

# Via Sbrinz - Via del Gries Stage 4: Riale - Ulrichen (CH)

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**Utilization** Hiking

**Official itinerary** No

**Length** 19.30 km

**Tempo** 3 hours

**Stage** 4

**Ascent elevation gain** 775 m

**Descent elevation loss** 1165 m

**Difficulty** Hiking

## INFORMAZIONI

**Region**

Piemonte      Canton du Valais

**Country**

Italy      Switzerland

**Address**

Riale

28863 Formazza VB

Italy

## **Coordinates** POINT

(8.41674 46.423)

**Altitude** 1734 m

### **Arrival address**

Ulrichen CH)

Stazione ferroviaria

6076 Obergoms

Switzerland

### **Arrival coordinates** POINT

(8.30489 46.5064)

**Arrival altitude** 1353 m

### **Access**

A26 motorway to Gravellona Toce, then Supestrada SS33 del Sempione exit for Valle Antigorio Formazza. After a long tunnel continue along the Strada Statale 659 della Valle Antigorio Formazza until Riale.

Ulrichen (CH) can be reached from Brig by road 19 of the Goms Valley direction Furkapass and Grimselfpass

## **Descrizione**

We follow the small road which goes up to the Morasco Dam and coasts the Lake. From the start of the cableway a path begins with some still original stone-paved tracts which take us up to the Bettelmatt Alp in the area of production of the Bettelmatt cheese. From the Alp a rather steep path takes us to the Gries Mountain Pass. From here we proceed along the mountainside coasting the Gries Lake up to the Dam where a small service

road begins and continues with two hairpin bends leading to a well-traced downhill path crossing Stocche, Altstafel, and Ladstafel. From here onwards we cross a torrent and coast it keeping on its left up to the Aarenäst bridge where we keep on its right for a small tract until we cross back to the other side on a bridge at 1592 m above sea level, thus following onwards on one last track leading us to the village of Ulrichen in the Goms Valley.

### **Public transport access** Yes

Railway station of interest: Domodossola. Bus stop: Riale, Domodossola - Cascata del Toce line (Autoservizi Comazzi Tel. 0324 240333 [www.comazzibus.com](http://www.comazzibus.com))

In Ulrichen there is a railway station of the Furka-Oberalp railway line ( [www.matterhorngotthardbahn.ch](http://www.matterhorngotthardbahn.ch)) with which it is possible to return to Brig and from here to Domodossola through the Simplon tunnel ([www.bls.ch](http://www.bls.ch)). A Swiss bus line connects Ulrichen to the Nufenen Pass ( [www.postauto.ch/It/Timetable](http://www.postauto.ch/It/Timetable))

### **Recommended period**

Summer Fall

Mid-June to October

### **Accessible to people with disabilities** No

### **Support points**

An emergency bivouac always open at Passo del Gries  
A Swiss bus line connects Ulrichen to the Nufenen Pass

### **Interest points**

Morasco Lake, Bettelmatt Plain, Gries Mountain Pass, Walser culture and architecture in Goms Valley

**Devotional relevance**      No

**Historical relevance**      Yes

## **DETTAGLI**

**Local Tourist Agency (LTA) reference** [ATL Distretto dei Laghi](#)

**Code**      VSB

**Classification**      Provincial - Mid and Low Altitude

**Province**

Verbania

**Cell phone coverage**

Ok

**Ultima data di aggiornamento**

15/12/2023

## **ALTRE INFO**

Accommodation facilities

[Aalts dorf](#)

[Walser schtuba](#)

**Itinerary index**      No

**Province names** Verbania

**Other**

Different accommodation options in the valley of Goms [www.obergoms.ch](http://www.obergoms.ch)