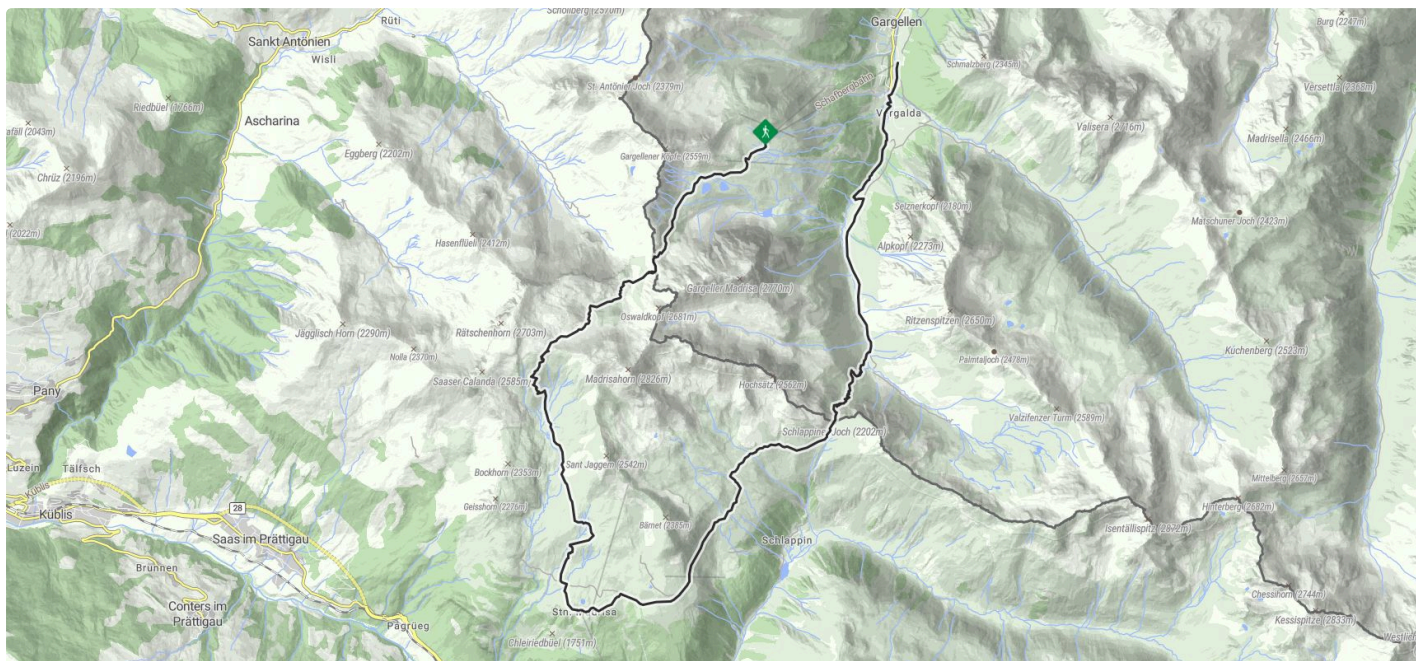


Madrisa Round Route (2-day Gargellen) - On the trail of the smugglers

DIFFICULT

RUNDTOUR

BERGBAHNAUF-/ABSTIEG



Tour description

Day 1: Gargellen - Gafierjoch - Rätschenjoch - Madrisa Land

Day 2: Madrisa Land - Schlappiner Joch - Valzifenztal - Gargellen

For centuries, lively trade developed between Montafon and Prättigau. Due to the state border, this exchange became illegal, and important goods had to be smuggled between the valleys. Today, the route is open and offers you unique natural experiences and exciting stories.

The two-day mountain hike around the Madrisa takes you on a journey into the past and leads you into a world full of smuggler stories and mule tracks. Embark on a fascinating route where you cross the Swiss border twice and experience magnificent panoramic views, diverse geology, and rich plant life on the partly historic paths between Austria and Switzerland.

The journey starts from the mountain station of the Gargellen mountain railways over the Gaflerjoch into the Madrisa Land above Klosters. After an overnight stay in the charming Swiss village, you return the next day via the Schlappinerjoch back to Gargellen.

Note: Please note that a valid travel document must be carried on this tour.

Approach

Take the A14 to the Bludenz/Montafon exit and continue on Montafonerstraße L188 to St. Gallenkirch. There, turn right onto Gargellnerstraße and follow it to Gargellen until you reach the Gargellen mountain railways.



↔ **21,6 km**
Length



 **1430 m**
Lowest point



↘ **1290 m**
Descent

Tour type

Hiking, Bergbahnauf-/abstieg,
Round trip

Difficulty

● Difficult

Elevation profile



Condition



Technique



Difficulty



Result



Landscape



Best time of year

JAN	FEB	MÄR	APR	MAI	JUN
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☒
JUL	AUG	SEP	OKT	NOV	DEC
☒	☒	☒	☐	☐	☐

Public transport

Just leave your car behind

The Montafonbahn regional buses run throughout the Montafon area. The main lines run every half hour from Schruns station.

Bus stop for start/finish of the route: **Gargellen Schafbergbahn / Line 670**

Timetable: www.vmobil.at

Arrival by train to Montafon

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

Timetable: www.oebb.at

Parking

Parking spaces for **multi-day routes** (free) are located at the entrance to Gargellen near the large sign.

Note: parking your car overnight is not permitted at the valley station of the Schafbergbahn.

Equipment

Since there are no serviced huts on the route, sufficient provisions should be taken along. Hiking poles and headwear (on hot days) are recommended.

Tips

Choose your desired route and **book your package online** at www.madrisa-rundtour.com and you will receive discounted mountain railway tickets and our goodie directly at the valley station in Gargellen.

You book your desired accommodation yourself directly at one of our **partner accommodations** and with the **password** "Madrisa" you get special conditions.

Detailed information at www.madrisa-rundtour.com

Destination

Gargellen, Schafbergbahn valley station

Starting Point

Gargellen, Schafbergbahn valley 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
