











Fussen to Merano

Across the Alps from the Allgau to South Tyrol

This scenic hiking route starts from Füssen, known for its fairy-tale castles, and follows the beautiful turquoise-green Lech River into Tyrol. Along the way, hikers can enjoy breathtaking views of alpine meadows, charming huts, and rugged mountain peaks. The journey continues through the Leutasch high valley, where the Jakobsweg (Way of St. James) leads through moorlands and forests, offering stunning vistas of high rock faces and a steep descent into the Inn valley.

Afterwards, a transfer takes you to the Resia Pass in Italy, where the route takes you past the Schwarzsee and Grünsee to the expansive Lake Resia, famous for its sunken church tower that can be seen from afar. As you trek through the picturesque Vinschgau region with its sunny

slopes, apple orchards, and snow-covered peaks, you'll eventually reach the Mediterranean spa town of Merano. Here, you can celebrate your exhilarating Alps hiking adventure while strolling along the promenade by the rushing Passer River.

The journey showcases not only the stunning natural beauty of the Alps but also provides a unique opportunity for hikers to immerse themselves in the region's rich history and diverse landscapes.

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Details about the hike from Fussen to Meran

As you embark on your journey through the Alps, be sure to relish the awe-inspiring natural wonders that await you. Explore the alpine paradise of Gaistal, where lush meadows and rugged peaks create a breathtaking landscape. Follow the Tirolean Way of St. James, a historical trail that leads you through moorlands and forests, providing a glimpse into the region's rich cultural heritage. Wander through the South Tyrolean Vinschgau, where picturesque apple orchards, serene alpine pastures, and the snow-covered Ortler mountain create a picturesque backdrop for your hike.

In addition to the stunning natural beauty, your adventure will be enriched by cultural highlights along the way. Discover the enchanting Neuschwanstein Castle, a fairy-tale fortress nestled in the Bavarian Alps, offering a glimpse into the region's history and architectural splendor. Immerse yourself in the imperial charm of the Sisi town of Merano, where you can experience the grandeur and elegance of a bygone era.

This journey through the Alps promises a harmonious blend of natural wonders and cultural treasures, ensuring a truly unforgettable hiking experience that satisfies both the adventurer and the cultural enthusiast in you.

The highlights of this walking holiday at a glance:

- **Leutasch High Valley:** The Leutasch High Valley captivates hikers with its pristine moorlands, dense forests, and dramatic rock faces, creating a serene and enchanting natural setting to explore.
- **Vinschgau:** Vinschgau, with its sun-drenched slopes, lush apple orchards, and the majestic snow-covered peaks of the Ortler mountain range, offers a picturesque and diverse landscape for hikers to traverse.
- **Merano:** A charming spa town, beckons with its captivating blend of imperial elegance and natural beauty, inviting hikers to unwind and explore along the lively promenade by the rushing Passer River.
- **Resia Pass:** The Resia Pass, nestled in the Italian Alps, serves as a gateway to stunning natural wonders, including the captivating Schwarzsee and Grünsee lakes, with the iconic sunken church tower on Lake Resia, making it a must-visit destination for hikers and explorers.

Interesting facts about from Fussen to Meran

For the daily hikes of a maximum of 5 hours, you will need good endurance and a solid basic fitness level. The daily routes lead along good, and above all varied mountain paths where surefootedness will be required in some sections. Some parts can be shortened by public transport.

This tour has been graded as **Medium**. Find out more about our **walking holiday difficulty levels**.

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Tour information



Challenging



8 Days / 7 Nights



Self-Guided



Luggage transfers included



Total walking distance: approx. 97 km

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Itinerary

DAY
1





Arrival in Füssen

It's worth exploring the Old Town and visiting its historic landmarks and delightful street cafes. You may also want to consider adding a visit to the royal castles to your itinerary when you arrive.

DAY
2

Füssen – Ehrwald approx. 15 km | 4.5 hours





At the thundering Lech Falls, you cross the Lech Gorge and hike along the Alpenrosenweg to the Alpsee. From this viewpoint, you have the best view of Neuschwanstein. Continue past the rock faces to Sternschanze, where you cross the border into Tyrol and arrive in Pflach. Optionally, you can continue through the bird sanctuary, up to the observation tower in the Lech floodplains, and then proceed to Reutte and Ehrwald by train.

 ca. 4,5 Stunden  15 km  500 m  400 m

DAY
3

Ehrwald – Leutasch approx. 17 km | 4.5 hours

A wonderful alpine tour awaits you: on the Alte-Mühl-Steig, you'll leave the valley and take a gondola ride to Ehrwalder Alm. Follow the 'Koatigen Weg' to Igelsee, where the highest rocky peaks are beautifully reflected. Enjoy a leisurely hike through the Gaistal, passing numerous alpine pastures where you can take a break with buttermilk and Kaiserschmarrn (small pieces of pancake dough). As you continue down the valley, you'll reach the Kneipp spa by the rushing Salzbach stream.

 ca. 4,5 Stunden  17 km  400 m  550 m

DAY
4**Leutasch – Landeck** approx. 15 km | 4.5 hours

Travel along the Way of St. James along the Weidachsee, passing through secluded forests and moorland until you reach the crossing at Buchner Höhe. The view from the Ropferstubbm is absolutely fantastic, with the green Inn Valley below the rock faces of the Hohen Munde. After visiting the pilgrimage church in the historic market town of Telfs, continue your journey on a panoramic trail through the Ötztal and Pitztal Alps until you reach Landeck.



ca. 4,5 Stunden



15 km



200 m



700 m

DAY
5**Landeck – Reschen** approx. 14 km | 5 hours

Transfer to the Resia Pass and take a cable car to the Mutzkopf, where your tour to the Schwarzsee and Grünsee begins. Ascend steadily to the Dreiländerstein, where the borders of Italy, Austria, and Switzerland converge. The high-altitude trail leads you to the popular Rescheralm, where you'll be tempted by delicious South Tyrolean delicacies. Finally, you'll reach the expansive Lake Resia and hike along its shores to your destination.



ca. 5 Stunden



14 km



550 m



850 m

DAY
6**Reschen – Schlanders** approx. 17 km | 4.5 hours

Admire the sunken church of Graun during the bus journey to St. Valentin. Snow-covered mountains are beautifully reflected in the Haidersee. Continue your journey along its shores and into the valley, reaching the tranquil village of Burgeis. As you pass through colourful meadows and sunlit mountain slopes, you'll also come across Churburg Castle in Schluderns before taking a train to Silandro.



ca. 4,5 Stunden



17 km



100 m




600 m


DAY
7


Schlanders – Meran


approx. 19 km | 5 hours

The Vinschgau Railway will take you to Naturns, where a magnificent panoramic trail leads you along the babbling streams of the Waalweg. Descend through the forest to the Schlundensteinen and then proceed towards Algund. Naturally, a stop at a typical farm inn is also included in the tour. The ultimate highlight is the Tappeiner Promenade: strolling through it feels like walking through a botanical garden until you reach the cathedral in the center of Merano.

 ca. 5 Stunden

 19 km

 400 m

 600 m

DAY
8

Departure or extension

Route information

For the daily hikes, which are a maximum of 5 hours long, you will need good endurance and a solid foundation of fitness. The daily routes follow well-maintained, diverse mountain paths, where surefootedness will be required in certain sections. Some parts of the routes can be shortened using public transport.

Prices and dates

Price calculation and check availability: **Fussen to Merano**

Place of arrival: **Füssen**

	Season 1 25.05.2024 - 09.06.2024 09.09.2024 - 06.10.2024 Daily	Season 2 10.06.2024 - 23.06.2024 26.08.2024 - 08.09.2024 Daily	Season 3 24.06.2024 - 25.08.2024 Daily
Fussen to Merano, DE-ZUWFM-08X			
Base price	909.00	959.00	1,029.00
Single room surcharge	199.00	199.00	199.00

Hotel information: 3*** hotels and guesthouses

Additional nights

Place of arrival: **Füssen**

	Season 1 May 25, 2024 - Jun 9, 2024 Sep 9, 2024 - Oct 6, 2024 Daily	Season 2 Jun 10, 2024 - Jun 23, 2024 Aug 26, 2024 - Sep 8, 2024 Daily	Season 3 Jun 24, 2024 - Aug 25, 2024 Daily
Füssen			
Double room p.p.	99.00	99.00	99.00
Single room surcharge	79.00	79.00	79.00
Meran			
Double room p. P.	95.00	95.00	109.00

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Surcharge single room	29.00	29.00	29.00

Prices per person in GBP

Included services and travel information

Leistungen

Included:

- Accommodation as already mentioned
- Breakfast
- Luggage transfer
- 1 Train ride Reutte - Ehrwald
- 1 Train ride Telfs – Landeck
- 1 Bus ride Landeck – Nauders
- 1 Cable car ascent Mutzkopf
- 2 Train rides Val Venosta Railway according to program
- Carefully elaborated route description
- Detailed travel documents 1x per room (German, English, French)
- App for Navigation and GPS-data
- Service hotline

Optional:

- Collective transfer (with central boarding and disembarkation point) from Merano to Füssen (min. 2 persons, daily, change in Bolzano), cost per person EUR 55 per dog EUR 19, reservation required, payable in advance.

Infos

Arrival / Parking / Departure:

- Train journey to Füssen.
- Munich airport.
- Parking: public car park near the hotel approx. EUR 60 per week.
- Return journey from Merano to Füssen by bus and train in approx. 7 hours (3 changes).

Important information:

- Tourist tax, if due, is not included in the price
- Bus ride Resia – St. Valentin, approx. EUR 3 per person