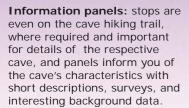


Additional information: for your guidance you will find detailed information (in German language), photos and maps in the folder, the richly illustrated cave book, and the picture book.

Guidance: an information system gives an overview of the respective cave's characteristics - including the hiking trail's and the gastronomy's description. You can find it in the town centre, the tourist information or the parking area.



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#### Wendelsteinhöhle

parking area cog railway: motorway A8 and/or A93, exit Brannenburg, Sudelfeldstraße 106 D-83098 Brannenburg, Germany parking area cable car: motorway A8, exit Irschenberg D-83735 Bayrischzell, Osterhofen 90 info phone: +49(0)8034/308-0 Wendelsteinbahn GmbH, Brannenburg www.wendelsteinbahn.de



#### Grafenloch

motorway A 93, exit Oberaudorf, towards village centre parking area: D-83080 Oberaudorf, Germany

start of the hiking trail: Rathausplatz / tourist information info phone: +49(0)8033/301-20

community Oberaudorf www.oberaudorf.de



#### Tischoferhöhle

motorway A 12, exit Kufstein Nord (leaving Germany no badge is required), at the roundabout turn towards Ebbs, after approx. 500 m turn right to the Kaiseraufstieg parking areas (signposted). parking area: A-6330 Ebbs/Eichelwang, Kaiseraufstieg 25, Austria

community Ebbs www.ebbs.tirol.gv.at

#### Hundalm Eishöhle

Inntal motorway A 12, exit Kirchbichl, leave the roundabout towards Mariastein, at the country inn Schlossblick turn right towards Angerberg and Embach until reaching the parking area (signposted). parking area: A-6320 Angerberg, Embach 128 / Austria

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# **Family Excursions** To Caves Of Experience **In Bavaria And Tyrol**



## inntaler unterwelten

Four Paths :: Four Cases :: Four Experiences



Four paths - four caves - four experiences. Deep excursions for the whole family: the "inntaler unterwelten" – an exciting experience concept of four varied caves in the surrounding area, located between Bavaria and Tyrol, ideal for families, hikers and nature lovers wishing to discover the mystery of humans and cave for themselves.

Each of the four caves may be reached on attractive and varying hiking trails and offers the visitor another interesting aspect of perceiving nature and of the humans' cultural history which has developed between humans and caves in the course of thousands of years.



Young speleologists: these four caves of experience are a great adventure particularly for children following the traces of cave bears and Ice Age men, bats and snow crystals, medieval knights, and mysterious mythic figures!



Travelling exhibition: the concept of "inntaler unterwelten" is regularly presented by means of informative displays and a variety of spectacular cave pictures at selected places and on expert congresses in Germany and abroad.



Journey of discovery into darkness: the fascination of a cave – an ancient human experience. Just visit Germany's highest located tour cave! When exploring it by yourself as you fancy, you may discover the salamander passage, the cold trap, the scour fissure, and the Dome. Concentrate on the stones and find the water's traces, and you will be surprised how exciting a path of 170 m through the mountain's belly may be! Four media-stations with interactive steles provide you with detailed information and exceptional aspects with respect to the topics of geology and biology, psychology and philosophy.



Cold trap: cold air concentrates on the cave's lowest level below its natural entrance, and during summer you can still often see the huge snow cone's residues. It was formed in winter from snow blown in the cave.



Food, refreshment and mountain panorama: in the Wendelsteinhaus you can enjoy your meal and a spectacular view of the Central Alps from the sunny top station terrace, the ample panorama restaurant or the traditional pub rooms.

### Grafenloch



The knights' life in a cave shelter: by means of the Grafenloch's impressive preserved walls you can study a knightly cave castle of the High and Late Middle Ages. Archaeological studies in 2008 have shown the importance of the cave castle Grafenloch as a physical structure of the 10th up to the early 13th century. Its spectacular location in a vertical wall fascinates each visitor. The Audorf cave path is an exciting and varied hiking trail with the Audorf museum of local history, the Ponor Cave, and the historic inn "Weber an der Wand" via Luegstein lake to Grafenloch.





Climbing route: the Grafenloch Cave can be seen from the information panel, and from now on the trail is a challenge. Only experienced hikers may overcome the last metres, secured by ropes along the rock, and pass a ladder to reach the cave.



Weber an der Wand: this cave house and historic inn is unique in the whole Alpine region. It goes back to a monk's cell, and in the course of the 19th century the world was a guest there. You can stop there again to enjoy delicious meals!



Cave animals and cave men: the splendid and easy hiking trail to the Tischofer Cave leads to one of the most beautiful valleys of the Alps: the landscape of Kaisertal. The Tischofer Cave is one of the most interesting sites of prehistoric findings in Tyrol and has been fascinating science for more than 400 years! Until now, not only the bones of 380 cave bears have been retrieved from this exceptional spacious cave of 40 metres: even the humans left prepared bone points with an age of 37.000 years, Bronze Age tombs, fireplaces, and tools for a metal foundry, which is particularly fascinating!



Hyena Cave: the small Hyena Cave which is located directly at the Tischofer Cave is likewise important in archeological respect.



Gastronomy: the Veitenhof is located closest to the cave. You will need approximately 20 minutes from the cave entrance. Towards the valley it is possible to stop at Pfandlhof and Enzianhof.

## Hundalm Eishöhle

A wilderness of rock and ice: fascinating shapes of ice which continues to exist during the whole summer up to a thickness of 7 m alternate with mysterious dripstone formations: an exceptional combination, which is extremely rare. It is advisable to take along a warm jacket! The path even leads exactly across the ice. The carbide lamps, held by the visitors, are illuminating continuously new scenarios in an impressive way. A mysterious wilderness, only accessible within the scope of guided tours and difficult to be explored.





Frozen waterfall: shortly after going 122 steps downstairs to reach the cave, an impressive ice world appears. At the dome with a length of 25 m a fascinating ice column is to be found which seems to cascade from a gaping ceiling hole.



Alpine gastronomy: tasty snacks for alpinists, a homely room, a splendid landscape: the Alpine inn Buchacker is worth being visited. It is the last possibility of having a meal, before reaching the cave!