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"Loipenzauber"

in the heart of the Salzkammergut

4 nights

OVERNIGHT IN 3*-INNS AND A 4*-HOTEL ARRIVAL DAILY POSSIBLE CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING EQUIPMENT INCLUDING SKIS, POLES AND SHOES



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"Isn't winter a color artist, despite all spring!"

Lou Andreas-Salome (authoress)

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Skiing along frozen lakes, through the winter forest or near an arena of two-thousand-meter peaks - the winter landscape of the southern Salzkammergut is as varied as one could wish for. This impressive natural backdrop also provides the perfect setting when it comes to traditional hut cuisine and relaxation in the local thermal baths. Perfectly groomed trails for both the classic and the skating style offer ideal conditions for a perfect cross-country skiing experience. When the snow is crashing under your shoes in the glittering white landscape, winter in the Salzkammergut makes you really happy. Gliding instead of rushing - time to look, chat and still be active: that's what makes cross-country skiing so enjoyable. Look forward to a week that you can tackle both sporty-active and cozy-relaxed in one of the most attractive holiday regions in Austria.

Highlights

- CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING PARADISE GOSAU PART OF THE UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE
- RETTENBACHALM EUROPEAN CUP TRAIL
- 🕂 'PANORAMA NOVA' HIGH-ALTITUDE TRAIL ABOVE BAD GOISERN

Itinerary

Day 1: Arrival in the spa town of Bad Ischl

Arrival by car or public transport to Bad Ischl. The pretty town on the river Traun became very popular, when in the 19th century the town was opened. Emperor Franz Joseph regularly spent his holidays here. The stay of the imperial family favored the development of the city into an attractive holiday resort and still today has an attractive offer of leisure opportunities. In the hotel you will receive more information about your trip and all the important details about the trails in the region as well as a "welcome-Schnapserl". (2 nights) M wandern@salzkammergut.co.at



Day 2: "Snow hole" Rettenbachalm

Overlooking the rocks of the Dead Mountains is one of the largest low pastures in Europe, the Rettenbachalm. A forest road takes you to the cross-country skiing center just six kilometers from Bad Ischl. Picturesque rustic huts spread out on the wide valley floor. Fans of cross-country skiing get their money's worth here. Ten kilometers of perfectly groomed cross-country trails of all levels of difficulty open up a varied and impressive sporting experience. Take the taxi transfer organized for you to the Rettenbachalm or drive your own car. Returning to Bad Ischl, relax in the Eurotherme thermal baths.

Day 3: "Panorama Nova" - High-altitude trail over Bad Goisern

In the morning, transfer including luggage or drive in your own car to the hotel in Bad Goisern, an ideal base for winter sports. For the ascent to the start of the cross-country ski run, use the six-kilometer panoramic road in the direction of the Predigtstuhl. From the high-altitude trail at 1,000 meters there is a splendid view of the Salzkammergut World Heritage Site with the Dachstein Glacier and Lake Hallstatt. A total of 27 kilometers of moderately easy to very demanding trails are available. Interesting attractions are the "World Cup Trail" - especially for experts in the sport - and an imposing suspension bridge that serves as a connection between two trails.

(2 nights in Bad Goisern)

Day 4: Cross-country skiing in the Gosau Valley:

The elongated, idyllically situated high valley stretches from Lake Hallstatt to the west side of the Dachstein, where it finds its great conclusion with the rock needles of the wildly rugged Gosaukamm. Along this Alpine panorama, past snow-covered tops and peaks, stretches the wide, very sunny network of trails of all levels of difficulty. Thanks to the average altitude of the mountain valley of 780 meters and generally a high snow guarantee, cross-country skiing is a real pleasure. The ski bus takes you comfortably to Gosau and back to Bad Goisern.

Day 5: Individual departure

or additional nights.

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Arrangement

- 4x Overnight stays with breakfast buffet
- 2 nights Bad Ischl in 4* hotel, 2 nights Bad Goisern in 3*hotel
- 1x Information material and cross country trail map
- 1x Welcome schnapps
- 1x Taxi transfer to Rettenbachalm and back (incl. equipment) *
- 1x 4 hours entrance to the Salzkammergut Thermal Spa Bad Ischl
- 1x Taxi transfer from Bad Ischl to Predigstuhl in Bad Goisern and back (incl. equipment) *
- 1x luggage transfer to hotel in Bad Goisern *
- + Daily service hotline from 08.00 am 06.00 pm (also on weekends)

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Rates per person for the arrangement in E:

| | 06.01 09.03.25 |
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| Double room with breakfast buffet | 575,00 |
| Supplement for half board per stay | 165,00 |
| Supplement for single room per stay | 160,00 |
| *Discount for traveling with your own car - take your own car for routes signed with * | 130,00 |
| Supplement for single travelers (when arriving by public transport) | 130,00 |
| arrival | daily |

The local tax, also known as visitor's tax, is payable locally to the landlord; the amount depends on the resort and is between 1,00€ and 4,00€ per person per night. Children up to the age of 15 are usually exempt.

Reduction for children staying in parent's room (2 full-paying adults):

0 - 5 years: 100% 6 - 15 years: 30%

Cross-country skiing equipment (incl. ski, sticks and shoes): 99,00€ per stay

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For environmental reasons, we recommend arriving and departing by public transport (train/bus). We are happy to help you organise your train journey within Austria. Talk to us!

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