



Austria - Salt-Alpensteig Path II Hiking Tour 2018
Individual Self-Guided
8 days/7 nights



This tour takes you on old salt paths, steeped in legends, from one highlight to the next: starting from the incredibly beautiful lake Königssee, set amidst the national park Berchtesgaden, through the shadow of the mighty mountain range 'Tennengebirge' all the way to the World Heritage region Dachstein. Enjoy a comfortable boat ride to the world-famous little church St. Bartholomä, before you head for the well-known salt towns of Berchtesgaden and Hallein. We highly recommend a visit to one of the salt mines along this extensive border crossing walking path, choose between Dürrnberg, a site which has already been used by the Celts for harvesting salt or in Hallstatt with its prehistoric salt mining. In between these two locations you will hike on meandering high altitude trails and experience an amazing mountain splendor with incredible views. There will also be plenty of authentic Bavarian-Austrian atmosphere – countless pretty little Alps along lush floral alpine pastures invite you to a well-earned rest.



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Itinerary

Day 1: Individual arrival at Schönau/Lake Königssee



Day 2: Schönau/ Lake Königssee – Golling 21 km + 650 m – 810 m

The tour leads along the green shimmering river Königsseer Ache into the salt town of Berchtesgaden. Ascend via the Stollenweg path and through adventurous tunnels up to Bad Dürrenberg, where the historic salt mine awaits. You descend on the old Knappensteig trail into the Celtic salt town of Hallein on the river Salzach. Short train ride to Golling.

Day 3: Golling – Abtenau 23 km + 720 m – 460 m

You walk along the river Salzach to the confluence of Salzach and Lammer and then along the Lammer riverbank path to Pass Lueg. Walk through the fascinating 'Lammeröfen' up to the top of the pass and then descend through the forest to the river Lammer near Scheffau. Along the Mühlenweg path (waterfalls) into the rural meadow below the towering rock faces of the Tennengebirge.



Day 4: Abtenau – Annaberg 11 km + 510 m – 880 m

From Abtenau cable car ascent to the summit station of the Karkogel. Walk across lush alpine meadows and along the path until you reach 'Gsengalm', a typical alp with genuine farm produce and quaint chalet atmosphere. An ascent follows via the Gsenghöhe directly below the peaks of the Tennengebirge. Then descend along fields of mountain pines and later across alpine pastures with incredible views onto the Tennengebirge and the Gosau mountain crest, before you reach the idyllic mountain village Annaberg.



Day 5: Annaberg – Gosau 13 km + 990 m – 340 m

Via the stair path to the memorial of the 'Holy Mother Ann' and downhill along forest paths, then an ascent via alpine pastures to the Stuhlalm. The route continues below the mighty rock faces of the Gosau mountain crest along the Austria path to Thörleck with the Gablonzer hut and view onto Lake Gosausee, Donnerkogel and the Dachstein-Glacier. Break and cable car ride to Lake Gosausee.



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Day 6: Gosau – Bad Goisern 15 km+ 860 m – 990 m

From Gosau the route leads you along forest paths via the Iglmoos alp to the Goiserer Alpine Club Hut, located onto of a mountain ridge with fascinating views onto the Goiserer valley and Lake Hallstätter See. You have the option of a summit ascent to the Hochkalmberg with its rock formation called 'Steinerner Indianer' ('Stoney Indian'). Descent through the Kesselgraben and along the river Schüttbach down to Bad Goisern on Lake Hallstätter See.

Day 7: Circular Walk Hallstatt 13 km + 540 m – 520 m

Walk from Bad Goisern via the scenic outpost pavilion 'Giselawarte' and through wonderfully unspoiled farm land to the brine path, which leads along the historic salt pipeline all the way up to the salt mine 'Hallstätter Salzbergwerk'. Prepare for an incredible panorama at the scenic outpost 'Rudolfsturm' with views over Hallstatt and onto the Krippenstein mountain. After that, short cable car ride to the world-famous UNESCO World Heritage town of Hallstatt. Return journey to Bad Goisern by train and boat.



Day 8: Individual departure or extra days





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Route



Technical Characteristics:

Route Profile: Mountain Hiking ▲ ▲ ▲. Scenic and well-maintained hiking trails, several longer ascents require a good basic fitness level and in parts surefootedness. If you like alpine pastures, great views and heights, you will feel right at home and enjoy this tour very much. Be enchanted by the high altitude paths and the views onto a glorious alpine world!

Total Distance: 96 km

Travel Dates: Departures Saturday and Sunday from May 26 to October 7, 2018
Season 1: May 26 - June 10 and September 10 - October 7
Season 2: June 11 - July 6 and August 27 - September 9
Season 3: July 7 - August 26



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Prices per person:

Season 1 Double Occupancy B&B	€575.00
Season 2 Double Occupancy B&B	€595.00
Season 3 Double Occupancy B&B	€635.00
Single Room Surcharge	€115.00
Supplement Half Board	€130.00

Extra Nights (per person)

Schonau/Konigssee 3*

Bad Goisern 3*

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Season 1 Double Occupancy B&B	€70.00	€50.00
Season 2 Double Occupancy B&B	€73.00	€55.00
Season 3 Double Occupancy B&B	€73.00	€55.00
Single Room Surcharge	€25.00	€13.00

Accommodation:

Category: 3*** hotels and country hotels

Included:

- 7 overnight stays, breakfast included
- If half board: minimum 3 course meal
- Luggage transfer
- Welcome meeting
- Cable car ascent Karkogel (approx. mid June – mid September, out of season hike takes approx. 2 hours)
- Cable car descent Gosaukamm
- Cable car descent Salzbergbahn Hallstadt
- Boat ride on Lake Hallstättersee
- Train rides, according to itinerary
- Carefully planned route description
- Detailed travel and tour documents
- GPS data available
- Service hotline

Not Included:

- Any visitor's taxes

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