

E-Bike & Climb Tour – Madrisella Via Ferrata

DIFFICULT



Tour description

This Bike & Climb tour combines an e-mountain bike ride up to Alpe Nova with a via ferrata climb up the north face of the Madrisella. After the via ferrata, the return route leads over the Matschuner Joch to Alpe Nova and then back to St. Gallenkirch by bike.

From Silvretta Park Montafon, you'll ride through Garfrescha and the Novatal valley to Alpe Nova. There, you'll switch from your bike to the hiking trail and ascend to the Madrisella via ferrata.

This moderately difficult via ferrata requires stamina, a head for heights, and confident climbing skills. After exiting the via ferrata, the tour leads over the summit of Madrisella and the Matschuner Joch back to Alpe Nova. From there, you'll ride your e-mountain bike back along the same route.

Please note: This tour description covers only the hiking and via ferrata sections starting from Alpe Nova, as well as the return route to Alpe Nova. You should allow an additional 1.5 hours for the e-mountain bike ride from Silvretta Park Montafon to Alpe Nova. You can find details and route information for the biking section of this tour [HERE](#).

 04:00 h duration	 8,62 km Length
 2463 m Highest point	 1735 m Lowest point
 713 m Ascent	 713 m Descent

Start

Finish

Tour type

Difficulty

Alpe Nova

Alpe Nova

Bike & Hike

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 Difficult

Elevation profile



Condition

Technique

Difficulty

Result

Landscape

Best time of year

JAN

FEB

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MAI

JUN

JUL

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Start - Directions - Descent

Access

Alpe Nova, Silvretta Montafon Ski Area

Directions

At Alpe Nova, park your bike at the Bike & Hike rack and follow the hiking trail on foot through the Novatal valley toward Seressee. A signpost on the rock marks the continuation of the approach to the via ferrata. It's best to put on your harness and helmet here so you don't unnecessarily expose yourself to the risk of falling rocks near the start of the route. Then follow the cairns to the left uphill; after about 15 to 20 minutes, you'll reach the start at the base of the rock face.

Right at the start, you'll face an almost vertical wall that demands stability and arm strength. After a short breather, the next wall section follows, before you reach a special resting spot: a bench carved into the rock with an impressive view.

After a short descent, the most challenging section of the via ferrata begins: a nearly vertical wall about 150 meters high. With plenty of air beneath your feet, you'll climb this wall, then follow a short ridge and begin the final wall section.

After this final strenuous section, a traverse and the concluding, nearly vertical meters lead to the exit. You should plan on spending about 2.5 to 3 hours on the via ferrata.

From the exit, you'll reach the summit of the 2,466-meter-high Madrisellaspitze in just a few minutes. There, you'll be rewarded with a sweeping panoramic view and an impressive look down at the course of the via ferrata.

From the summit, follow the marked hiking trail over the Matschuner Joch back to Alpe Nova.

Descent

Alpe Nova, Silvretta Montafon Ski Area

Getting to the starting point

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We recommend Silvretta Park Montafon in St. Gallenkirch, near the Valisera Bahn valley station, as the starting point for the E-Bike & Climb Tour.

By public transportation

The Landbus Montafon and the Montafonerbahn offer a convenient and flexible way to get around the valley. Trains and buses run regularly between the towns, every half hour or every hour depending on the route. You can find the right connection [here](#). Bus stop at the tour's start and finish point: St. Gallenkirch Valisera Bahn

Please note that transporting bicycles—and especially e-bikes—on public transportation is subject to restrictions. Therefore, be sure to check the applicable terms of carriage and available capacity in advance.

By Car

Take the A14 to the Bludenz/Montafon exit and continue on the Montafonerstraße L188 to St. Gallenkirch-Galgenul. There are plenty of parking spaces available at Silvretta Park Montafon.

Important Information

You climb the via ferrata at your own risk and on your own responsibility. Please check the weather, current conditions, snow conditions, and difficulty level in advance. Realistically assess your experience, surefootedness, ability to handle heights, and physical fitness.

A complete set of standard-compliant via ferrata equipment is absolutely essential. This includes a hip belt, via ferrata set, helmet, and gloves. Equally important is appropriate footwear: sturdy, ankle-high hiking boots with good traction.

Your backpack should also include plenty of food, sun and rain protection, and a first-aid kit.

In the Montafon, you can rent high-quality via ferrata equipment and e-bikes at [select sports shops](#). Please check in advance regarding availability, sizes, and reservation options.

Tips

After you return, enjoy the Montafon hospitality at Alp Nova.

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)

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