

Mallnitz-Ankogel



Date: 18 - 19 July 2009

Suggested by: Sumio Miyagawa

Description: Ankogel, 3250m, a rock-ragged mountain lies on a border between Salzburg and Kärnten. Although its height is more than 3000m, it is one of easy mountains to reach. Our plan is to walk through Mallnitz ski route and to stay overnight at Hannoverhaus. We will see the beautiful contrast of the snow-covered mountain area, including Hochalmspitze, and the green valley, Seebachtal.

Day 1. We start at Ankogelbahn talstation, 1270m, up to Hannoverhaus 2720m. The ascent is quite steep at the earlier stage until Hochalmblick, 1940m, where we can take a break or lunch if you missed before. Then, the route becomes moderate. We expect the walking time on this day to be less than 6 hours. We may see Hochalmspitz.

Day 2: Hannoverhaus to Ankogel is almost flat. The height difference is only 500m in a long path. It should not take more than 3 hours. Anyone can reach Klein Ankogel, 3096m, after some hike and only one steep ascent. This is a small flat place. Here you can enjoy a great view all around. Ankogel is just in front of us. A short distance to Ankogel is however somehow unstable. You decide whether to go or not. For descending, as we want to return to Vienna on this day, we take the cable car down. The last train leaves at 18:07 to Salzburg.

Map(s): OeAV Nr. 44 Hochalmspitze-Ankogel

Length of activity, elevation and difficulty:

In two days, we go up 2000m. Although we plan to ascend on foot, you have an option to take the cable car, Ankogelbahn. Hannoverhaus is only 15 minute away from the top station. The hike on the second day is quite easy.

Meeting time and place: 13:00 Sat. Mallnitz Ankogelbahn Talstation

Ending time and place: 16:00 Sun. Mallnitz Ankogelbahn Talstation

Public Transportation: Wien Westbahnhof: OEC 662 at 06:57 to Salzburg arriving at 09:48. Then change to OEC 111 to Mallnitz-Obervellach arriving at 11:54. Walk (5km) or taxi to Ankogelbahn station.

Driving Instructions: Direction to Graz, Klagenfurt, Villach for A2. Take exit 345-Knoten Villach for A10. Follow sign B100/Drautal-Bundesstrasse at Lendorf. Follow sign

to Mallnitz. Ankogelbahn is 5km after Mallnitz-Overvellaach station. You can stop at Billa for shopping just after Mallnitz town. Driving distance around 450km.

Alternatively, you can drive to Böckstein via Salzburg through Westautobahn A1. Then take a car train to Mallnitz. Or drive until Lendorf through A1 and A10, then go up north to Mallnitz.

Car sharing: Let's talk.

Recommended Equipment: Normal equipment for high altitude terrain required. We will not walk on glacier, crampons are not needed. However, there is still snow remaining on the path, gators may be useful. You may appreciate a light sleeping bag as it can be very cold at Hannoverhaus in evening time.

Comments: You do not have to spend your full stamina in this hike. This area is also suitable for family activity. Not heading to Ankogel, you may play around near Hannoverhaus and Ankogelbahn Bergstation. It's fun!

Registration required: Email or SMS by 10th July. If you decide to participate in this hike at the last minute, please call Hannoverhaus to reserve your place (+43 720 350401).

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

Contact Information:

name: Sumio Miyagawa

phone: 0676 6872672

email: outdoor.with.sumio@gmail.com