen cable car. Snowshoes can be hired from Sport Tritscher and Ski Lenz here.

From the centre of Rohrmoos the route goes uphill, from the Gipfelbahn valley station downhill, to the wide “Rohrmooser Frei” meadow. Follow the signs to Obertal, past the idyllic farms Sonnleitner, Holzbacher, Pocher, Finsterl, Talhammer and Hohegger.

Soon there will be an enchanting meadow landscape below the Rojer farm, and shortly afterwards the cosy Windbacherstube inn, where stopping for a bite to eat is a great idea. A forest path leads further into the snowy winter landscape along the Obertalbach stream towards Bärnhofer and on to the Wehrhofalm. Cross the road here, walk past the pond and through the forest to the snow-covered meadows in the direction of Hopfriesen. The historic nickel smelting furnace awaits at the end of the valley. From here, follow the signs out of the valley along the stream back to the Wehrhofalm and then along the familiar route to the starting point.

Snowshoe tour

DIFFICULTY LEVEL

medium

DURATION

4:45 hrs

LENGTH

17.63 km

ALTITUDE DIFFERENCE

358 m

EXPERIENCE



LANDSCAPE



TECHNIQUE

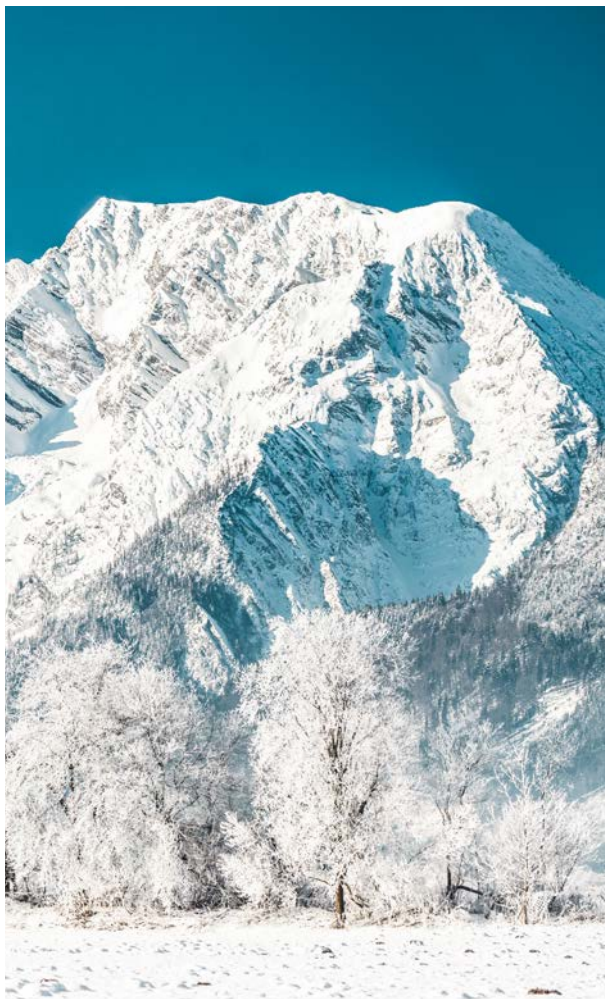


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Tip for you

Stop by at the Wehrhofalm lodge and warm up with a cosy crackling fireplace.



2 *Moosrundwanderweg trail in Irdning*

The leisurely walking and winter hiking trail starts at the sculpture park behind the parish church in the centre of Irdning. Even before setting off, it's worth spending a little time here to take a closer look at the works of art made of wood and stone. Or take a look inside the church, which is dedicated to Saint Peter and Saint Paul. The appreciation of art is followed by an experience of nature. The trail marked with the number 1 initially leads through a small housing estate and then onto what locals call the "Black Path" down to the River Enns. At the fork in the path, turn left and walk against the flow of the river to the west. Upon reaching the footpath or Enns cycle path, turn left again and walk past the sports and leisure facility back towards the village centre to the starting point. This trail is also perfectly accessible with a pushchair when there is little snow.

The impressive Grimming is a constant companion on this tour. The highest freestanding mountain in Europe rises majestically to 2,351 m and is the perfect photo backdrop.

Tip for you

On sunny days, you can easily recognise the "Grimming-mandl" as a shadow formation on the snow-covered mountain. It looks like a little man walking with a rucksack. It can be seen quite clearly in this photo, don't you think?

Winter hike

DIFFICULTY LEVEL

easy

DURATION

1:15 hrs

LENGTH

5.2 km

ALTITUDE DIFFERENCE

40 m

EXPERIENCE



LANDSCAPE



TECHNIQUE



STAMINA





Ski tour

DIFFICULTY LEVEL

medium

DURATION

1:45 hrs

LENGTH

4.25 km

ALTITUDE DIFFERENCE

848 m

EXPERIENCE



LANDSCAPE



TECHNIQUE



STAMINA



3 Galsterberg evening ski tour



On Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, Galsterberg can be conquered under floodlights. The evening ski tour on Galsterberg starts at the Galsterberg valley station right by the start portal. The route leads over sections of piste and forest to the cosy Galsterbergalmhütte lodge. Between 6pm and 10pm, walking uphill and skiing downhill is permitted on piste 1 between the valley station and the Galsterbergalmhütte. The upper section of piste 1 (between the chairlift mountain station and the Galsterbergalmhütte) can be used from 6pm to 9pm. The fee is €11 per person, per day. Tickets are available from the ticket machine at the start of the ascent track or at the ticket office at the valley station. The ticket must be carried on the ascent, as checks are carried out on the slopes. Experience the wintry silence and the special flair of an evening ski tour on Galsterberg.

Tip for you

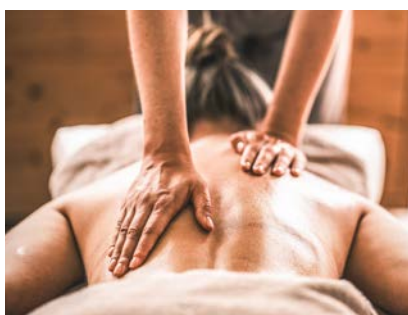
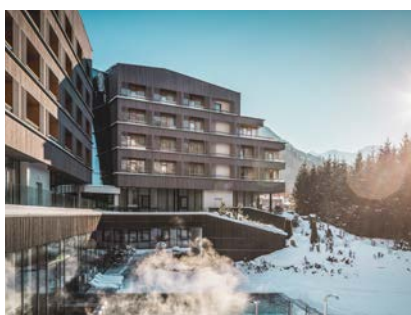
If you arrive early enough, you can continue to the mountain station of the Vorderkar chairlift.

What should you pay particular attention to?

The route is unlit, so a headlamp is essential!

Sport. Spa. Styrian.

Falkensteiner Hotel Schladming combines relaxation and activity, modern architecture and alpine accents, as well as tranquillity and adventure. Discover the wide range of offers, from an exclusive winter holiday, relaxing day spa sessions and cosy coffee dates with a crackling open fire, to dinner dates with a pleasant end to the day at the bar.



Alpine tradition combined with a modern lifestyle. This is the style of the Falkensteiner activity and wellness hotel in Schladming. The architectural charm of the hotel, in which everyone can relax from everyday life, radiates a comfy warmth with its vintage wood look. Become immersed in a feel-good retreat and experience Styrian hospitality up close!

The Acquapura SPA is the ideal retreat. The spacious wellness area with all-round mountain views offers relaxation for body and soul. Alpine herbs are the central element of the “Schladming Alpine Wellness”. The aromas and ingredients unfold their full effect in a variety of treatments that indulge all the senses.

Cosiness, enjoyment and a variety of culinary delights await you in the Restaurant Steirer – true to the slogan of “Genuine. Styrian. International.” A varied breakfast buffet with live cooking ensures a successful start to the day. Five coordinated dinner courses are served in the evening. An appropriate wine accompaniment with national and international wines complements the selection of dishes perfectly.

Fine wines, colourful cocktails, an exquisite selection of spirits and tasty delicacies are served in the casual genießBAR, with incomparable views of the Planai race finish area. Here, gourmets get their money’s worth, and a successful day on holiday often comes to a sociable end with live music and events such as wine tastings. In this setting, everyone can relax and look back on wonderful experiences!



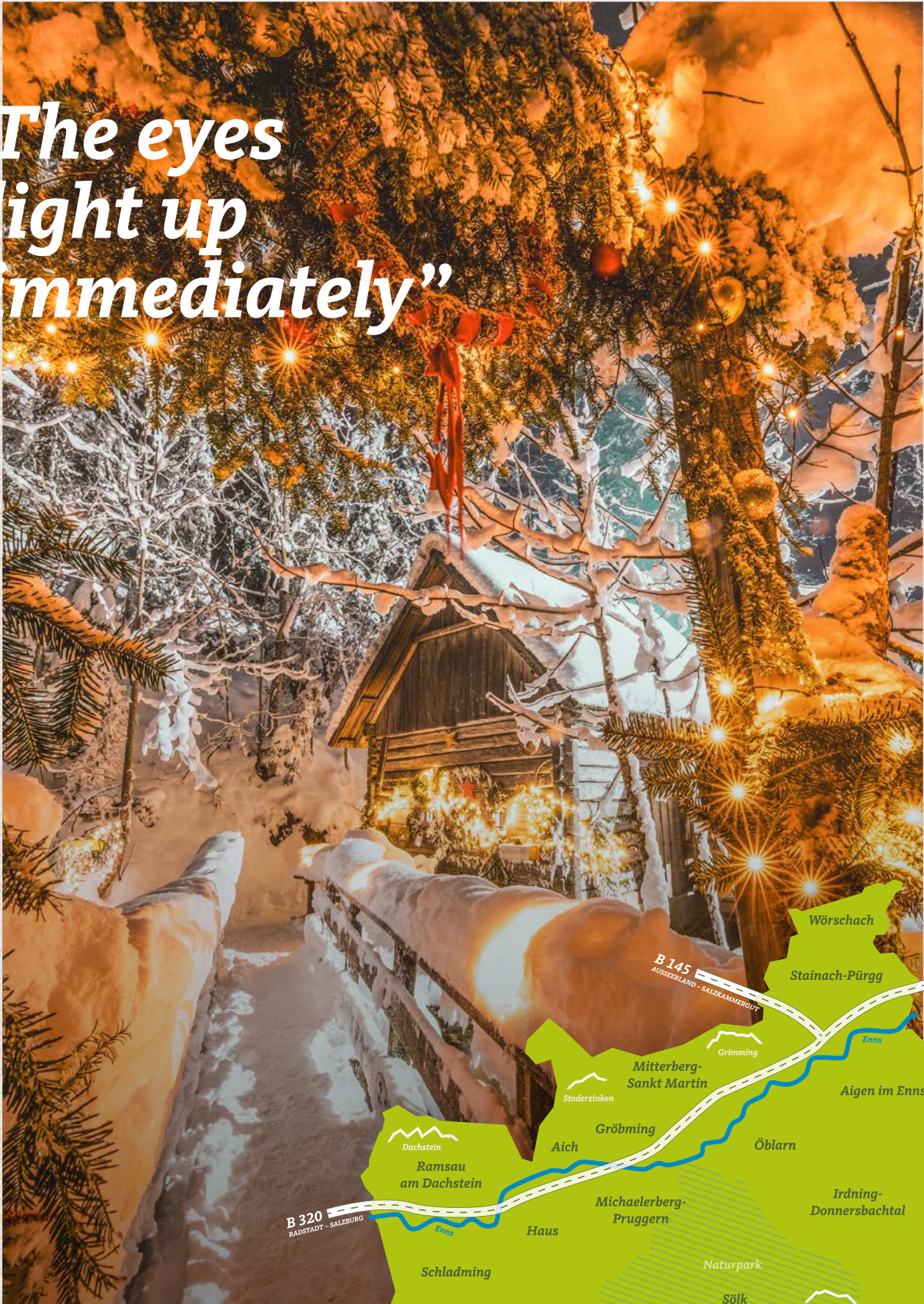
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Aich

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Advent *in the region*

Advent markets, nativity scene exhibitions, “Krampus” parades, vendors selling their handmade products, cosy punch stands, Christmas music, wonderful walks, and getting together with friends. All of this is part of Christmas time for us. Experience Advent magic 13 times – in 13 villages in the Schladming-Dachstein region.

Advent along the Ennstal Valley in the Schladming-Dachstein region is a very special time of year. Nestled in a snow-covered mountain landscape, the 13 villages in the region invite visitors to experience the pre-Christmas season in a unique way. Whether it's tranquil Advent markets, sparkling seas of lights or peaceful winter hikes, everyone can find their personal highlights here. Each of the 13 villages has its own charm and individual Advent traditions.

Regional delicacies beckon in rustic wooden huts, while traditional handicrafts and lovingly designed decorations adorn the markets. Away from the hustle and bustle, snow-covered paths provide contemplative walks to enjoy the winter silence and fresh mountain air. The villages have put together their favourite Advent tips exclusively for guests. From hidden chapels that glow in candlelight, to mysterious paths that lead to fairy-tale winter landscapes, to small, homey Advent celebrations – discover the most beautiful

secrets of Advent season here. Be enchanted by the magic of the run up to Christmas and find personal favourite places in the Schladming-Dachstein region. A discovery tour through the Advent season is definitely worth the while.

13 times as magical: How Advent is celebrated in the local villages



Schladming

Experience Christmas the way it used to be at the “Advent Magic in the Talbachklamm”. Romantically illuminated, glittering and shimmering, set off in search of the Christ Child through the Talbachklamm gorge. There will be singing, music and storytelling.





Ramsau am Dachstein

Experience the Mills Advent in Ramsau am Dachstein: romantic atmosphere, traditional craftsmanship, regional delicacies and Christmas music amidst a picturesque winter landscape.



Haus im Ennstal

Like an oversized Advent calendar, a new surprise is revealed in a window in Weißenbach near Haus every day from 1 to 24 December. Discover the 24 beautifully decorated windows on a walk through the village.



Aich im Ennstal

On Sunday, 1 December from 1pm, the Assach Winter Forest will open with many interesting exhibitors and culinary delights. At the end, St Nicholas and his scary helpers, the “Krampusse”, will come by and every child will get a little gift bag.



Michaelerberg-Pruggern

On 24 November from 2pm, the “Herzlich Hergricht – Dahom in Michaelerberg-Pruggern” association invites everyone to their atmospheric Advent market. Local artists will present their works, the Pruggern brass band will perform and there will be plenty to eat and drink.



Gröbming

On Saturday, 14 December 2024 from 1pm, the local church association will organise its enchanting “Advent in Gröbming 2024” around the music pavilion in the Kurpark.



Mitterberg-Sankt Martin

On 1 December 2024, the “Advent in the Village” will take place at Wirtshaus & Dorfhotel Mayer in St. Martin am Gröbming – with Christmas bakery, chestnuts, mulled wine, music and a little surprise from St Nicholas for all children.

ADVENT IN THE REGION



Sölk

Nativity scenes as far as the eye can see: the nativity scene exhibition will take place in the Stein an der Enns clubhouse from the end of November to 6 January 2025. Around 70 to 100 nativity scenes can be admired during this time.



Öblarn

An absolute Advent highlight is the Öblarn Pastoral Play on 22 December 2024 at 6pm on the main square and the Advent market at Kaffeerina's Gastgarten with regional hand-crafts, mulled wine, sweet treats and much more.



Irdning-Donnersbachtal

The oldest custom of the Erlsberg group is the performance of the Erlsberg Krampus Play, which has been performed since the 19th century. This year, the Krampus Play will take place on Saturday, 30 November 2024 at 7pm at the Erlsberg fire station.



Aigen im Ennstal

That's how harmonious Aigen is at Christmas time: visit the atmospheric concert "Singing and Making Music in Advent" with the "Aigen Sängerrunde" and the "Aignklong" choirs, which will take place on 8 December 2024 at 7pm in the Florianikirche Aigen church.



Stainach-Pürgg

Experience the magical Advent market in romantic Pürgg with contemplative music, gingerbread, baked apples, Christmas cookies, chestnuts, mulled wine and handicrafts on two Advent weekends: 30.11. – 1.12. and 7. – 8.12.2024.



Wörschach

On Saturday, 23 November and Sunday, 24 November 2024, the "Wörschach Christmas Magic" will take place right in the village centre. Become enchanted by the mix of traditional Advent market and cultural event.



Variety off the slopes

Whether exploring the region on snowshoes, wrapped up warm in a horse-drawn sleigh through the snowy winter landscape, or experiencing cool moments on the ice while ice skating and curling: there are also heaps of possibilities off the slopes.

Admittedly, with all the fantastic slopes and cross-country skiing trails in Schladming-Dachstein, it can sometimes be difficult to even think about taking off skis. And yet it would not do the region justice at all to reduce it to just alpine skiing and cross-country skiing. Out in the snow, there are many more activities and experiences waiting to be discovered.

Off onto the clear ice: curling and ice skating

In Schladming-Dachstein, curling stones have actually always glided over the slippery ice in winter. But in recent years in particular, traditional curling has become an absolute 'in' sport. Whether young or old, curling is fun for everyone. The rules of the game are child's play and there are a dozen or so ice rinks

throughout the region to try this popular sport. However, anyone who prefers to move with two blades on their feet can also venture onto the clear ice. There are four ice rinks in the region, which offer something for everyone. Whether skating on the frozen Putterersee, swishing across the ice on the floodlit ice rink in Schladming or choosing one of the other ice rinks: the best conditions for cool moments on the ice are everywhere.

Tobogganing, fat biking, ski touring and much more

There is also plenty to discover in Schladming-Dachstein away from winter hiking, horse-drawn sleigh tours, curling and ice skating. Want to go on a ski or freeride tour, go for a ride on a fat bike or prefer to go tobogganing with friends on one of the eight toboggan runs in the region? All are possible here.



There's something inside for everyone!

If it's too cold outside, there's plenty to do inside too – take a look here:

- Museum visits
- Barista courses
- Painting workshops
- Escape room
- Wollwelt Steiner





On foot through the winter landscape

Tranquil snowy landscapes, snow-covered forests, frozen Alpine lakes, all surrounded by a magnificent mountain world: even in winter, nature in the region is generous with its charms. This makes it all the more satisfying that many of the natural beauties in Schladming-Dachstein can also be easily walked in winter. A total of 300 kilometres of walking and hiking trails are kept clear in winter and show off a very special side of the region.

To sink even deeper into the snow-covered winter world of Schladming-Dachstein, there are numerous snowshoe tours to choose from. The tours are as varied as the region itself and offer the right experience for beginners and snowshoeing pros alike. Whether on a rewarding tour across the Rossfeld on Hochwurzen or on the ascent to the panoramic Jochberg on Planneralm, there is something for everyone here.

Tip for you: With the Schladming-Dachstein Winter Hiking Ticket, you can easily reach the starting points of the most beautiful winter and snowshoe hikes. The ticket includes access to a total of 21 cable cars in the region (use of max. 3 cable cars per day), as well as use of the ski buses.



Across the snow on a horse-drawn sleigh

Probably the most comfortable way to explore the winter landscape is by horse-drawn sleigh. Wrap up warmly and head across the high plateau of Ramsau am Dachstein, across the snow-covered Untertal Valley or to one of the many other interesting destinations in the region, and feel a real sense of happiness. Horse-drawn sleigh rides have a very long tradition here. In the days before snow ploughs, the horse-drawn

More information for you

The Winter Hiking Ticket* is valid on the following ski lifts and buses:

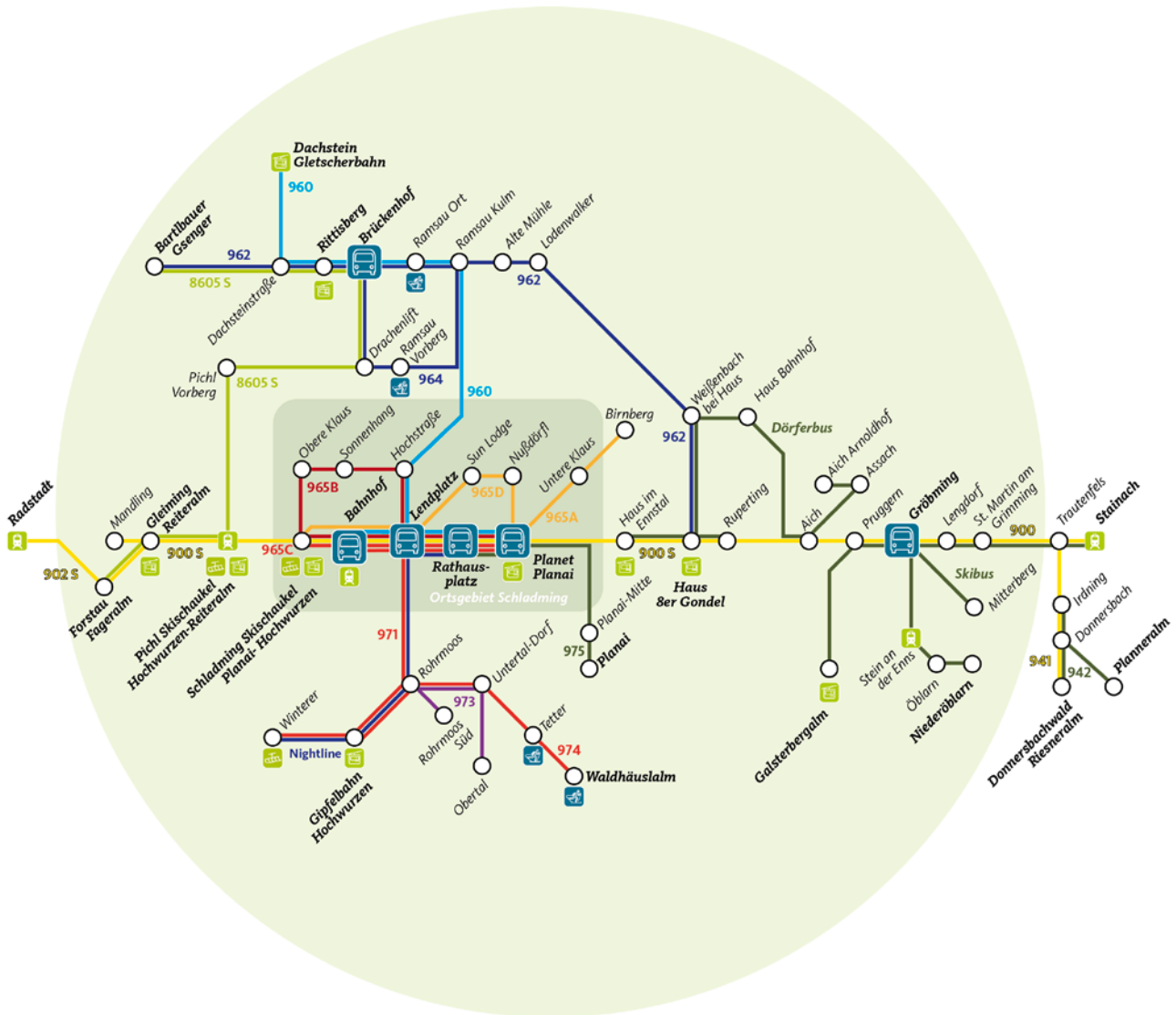
- **Planai:** Planai Seilbahn, Planai West
- **Hochwurzen:** Rohrmoos I and II, Gipfelbahn, Obertalbahn, Hochwurzen I and II
- **Hauser Kaibling:** 8er-Gondel, Kaiblinggrat, Schladminger Tauernseilbahn, Höfi-Express I
- **Reiteralm:** Silver Jet, Preunegg Jet, DSL, Reiteralm I (Pichl), Sepp'n Jet, Gasselhöhebahn II
- **Fageralm:** DSL Forstaubahn, DSL Jägerlift
- **Galsterberg:** Cable car
- **Dachstein:** Südwandbahn (1 x in 7 days) incl. Ice Palace, Suspension Bridge and Stairway to Nothingness
- **Scheduled buses** of the Planai-Hochwurzen-Bahnen company in the local area of Schladming and Rohrmoos-Untertal (except night bus)
- **Citybus** Schladming
- **Ski buses** in the Schladming-Dachstein region

No matter which winter activity you choose, the bus timetable on the opposite page will always get you safely to your destination!



sleigh was the best means of transportation for snowy winters. With the advent of tourism in the region, horse farmers also began to offer rides for holidaymakers. Today, there are dozens of providers who carry on the tradition with the help of their animals – and the rides are extremely popular. A truly magical experience!

Everything in the green zone: The Winter Hiking Ticket* is valid here



Line overview

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|-----------------------|--|------------------------|--|
| 900 S | Ski bus 4-mountain ski circuit | 974 | Schladming – Rohrmoos – Hochwurzen – Untertal – Waldhäuslalm |
| 900 | Schladming – Gröbming – Stainach – Irtdning | 975 | Schladming – Planai |
| 902 S | Radstadt – Forstau – Reiteralm Silver Jet | 965 A | Citybus Schlading Untere Klaus |
| 941 | Stainach – Irtdning – Donnersbachwald/Riesneralm | 965 B | Citybus Schlading Obere Klaus |
| 942 | Irtdning – Donnersbach – Riesneralm/Planneralm | 965 C | Citybus Schlading – shuttle bus ski circuit |
| 960 | Schladming – Ramsau Ort – Dachstein-Gletscherbahn | 965 D | Citybus Schlading |
| 962 | Ramsau Hierzegg – Ramsau Ort – Ramsau Rössing – Weißenbach | Village bus | Aich/Weißenbach/Ruperting – Hauser Kaibling |
| 964 | Ramsau Vorberg | Ski bus | Gröbming – Pruggern – Galsterbergalm |
| 8605 S | Ramsau – Pichl-Vorberg – Pichl – Reiteralm Silver Jet | Shuttle ski bus | Niederöblarn |
| 971 & 971N | Schladming – Rohrmoos – Hochwurzen – Untertal-Dorf (971N not included in the Winter Hiking Ticket) | Shuttle ski bus | Mitterberg – Gröbming |
| 973 | Obertal/Rohrmoos south – Rohrmoos centre | Shuttle ski bus | Stainach – Gröbming |

* For pedestrians WITHOUT sports equipment.

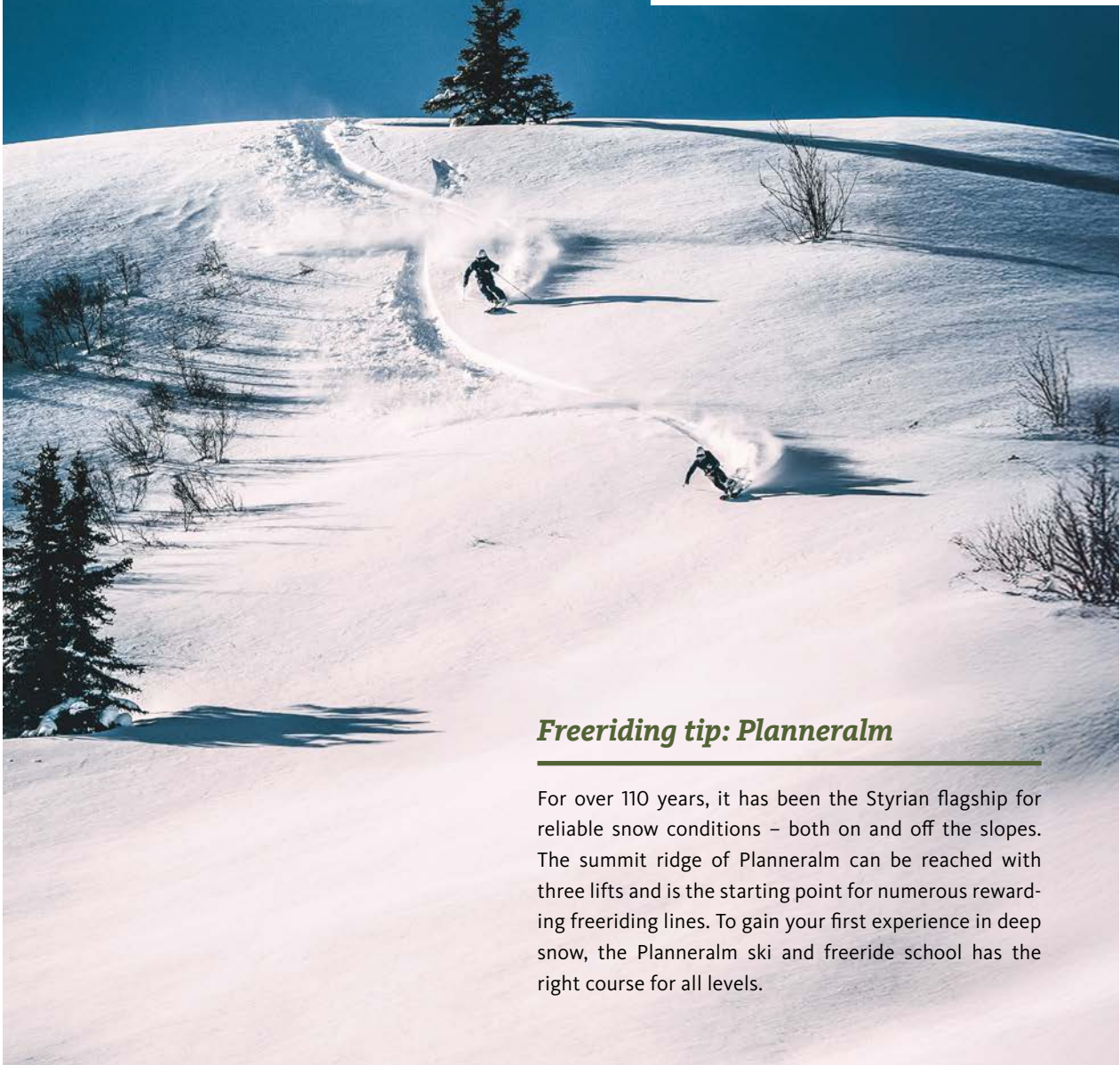
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Freeriding tip: Planneralm

For over 110 years, it has been the Styrian flagship for reliable snow conditions – both on and off the slopes. The summit ridge of Planneralm can be reached with three lifts and is the starting point for numerous rewarding freeriding lines. To gain your first experience in deep snow, the Planneralm ski and freeride school has the right course for all levels.

Tracks *in deep snow*

Freeriding offers an unparalleled experience, for which the Schladming-Dachstein region provides excellent conditions. However, anyone skiing off-piste should be well prepared. Freeriding expert Jochen Becker reveals what is important when freeriding.

The snow-covered mountain peaks look as if they have been covered in icing. On this clear winter's day, the cold air burns in Jochen Becker's lungs as he carves his first line in the virgin snow. Nowhere else does he feel such freedom as up here – freeriding in the Schladming-Dachstein region. Jochen Becker has been skiing since early childhood. The Gröbming local has always loved the off-piste area. In the beginning, it was small forest trails next to the groomed areas, but soon he was ready for bigger freeriding adventures. Today, Jochen is a state-certified mountain and ski guide and travels with his guests throughout the Alps, but he is always happy to return home.

More than just a penchant for freeriding

Jochen is still regularly drawn to Riesneralm – the place where his love of freeriding began. Away from the groomed slopes of the family-friendly ski area, there are numerous hillsides that are perfect for freeriding. “The special thing about the Riesneralm area is definitely the variety,” says Jochen. Riesneralm has everything from large, open areas for beautiful days to hillsides for tougher conditions or delightful tree runs. Planneralm, just a stone's throw away from Riesneralm, has also established itself as a popular freeriding hotspot (see tip). Near Schladming, experienced freeriders love to leave their tracks in the snow on the descent through the Edelgrieß on Dachstein. There are also numerous

other mountains in the region – many close to ski resorts – with fantastic freeriding areas.

Safely off-piste

No matter which area, a freeriding tour should definitely be planned carefully. Jochen knows that too. For the experienced freerider, it is just as essential to study the avalanche situation and weather forecast as it is to have the right equipment. Avalanche transceiver, shovel and avalanche probe must always be packed and freeriders must know how to use them. This can mean the difference between life and death in the event of an avalanche. In addition, never venture into open terrain alone, but with a group that you can rely on at all times. All members of the group should be familiar with the correct off-piste behaviour and equipment.

The most important thing here is to act prudently and reflectively. “‘It'll be fine' is not a phrase that should be heard in open terrain,” says Jochen. So, before making turns in the open terrain of the Schladming-Dachstein region like Jochen, a great deal of preparation is necessary. Thank goodness for the freeriding pro and the many other mountain and ski guides in the region who are happy to help freeriders learn the necessary basic skills. But be warned: once hooked on freeriding, there's no turning back!



Outfitters on tours

ORTOVOX has stood for top quality in ski touring equipment since 1980. As a complete outfitter, ORTOVOX offers innovative safety equipment and premium clothing for ski tourers of all kinds. The most important products include avalanche transceivers, probes and shovels, which are technically pioneering and user-friendly.



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Perfectly equipped for adventure

Particularly noteworthy are the ORTOVOX backpacks, which are equipped with Swisswool back systems or electronic airbags, for example. Technical accessories such as gloves, headwear and merino wool socks complete the outfit so that you are perfectly equipped for your tours. ORTOVOX stands for reliability, innovation and a deep connection to nature – the ideal combination for your next adventure in the snow.



Start your tour
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Tip for you

Woollen items should be aired rather than washed after each wear for longer durability. Only wash at 30°C with wool detergent without fabric softener in the wool wash cycle and spin at max. 400 RPM. Please make sure that the detergent does not contain any enzymes/proteases, as these destroy the wool structure. Stains are best removed by hand with gall soap before washing.

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This device, in tireless use since 1888, gives Schladming loden its outstanding character. Even Hollywood star Arnold Schwarzenegger wears a jacket made from our unique fabric.

Shop and enjoy

After the tour, the spacious shop, extending over three floors, invites you to take your time and explore. In addition to a wide selection of high-quality blankets, you will also find stylish accessories, clothing made from fine loden and complementary products from renowned brands. Treat yourself to a short break in the charming café and reflect on your experiences over a cup of coffee.



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More information for you

Public guided tours: Tuesday and Thursday, 10am and 3pm, except public holidays. Please register.

Group tours: from 10 people, registration required, individual appointments possible

Duration: approx. 1 hour

Cost: adult €10 | child €5

Discounts: reduced admission with the Schladming-Dachstein Sommercard

ACTIVE AT NIGHT

Active *through the night*

When the sun sinks behind the mountains of the Schladming-Dachstein region, the winter wonderland comes to life in a whole new way. The night offers adventure and romance in equal measure. And it quickly dawns on everyone that there are many ways to spend a very special evening here.


Every experience is a dream

Being active in the evening has its own special appeal, whether gliding down the slopes on floodlit pistes, whizzing through snow-covered forests on a sledge, feeling the wind in one's face on a cross-country skiing tour or simply enjoying the silence of the winter night. Visitors are enchanted by the sparkling crystals and the magic of the night and experience unforgettable winter moments.

Night ski tour in nature at Riesneralm

From the Riesneralm valley station, strap on your touring skis and head straight to the floodlit “Familienschuss” piste. Follow this up to the middle station at 1,600 m, and then switch to the final ascent on the “Krispenleit’n” piste. With the Hochsitz viewing platform always in view, it’s easy to master the last third of the tour with no problem. The descent into the valley is also via the two pistes “Krispenleit’n” and “Familienschuss”.


DIFFICULTY LEVEL	ASCENT/DESCENT
medium	830 m
LENGTH	DURATION
6.71 km	2:30 hrs



Hochwurzten night tobogganing

The 7 km long Hochwurzten natural toboggan run is the ideal complement to skiing fun on the 123 km of pistes of the Schladming 4-mountain ski circuit and offers tobogganing fun for night owls and romantics. The toboggan run starts at the Hochwurztenhütte lodge and stretches along the Hochwurztenstraße road from the summit to the Gipfelbahn Hochwurzten valley station. The ski lodges and refreshment stops are located directly on the toboggan run.


DIFFICULTY LEVEL	ASCENT/DESCENT
medium	718 m
LENGTH	DURATION
7.04 km	0:30 hrs



Rittisberg night tobogganing

Night tobogganing on Rittisberg is fun for the whole family. At the valley station, board the Rittisbergbahn cable car, which goes up the mountain. Toboggans can be easily transported in one of the 10-seater gondolas. Toboggans can also be hired for a fee. The ride down into the valley on the 3.5 km long night toboggan run starts at 1,500 m above sea level.


DIFFICULTY LEVEL	ASCENT/DESCENT
medium	317 m
LENGTH	DURATION
2.93 km	0:30 hrs



Ramsau am Dachstein night cross-country skiing trail

Start the night cross-country skiing on the floodlit trail in the World Cup stadium in the centre of Ramsau. Make your tracks along the freshly groomed Standardloipe West trail out to the Ederstube lodge and up to the hill at Haus Katharina. Return to the stadium along the same route and with the option of a lap around the reservoir.


DIFFICULTY LEVEL	ASCENT/DESCENT
easy	73 m
LENGTH	DURATION
4 km	0:45 hrs



Fageralm full moon ski tour

The popular full moon ski tours on Fageralm are unique in every respect. The tour starts directly at the Fageralm valley station, ascending on the piste. The evening ascent can be started individually from 5pm. Please note: pistes are closed from 11pm, after which they are prepared for the next ski day!

DIFFICULTY LEVEL	ASCENT/DESCENT
easy	950 m
LENGTH	DURATION
7.46 km	2:45 hrs



Tip for you

Discover the world of winter nights in Schladming-Dachstein and be inspired by the variety of night activities. Whether you’re looking for an adrenaline rush or relaxing hours under the stars: everyone will find the right evening programme here.

For more information and further tours, scan the following QR code:



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Flying *guardian angels*

**24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year:
the Christophorus 14 base in Niederöblarn has been operational around the clock for two years.
Especially in winter, the C14 provides rapid assistance on the slopes and in rough terrain.
We looked over the shoulders of three flying guardian angels during their shift.**



For two years: C14 around the clock

Christophorus 14 is the second location in Styria to operate 24 hours a day since 10 October 2022. “The region benefits enormously from the fact that the base is staffed around the clock. The entire Upper Ennstal Valley has high seasonal peaks in winter during the ski season and in summer. Now it is also possible to get adequate medical assistance from the air at night,” says chief flight rescuer Albert Prugger. The crews at the Niederöblarn site are deployed around 1,200 times a year. These are often sports and leisure accidents, but also domestic, internal and neurological emergencies.

Highly trained rescuers

In autumn before the start of the winter season, the crew in Niederöblarn undergoes training for piste rescuers. Between 50 and 70 people receive intensive training on how to recognise when the helicopter needs to be called in, correctly instruct the helicopter at the scene, determine the landing site and recognise possible obstacles.

Did you know? Fixed landing sites for helicopters are already installed in the ski areas!

Double sure: Christophorus 99

A special feature at the Niederöblarn base is the C99. A second helicopter, Christophorus 99, is available during the holiday seasons. “We often have to go to specialist hospitals on missions, and these are often far away. As the area would be without an emergency helicopter for too long due to the long flight times, a second helicopter was added for these cases,” says Prugger.



Daily routine

The C99 starts the winter season on 26 December and is in operation until Easter in addition to the C14. Its service starts daily at 8am and ends with civil twilight, usually at 4.30pm in winter.

The C14 daytime crew starts at 6.30am and flies until 7.30pm. Both crews are always on site for 45 minutes at the handover. The night shift starts at 7.30pm and is relieved at 6.30am.

“It has become customary for the early shift crew to arrive at the base at 6am and check their equipment,” explains flight rescuer Prugger. Each does it for their own specialist area. “I really like the tradition here in Niederöblarn of having breakfast together at shift change,” adds emergency doctor Philipp Taufik. On busy days, the crew may not get to eat for a long time. Breakfast is also the time when they discuss things together: what additional tasks need to be done, does anything need to be replenished from the depot or cleaned?

Two shifts in the air

Daytime and nighttime crews ensure that the helicopter is always ready for action. A crew consists of three members: a pilot, an emergency doctor and a flight rescuer, who supports the pilot and is also an emergency paramedic and mountain specialist. Niederöblarn currently has 7 full-time pilots, 5 full-time flight rescuers, 6 freelance flight rescuers and around 30 emergency doctors. The shifts change so that the crews and helicopters are constantly shuffled. “With us, everyone flies everywhere,” laughs Albert Prugger.

Weather briefing

A number of things need to be clarified during the shift hand-over. “I discuss with the pilot from the previous shift whether everything is okay with the helicopter, how the shift went. Then I check the helicopter and do a detailed weather briefing,” says pilot Brunner. In fine weather, this is quite simple. In addition, the pilot analyses the main issues of the day and the temperatures to be expected at which altitudes. The pilot must also consider how full the tank is. The shift is then handed over.



Swiftly to the scene

If something happens on or off the slopes, the helicopter is on site in around eight minutes.

Three minutes until take-off

While on duty, the crew is located in rest and recreation rooms. As soon as an alert is received, the alarm “Mission for Christophorus 14” sounds. The alarm is raised via the Red Cross control centre and is displayed in detail on the screen at the head office in Niederöblarn: what happened, at what altitude, and where. The mission is also automatically loaded into the helicopter’s navigation system, because from now on it has to be fast. A quick team meeting and off they go. The crew must be in the air within three minutes of the alarm sounding.

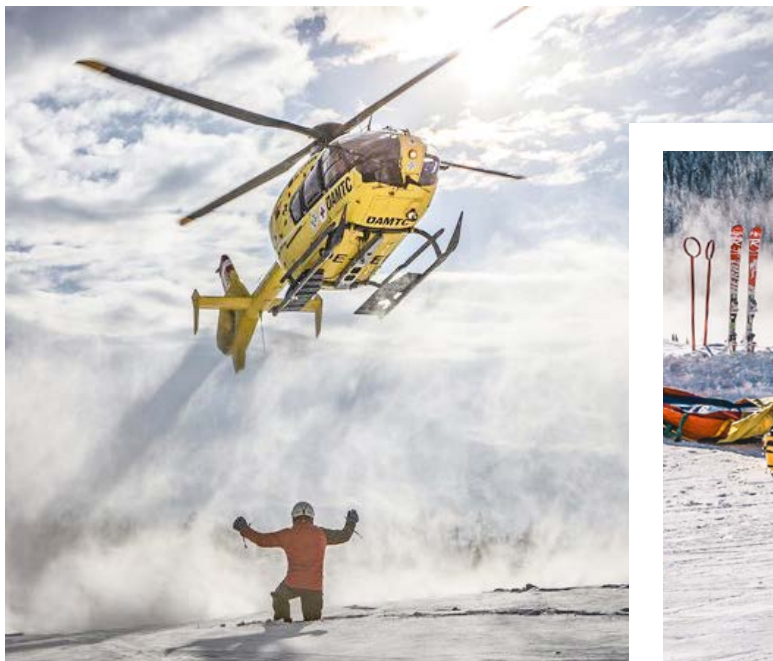
A network in the air

Austria-wide, the air rescue network is covered in such a way that any location can be reached within 15 minutes in good flying weather. The flight time from Niederöblarn to Schladming is eight minutes. This means the crew can be at the scene of the accident in seven to nine minutes. The most important thing is that the emergency doctor can carry out the treatment on site and determine which hospital is appropriate for the patient. The crew can get to the hospital centres in Salzburg or Graz relatively quickly; on ground, it would take more than an hour, by helicopter only 18 minutes. “The big advantage of the helicopter is time,” emphasises flight rescuer Prugger. “However, everyone who is out and about in the alpine area should bear in mind that it takes a certain amount of time until help arrives, and that it can take a little longer if the weather is bad.”



Bad weather

“We helicopter pilots are purely visual pilots,” explains pilot Brunner. Thunderstorms, heavy rain and fog become an obstacle, because the pilot needs a certain visibility and clearance below the clouds. Especially because of the darkness during the night shift, the weather is checked in advance, as you have to make do with less information at night. Night vision devices and night images of important locations are a valuable aid. The pilot can also use moonlight or starlight on clear nights.



“Help is on its way very quickly”



Every mission is documented

If there is no further follow-up mission, the crew returns to its base. Another task of the pilot is to log the mission with the help of a computer programme. “We record the type of mission, the patient’s personal details and relevant information for the insurance company. The doctor adds the medical details and only then is the mission completed and sent on to the billing centre in Vienna.” Social insurance does not automatically cover the costs of sports/leisure/alpine missions, and the patient receives an invoice after the rescue mission. “The amount invoiced can be very high. In these cases, it is worth taking out additional insurance,” states pilot Gerhard Brunner.



Why: variety and challenge

All team members of the ÖAMTC air rescue crew have a high level of experience. “In a hospital, the emergency doctor can ask their colleagues for advice, but here in the C14 they can’t,” says Brunner. There is a constant exchange between the three crew members during the missions. “In my view, air rescue is the top level of preclinical emergency medicine. The challenges on the ground are the same, plus flying and the alpine setting,” explains emergency doctor Taufik. The dynamics in the team also make the work special. “One minute the pilot is in command, the next the flight rescuer and the emergency doctor. There are no soloists, only team players,” adds Brunner.

Totally without James Bond

Thanks to highly standardised processes, every manoeuvre is perfect. “Every team member of every ÖAMTC crew in Austria could fly anywhere immediately without any complications. Philipp can drive to Sölden, get into the helicopter and it would work just as well as here with us,” says Brunner happily. “We’re not action pilots, although we occasionally film for the ZDF series “,Die Bergretter””. In reality, however, it wouldn’t be so cinematic if you spent a day with us. But every second counts – and we prefer to do everything we can to prevent real dramas,” Brunner adds in conclusion.

Always ready for a mission in the mountains

- The C14 base in Niederöblarn flies around 1,200 missions a year
- A second helicopter is available at the Niederöblarn base during busy holiday periods: Christophorus 99
- A crew consists of three members: pilot, emergency doctor and flight rescuer (emergency paramedic and mountain specialist)
- The C14 helicopter costs around six million euros
- The flight time from Niederöblarn to Schladming is eight minutes

Flavoro



unruffled



Deliciously *recreated*

Potato and herb pancakes topped with mountain cheese and salad with pumpkin seed oil

Serves 2

Pancakes

- 120 g plain flour
- 1/4 l milk
- 2 eggs
- 1 tsp dried marjoram
- 1 tbsp each chopped parsley and chives
- 1 tsp dried lovage*
- Butter for frying
- Salt

Filling

- 3 medium-sized potatoes
- 350 g mountain cheese (or Steirerkas)
- 250 g curd cheese
- 1 small onion
- 1 bunch of chives
- 2-3 tbsp hot water
- Butter, salt, pepper

Salad with pumpkin seed oil dressing

- 200 g mixed lettuce
- 60 ml pumpkin seed oil
- 30 ml water
- 30 ml apple cider vinegar
- 2 tsp apple juice (or honey)
- 2 tsp grainy mustard
- 50 g pumpkin seeds
- Salt, pepper

Preparation method

For the herb pancakes, mix flour, milk, eggs, a pinch of salt, marjoram, parsley, chives and lovage to make a smooth batter. Bake thin pancakes in a non-stick frying pan. To make the filling, boil the potatoes and mash them. Grate the mountain cheese and mix 200 g of it into the potatoes with the curd cheese. Peel and finely chop the onion, fry in butter until golden brown. Add the onion to the cheese and potato mixture, mix with the chopped chives, salt, pepper and water to form a creamy mixture. Fill the baked pancakes with the potato mixture and roll them up. Sprinkle the remaining mountain cheese on top and bake in the oven for 10 to 15 minutes at 180°C. To make the salad dressing, put the pumpkin seed oil, water, apple cider vinegar, apple juice, mustard, a little salt and pepper in a tall container and blend with a hand blender. Put the washed lettuce leaves into bowls, marinate with dressing and garnish with roasted pumpkin seeds.

* alternatively dried mountain herbs



Passion *for flour*

A lot of enthusiasm and passion are required to achieve a good rye harvest in the Ennstal Valley. In 2014, Franz and Patricia Neuper launched their project to produce a regional and high-quality rye flour at the foot of the Grimming: Ennstal Flour.

An original Styrian rye doughnut with exclusively regional ingredients: this vision gave dairy farmer and Fleckvieh cattle breeder Franz Neuper from Irdning-Donnersbachtal the idea for his own rye flour. It all started with a modest 600 kilos of rye – and a lot of willpower. Sometimes the variety had to be changed, and sometimes hailstorms destroyed large parts of the harvest. However, the mills are now running at full speed. Every year, 10 to 12 tons of rye are processed into top-quality flour in the company's own stone pine mill. The company has thus created a second mainstay.

This flour has many excellent qualities

Ennstal Flour is certified as a Schladming-Dachstein “Genusspartner” and is subject to the strict standards of the AMA Genuss Region, which guarantees regular quality and origin assurance. It is currently available in regional retailers and farm stores, but restaurants and bakeries are also showing increasing interest. Rye is considered a healthy grain – mainly because of its high content of minerals such as iron, potassium, phosphorus, magnesium and fluorine, as well as B vitamins that strengthen the nerves. After all, it's not just the Neupers who need nerves of steel.



A culinary delight with rye

Star-awarded chef Richard Rauch created an “Almkulinarik” dish with Ennstal rye: local grain is one of the main ingredients in the “Trood-Pfandl”.

Chocolates *like the region*

Our region is now officially also delicious and can be tasted, thanks to the new Schladming-Dachstein Praline. Inspired by the striking shape of the Dachstein massif and composed of local flavours, the chocolates are intended to showcase the region. It's a pleasure that you have to let melt in your mouth.

The chocolates were developed by Hanna and Mariella, career changers from the Gröbming vocational school, who stood out with their high ambition and talent for patisserie.

Where are you from and how did the project come about?

Hanna & Mariella We are Hanna Thurner from Selzthal and Mariella Vierthaler from Filzmoos, both graduates of the vocational school for agriculture and the food industry in Gröbming. Hanna completed her internship at Natur- und Wellnesshotel Höflehner and was able to gain a lot of valuable experience and insights into the world of patisserie during her internship.

What is your favourite place in the region?

Hanna I like to spend my time on Riesneralm and Mariella loves the impressive mountain landscape of Dachstein.

How did you come up with the combination or composition of the Schladming-Dachstein Praline? How do you think the chocolates represent our region?

Hanna & Mariella We chose stone pine schnapps for the Schladming-Dachstein Praline in order to use a genuine regional product. The shape of the chocolates is reminiscent of the impressive Dachstein massif, and the white chocolate icing is intended to reflect the snow that so often adorns the landscape here.

How long did you work on developing the chocolates?

Hanna & Mariella We tinkered with the chocolates for about a month, with around 18 hours of practical work spread over several afternoons.

*“Holidays
taste even
sweeter here”*



SPECIAL TREATS

What was the most difficult part of making the chocolates?

Hanna & Mariella The biggest challenge was tempering the chocolates. Finding the right balance between the stone pine schnapps and the chocolate filling was also tricky and required a great deal of sensitivity.

How should the chocolates' journey continue?

Hanna & Mariella We hope that the guests will love our chocolates, which will help to make our region even better known. Our aim is for more people to enjoy our creation.



Snow you can eat
The white chocolate icing represents the snow-covered peaks.



Styrian wine **Wine from the mountain.** **With hand and heart.**

Did you know that the winegrowers of the Styrian DAC regions Südsteiermark DAC, Weststeiermark DAC and Vulkanland Steiermark DAC have committed themselves to harvesting grapes by hand? And did you know that more than half of the vineyards in Styria are mountain vineyards, sometimes on extreme slopes? The DAC origin system of Styria stands for "wine with protected origin" and offers outstanding wines with a guarantee of origin.

The good grows so close

Styrian wine in the Schladming-Dachstein region

Regionality is one of the central modern themes in the culinary world. This also applies to wine. "WEIN STEIERMARK" and the Schladming-Dachstein holiday region have created a network between innkeepers and winegrowers with the aim of offering guests wine from Styria. One example is the "Almkulinarik wine", which is served with the "Almkulinarik" dishes by the innkeepers.



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Megastars *hit the stage*

A top-class event awaits you in Schladming-Dachstein at the start of the winter season: the Ski Opening 2024/25 offers three days of spectacular musical performances. From 6 to 8 December 2024, the Planai Stadium will be transformed into a world-class concert stage. Three superstars who have sold more than 250 million albums between them will set the tone at the “Grand Festival”.

Heaps of highlights

Ready for the big performance: the Schladming 4-mountain ski circuit, including Hauser Kaibling, Planai, Hochwurzen and Reiteralm, once again offers first-class skiing conditions, but also amazing innovations. The new 8-seater chairlift “Kaiblinggrat” and the modern 10-passenger cable car on Hochwurzen promise even more comfort and adventure. The audience will be delighted – as the three global megastars perform at the winter opening.

An opening of superlatives

Leutgeb Entertainment Group and the Schladming-Dachstein tourism region have been working together to ensure an unforgettable event. The combination of the finest skiing fun and outstanding music makes the Ski Opening a fixture in the winter events calendar. After Robbie Williams last year, this time Bryan Adams, Sting and Simply Red will get the mountains shaking. Unforgettable concert evenings in one of the most beautiful winter landscapes in Austria await.



Grand Festival

Bryan Adams – 6 December 2024, from 8pm

The Canadian superstar kicks things off. Bryan Adams is extending his “So Happy It Hurts” tour especially for this event and will be thrilling audiences with hits such as “Summer of ‘69” and “Everything I Do (I Do It For You)”.

Sting – 7 December 2024, from 8pm

On Saturday, the exceptional British artist, who has been awarded 17 Grammys, will take to the stage with his “STING 3.0” programme. Hits from his time with “The Police” and his solo career will make for an unforgettable evening.

Simply Red – 8 December 2024, from 6pm

The crowning finale is Simply Red with frontman Mick Hucknall on Sunday. The band, who will be celebrating their 40th anniversary in 2025, will be performing their greatest hits and new songs from the album “Time” on stage at the Planai Stadium.

Get your tickets
for the concerts now!



Ready for the Nightrace

Every year, Schladming is transformed into the pulsating centre of the ski world twice: at the Night Race. First giant slalom, then slalom. On 28 and 29 January 2025, the race finish area of Planai will once again be the stage for the world's best skiers. It's an incomparable experience for tens of thousands of ski fans that needs to be well prepared.





Grooming

5 to 6 piste bashers are in use all day long to groom the Planai finish slope for racing. 20 to 30 good 'sliders' are in action on race days to slide the snow away. In the event of heavy snowfall, 100 to 150 additional people are needed.



Heating up

On each race day, up to 22,500 ski fans are expected in the stadium at the finish area and around 7,000 fans in the fan mile. And then we work hard together to ensure that the atmosphere is once again world-class.



Icing

The optimum temperature for preparing the race slope is between -3 and -6°C at night. In the first step, the slope personnel work with the so-called 'deer antlers' to water the slope. The track is then watered with a spray bar for 14 to 18 hours to achieve the capillary state – the track becomes as icy as it should be on race nights.



The Nightrace Schladming 2025

FIS Alpine Ski World Cup Men

The atmospheric night races on Planai will take place on 28 and 29 January 2025. Both races happen under floodlights and guarantee a rousing atmosphere in front of thousands of fans.

Night giant slalom – 28 January 2025, from 5.45pm

For the third time, the world's best giant slalom skiers will be competing on Planai at night. The first race starts at 5.45pm, the second at 8.45pm.

Night slalom – 29 January 2025, from 5.45pm

This classic, also with two runs, will take place on Planai for the 28th time.

Get more information
and your ticket here.



Events

in winter



FIS World Cup Ramsau am Dachstein

The world's best Nordic all-rounders will once again meet in Ramsau am Dachstein this winter from **19 to 21 December 2024**. The competitions in the 1999 World Championship venue have been a fixture on the Nordic Combined World Cup calendar for years. The difficult cross-country skiing trail in particular pushes the athletes to their limits. After their World Cup premiere three years ago, the women are also making their fourth guest appearance in Styria. In total, spectators can look forward to four exciting individual competitions – all free of charge!



FIS Ski Cross World Cup Reiteralm

On **16 and 17 January 2025**, the top-class Ski Cross World Cup races, both men's and women's, will take place in the Reiteralm Crosspark. After the training sessions and qualifications, the finals will take place on Thursday, 16 January and Friday, 17 January 2025. The challenging route has it all: 1,200m long, 2 banked turns, 3 negative turns, 1 turn with technical jump elements, as well as large and small elements with jumps and waves make for an exciting race. There are special spectator areas along the route – it's well worth watching.

Carnival in the region

Doughnuts, confetti and costumes! The colourful carnival season in the Schladming-Dachstein region is associated with a number of traditions. Carnival parades, guards, masked traditional curling and cabarets are all part of this special season. There are no limits to creativity at carnival. Dressed up with colourful, artistically staged costumes, the young and old fools parade through the streets from Schladming to Stainach and invite all guests and locals to join in the celebrations – and the ever-popular carnival doughnuts also ensure a foolishly good mood.





“Musi im Schnee”, Riesneralm

A snow-covered Donnersbachwald and powder-soft ski slopes on Riesneralm get the blood of winter sports enthusiasts really pumping. This enjoyment will be accompanied by music from “Die Edlseer” from **24 to 26 January 2025**. For three days, the popular folk music trio will play music on Riesneralm, carve turns in the snow with fans and will be available for personal chats at the exclusive mountain lodge evening at the Hochsitz. In the “Schlag die Edlseer” competition, you can even compete against your favourites in a parallel slalom. The highlight is the big après-ski party in the valley on **Saturday, 25 January 2025**. And admission is free!

Puntigamer Musician Ski World Championships

From **2 to 6 April 2025**, the Puntigamer Musician Ski World Championships will kick off five great days of events, as usual on Wednesday with the popular opening open air at Stockers Erlebniswelt in Rohrmoos. Enjoy the best musical entertainment at the ski lodges on Planai, Hochwurzen and Reiteralm. From Friday to Sunday, there will be a great atmosphere in the large marquee in the Planai Stadium at the Winter Festival. The exciting competitions to win the title of Puntigamer Musician Ski World Champion provide a varied programme for participants and spectators, where fun is the name of the game.



Styrian Spring Festival in Vienna

Over 4 days, the 11 tourism regions of Styria and around 100 exhibitors will transform the Rathausplatz square in Vienna into a colourful showcase of the Styrian way of life. From culinary highlights and traditional customs to an extensive stage programme: the Styrian Spring offers a wealth of experiences that will make your green heart happy. The Schladming-Dachstein region will also be presenting itself at the lively event on Rathausplatz from **27 to 30 March 2025** – with tasty cuisine, lively music and warm hospitality.

All the latest events
can be found here.



Nature



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Projects with a future

“We are there for you” – this is the slogan of our region. Of course, we are also there for our beautiful planet. We therefore support sustainable initiatives. Here are some inspiring examples of responsible development in Schladming-Dachstein.

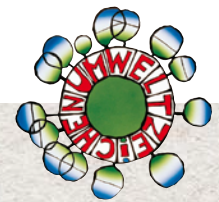
Collective charity

Mindfulness is a top priority at Apart & Suiten Hotel Weiden. They are also active in their charity work, for example the “CHANGE maker €” campaign. Every guest can donate to the good cause via the hotel bill. The total sum is rounded up by hotel operators Nadja and Georg Niederl to at least the nearest thousand each year and donated to a selected sustainable project, such as the youngest beekeeper in the region.



Nature-loving businesses

- 17 businesses certified with the Austrian Ecolabel
- 43 Schladming-Dachstein Genusspartners with AMA Genuss Region seal of approval
- 105 “Urlaub am Bauernhof” (farm holidays) accommodation establishments (4 of which specialise in organic food)
- 251 organic farms
- 10 “Ramsauer Bioniere” (organic accommodation providers, restaurateurs & merchants)
- 16 farm shops and organic food stores



Holidays with a good feeling
Aparthotel Weiden attaches great importance to supporting sustainable initiatives.





Sustainable fuel

The Planai-Hochwurzen-Bahnen lift company have been refuelling the majority of their cars, buses and piste bashers with palm oil-free, renewable HVO100 fuel since the beginning of 2024. This reduces CO₂ emissions by up to 90%.

Environmentally friendly mobility

- Free ski bus between Pichl and Gröbming
- 50 charging stations for electric vehicles
- 125 charging points
- 20 international long-distance, overnight and express train connections
- 13 bus routes with a climate ticket



Bag with a history

Waste is not an option for us. That's why we turned old advertising banners from the region into trendy bags in our latest upcycling project. Around 580 m² of material from our outdoor advertising was reused instead of being disposed of. This is a significant contribution to waste avoidance.

No pressure on nature

We have been working with the regional print shop Wallig in Gröbming for over 10 years. It has held the Austrian Ecolabel since 2010 – the first print shop in Styria. This magazine is also produced there. In this way, we not only support an environmentally conscious company, but also strengthen the local economy.



Do you also want to make a contribution? Take a look in our shop – find your new favourite bag!



More information about our environmentally conscious initiatives!



*“Arrive by
train for
a great stay”*



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Tip for you

Arrange to have bulky suitcases or ski bags conveniently collected and delivered! For a carefree start to your holiday, book the ÖBB luggage service and travel light.

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can be found here.



Holiday *happiness on rails*

Whether for skiing, snowshoeing or wellness: with ÖBB trains you can travel to the Schladming-Dachstein region in a relaxed, congestion-free and environmentally friendly way. Simply sit back and enjoy the views of the passing winter landscape.

Into the winter fun by train

Simply start the ÖBB App, select Schladming as your destination station and make your way to your holiday in an environmentally friendly way! With the "Sparschiene" fares, you can discover the region at a particularly low price: you can travel from Vienna to Schladming for as little as €19.90*!

Definitely a seat for you

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Taking the train to your winter holiday

From Vienna to Schladming

- It takes just under 4 hours to get to Schladming every 2 hours with a change in Leoben.

Train connections from other cities

- Direct EC/IC trains run every 2 hours from Graz or Salzburg.
- When departing from Linz, it is best to change trains in Selzthal.

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Are you travelling by train? Great! For your sustainability we give you 30 bonus points in the Schladming-Dachstein ForYou Club. You can also take part in our "GreenRail competition" and have the chance to win a summer holiday in 2025 for 2 people with 3 nights in Schladming-Dachstein! Upload your return ticket (from 2 nights) via the QR code and collect points.

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GreenRail offer.**





Cultural Insights

Breathtaking landscapes and a wide range of leisure activities – that’s what Schladming-Dachstein is known for. But there is much more to discover here. Local museums offer fascinating insights into the development of winter sports and the cultural heritage of the region. There are also ways to experience the lively traditions in many places.

After a day on the winter hiking trails or ski slopes, a visit to one of the museums will help to gain some new perspectives about the history and culture of the region. This will enrich the all-round experience of Schladming-Dachstein.

Time travel at Ramsau am Dachstein’s history museum

The centrally located “Zeitroas” Museum, housed in the old “Pehabstall” barn in Ramsau-Ort, is a little gem for locals and guests alike. It spans the chronological arc to locally relevant

topics such as tourism development around Dachstein and the emergence and preservation of the Protestant faith. An exciting journey through time takes visitors back to the era of the Catholic Habsburg Empire, when Protestantism was only practised in secret in the village. Interactive installations, historical objects and the museum shop with contemporary literature and regional arts and crafts round off the visit perfectly. The “Zeitroas” Museum is open in winter (between Christmas and Easter) at the following times: Wednesdays from 10am to 12.30pm and Wednesdays to Fridays from 3pm to 6pm.

A journey through time

The “Zeitroas” Museum takes you on a journey through the historical developments of the region – also in religious terms.



“ZEITROAS” MUSEUM



WINTER SPORTS MUSEUM

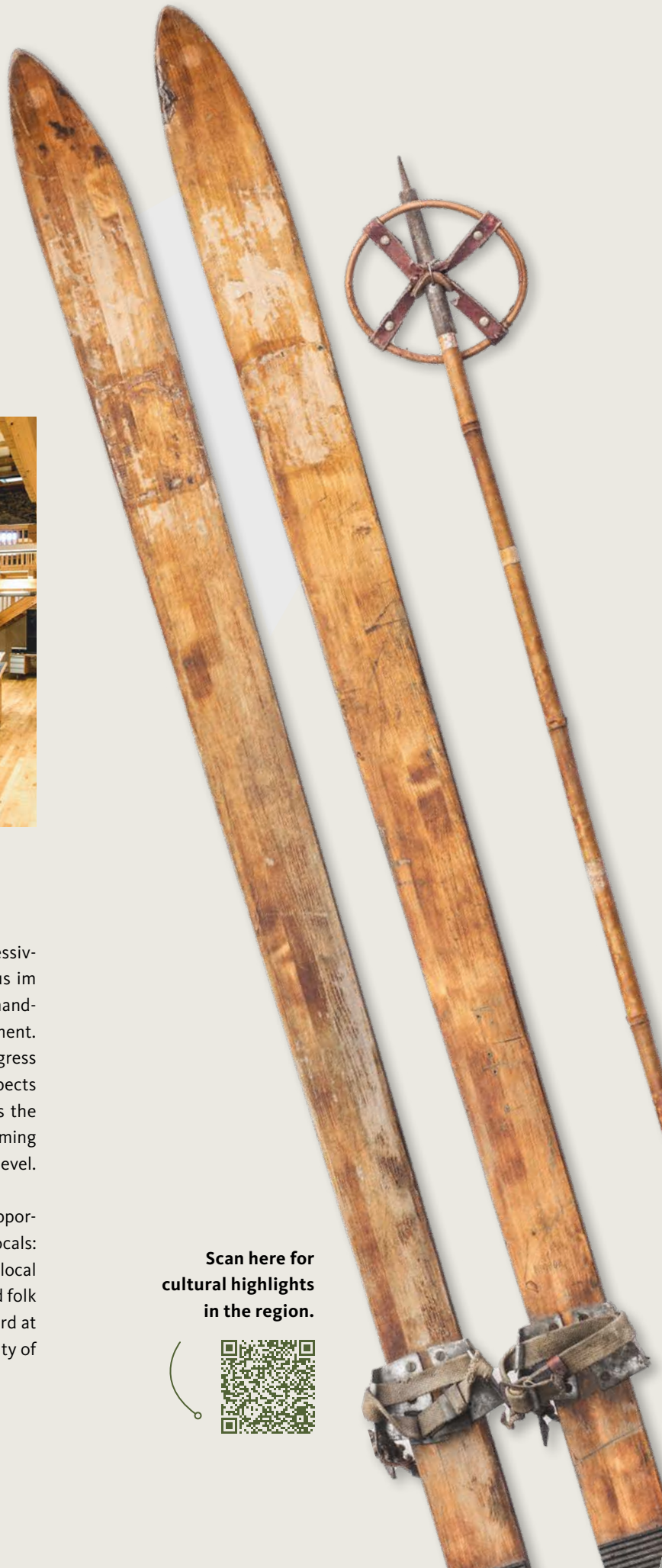


On the trail of winter sports

The development of winter sports in the region is impressively represented in the Winter Sports Museum in Haus im Ennstal. Its extensive collection ranges from the first hand-made skis and toboggans to modern high-tech equipment. The museum sheds light not only on the technical progress of winter sports, but also on the social and cultural aspects that it has shaped in the region. A special highlight is the exhibition about the Ski World Championships in Schladming and the successes of local athletes at the international level.

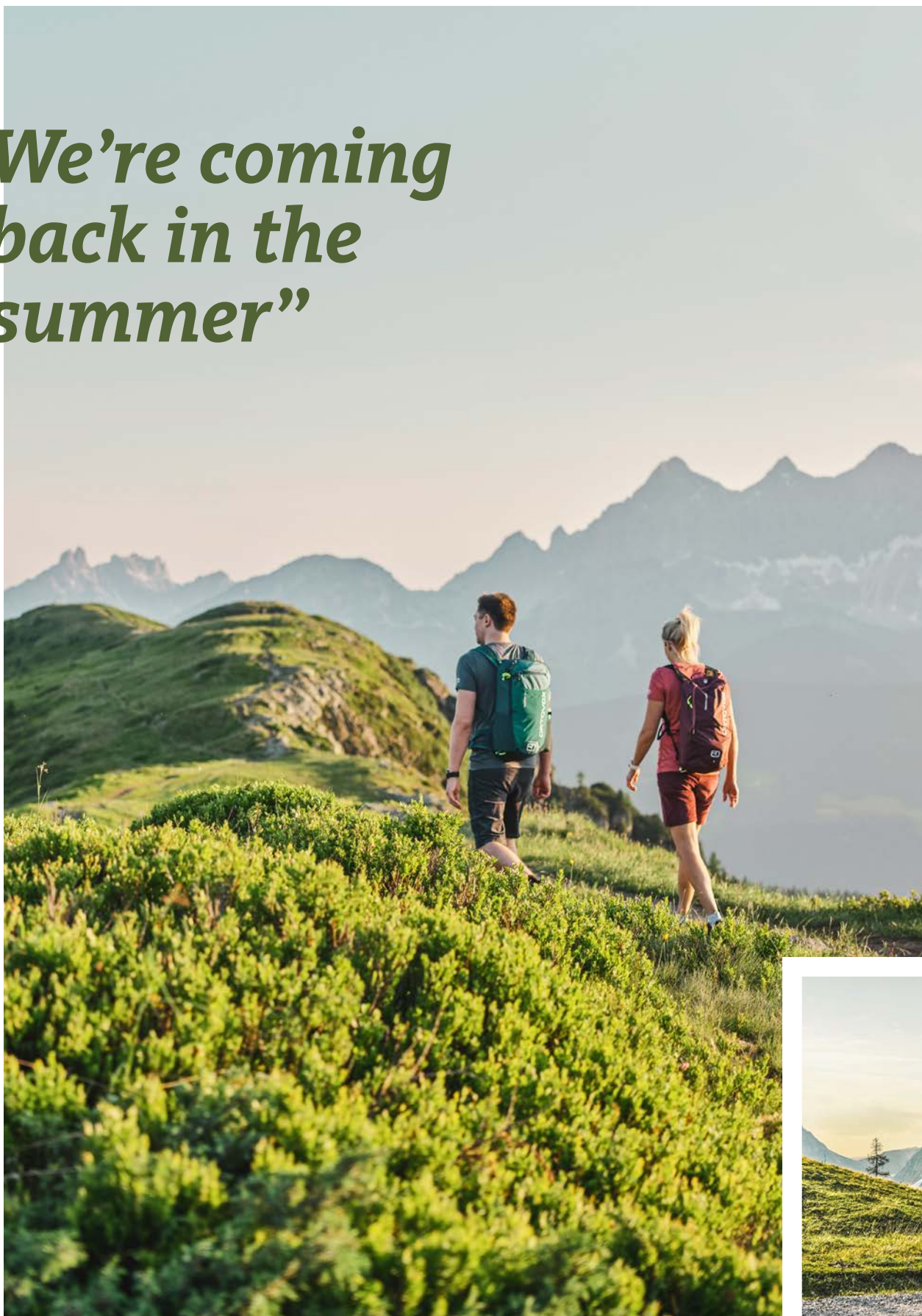
In addition to museums, the region offers many other opportunities to get to know the culture and customs of the locals: for example, at traditional festivals, at markets and in local craft businesses. The colourful traditional costumes and folk music performances that can regularly be seen and heard at local events also give an insight into the cultural diversity of the region.

Scan here for
cultural highlights
in the region.



***“We’re coming
back in the
summer”***

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Summery Peaks

Next summer is just around the corner. We would like to give you a sneak peek of the warm season in the Schladming-Dachstein tourism region. It has many adventures in store for families, hikers, climbers and cyclists.

Over 1,000 kilometres of marked hiking trails lead through impressive landscapes. Whether leisurely walks or challenging mountain tours – everyone can find the right route here. Climbing enthusiasts will get their money's worth in Schladming-Dachstein. From family-friendly climbing parks to the challenging Dachstein Super Ferrata, the variety of climbing routes leaves nothing more to be desired. An extensive network of cycle paths and mountain biking trails makes the region a paradise for cyclists. Whether it be challenging trails and downhill routes or relaxed tours through the Ennstal Valley – there is something for everyone here.

Everything on one card: Schladming-Dachstein Sommercard

With the Schladming-Dachstein Sommercard you can also enjoy numerous discounts and free admissions. Use cable cars and lifts, visit museums or relax in swimming pools – your holiday will be even more full of variety.

Ready for the next adventure? The Schladming-Dachstein region is waiting for you with unforgettable summer experiences and mountain moments. We look forward to welcoming you during the warmer months of the year.



Discover the many services included with the Schladming-Dachstein Sommercard!



Welcome to the ForYou Club

The ForYou Club unites people with a shared enthusiasm for the Schladming-Dachstein region, and it rewards your loyalty with exclusive offers and unique experiences. Become part of our community now and benefit from advantages, promotions and chances to win!

Your exclusive benefits and special moments in the ForYou Club

Ongoing competitions: Win concert tickets, entry to events, ski passes, great sports equipment and much more.

Exclusive experiences: Take part in special events for members and enjoy unforgettable moments with VIP tickets, advance sale, Meet & Greets.

Bonus world with rewards: Collect valuable points that you can redeem for first-class rewards.

... and much more: Discounts in the ticket shop, exclusive products, free shipping in the web shop, insider tips, check-in challenges, virtual experiences ...

The Schladming-Dachstein App

Always there for you: up-to-date information about the region, unique offers and your access to the ForYou Club.



Download the
Schladming-Dachstein
App now



Register now and benefit!

Download the Schladming-Dachstein App and become a member of the ForYou Club. You earn your first bonus points just by registering – and then you can keep on collecting!



Your accommodation booking will earn you valuable points.



Discover the region and take part in exciting check-in challenges. Each challenge earns you up to 5 points.



Invite up to three of your friends and collect points together.



Write a rating and get a point for it.



Arrive sustainably and score more points.

NEW

You can earn even more points by buying tickets under ForYou Club conditions, for example.

Redeem points and secure benefits

Use your redeemable points to secure special experiences, vouchers and exclusive events.



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