Switzerland, Austria, and Germany

September 2004

















September 2, 2004 - Thursday

11:25 AM Matt departs from Detroit, MI on Continental Airlines Flight 3443. Paul departs from Minneapolis, MN on Continental Airlines Flight 3273. 11:35 AM

1:00 PM Matt arrives in Newark, NJ. 3:09 PM Paul arrives in Newark, NJ.

6:00 PM Paul and Matt depart from Newark, NJ on Continental Airlines Flight 78.

9:15 PM Tom, Katie, Bill, and Cathy depart from Newark, NJ on Swiss International Air Lines Flight 19.

Total flight time = 7:40 (hrs:min). Expedia.com itinerary number: 19591683367.

Expedia.com booking ID: 2UOM79(1). Ticket numbers: E7247553024963-966. Swiss Air Conf. Code: SSS4CU.

September 3, 2004 - Friday

7:45 AM Paul and Matt arrive in Zurich, Switzerland

10:55 AM Tom, Katie, Bill, and Cathy arrive in Zurich, Switzerland 11:00 AM Pick up rental cars at Hertz in the Zurich Airport.

Economy class (Ford Fiesta, Opel Corsa, or similar). Confirmation: C65513649E2. Price=769 CHF

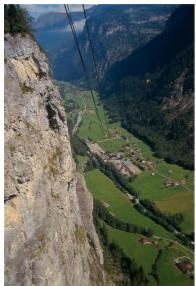
Drive from Zurich to Stechelberg and park vehicle at gondola station. Driving time = 2:00 (hrs:min). Take gondola to Murren. Stay in Murren at Hotel Alpina. Reservations for 1 double room with a bathroom overlooking valley CHF 160 and 1 apartment (2 double rooms sharing a bathroom) CHF 260. Price includes breakfast.



Town of Stechelberg. Murren is atop the cliff on the left.



Hotel Alpina in Murren, Switzerland

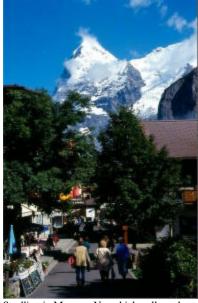


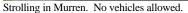
Gondola from Stechelberg to Murren.

September 4, 2004 - Saturday

Stay in Murren at Hotel Alpina.

September 5, 2004 - Sunday







View from one of many walking trails near Murren.



View from balcony of Hotel Alpina.

September 6, 2004 - Monday

Drive from Stechelberg, Switzerland to Salzburg, Austria. Driving time = 6:30 (hrs:min).

Stay at Hotel Trumer Stube in Salzburg.

Hotel Trumer Stube Information

Three (3) double rooms with shower/WC, at the daily rate of Euro 103 per room (price includes breakfast) Silvia Rettenbacher

A-5020 Salzburg, Bergstraße 6, Tel. 0662 874776, Fax 874326

hotel.trumer-stube.sbg@eunet.at

www.trumer-stube.at

Payment in cash preferred



Panorama of Salzburg Old City with Untersberg in the background. Photo taken near Hotel Trumer Stube.

September 7, 2004 - Tuesday

Stay at Hotel Trumer Stube in Salzburg.

September 8, 2004 - Wednesday

Drive from Salzburg to Vienna. Driving time = 3:00 (hrs:min).

Stay at Pension Suzanne in Vienna.

Pension Suzanne Information

1 double room with bath/toilet at the rate of Euro 113.

1 family-apartment for 4 persons at the rate of Euro 220. (2 sleeping rooms, 1 living room, bath, toilet)

Walfischgasse 4

1010 Wien

Tel.: +43-(0)1-513 25 07 Fax: +43-(0)1-513 25 00

http://www.pension-suzanne.at

September 9, 2004 - Thursday

Stay at Pension Suzanne in Vienna.

September 10, 2004 - Friday

Drive from Vienna, Austria to Munich, Germany. Driving time = 4:15 (hrs:min).

Stay at Gästehaus Englischer Garten (2 rooms) and Hotel Biederstein (1 room) in Munich.

Gastehaus Englischer Garten Information

2 double rooms with bath/toilet at the rate of Euro 96.

Liebergesellstrasse 8 Tel: 089/3-83-94-10

Hotel Biederstein Information

1 double room with bath/toilet at the rate of Euro 123.

Keferstrasse 18 Tel: 089/3899970





Gästehaus Englischer Garten in Munich

Munich old city

September 11, 2004 - Saturday

Stay at Gästehaus Englischer Garten (2 rooms) and Hotel Biederstein (1 room) in Munich.

September 12, 2004 - Sunday

Stay at Gästehaus Englischer Garten (2 rooms) in Munich.

Paul and Matt drive from Munich to Zurich, and stay in Zurich.

September 13, 2004 - Monday

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Drive from Munich, Germany to Zurich, Switzerland. Driving time = 3:15 (hrs:min).							
10:45 AM	Paul and Matt depart Zurich, Switzerland on Continental Airlines flight 79						
1:00 PM	Tom, Katie, Bill, and Cathy drop off rental car at Hertz.						
1:50 PM	Paul and Matt arrive in Newark, NJ						
3:15 PM	Paul departs Newark, NJ on Continental Airlines Flight 1299						
5:29 PM	Paul arrives in Minneapolis, MN.						
4:05 PM	Tom, Katie, Bill, and Cathy depart from Zurich, Switzerland on Swiss International Air Lines Flight 18.						
	Total flight time = $8:50$ (hrs:min).						
5:15 PM	Matt departs Newark, NJ on Continental Airlines Flight 2076.						
6:55 PM	Tom, Katie, Bill, and Cathy arrive in Newark, NJ.						
7:15 PM	Matt arrives in Detroit, MI.						

Appendix A - Trails Near Mürren, Switzerland

Mürren-Blumental-Allmendhubel (approx. 1 h 30 min)

Above the Schilthorn cablecar station in Mürren, go over the Mürrenbach bridge, up to the right over the children's playground to Suppenalp restaurant and continue via Blumental to Allmendhubel.

Mürren-Winteregg-Grütschalp (approx. 1 h 30 min)

An easy walk along a path that helps us to get to know the topography of the Lauterbrunnen Valley and its terraces. Splendid panorama of the Bernese Alps.

Mürren-Spielbodenalp-Bryndli-Rotstockhütte-Wasenegg-Schiltalp-Blumental-Mürren (approx. 4 h 30 min)

Uphill: an easy uphill mountain road via Gimmeln to Spielbodenalp. Cross the Schiltbach and take the steep, narrow trail to Bryndli (1 h 30 min), followed by the wonderful, flat, high-level walk to the Rotstock Hut on Poganggenalp (1 h). Descente: Return to Oberläger, go up to the left towards Wasenegg (2155 m), downhill to Schiltalp and back to Mürren via Suppenalp (approx. 2 h).

NORTHFACE-TRAIL Allmendhubel-Blumental-Schiltalp-Spielbodenalp-Mürren

The well marked «Northface-Trail» is an approximately 2 hour hike from the Allmendhubel back to Mürren which presents no problems for walkers with appropriate footwear. Its outstanding feature is the breathtaking view of the impressive, often snow-capped North faces of the Bernese Alps. Along the trail 12 information panels provide details of the history of these mountains.

Allmendhubel-Maulerhubel-Dorenhubel-Pletschenalp-Marchegg-Sousläger-Spryssenwald-Grütschalp(approx. 3 h 15 min) From Allmendhubel go up to Höhlücke, go down on the right towards Maulerhubel, pass behind the Dorenhubel to Pletschenalp, then continue on the left via

Marchegg – a picturesque view point – to Sousläger. Return via Spryssenwald to Grütschalp station.

MOUNTAIN VIEW-TRAIL Allmendhubel-Dorenhubel-Grütschalp (approx. 1 h 30 min)

From Allmendhubel go up to Höhlücke, go down on the right towards Maulerhubel, pass behind the Dorenhubel to Pletschenalp, Splendid view of the Eiger, Mönch and Jungfrau. Go down to the right towards Rinderhütte and return via the meadows and forest to Grütschalp station.

FLOWER-TRAIL Mürren BLM-Mittelberg-Chänelegg-Höhlücke-Allmendhubel (approx. 1 h 15 min)

From the Mürren BLM station, go past the Aegertenbach, t ake the easy uphill path on the right through the forest to Mittelberg, go to the left above Chänelegg – splendid view of the valley, Mürren and the Alps – until you reach the lower station of the Maulerhubel skilift. Keep going on the right over Höhlücke to Allmendhubel. Gimmelwald-Chilchbalm (approx. 2 h in each direction)

From Gimmelwald station, go through the sleepy mountain village into the wild and romantic Sefinental to Tal and Firten. Here, where the path forks, follow the water course to the source of the Sefinenlütschine.

Gimmelwald-Busenbrand (Tanzboden)-Obersteinberg-Schürboden (or Läger Schürboden) - Trachsellauenen-Stechelberg (approx.7h)

From Gimmelwald, follow the Sefinental to Tal, take the steep uphill path on the right side of the valley to Busenbrand and then the worthwhile climb to Tanzboden and its outstanding view point (return journey approx. 1 h). Then take the narrow trail to Obersteinberg. Choose between the shorter path to Stechelberg via the Tschingelhorn hotel or the attractive alternative via Läger–Holdrifälle–Schürboden–Bletschli–Trachsellauenen–Stechelberg.

Gimmelwald-Sefinental-Oberberg-Rotstockhütte-Spielbodenalp-Gimmelwald (approx. 4 h 45 min)

Take the well-kept trail through Sefinental to Firten, then go uphill on the right to the Rotstock Hut on Poganggenalp. Return via Bryndli and the splendid high-level trail to Spielbodenalp. Back down through the forest to Gimmelwald.

Birg-Grauseeli-Obere Wasenegg-Untere Was enegg-Schiltalp-Blumental-Mürren (approx. 3 h)

There is a good downhill trail to the Grauseeli lake followed by a narrow path leading to a rocky passage with a rope for security. Shortly afterwards go to the right uphill towards Obere Wasenegg (2280 m). From here there is a lovely, easy walk along the ridge to Untere Wasenegg (2155 m). Go down on the left to Schiltalp, then via the Blumental to Mürren.

Birg-Engetal-Bietenlücke-Bietenhorn-Soustal-Sousläger-Spryssenwald- Grütschalp (approx. 6 h)

From Birg, go down through the Engetal to the Schilthorn Hut. Then take the steep, secured path with the whiteblue-white signs up to Bietenlücke. Detour up to the Bietenhorn (2756 m) with its impressive round view panorama. Return to Bietenlücke and follow the initially steep descent before turning left to reach the head of the Soustal valley via meadows and scree slopes. After crossing the stream, continue via Oberberg–Sousläger–pryssenwald to Grütschalp station. An worthwhile mountain excursion for experienced hikers.

Schilthorn-Roter Herd-Poganggen-Bryndli-Spielbodenalp-Mürren (approx. 4 h)

From the Schilthorn, downhill along the secured ridge to Roter Herd. At the signpost, backtrack on the left towards the Schilthorn, then take the steep descent to the Rotstock Hut on Poganggenalp. Return via Bryndli and Spielbodenalp to Mürren. An impressive mountain excursion for experienced hikers.

Schilthorn-Engetal-Kanonenrohr-Blumental-Mürren (approx. 3 h)

The shortest itinerary from the Schilthorn to Mürren via the Schilthorn Hut, following the tracks of the Inferno race skiers and climbers.

Grütschalp-Sousläger-Sulssee-Lobhornhütte-Isenfluh-Lauterbrunnen or return to Grütschalp (approx. 4 h 30 min.)

From Grütschalp station, go to Sousläger, the majority of the way is through the forest. After crossing the Sousbach, continue along the opposite side of the valley to Chuebodmi. Go uphill via Suls to Suls Lake (Sulssee) and from there to the Lobhorn Hut. Downhill via Suls and Isenfluh to Lauterbrunnen or, keeping to the right of Bockstetti, go back up via Inhalti to Grütschalp.

Lauterbrunnen-Buechen-Stechelberg (approx. 1 h 45 min)

Just below Lauterbrunnen Church, take the Lütschinenpromenade to the hamlet of Buechen. Take the path to the left to reach the famous Trümmelbach waterfalls or keeping to the same side of the river you reach the valley station of the Schilthorn Cableway or the Stechelberg postal bus stop.

Schilthorn - Mürren 3 hrs.; Seewlifuhre - Grauseeli - Schilthornhütte - Kanonenrohr - Mürren Panoramaweg

Following the route taken by the Inferno Race skiers, we make the steep descent from the Schilthorn summit, crossing Seewlifuhre to Grauseeli near Birg. The trail then follows the Mürrenbach stream through the Engetal Valley to the Schilthorn hut and on through the Kanonenrohr (cannon barrel) over the Höhelücke into the beautiful Blumental. From here, it's an easy hike on the panorama path down to Wengen, with fabulous views of the village and the Jungfrau massif.

Wengen - Kl. Scheidegg 2 1/2 hrs.; Wengen - Allmend - Wengernalp - Kleine Scheidegg - Eigergletscher - Höheweg

A classic pass route, with magnificent views of the Eiger, Mönch and Jungfrau and deep into the unspoilt Trummelbach Valley. The path leads along the terrace at the foot of the Männlichen mountain chain through shady forests and Alpine meadows, climbing gently over the Allmend to Wengernalp (1873 m), around the slopes of the Lauberhorn to Kleine Scheidegg (2061 m). Walk to the Männlichen plateau along the easy panorama path or hike to the Eiger Glacier and take the "Eiger Trail" down to Alpiglen. Marvel at the unusual morainic landscape along the trail.

<u>Lauterbrunnen – Wengen 5 hrs.;</u> Lauterbrunnen - Wengen - Parwengi - Männlichen Gipfel

The uphill path from Lauterbrunnen to Wengen passes mostly through shady forest. This is followed by a very steep but rewarding ascent up the Männlichen flank. It is well worth making the climb in the early morning Männlichen shadow, when deer and chamois can often be seen near to the trail at Barwengi. A good footpath takes you from the Männlichen plateau up to the summit.

Männlichen - Gr. Scheidegg 1 day hike: Männlichen - Itramen - Große Scheidegg

This wonderful Alpine hike first follows the gondola route from the Männlichen plateau (2222 m), down to Hohlenstein (1624 m), the middle station of the aerial cableway (1 hrs). Then down via Itramenalp to Grindelwald Grund (942 m), total hiking time 3 hrs. Enjoy a stroll through Grindelwald before beginning the uphill hike along the foot of the mighty Wetter-horn to Grosse Scheidegg (1962 m). This wonderful 3 hr stretch forms part of the "Swiss Alpine Pass Route".

Northface- Trail 1 1/2 hrs.; Allmendhubel - Höhelücke - Suppenalp - Schiltalp - Mürren

The stars of the new, informative "Northface Trail" from Allmendhubel to Mürren?

Without doubt the breathtaking views of the partly snow-covered north faces of the Bernese Oberland. Views of the Eiger North Wall, one of the most spectacular and difficult climbs in the world, and another 11 imposing north faces. Absolutely overwhelming! The trail is not difficult but you will need sturdy footwear. Twelve information panels along the way give interesting details of the conquests of the various mountains.

<u>Mürren - Alp Oberberg</u> 1 1/2 hrs.; Mürren - Chännelegg - Mittelberg - Alp Oberberg

From Mürren, the path leads to Chännelegg and then climbs gently through forest to Mittelberg Alp. Hike further up to Oberberg Alp, where you can visit an Alpine dairy. From here stroll down the forestry path to Winteregg (30 mins) to hike along the beautiful panorama path to Grütschalp or back to Mürren.

Mürren - Rotstockhütte 2 1/2 hrs.; Mürren - Spielbodenalp - Bryndli - Rotstockhütte

Take the slightly uphill access road from Mürren via Gimmela to Spielbodenalp. A rewarding 30 minute diversion takes you to the shimmering Sprutz Falls. A steep zig-zag path leads high up to Bryndli (1_ hrs). An almost level, high- Alpine track brings you to the Rotstock hut on Poganggenalp (1 hr). Return Route: via Wasenegg, Schiltalp and Gimmela back to Mürren.

<u>Isenfluh – Mürren</u> 3 hrs.; Isenfluh - Sausläger - Saustal - Mürren

Hike from Isenfluh through the Flöschwald forest to the mountain huts at Sausläger. On through the Saustal Valley, with the Sausbach stream winding through natural, unspoilt Alpine meadows. The path continues through shady forests to the railway station at Grütschalp and along the picturesque panorama path to Mürren (1 hrs).

<u>Stechelberg - Oberhornsee</u> 5 hrs.; Stechelberg - Hotel Obersteinberg - Oberhorn - Oberhornsee - Läger

From Stechelberg, an easy, slightly uphill hike through the wild, romantic valley to Trachsellauenen, with its mountain hotel and restaurant (1hr). The trail then climbs more steeply along the left side of the valley, either via Ammerten to the Hotel Tschingelhorn and on to Hotel Obersteinberg (1 hrs), or directly to Obersteinberg via Schurboden and the Tschingel Lütschine. From Obersteinberg, a narrow footpath leads up to the Oberhornsee Lake (2065 m) in the Breithorn Nature Reserve (2 hrs). Return route: via Schafläger, with a detour to Läger, directly below the Schmadribach Falls and back to Stechelberg.

Gimmelwald - Tanzbödeli 3 hrs.; Gimmelwald - Busenbrand - Busenalp - Tanzbödeli

From Gimmelwald the path takes you through the Sefinental Valley to Tal, and then climbs steeply via Busenbrand to Busenalp at the foot of the Spitzhorn (2hrs). The route is marked by the "Busenfiir", site of the Swiss National Day bonfire on 1st August. Then a 30 minute uphill stretch, rewarded by magnificent views from the Tanzboden plateau.

Full Day Hikes:

Gimmelwald - Schilthorn

To: via Sprutz - Spielbodenalp - Rotstockhutte Back: via Grauseeli - Schitalp - Spielbodenalp

If you have only one day, and it's a sunny one, you gotta make it to the top of Schilthorn. And if you think you can't handle the climb (Close to 5 hours on average, counting lunch, breaks and photo stops on the way), I highly recommend you take a gondola, even though it's somewhat expensive, and then perhaps descent on your own and save money on that. For many people the views from the top of Schilthorn is the best natural scenery they will see in their lifetime. Do not climb Schilthorn on a cloudy day! You won't see anything but a white wall of clouds. Also, start hiking early, because as it often happens the clouds roll in out of nowhere by midafternoon. If it's a hot day, don't forget to bring a jacket anyway, because it's cooler at higher elevations. The rotating Piz Gloria restaurant on top of Schilthorn is not as expensive as one would expect for the location. Good place to get some ice cream. Also, check out the Touristorama underneath the restaurant with it's beautiful slide show covering all seasons and activities of the area, and scenes from the James Bond movie, "On Her Majesty's Secret Service," filmed on Schilthorn.

Gimmelwald - Oberhornsee Lake

To: via Im Tal - Tanzbodeli - Hotel Obersteinberg Back: via Hotel Obersteinberg - Hotel Tschingelhorn

The Oberhornsee hike takes you into a different branch of the Lauterbrunnen Valley, not visible from Gimmelwald. Also, unlike the top of the mountain, this glacier lake is not visible from a distance. The first half of the hike is exhausting (see Gimmelwald-Tanzbodeli description), but then the path is flat and even downhill until you reach Hotel Obersteinberg—a good place to stop for some drinks. Just in case you are wondering, all supplies to this mountain hotel are delivered either by mules or helicopters. From Obersteinberg it's about an hour hike to Oberhornsee. The Oberhornsee hike offers probably the best chance to see a roaming steinbock.

Gimmelwald - Bietenhorn via Murren - Schilthornhutte

If you feel like tackling the only "blue" (read: difficult) trail on the Murren-Schilthorn area hiking map, then this hike is for you. There is a book to sign once you reach the top, and you can see everyone who had been there before you in the past couple of decades. The views are nearly identical to Schilthorn views as Bietenhorn is the adjacent mountain. Stop by Schilthornhutte on the way back and ask for Kaffee fertig (coffee with Schnapps) and a chocolate bar. Ummm, good!

Half Day Hikes:

Gimmelwald - Tanzbodeli

This hike starts rather innocently —a leasurely walk downhill on Gimmelwald's main road. However, what follows is probably one of the steepest stretches in the Gimmelwald hiking vicinity—an exhausting climb for about an hour and a half. What's more, there will be no water on the way, so be sure to take enough with you. You will get thirsty! The reward for your sweat is a breathtaking panorama of the Alps. Wherever you look "WOW" is the way to describe it.

Gimmelwald - Chilchbalm

One of the easiest hikes from Gimmelwald that leads you to the end of the Lautenbrunnen Valley where you reach a point where to go any further you would need a mountain-climbing equipment. The mountains are in your face, and the views are excellent! One-way is about 1 hr. 10 min. at a leasurely pace, and the path doesn't have any significant uphill st retches. This hike is also good on a rainy day. There is a small cave with a fireplace near Chilchbalm where one can find cover from a downpour.

<u>Gimmelwald - Sprutz - Spielbodenalp - Bryndli</u>

A great hike on any day where each point can be a final destination. Sprutz waterfall is about 40 minutes up the hill from Gimmelwald. A good place to relax, have lunch and read a book in the woods. 15 minutes further up is the Spielbodenalp hut. Climbing up for another 40 minutes will bring you to the top of Bryndli with a wonderful panorama of Eiger, Monch and Jungfrau.

Rainy Day Hikes:

Gimmelwald - Trummelbach Falls

Trummelbach Falls is located on the floor of the Lauterbrunnen Valley, between Lauterbrunnen and Stechelberg—a series of inside-the-mountain waterfalls. It's about a two-hour downhill to flat hike from Gimmelwald. And you can always cut it in half by taking a gondola down or on the way back up. The Trummelbach alone drains the mighty glacier defiles of Eiger, Monk and Jungfrau. Up to 20.000 litres of water per second. It is the only glacier-waterfalls inside the mountain and still accessible. It's a worthy excursion on a rainy or cloudy day.

Appendix B - Trails Near the Untersberg in Salzburg, Austria

Hiking the Untersberg



The Untersberg is sit uated almost exactly in the south of Salzburg. From the Salzburger Hochthron, the highest point of the Austrian part of Untersberg, one has a breathtaking view of Watzmann, Hochkönig, Höher Göll, Steinernes Meer, Dachstein and a number of other impressive peaks. Also, the Untersberg offers a grandiose view of the Salzach valley and Mozart city Salzburg. When taking the funicular from St. Leonhard it is only a stone's throw from Geiereck, one of the lookouts of the mountain. The Dopplersteig footpath leads directly through the mountain face in the upper part, along stairs made of stone. More than half of the trail from the valley up the plateau is made of steps. The Dopplersteig footpath counts some 1,700 steps, the Reitsteig footpath almost as many. In the worst case one can still take the gondola down to the valley from Geiereck. Between St. Leonhard and Glanegg there are also good bus connections taking you back to your car.

How to get there: Along the motorway A 10, exit Salzburg Süd to Anif

Route description:

The route: the red marking starts in Glanegg. Soon one reaches a crossing, keeps to the left (number 460) on the Dopplersteig footpath and ascends via the Rosittenbach valley to the Obere Rosittenalm (spring). The trail leads steeply across the face to Reitsteig footpath on which one hikes to Zeppezauerhaus. Via the Geiereck from the funicular mountain station one reaches the Salzburger Hochthron.

Walking times:

Glanegg - Zeppezauerhaus 3 1/2 hours,

Zeppezauerhaus - Salzburger Hochthron ¾ hours, Salzburger Hochthron - Reitsteig - Glanegg 3 hours,

Total 7 1/4 hours.

Difference in altitude: 1400 m.

1) Reitsteig: Glanegg - Zeppezauer house - Geiereck, 3 1/2 hours

Simple, even in winter passable ascent, now and then danger of avalanches. From Glanegg, drive 500 m to the former Rositten inn at the bottom of Untersberg (461m). From there continue on the path marked in red through cops and timber forest via the so-called "Frauenwandln" to Zeppezauer house (1668m) and to Geiereck (1805m) with the top cable car station and Hochalm.

2) Dopplersteig: Glanegg - Rosittental - Zeppezauer house - Geiereck, 3 - 3 1/2 hours

Difficult, partly exposed ascent from the former Rositten inn (461m) on path marked in red next to the brooke up to the Lower Rositten (810 m), and then to the steeper ascending path to the Upper Rositten pasture (1287 m). Both shelters dilapidated. Several minutes above, one finds the turn-off to the Schellenberg saddle (1433 m). From there 20 minutes to the right to the assault on the face of Dopplersteig (turn-off to the close, wonderful Kolowrats cave). The Dopplersteig, chiselled out of the rock and well-secured, leads to the N-rim of Geiereck, and together with the Reitsteig to the Zeppezauer house (1668m) and to Geiereck (1805m) with the top cable car station of Untersberg and Hochalm.

Hiking from Grödig - Salzburger Hochthron, 1852 m - Berchtesgadener Hochthron, 1972 m

The tiring four-hour ascent with an elevation change of 1346 m to the Untersberg is an easy one within a few minutes by cable car. From the base terminal on the well-blazed Julius-Ringel-Weg trail in about 30 minutes to the Salzburger Hochthron, 1852 m, offering a wonderful view over the Salzburg basin. A little bit more difficult is the following descent to the Mittagscharte, 1816 m. Continue through pine plantations of the Unterberg plateau and pass depressions and limestone up to the peak of the Berchtesgadener Hochthron, 1972 m, which is on German territory and the highest plateau elevation of the Unterberg. Same way back to the cable car.

Parking: Untersberg cable car base terminal

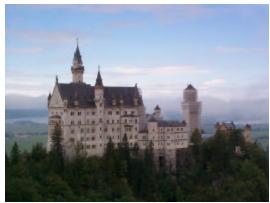
Access: From the motorway exit Salzburg-Süd to Berchtesgaden via the main road 160 to the base terminal.

Difficulty level: Moderate Length: About 6 hours

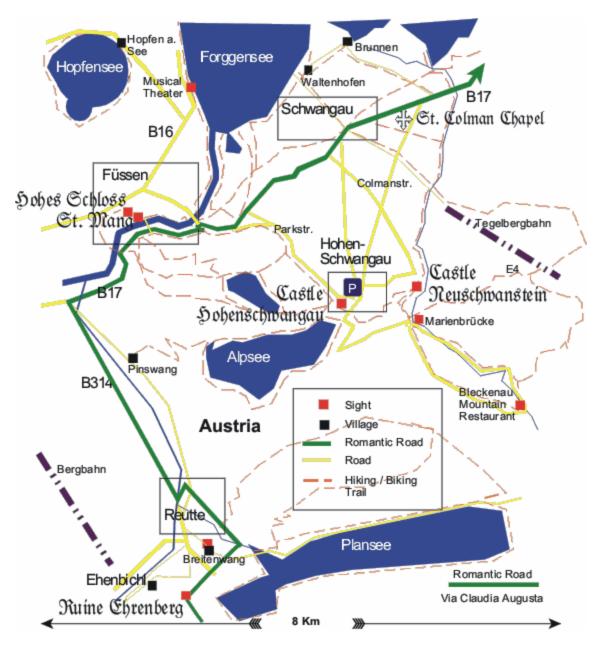
Top Elevation: Berchtesgadener Hochthron, 1972 m

Vertical drop: 230 m

Appendix C - Trails near Neuschwanstein



Schloss Neuschwanstein



Appendix D - Travel Times via Car

European Driving Times hrs:min (miles)

	Munich	Frankfurt	Zurich	Interlaken	Salzburg	Vienna	Paris
Munich		2:22 (146)	3:11 (193)	4:38 (270)	1:30 (90)	4:15 (270)	7:50 (514)
Frankfurt	2:21 (146)		4:04 (257)	5:30 (359)	3:36 (237)	5:14 (346)	7:05 (466)
Zurich	3:11 (193)	4:04 (257)		1:40 (77)	4:30 (282)	7:15 (463)	6:22 (406)
Interlaken	4:38 (270)	5:30 (359)	1:40 (77)		5:59 (359)	8:44 (539)	6:54 (400)
Salzburg	1:30 (90)	3:36 (237)	4:30 (282)	5:59 (359)		2:59 (183)	9:11 (613)
Vienna	4:15 (270)	5:14 (346)	7:15 (463)	8:44 (539)	2:59 (183)		11:23 (767)
Paris	7:50 (514)	7:05 (466)	6:22 (406)	6:54 (400)	9:11 (613)	11:23 (767)	

Appendix E - Weather

Average Temperatures for September 3-13

average reinperatures for september 5-15				
	Average High	Average Low		
Interlaken, Switzerland (1000 m below Murren)	71°F	53°F		
Salzburg, Austria	70°F	52°F		
Vienna, Austria	71°F	54°F		
Munich, Germany	69°F	49°F		