

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

Utilization Hiking

Official itinerary No

Lenght 19.30 km

- Tempo 3 hours
- Stage 4

Ascent elevation gain	775 m
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- 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 Grimselpass

# 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 Stoche, 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)

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

## **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 Turistico dei Laghi

Code VSB

Classification Provincial - Mid and Low Altitude

#### Province

Verbania

Cell phone coverage

Ok

## **ALTRE INFO**

Accommodation facilities <u>Aalts dorf</u> <u>Walser schtuba</u>

Itinerary index No

Province names Verbania

Other

Different accommodation options in the valley of Goms www.obergoms.ch