

## AUSTRIA – ZILLERTAL ALPS - ONE-HOTEL GUIDED WALKS 2009

*Our ever-popular resort of Mayrhofen offers superb Alpine walking in the stunning mountains of Austria's Zillertal Alps. Situated at the junction of four valleys the resort offers a wide range of walks from gentle rambles through meadows to lofty mountain ascents. The surrounding mountains offer spectacular scenery with snow-covered peaks, deep blue lakes, glaciers and acres of alpine flowers. Excellent public transport and an extensive network of cable-cars and chairlifts enable everyone to enjoy the high mountain scenery.*



*Mayrhofen is a lively small town with plenty of concerts and events. In summer there is a large outdoor swimming pool near to the hotel and a steam railway that runs down the valley to Jenbach.*

- *Excellent family-run hotel – Hotel Waldheim, voted Europe Hotel of the Year*
- *Superb Alpine walking at all levels*
- *Popular village resort*

**Mayrhofen – Zillertal Alps:** AUD\$1765 per person (twin share) Single room supplement AUD\$160  
**Departs:** 16, 23, 30 May 6, 13, 20, 27 June 4, 11, 18 July 8, 15, 22, 29 Aug 5 Sep 09 Starts/Ends in Mayrhofen

*Includes: 7 nights' in a 4 star hotel room with ensuite, 7 breakfasts, 7 evening meals, Two walks leaders, 5 guided walks.*

*Not Included: Airport transfers (these can be pre-booked at extra cost – please ask for details when booking).*

*Local transport is not included in the cost of your holiday. Please allow €85 per week for transport, excluding your free day. Payable locally in Euros.*

**On these holidays there is a choice of two guided walks for varying abilities each day. For maximum choice we offer two weekly itineraries - ideal if you wish to book a 14-night holiday or return for a second visit. Holidays before 6 June offer walks from both itineraries to suit lifts and snow conditions.**

**ITINERARY ONE:** Weeks of 6, 20 June; 4, 18 July; 15, 29 Aug 2009

**Day 1:** Arrival Day

**Day 2:** ascend the Penken gondola for panoramic walks through high Alpine meadows above Mayrhofen.

**Day 3:** enjoy a circular walk from the pretty Alpine village of Brandberg or an ascent to the rocky summit of Karspitze.

**Day 4:** wander along the gentle Tux Valley to Lanersbach or enjoy a spectacular high level traverse to the Plauener Hut.

**Day 5:** free day - perhaps take the narrow gauge steam railway to the Achensee lake.

**Day 6:** follow beautiful riverside paths in the Upper Ziller Valley or ascend to the high Brandberger col.

**Day 7:** walk around the dramatically located Schlegeis reservoir, or follow the superb Berliner Hohenweg path.

**Day 8:** departure day

**ITINERARY TWO:** Weeks of 13, 27 June; 11 July; 8, 22 Aug; 5 Sept 2009

**Day 1:** arrival day

**Day 2:** take the Ahorn cable-car to the high pastures above Mayrhofen, maybe continuing to the summit of the Torrengenkopf.

**Day 3:** enjoy breathtaking mountain scenery near the Schlegeis reservoir on walks towards the Italian border.

**Day 4:** admire mountain panoramas on walks above the Ziller Valley to Brandberg, perhaps to the top of the Gerlossteinwand.

**Day 5:** free day - perhaps visit the Krimml waterfalls or the historic city of Innsbruck.

**Day 6:** walk in the Zemmbach Valley, either on gentle woodland paths or above on a magnificent high level traverse.

**Day 7:** wander through meadows to the Devil's Bridge at Finkenberg or ascend the mighty summit of the Gröblspitz.

**Day 8:** departure day

*Please Note: The above programme should give you a good feel for the walks at this resort but is subject to change. The final selection of walks will be made by your walking leaders.*

**Walking Grade:** Two standards for walks are offered on these holidays:

Easier Walks: 8 to 12km on good paths through valleys, woodland and high meadows. 160m to 350m of ascent in a day.

Harder Walks: 9 to 16km with some steep and rough ascents to summits and cols. 420m to 900m of ascent in a day.