



Alpine Hiking in Liechtenstein

Get to know Switzerland's little neighbour

In a place where a small country can offer vast experiences, Liechtenstein, though slightly smaller than Texel, impresses with its abundance of castles, ruins, and breathtaking vistas. Nestled in the heart of the European Alpine region, the principality of Liechtenstein is situated where the adventurous world of the Rhine Valley borders Switzerland to the west, while benevolent nature, with its steep mountain peaks, forms the eastern boundary.

While Liechtenstein may seem compact at first glance, this dwarf state boasts over 30 mountain peaks, establishing itself as a true hiking paradise. Furthermore, it's not just the pristine mountain air, centuries-old traditions, and diverse cultural attractions that draw visitors; Liechtenstein's culinary scene has risen to the level of artistry, promising a delectable treat for your taste buds during your hiking holiday.

Details of the hiking holiday Principality of Liechtenstein

The Alpine Rhine demarcates Liechtenstein's western border with Switzerland, while to the east, the principality is ensconced by towering mountain peaks. Although Liechtenstein may appear quite compact at first glance, this diminutive country boasts over 30 mountain peaks, establishing itself as a genuine hiking paradise.

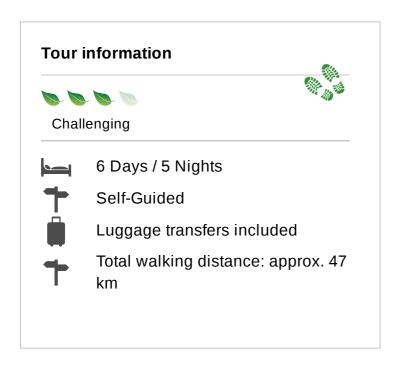
Along the way, you'll encounter glistening mountain lakes, traverse narrow mountain paths to reach the country's highest summits, and visit charming alpine and mountain huts. The capital and princely seat, bearing the same name, serves as the starting point for this hike, promising a surprisingly diverse alpine experience amid the stunning mountain landscape.

Highlights of the Liechtenstein walking holiday at a glance

- Vaduz: The capital boasts several notable attractions, including Vaduz Castle, The Red House featuring its distinctive red stepped gable and residential tower, the neo-Gothic Cathedral of St. Florin, and the charming town hall.
- The Walser Sagenweg: This area unveils a treasure trove of mountain spirits, nymphs, and heroic legends, recounting the tales of courageous adventurers and intrepid locals who confronted the challenges of the mountainous terrain. The route exudes an enchanting ambience steeped in the magic of the past.
- Liechtenstein Road: An absolute highlight that offers a plethora of captivating sights, delightful panoramas, and idyllic rest spots along the way.

Accommodation options in the Principality of Liechtenstein

Would you like to spend the night in a mountain hut? You have the option to include the Pfälzer Berghut in your trip. On the last night, you'll stay at the Pfälzerhütte. On Day 5, you'll hike 8 km and spend the night atop the mountain, and on Day 6, you'll complete the final 6 km of your journey. Additionally, we recommend booking an extra night in Malbun for an extended experience.





Itinerary

DAY 1

Arrival in Vaduz

Arrive individually in Vaduz, where you have the opportunity to explore the city and its treasures while using your Liechtenstein Adventure Pass.

A helpful tip: Consider taking a city tour on the tourist train, a benefit included with the adventure pass. This guided tour provides you with an introduction to Vaduz and its unique charm. The journey encompasses the historical Alt-Vaduz, and meanders through Vaduz's vineyards, offering a photo opportunity beneath the renowned Red House with panoramic vistas of Vaduz Castle. The route then leads you through the lush, picturesque landscape surrounding Vaduz, eventually returning to the heart of the city, passing by Liechtenstein's stadium, the Rheinpark stadium.

DAY 2

Vaduz - Triesenberg -**Vaduz**

approx. 10 km | 4 hours

Starting right from the heart of Vaduz, your journey takes you to the Prince's Castle, where you'll then proceed along delightful forest trails that offer viewpoints of the Wildschloss ruins. Following the renowned Liechtenstein Way, your path leads you through mountain meadows and quaint settlements before reaching Triesenberg. From there, you can conveniently hop on a bus (included with the adventure pass) for a relaxing return journey to Vaduz.



ca. 4 hours

10 km



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Triesenberg-Vaduz

DAY 3

Vaduz – Malbun

approx. 11 km | 4 hours

Today's adventure takes you to the heart of Liechtenstein as you follow the Via Alpina on incredible trails leading to Mount Sücka. This iconic route offers a glimpse into the breathtaking Liechtenstein mountain landscape, providing an unforgettable classic mountain ascent along protected rock pathways high above the Rhine Valley.

After a visit to the cheese dairy in Sücka, you can enjoy the magnificent view of the picturesque village of Steg. Continuing your journey beyond the Gänglesee Lake, you'll hike through the serene high valley to reach the charming mountain village of Malbun.

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11 km

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Schönberg circular walk

approx. 12 km | 4.5 hours

Enjoy a splendid hiking tour across a panoramic mountain. Following the discovery trail, you'll traverse well-maintained alpine and narrow mountain paths, passing by the imposing rock formations known as the Three Capuchins, ultimately reaching the summit at a remarkable 2,100 meters! Here, you'll be treated to breathtaking panoramic views extending all the way to Lake Constance and the Swiss Alps. To return, a hiking trail leads you along the mountainside back to the mountain village of Malbun.

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DAY5

Malbun – Pfalzhut circular walk (Mountain hut or guesthouse)

approx. 14 km | 6.5 hours

Today's hiking program features the ultimate classic, the Fürstin-Gina-Weg, which epitomizes the dream tour in Liechtenstein. You'll begin by taking a cable car ride to the Sariser Joch and then hike along the ridge to reach the Augstenberg, which stands at an impressive altitude of over 2,300 meters. Along a beautiful, secure mountain path adorned with blooming flowers, you'll descend to the Liechtensteiner Alpine Club's Pfälzerhütte, nestled at the foot of the Naafkopf.

Here, it's highly recommended to pause and soak in the stunning surroundings on the sun terrace, surrounded by towering peaks. You'll then continue your journey via expansive alpine meadows, ascending along elevated trails that offer magnificent vistas until you reach the Tälijoch. The final leg of your hike takes you through the Vaduzer Täli, eventually leading you to the charming village of Malbun.

For those opting for the hut variant, the stage from Malbun to Pfalzhut offers the same ultimate classic experience. The Princess Gina Trail is the quintessential dream tour in Liechtenstein. You'll begin with a comfortable cable car ride to Sariser Joch, followed by a hike along the ridge to the Augstenberg, which reaches over 2,300 meters in altitude. A lovely mountain path will guide you to the Liechtensteiner Alpine Club's Pfälzerhütte, located right on the ridge. Here, you can't miss the opportunity to take a well-deserved break on the sun terrace, surrounded by the loftiest peaks. If you still have the energy, consider an afternoon ascent of the Dreiländerberg on the border of Austria and Switzerland. The total distance for this stage is 8 kilometres, with an elevation gain of 850 meters and a descent of 700 meters. The estimated walking time is around 4 hours.

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DAY 6

Return journey or extension or hut variant Pfalzhut - Malbun and then return journey or extension

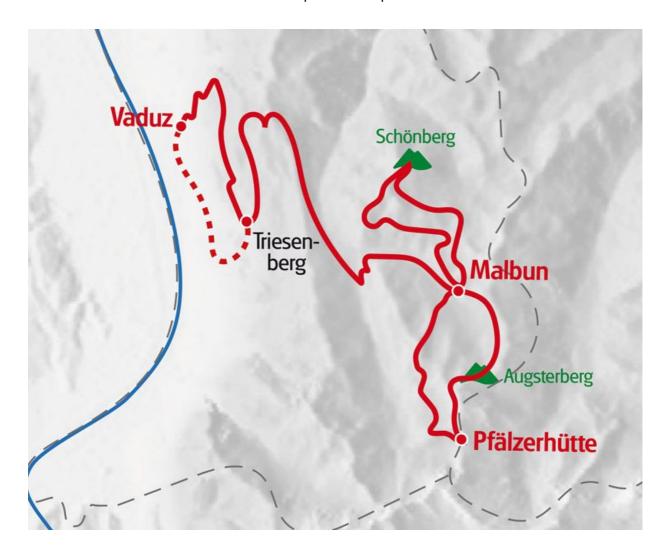
After breakfast, it's time to check out and commence your individual return journey or opt for an extended stay to enjoy this remarkable destination a bit longer.

For those on the hut variant route, the next stage involves hiking from Pfalz Hut to Malbun. After breakfast in the mountain hut, you'll traverse the Täli and ascend to the Tälijoch via mountain paths, offering splendid views along the way.

On the other side, well-marked hiking trails will guide you directly to Malbun, where you can either embark on your journey back home or opt for an additional extension to further relish the beauty of this location. The total distance for this stage is 6 kilometres, with an ascent of 100 meters and a descent of 600 meters, and the estimated walking time is approximately 2.5 hours.

Route information

For this trip, it's advisable to have some prior hiking experience and maintain a good level of fitness. Ensuring safety is paramount when trekking on alpine trails. Additionally, it's worth noting that for added convenience, most stages can be shortened or simplified through the use of public transport.



Prices and dates

Price calculation and check availability: Alpine Hiking in Liechtenstein (Hotels) | Alpine Hiking in Liechtenstein (Huts)

Place of arrival: Vaduz

	Season 1 14.09.2024 - 29.09.2024 Daily	Season 2 15.06.2024 - 13.09.2024 Daily		
Alpine Hiking in Liechtenstein (Hotels), LI-LIWHV-06A				
Base price	839.00	879.00		
Single room (fixed price)	299.00	299.00		
Alpine Hiking in Liechtenstein (Huts), LI-LIWBH-06B				
Base price	839.00	879.00		
Single room (fixed	270.00	270.00		

- Hotel option: Accommodation in 3*** hotels and guesthouses
- Mountain hut variant: You stay in 3*** hotels, guesthouses and 1-night incl. dinner in a dormitory of the Palatinate mountain hut

Additional nights

Place of arrival: Vaduz

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	Season 1 Sep 14, 2024 - Sep 29, 2024 Daily	Season 2 Jun 15, 2024 - Sep 13, 2024 _{Daily}
Vaduz		
Double room p.p.	120.00	120.00

	Season 1 Sep 14, 2024 - Sep 29, 2024 Daily	Season 2 Jun 15, 2024 - Sep 13, 2024 Daily
Single room surcharge	71.00	71.00
Malbun		
Double room p.p.	114.00	114.00
Single room surcharge	40.00	40.00
Vaduz		
Double room p.p.	120.00	120.00
Single room surcharge	71.00	71.00
Malbun		
Double room p.p.	114.00	114.00
Single room surcharge	40.00	40.00

Prices per person in GBP

Included services and travel information

Services

<u>Included</u>

- 5 overnight stays as described including breakfast
- 1x Dinner (when booking in the Pfälzerhütte)
- Malbun cable car
- Three-day adventure pass Liechtenstein (discount card activities)
- SchweizMobil-Plus annual pass
- Luggage transfer(s) max. 1 piece of luggage 15 kg per person (except Pfälzerhütte)
- Digital travel documents (German, and English with route and overview maps, detailed route descriptions, places of interest, and important telephone numbers)

Not included

- Tourist tax, if applicable, payable locally
- Rides on public transport, cable cars (free on days when the adventure pass is valid)
- Luggage transfer Pfälzerhütte in the mountain hut variant on days 5 and 6

Travel information

- By plane: Zurich airport (Switzerland) and from there by train to Vaduz
- Train: Station Vaduz
- Parking: Parking facilities are available with the travel documents. Free parking around the historic centre of Vaduz
- Return: Malbun-Vaduz, direct in about 30 minutes by bus

Overnight in a mountain hut option

• Spend the night in a mountain hut? It is also possible to stay overnight in a mountain hut during this trip, the last night you will then sleep in the PfälzerHütte including dinner. You walk down on then 6 before starting the return journey or book an extension. Please note! You carry your own luggage for this overnight stay, luggage transfers on days 5 and 6 are not applicable for the mountain hut variant.

Travel documents

- You will receive digital travel documents for this trip, in which you will find instructions on how to use the Eurotrek Travel Guide App.
- On site, you will receive a small package of documents containing your itinerary, luggage label, description of how to use the App and any discount cards. On the road, you can easily find your way with the Eurotrek Travel Guide App in which not only your route is drawn on a digital map, but also further information about your booked trip can be found.
- The app is also available offline, the journey only needs to be downloaded in advance.