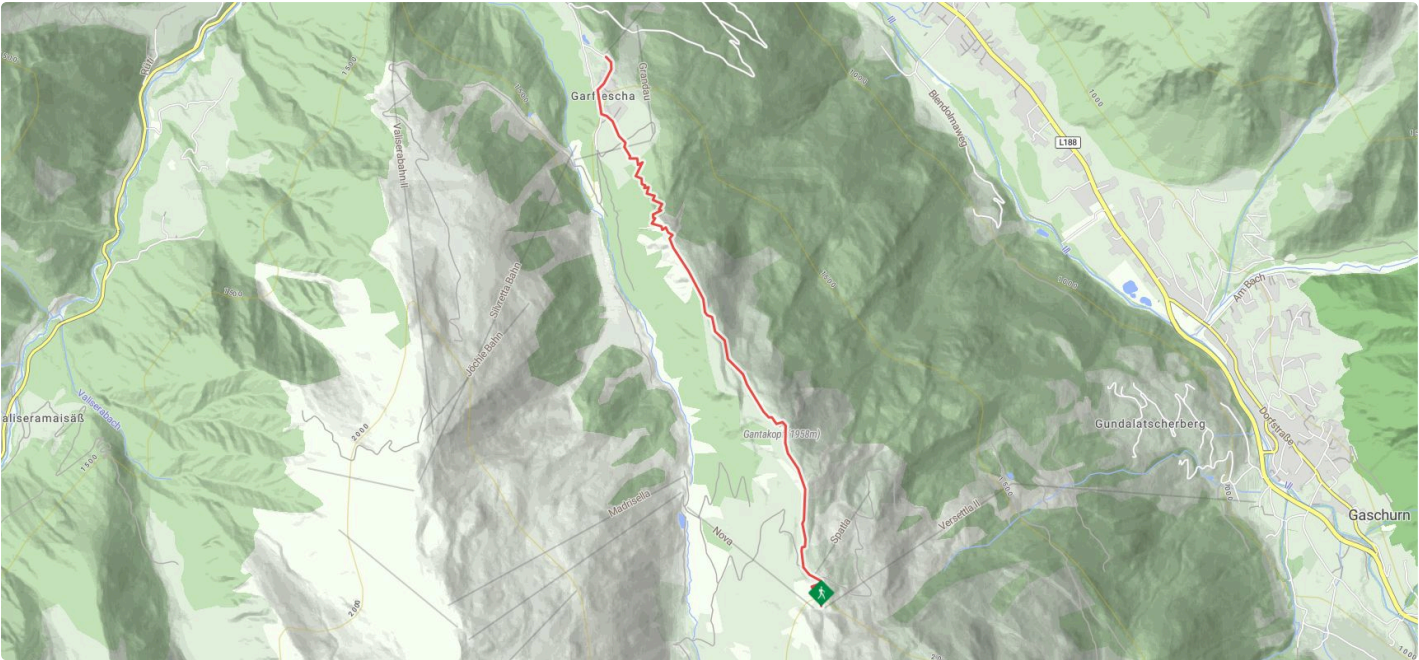


Panorama path Gantakopf

MODERATE

BERGBAHNAUF-/ABSTIEG



Tour description

Versettla Bahn mountain station - Gantakopf - Garfrescha Bahn mountain station

On this very beautiful half-day hike, you have a magnificent panoramic view of the Verwall mountains opposite and the surrounding mountain world of the Silvretta and Rätikon ranges. You will repeatedly enjoy great views into the valley or towards the Maisäß settlement Garfrescha. Dining options are available at the beginning and end of the route. Both at Nova Stoba (near the Versettla Bahn mountain station) and at the “Brunellawirt” at Garfrescha, you can refresh yourself and try one or two delicacies.

Approach

Drive on the A14 to the Bludenz/Montafon exit, then continue on Montafonerstraße L188 to Gaschurn.

Public transport

Just leave your car standing

Land buses run throughout Montafon. The main lines run every half hour from Schruns train station.

Bus stop at the start of the route: Gaschurn Versettla Bahn / Line 650

Bus stop at the end of the route: St. Gallenkirch Garfrescha Bahn / Line 650

Timetable: www.vmobil.at

Arrival by train to Montafon

From Bludenz train station the Montafonerbahn runs hourly (partly every half hour). There are also direct connections from Lindau (Germany) and Bregenz.

Timetable: www.oebb.at

Parking

Valley station Versettla Bahn

 01:30 h duration	 4,02 km Length
 2010 m Highest point	 1477 m Lowest point
 0 m Ascent	 533 m Descent

Tour type

Hiking, Bergbahnauf-/abstieg

Difficulty

Moderate

Elevation profile

Condition

Technique

Difficulty

Result

Landscape

Best time of year

JAN

FEB

MÄR

APR

MAI

JUN

JUL

AUG

SEP

OKT

NOV

DEZ

Directions

The hike begins with the ascent on the Versettla Bahn. From the Versettla Bahn mountain station (2,008 m), after a few meters you reach the mountain restaurant Nova Stoba. Here there is a beautiful, large playground and you can also discover the Montafon stone sheep. In addition to the Montafon brown cattle, the unpretentious Montafon stone sheep is the only animal breed originating from Vorarlberg. From Nova Stoba, you reach the beautiful viewpoint Gantakopf (1,958 m) in about 15 minutes. The view of the opposite Verwall mountains with the distinctive Valschavieler Maderer as well as towards Gaschurn-Partenen is especially beautiful. From here, the path leads along a wide ridge or crest towards Garfrescha. A small barga (small hut) invites you to a picnic. After a nice last view down to Garfrescha, the path leads steeply through a forest to the mentioned Maisäß settlement. From there, you reach Gortipohl with the double chairlift Garfrescha Bahn (1,485 m), from where you can easily get back to the starting point (Valley station Versettla Bahn) by bus no. 85 (bus stop on the main road at the top).

Tips

Montafon linguistic roots: Gortipohl, Garfrescha, Versettla – what sounds exotic at first are old Montafon place and field names. The Montafon dialect is considered one of the most difficult to understand dialects of Vorarlberg and dates back to the Rhaeto-Romance people who settled Montafon around the 9th century AD. They came from the Swiss Graubünden, where Rhaeto-Romance dialects are still maintained today. The Montafon dialect also shows influences from the Walser people, who came from the Valais to Vorarlberg in the 13th and 14th centuries. Accordingly, today's Montafon vernacular contains many old expressions and idioms whose meanings cannot be directly derived from Standard German. Examples are “Hees” (clothing), “Ehni” (grandfather), “Ahna” (grandmother), and “mara” (tomorrow), while “Fazanedli” (handkerchief) strongly resembles the Italian “fazzoletto.” The name “Montafon” itself is of Rhaeto-Romance origin. With references to the mining tradition and the rich water resources of the valley, it is most plausible that it is composed of “munt” (Latin mons = mountain), the Romance term for an alpine area, and “tovone,” the term for a ravine (from “tovo” meaning channel or ditch). Montafon can therefore also be translated as “alpine area with ravines.”

Destination

Garfrescha Bahn mountain station

Starting Point

Versettla Bahn mountain station

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