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Wendelstein - The adventure summit

A PERFECTLY ADORABLE MOUNTAIN

At a majestic height of 1,838 metres, the striking profile in an impressive alpine setting and a panoramic view from the summit that is famous far beyond Bavaria's borders – you simply fall in love with so much mountain!

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It is not only the incomparable views that make the Wendelstein one of the most popular destinations in the German Alps region. A whole series of additional highlights attract anyone looking for nature, an unusual experience and unforgettable leisure activities for themselves and the

The history of the // endelstein.

The Wendelstein was formed 230 million years ago from a reef of mussels and other deposits. Due to the natural movement of the Earth's plates, it moved from the Mediterranian region to Bavaria. The first documented report of its ascent is from the year 1780. Later on kings and princes made their way up the summit. A summit cross was erected in 1866; the Wendelstein House and Church were built in the 1890's, and the cog railway went into service in 1912. Today, thousands of visitors from all over the world come to what is definitely the most beautiful representative of Munich's local mountains.

Also visit our newly constructed playground at the mountain station.



RAMBLING ON THE WENDELSTEIN

Summit and panoramic route

20-minute ascent to the fantastic 360° panorama. Well-secured trail from the mountain station (1,724 m) to the Wendelstein summit (1,838 m). And the way back is either the same route or via the panoramic route. Just before the summit, the route branches off over the east summit of the Wendelstein back to the mountain station. Walking time: app. 40 minutes.

2 Wendelstein – Cable railway valley station (Osterhofen)*

Attractive descent into the Leitzach Valley. From the mountain inn under the cable railway, past the solar-energy plant to the Wendelstein Alps. Over the Sigl Alp to Hochkreut (mountain cafe) and on to the cable railway valley station. Marker ��, Difference in altitude 1,046 m, walking time: app. 2.5 hrs.

3 König-Maximilian route to Bayrischzell*

On the trail of King Max II., the route takes you past the little Wendelstein church to the Zeller Scharte. It branches off there to the right and at the alpine rescue service house, leads you down again to the Wendelsteiner Alps. The route ends in Bayrischzell at the Königslinde.

Marker , Difference in altitude: 1,038 m, walking time: app. 3 hrs.

4 Wendelstein – Jenbachtal – Bad Feilnbach*

Marker , Difference in altitude: 1,212 m, walking time: app. 4 hrs.

5 Wendelstein – Wendelstein Alps – Sudelfeld Passhöhe* Marker **♦**, Difference in altitude: 718 m, walking time: app. 1.5 hrs.

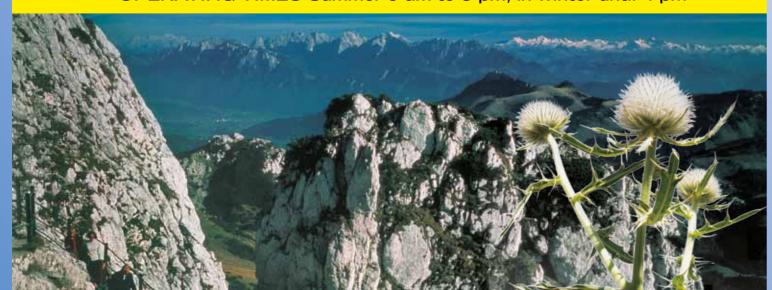
6 Wendelstein – Reindler Alps – Mitteralm – Aipl – Cog Railway -Valley

Diversified ramble along the railroad bed. Below the little Wendelstein church, walk in the direction of Reindler Scharte, under the Cog Railway bed through to the Reindler Alp. From there on to the roadway over Mitteralm (closed Monday) to Aipl, crossing the cog railway over St. Margarethen to the Cog Railway Valley Station. Boarding possibility at the request stops Mitteralm and Aipl. Marker ��, Difference in altitude 1,330 m, walking

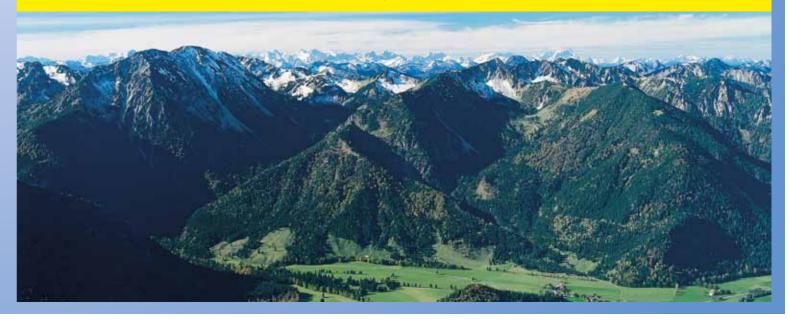
* Connection to the Wendelstein ring line Ringlinie







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Cog Railway

A chamois on rails. The cog railway takes you to the Wendelstein from Brannenburg in around 30 minutes. Today you can enjoy a trip on Germany's oldest high-mountain railway in modern, comfortable railcars. The railway was modernised in the Nineties and is suitable for wheelchair users.

Two fully operative nostalgia train sets from the year 1912 are still used today for special events.





Cable Car

Up the mountain in only seven minutes.

If you're in a hurry, you can climb the

Wendelstein in the large cable car railway, instead of enjoying
the leisurely pace of the cog railway. There is a difference in
altitude of 932 metres. The valley station is
in Osterhofen-Bayrischzell.

Suitable for wheelchair users.



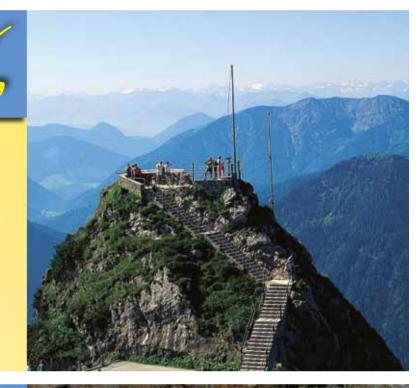


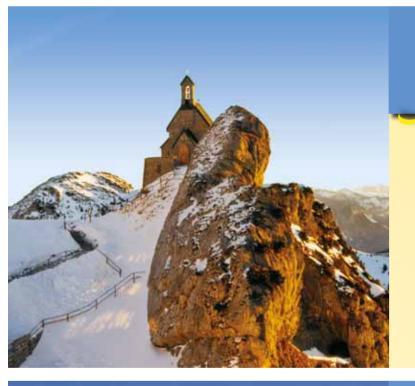
Wendelstein House

Good view – enjoy your meal. We have the famous art professor and passionate mountain lover Max Kleiber from Munich to thank that the Bavarian Alps' first overnight accommodation was built on the Wendelstein in 1883. Nowadays, the innkeepers mainly take care of their guests' well-being. Food and drink taste all the better on the mountain terrace with the gorgeous view, especially after a hike. The panoramic restaurant also has a self-service-section.

Gacher Blick

Top-notch location. The picturesque viewpoint "Gacher Blick" (i.e. steep view) is only a few steps away from the Wendelstein House. Let your eyes wander to your heart's content and compare your impressions with the details on the panorama board. Before you lies the Wilde Kaiser and the majestic peaks of the Rofan, Karwendel and Wetterstein mountain ranges with the famous Zugspitze, as well as the Central Alps with the Grossglockner Mountain.





Kircherl

Patrona Bavariae. The little Wendelstein Church on the "Schwaiger Wall" has braved wind and weather since 1889. The pretty little house of God is considered to be Germany's highest consecrated church. Church services are held there in summer every Sunday, and bridal couples like to say "I do" at the highest point.



Cave

The entire peak of the Wendelstein is criss-crossed with a cave system. You can reach the so-called "Cold Trap" where snow still lies in mid-summer or the impressive "Cave Cathedral" by going down stairs via an access tunnel located directly behind the mountain railway station (follow signposts "Höhle"). Interactive multimedia infopoints. Entrance fee: 2 Euro.

A must for every visitor!

Open: May-Nov.





Geology Path

A fascinating trip through the evolutionary history of the Alps. Charts and panoramic photography illustrate the transformation from tropical coral reef 250 million years ago to the majestic chain of peaks. Follow the path up to the summit (20 – 30 min.). Back to the mountain station the same way or via panoramic route (45 min.). You need to be free from giddiness and wear alpine boots!



BR Transmitters

The red-white Bayerische Rundfunk antenna rises up into the Wendelstein sky and can







Exhibition

More than 100 years ago, Otto von Steinbeis realised his bold plan of constructing Germany's first mountain rack railway. On the basement floor of the Wendelsteinhaus you can find a small exhibition about the Wendelstein's history with impressing photographs, technical details and more. The entrance is free.



Observatory

So near to the skies. In 1941 a sun observatory was put into operation on the Wendelstein, which was closed down at the end of the Eighties owing to a scientific reorientation. Since that time the modern dome has formed an arch over the University Observatory and the nightly objects in the sky are observed through its reflexive 2m-telescope. For example, in international collaboration with other observatories there is a constant search for planets and dark matter outside the solar system.

