



Dürrenstein & Ybbstal

Date: Sat 22nd - Sun 23rd August 2009

Suggested by: Roger Starkie

Description: A two day hike starting and finishing in Lunz am See through the Ybbstaler Alps, up to the summit of the Dürrenstein, a mountain just slightly lower than the nearby Ötscher, but with magnificent views across the whole eastern Austrian alps on a clear day. Overnight stop in the Ybbstalerhütte, on the way up to the summit.

Map(s): Kompass Wander- Radtouren- Skitouren- und Langlaufkarte 213, Ötscher, Erlauftal, Eisenwurzen

Length of activity, elevation and difficulty:

A long but technically relatively simple hike with a total elevation gain of about 1300m. The first day is the shorter of the two, with about 5 hours of hiking, but including most of the ascent. On the second day, we ascend the final 500m (in about 2 hours), but the descent back to Lunz is very long.

Meeting time and place: Sat 22 Aug 9:30 Car park at the far end of the lake in Lunz (see below).

Ending time and place: Sun 23 Aug 18:00 Same place.

Public Transportation: not practical, see below for car sharing.

Driving Instructions: Westautobahn (A1) from Vienna, exit 100, then the B25 to Lunz am See. Once in Lunz, drive towards the lake, and along the road along the lake, to the car park at the end of that road, just before the restaurant. Allow about 2 hours from Vienna Hütteldorf station.

Car sharing: Will be arranged by trip leader following registration. Please state in your registration if you can offer or need a lift.

Recommended Equipment: Lugged-sole Alpine boots, normal mountaineering equipment (waterproofs etc), Lunch for both days (no huts on the way), sheet sleeping bag for the hut.

Registration required: Yes, by end 5th August for the hut reservation (10 places provisionally booked, but must be confirmed). Registration either at July or August meetings or by telephone (see below). Note: I will not be at either of these meetings, and will not be available by phone towards the end of July and beginning of August. A message on my voicemail (please leave your number!) or even better, an SMS is sufficient. The places are on a first-come, first served basis.

Membership in Alpenverein required: OeAV membership or equivalent is required for this trip. If you are not a current member of the OeAV you can easily join online here: www.alpineclubvienna.org/membership.htm

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