



EAGLE WALK STAGE 8

Erfurter Hut – Lamsenjoch Hut

Today, the Eagle Walk starts gently: Take **Rofan Gondola** for an effortless and scenic downhill ride from **Erfurter Hut to Maurach** and enjoy magnificent views of **Lake Achensee**. Walk along the southern and south-western lake shore to **Pertisau**, where you take the paved road into Falzthurntal Valley, bringing you to **Falzthurn Inn** and **Sennhütte Hut**. Continue along a gravel road to **Gramaialm Alpine Pasture Hut** and further on into the valley towards **Lamsenjoch Hut**. You'll get warm as you follow narrow switchbacks up, up, up to reach this hut, which is also the destination of this stage. Lamsenjoch Hut is the perfect respite for those who have braved the challenging trail up to it.

Starting Point	Erfurter Hut
Destination	Lamsenjoch Hut
Distance	17 Kilometers
Elevation ↑	1,030 m
Elevation ↓	70 m (Lift Ride not included)
Hiking Time	5 Hours
Difficulty	Intermediate (red)



Eagle Alpine History

Lamsenjoch Hut and the Avalanche. On **March 11, 1908**, the German Alpine Association (DAV) received a dramatic telegram: "Have been there; everything ruined at Lamsen – Wastl". What had happened? A **dry avalanche** destroyed the first **Lamsenjoch Hut**, which had only been open for one season. The mountain guide and host at Falken Hut, Sebastian Schrettl, was devastated. So would they give up? This was not an option for the Alpine pioneers. Four weeks later, it was unanimously decided that the **hut should be rebuilt**. On June 26 and 27, 1909, the new hut was officially **opened 200 metres east of where the old hut once stood**. Interest was so great that visitors came on specially commissioned trains from Munich. The hut "survived" and Mr & Mrs Kofler remained the hut tenants until 1938.



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The use of **Tirolean shale oil**, which can be bought at the "Vitalberg" in Pertisau, quickly **revitalises tired feet**. Its intensive smell may irritate so, it's best if everyone in your group uses the oil. This kind of "doping" has helped experienced hikers to climb to the top of 2,508-metre **Lamsenspitze Peak** – using plenty of fixed cable as support in exposed places.



EAGLEVIEW

On your way to Lamsenjoch Hut across Falzthurntal Valley you will enter the Karwendel Mountains. Look around at the **many cirques**. These are concave basins below peaks and ridges that were carved by the glacier. The **name "Karwendel"**, however, probably comes from the **Germani Kérwentil**, who owned a farm in the Upper Innthal Valley, somewhere around Scharnitz.



Trailside Eateries & Accommodations

- 1 Erfurter Hut
- 2 Sennhütte Falzthurn Alpine Pasture Hut
- 3 Falzthurnalm Alpine Pasture Hut
- 4 Gramai Alpine Inn
- 5 Lamsenjoch Hut

Trail Description

You may either take the **Rofan Gondola** downhill from **Erfurter Hut** to Maurach, or just start at **Maurach**. From there, the trail takes you along the southern or rather southwestern shores of Lake Achensee to **Pertisau** and further to the beginning of the toll road leading to the Karwendel Valleys (in Pertisau follow signage to “Karwendeltäler”). Having passed the tollgate bear left and follow the trail towards “Gramaialm” into **Falzthurntal Valley**. Continue through the forest on the wide, paved footpath, which gradually climbs uphill until you reach Falzthurnalm with its Alpine Pasture Hut and the **Falzthurn Mountain Inn**, which is a nice place to pause for a rest. This is the end of the paved portion of this walk. Keep on walking further into the valley along the gently climbing footpath (do not climb the slope to your left). From time to time you will have to cross the gravel creek bed until you reach **Gramaialm**.

From here, the trail continues along a dirt road leading further into the valley towards “Lamsenjochhütte”. Stick to your left crossing the dry creek bed, along the valley floor and pass the fork leading to Gramai- Hochleger. Follow the footpath through Gramai Grund towards the steep slope at the south end of the valley, where you can see prominent Lamsenspitze Summit rising to the right. Here the trail climbs the slope to the left before crossing the talus slopes into the valley. The final section of the trail continues upward the steep talus slope with many switchbacks at a character-building grade. Once you have reached the col, you are just a few steps away from **Lamsenjoch Hut**, which can already be seen to your left. Lamsenjoch Hut is surrounded by the spectacular rock faces of rugged 1,953-metre Lamsenspitze Peak, the view of the Alps to the south is like a peek through the keyhole.

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