

Alpine pasture hike to Ross-Alm

HIKING TOUR

Beautiful alpine hike with special flora and fauna to one of the highest alpine pastures in Germany in the Geigelstein nature reserve

Starting point

Ettenhausen, Geigelstein car park


 *distance:*
15.3 kilometres

 *maximum altitude:*
1702 meters

 *altitude difference:*
1134 ascending

Location

Schleching

 *duration:*
06:00 hours

 *minimum altitude:*
625 meters

 *altitude difference:*
1120 descending

Alpine hike. Refreshment options: Haidenholz (*); Rossalm (*) (*) - typical alpine snack during the alpine grazing season. Special features: wonderful, species-rich flora; marmots. Description: We start the tour at the Geigelstein car park and initially hike along the forest road towards Geigelstein. At the first junction we turn right towards Haidenholzalm. After about 30 minutes we turn right again towards Blasialm, Schleching. This section of the route is initially slightly downhill, then quite flat and you can relax a little before the further climb. At the Blasialm we come to a crossroads, keep left towards Haidenholzalm and follow the increasingly narrow and steeper path uphill. As this path can be muddy and a little slippery in places, sturdy shoes are recommended. We hear the Alpbach rushing and enjoy the peace and quiet of nature on this stretch. We hike quite steeply towards Haidenholzalm until we reach the forest road after a while. Here we turn right and hike the last 20 minutes on this path to the Haidenholzalm. We pass the alpine pasture and follow the path to the right towards Rossalm or Geigelstein. The path leads through flower-filled alpine meadows and if you are lucky you can also spot Mankei (marmots). Dear dog owners, please keep your dogs on a leash in this alpine pasture area. The beautiful path first leads through trees, later over sunny meadows to the Rossalm. The Rossalm is the highest alpine pasture in the Geigelstein nature reserve and one of the highest alpine pastures in Germany. Due to the special nature of the soil, a specially adapted flora thrives on the Rossalm. For example, the yellow gentian can be discovered and admired there in summer. After a typical alpine snack, we start the return journey and take the same route back to the Haidenholzalm. From here we follow the forest path all the way towards the Geigelstein car park. The path is easy to walk and so we can enjoy the view of the valley in peace. The last part of the trail leads along the Schneiderhanggraben back to the Geigelstein car park. Achantaler Wandernadel checkpoints: Blasialm; Haidenholzalm

