**Modern via ferratas, breathtaking views:**

**Climbing the peaks at Lake Achensee on fixed rope routes**

Lake Achensee boasts eight via ferratas for those who are surefooted and unafraid of heights but don’t fancy complicated knots or rope manoeuvres. Set up with iron cables, the routes give quick access to the vertical world of rocks. To prevent falls, climbers are harnessed with carabiners that clip into the cables. Via ferrata sets, helmets and other equipment can be hired from local sports shops. Those who prefer to set out with a professional can book a local guide or join one of the Achensee Via Ferrata Camps. A detailed climbing map provides information about the exact locations and route directions of the via ferratas in the Rofan and the Karwendel mountains, complete with elevation gain, duration and difficulty. With climbing grades ranging from A (moderately difficult) to E (extremely difficult), there are tours to suit every ability, from beginners to families to adrenaline junkies. The free map also features mountain guides and rental outlets for via ferrata sets. Visitors can pick up the map at the Achensee tourist office or download it from [www.achensee.com](https://www.achensee.com/en/activities/an-active-summer/151865-2/via-ferrata/achensee-via-ferrata-camp-3/).

**Family-friendly via ferrata Felix & Charlotte**

At only 50 metres long, the via ferrata [Felix & Charlotte](https://maps.achensee.com/v2/de/gdi_sommer/2d/-1/detail/12/47.48832500495756/11.648254394531252/18342/94923124) is ideal for families and beginners. It is located a little below the Erfurter Hütte, just 20 minutes from the Rofan cable car. The route is easy and runs over stepped terrain and can be finished within 15 to 30 minutes – perfect as a practice course for first timers or if you want to train for longer routes.

**High above the waterfall**

One of the most scenic via ferratas runs level to the crest of the [Dalfaz waterfall](https://maps.achensee.com/v2/de/gdi_sommer/2d/-1/detail/12/47.48832500495756/11.648254394531252/18342/93113032) and affords fantastic views. Advanced via ferrata climbers will enjoy this very demanding one-hour course (grade D) which climbs over 150 metres of elevation. The access point is the marked hiking trail behind the Kinderhotel Buchau.

**Unique at Lake Achensee: The 5-summit via ferrata**

A special highlight among climbers is the 5-summit via ferrata. At two kilometres long, it is one of Austria’s longest via ferratas. The route leads to the surrounding peaks of the [Haidachstellwand](https://maps.achensee.com/v2/de/gdi_sommer/2d/-1/detail/15/47.452055/11.772783333333331/18342/93112906), [Rosskopf](https://maps.achensee.com/v2/de/gdi_sommer/2d/-1/detail/15/47.452055/11.772783333333331/18342/93112911), [Seekarlspitze](https://maps.achensee.com/v2/de/gdi_sommer/2d/-1/detail/15/47.452055/11.772783333333331/18342/93112916), [Spieljoch](https://maps.achensee.com/v2/de/gdi_sommer/2d/-1/detail/15/47.452055/11.772783333333331/18342/93112921) and [Hochiss](https://maps.achensee.com/v2/de/gdi_sommer/2d/-1/detail/15/47.452055/11.772783333333331/18342/93112926) and offers breathtaking views. It is divided into five sections and five difficulty levels, allowing beginners to complete the via ferrata in stages. Accomplished climbers will master the entire course in one day. Of course, every peak can be conquered separately.

**Brudertunnel via ferrata: Exit through a hole and tunnel in the rock face**

The [Brudertunnel](https://maps.achensee.com/v2/de/gdi_sommer/2d/-1/detail/14.25/47.39083747325451/11.608792460731665/18342/93112898) via ferrata in the Lamsenjoch area of the Karwendel features an impressive passage through a rock cave. One of Tirol’s first via ferratas, the course leads through the western north-east face of the Rotwandlspitze and affords beautiful views of the Hüttenturm and the Lamsenspitze. In combination with the summit ascent of the Lamsenspitze (2508 m, also a fixed rope route and difficult mountain tour), this is a very rewarding tour in the heart of the Karwendel. Level of difficulty: medium, A and B, short section C.

**Being safe in rocky terrain with experienced mountain guides**

The Achensee Via Ferrata Camps offer the perfect opportunity for beginners and advanced climbers to get tips from the professionals on route planning, equipment and safety in the mountains. The courses are designed to assist participants in developing the required skills, knowledge and confidence to safely navigate via ferratas. More information, dates and pre-bookings are available at [www.achensee.com](https://www.achensee.com/en/activities/an-active-summer/151865-2/via-ferrata/achensee-via-ferrata-camp-3/).

**The right equipment**

Helmet, (leather) gloves, harness and via ferrata set are required. Equipment can be hired from local sports shops. [www.achensee.com](https://www.achensee.com/en/activities/an-active-summer/151865-2/via-ferrata/achensee-via-ferrata-camp-3/)

**Lake Achensee - Tirol's Sports & Vitality Park**

Arrive, switch off, immerse yourself: The region surrounding Tirol’s largest lake attracts visitors with plenty of active recreation and leisure pursuits. Nestled between the Karwendel and Rofan mountains, Lake Achensee is a place to connect with nature, making it a popular destination for mountain enthusiasts and water lovers alike. The lakeshore, which can be approached from any point, and the impressive paths in the valleys of the Nature Park Karwendel offer amazing outdoor experiences in summer and in winter. Mountain biking, hiking, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing – Lake Achensee inspires and is filled with magical moments! Achensee Tourism is the contact point for visitors and media representatives seeking information about tourist activities in Tirol's Sports & Vitality Park. Members of the media can download **printable photos** from the image database [www.achensee.org](http://www.achensee.org). To view the entire selection of photos and gain permission for downloading, please sign up and confirm your registration by clicking the link in the verification email. For an overview of the current Covid-19 related safety regulations and recommendations in Tirol visit [www.achensee.com/en/achensee-holidays/current-information-on-coronavirus/](https://www.achensee.com/en/achensee-holidays/current-information-on-coronavirus/)