

AUSTRIA – ZILLERTAL ALPS

8-day / 7-night one-hotel GUIDED walking based at Mayrhofen – a choice of graded walks each day



Our ever-popular resort of Mayrhofen offers superb Alpine walking in the stunning mountains of Austria's Zillertal Alps. One of the joys of the wonderful Zillertal Alps is that there are superb routes for walkers of all abilities – situated at the junction of four valleys the resort offers walks from gentle rambles through meadows to lofty mountain ascents. The surrounding mountains offer picture-postcard 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.

Cost from: **\$4220** per person (twin share) Single room supplement from \$565

2024 Departures: 25 June, 2, 9 July, 27 August, 3, 10 September

Tour includes: 7 nights in comfortable 4-star hotel accommodation with ensuite bathrooms, 7 breakfasts, 7 evening meals, local transport to/from the walks, experienced walks leaders offering a choice of two levels of walking on 5 days, Zillertal card (for free journeys on mountain railways, some local public transport, swimming pool entry and reduced entry to local attractions)

Not Included: Meals & drinks not mentioned, any personal expenses, transport and/or excursions on your free day. Transfers from Munich airport at set times can be pre-booked at extra cost and we recommend you take these (the journey from Munich airport to Mayrhofen takes about 2½ hours). Please ask for details when booking.

Accommodation: Stay in a charming 4-star hotel at the foot of the Zillertal Alps, with wood panelling adding to the traditional Tyrolean feel of the place. Relax in the cosy bar area or relieve those muscles after a day's walking in the sauna or scented steam bath.



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Trip Grading: Walk moderate or longer distances. Sections of hilly or upland areas and may have sections of rough or steeper terrain and will require reasonable fitness. Choice of easier walks of 8-13km on good paths through valleys and meadows with ascents up to 360m or harder walks of 10-16km with some steep and rough ascents up to 930m ascent in a day.

A typical European centre-based walking holiday offers a choice of up to two guided walks each day. You choose the walk that best suits your ability and fitness. Walks leaders make the final decision on which routes are offered; each evening they will brief you about the walks for the next day and answer questions you may have.

Suggested itinerary (Routes are determined by the walk leaders each day and are subject to change):

Day 1: Arrival Day

Arrive in time for dinner (ask about transfers from Munich airport at extra cost). Meet your fellow walkers over your evening meal. After dinner your walks leaders will brief you on the week ahead.

Day 2: Penken Summer Pastures

Take a cable car onto the Penken plateau then walk through high meadows carpeted with flowers offering magnificent views over the valley and across the surrounding mountains.

Day 3: The Stillup Valley

Explore the Stilluptal Waterfall Trail crossing streams and passing picturesque alpine pastures. Or walk the Stillup Valley to Kasseler hut where you might see marmots and ibex.

Day 4: Upper Tux Valley

Travel to the head of the Tux Valley to explore high ridges and remote Alpine valleys, between snow-capped peaks.

Day 5: Free day

No walks are planned. You may like to visit Innsbruck to take the narrow-gauge railway to Achensee Lake, take a local bus to the Krimml Waterfalls, the highest in Europe at 380 metres, hire a mountain bike to explore the local trails or just spend a quiet day relaxing at the hotel.

Day 6: The Ziller Valley or The Heimjoch

Take a short bus ride to the picturesque village of Brandberg, surrounded by spectacular peaks, and climb up through the woods to a mountain restaurant with superb views. Or take a cable car and trek over Heimjoch and down to Brandberg.

Day 7: Down the Zamserbach

Journey to the Schlegeis Dam, where the reservoir is surrounded by dramatic glaciers and snow-capped peaks. From here we may ascend to a historic mountain hut, traverse a high ridge and zigzag back to the lake, or follow the lakeside path, descend below the dam to the valley floor and walk a quiet path along the river.

Day 8: Departure Day

Tour ends after breakfast. Ask about transfer to Munich airport at extra cost.

Some walks may not be available early or late season due to snow conditions or closure of cable cars.

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