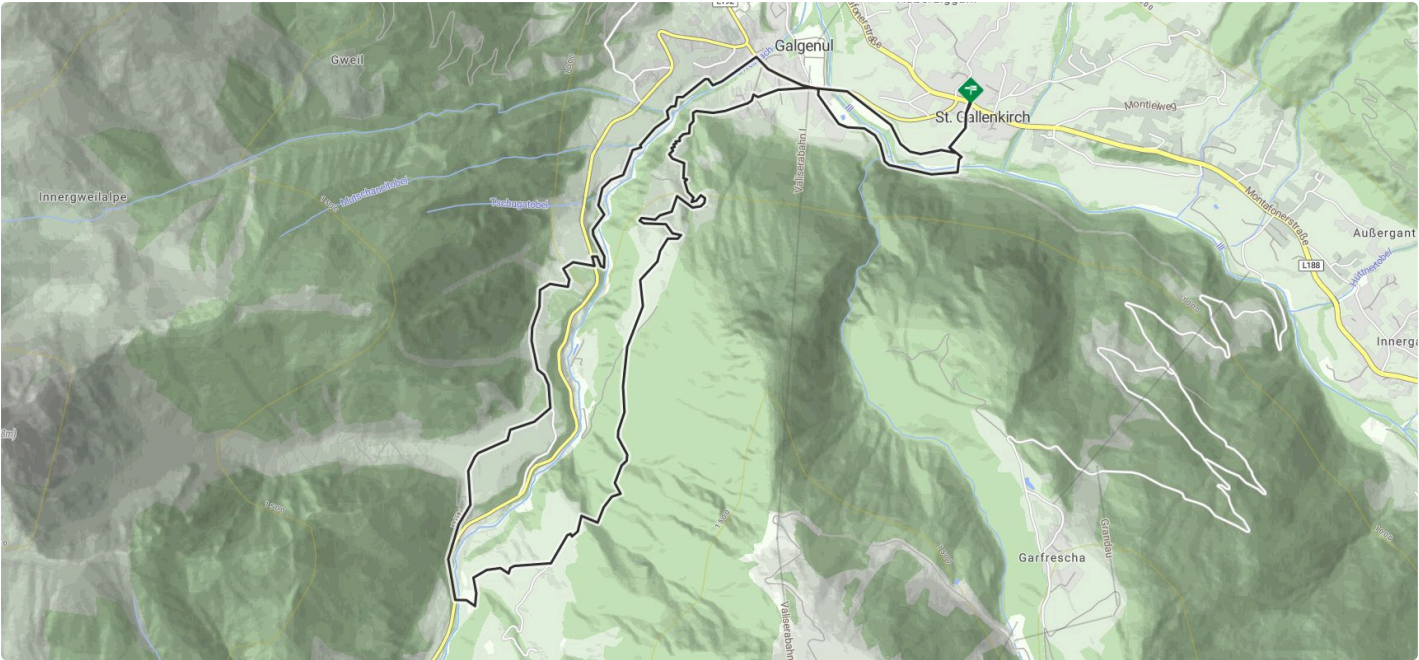


Montafoner Steinschafweg

Moderate

Alpenmosaik - Tal

Rundtour



Tour description

The Steinschaf Trail tells the story of the rare Montafon Steinschaf sheep and takes you through forests, pastures, and the villages around St. Gallenkirch and Galgenul.

The Montafon Stone Sheep is a breed of sheep threatened with extinction that used to be found only sporadically in the remotest parts of the Montafon. Larger breeds better suited for fattening had increasingly displaced the Stone Sheep. Starting in 1989, typical specimens were purchased again and a herd book was established to preserve the breed and prevent inbreeding.

Since then, the Montafon Steinschaf has been bred throughout Vorarlberg. Along the trail, you'll learn about the history of this special sheep breed and its connection to the Montafon cultural landscape. With a little luck, you might even spot the animals along the way or during a detour to the Mathis organic farm.

What is the Montafon Alpine Mosaic?

The Montafon Alpine Mosaic showcases the scenic diversity of the Montafon region. Four experiential areas—Verwall, Silvretta, Rätikon, and the valley—reveal how geology, nature, and the cultural landscape are interconnected.

Along 34 themed trails, you can discover the unique features of these diverse landscapes. Starting points, themes, and stories along the trails continually offer you new perspectives on the Montafon.

So: Choose an exploration area, lace up your hiking boots, and discover the diversity of the Montafon step by step.

You can find more information about the Montafon Alpine Mosaic [HERE](#).

 03:30 h duration	 9,7 km Length
 1201 m Highest point	 816 m Lowest point
 492 m Ascent	 492 m Descent

Start

Finish

Tour type

Difficulty

Ortszentrum St. Gallenkirch

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Themenweg, Hiking, Alpine mosaic – valley, Alpine mosaic, Round trip

Moderate

Elevation profile



Condition

Technique

Difficulty

Result

Landscape

Best time of year

JAN

FEB

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APR

MAI

JUN

JUL

AUG

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Starting Point - Directions - End Point

Starting point

St. Gallenkirch, downtown

Directions

From the St. Gallenkirch Tourist Information Office, walk about 50 meters toward Schruns. At the hiking signpost, follow the trail down to the Ill River. Cross the bridge to reach the other side of the river and continue hiking toward Galgenul.

Passing the Valisera Railway and following the main road, you'll reach the turnoff toward Gargellen. After crossing the bridge over the Suggadinbach, the trail leads uphill toward Rüti. From there, continue on to Außergampaping and back to Galgenul via Neuberg.

At the Valisera cable car, follow the main road for about 200 meters over the bridge. You'll then reach the bike and pedestrian path and follow it back toward the town center. At the first junction, turn left and you'll arrive back in St. Gallenkirch.

End Point

St. Gallenkirch, town center

Getting to the Starting Point

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The starting point for the tour is the town center of St. Gallenkirch.

By public transportation:

The Montafon regional bus and the Montafonerbahn railway offer convenient and flexible travel throughout the valley. Trains and buses connect the towns regularly, every half hour or every hour depending on the route. You can find the right connection [HERE](#). Bus stop at the start/end of this tour: St. Gallenkirch Center

By car:

Take the A14 to the Bludenz/Montafon exit, then follow the Montafoner Straße L188 to St. Gallenkirch. There, turn right onto Gargellnerstraße. Parking is available at the Valisera Bahn valley station. For the hike, we recommend taking the public bus from the valley station.

Important Information

For the hike, we recommend wearing sturdy, ankle-high hiking boots with good traction.

Tips

If you stop by the Mathis Organic Farm, you can see if the Montafon stone sheep are in the barn right now.

[Learn more about the Alpenmosaik Montafon](#)

Sicherheitstipps für Wandern in Vorarlberg

EN NOTRUF:

EN 140 - Alpine Notfälle österreichweit

EN 144 - Alpine Notfälle Vorarlberg

EN 112 - Euro-Notruf (funktioniert mit jedem Handy/Netz)

www.vorarlberg.travel/sicherheitstipps
