Winter walking paths Matrei in Osttirol

"<u>Hildenweg"</u> Walking time: 2 to 3 hours

Start at "Rauterplatz", go across the bridge "Ledererbrücke" until arriving at house nr. 11 of the "Lienzer Straße". Turn left, pass the church "St. Alban", go through the pedestrian subway and further to the main road "Felbertauernstraße". Walk on the left side along the "Hildenweg" to the very end of this asphalted street. Then go along the forest path in direction "Seblas". Walk through the district "Seblas". Cross the "Felbertauernstraße" (attention: main road) and pass the bridge "Brühl-Brücke". Turn right onto the path "Dammweg" until the bridge "Brugger Brücke". Walk along the river, turn right again at the 2nd lane (first dirt roads, then asphalted path; Wohlgemuthsweg) back to the centre!

3-bridges-walk

Walking time: 1 ½ to 2 hours

Start at "Rauterplatz" across the bridge "Ledererbrücke" to the mini golf course. Turn right onto the street "Bichlerstraße" and go straight ahead to the district "Bichl". After the bridge "Bichler Brücke" turn right once again and walk through the forest "Erlenwald" to the bridge "Zeller Brücke". Then walk along the foot path to the swimming pool and further to the bridge "Brugger Brücke". The way back takes place along the street, Virgentalstraße" or along the path "Dammweg".

Walk through "Hinteraue"

Walking time: about 1 hour

Walk between the tourist office and the "Imbiss Mühlstätter" along the path "Bretterwandbachdammweg" to the river "Tauernbach". Turn right and go along the river to the district "Prossegg". Go straight ahead until arriving the 2nd path (on the right side), which leads across wide fields. The fields (please stay on the track) grant a panoramic view of the castle "Schloss Weißenstein" (private property). At the end of this path turn left and go along the street back to the river and also the same way back to the centre!

<u>Klaunzkapelle</u>

Walking time: about 1 ½ hours

Start at Rauterplatz, pass the pharmacy, then turn right onto the street Grabenweg and go further to the bridge Bretterwand. Cross the bridge and walk up to the chapelle "Klaunzkapelle" (worth visiting!). Then walk along the path, Inneren Klaunzer Güterweg" by passing a few private houses and farmhouses until the fork. There turn right down – enjoy the terrific view of Matrei and the valley Virgental – however please be careful – you have to cross the ski slopes. Follow the signs towards Matrei and turn right before the beginning of the street Felbertauernstraße. Turn left till the skibus stop and walk to the street Felbertauernstraße. Pass the church St. Alban, go in a middle way, then take the ramp Sparkassenweg (Hochsteg) and finish your relaxing stroll at the starting point.

Äußerer Klaunzer Güterweg

Walking time: about 2 ½ hours

From the centre take the wooden bridge to the church place "St. Alban". At the left site, there's a steep way up to the end of the slopes. Take the "Äußerer Klaunzer Güterweg", that way, which is located directly beside the main street "Felbertauernstraße". Reaching the district "Schweinach", 1.312 m, takes you about one hour. Walk the same way back. Enjoy the wonderful view of Matrei and the valley Virgental during your hike.

<u>"Echlawossas" (means "the other side of the river")</u> Walking time: about 2 hours

Start at the centre and walk across the bridge "Lederer Brücke" (beside the "Imbiss Mühlstätter). Go straight ahead to the mini golf course. Turn right onto the road "Bichler Straße". Always go straight ahead, then cross the bridge "Bichler Brücke" and go up to the district "Bichl". Ahead the fountain turn right in direction to "Bethuberhof". Go further to the church "St. Nikolaus". It is regarded as a special gem amongst the many sacred buildings of the Eastern Alps. The Roman frescos in the upper choir of the church can be regarded as a particular treasure. They date from the middle of the 13th century and give proof of the artistic achievement. It has been rumoured that an Italian artist decorated the upper choir. The lower choir shows frescos in the so-called "tick-style". Their creators certainly were natives. With the help of "Messerschmitt"-foundation the frescos are tried to be preserved.

If the church is locked please get the key for a visit from the farmhouse next to the church.

View over Matrei in Osttirol

Walking time: about 4 hours

Start at the centre and take the street between Hotel Rauter and the Raiffeisenbank. Follow it until arriving the main street "Felbertauernstraße". Cross the street and go left along the street "Felbertauernstraße" until the crossroad "Hinterburg – Glanz". Take this street up to the district "Hinterburg". Enjoy the stunning view of Matrei. Go further on to the district "Glanz". If you like, walk on higher until the farmhouses. Take the same way back to get to the centre again!

<u> Dammweg – Klauswald – Feld</u>

Walking time: about 4 hours

Start at the centre and walk across the bridge "Lederer Brücke" (beside the "Imbiss Mühlstätter"), go straight ahead to the mini golf course. Turn right onto the street "Bichler Straße". Always go straight ahead, then turn left at the bridge "Bichler Brücke", continue to the bridge "Brühl-Brücke" (you will arrive it after half an hour). Cross the main street (Felbertauernstraße), go for a short time in direction Matrei and take the first street on the right side. Follow the sign "Feld". Walk along this road, pass a big farm and reach the forest "Klauswald". After another half an hour you are in the district "Feld". Take the same road back, or go further to the district "Huben" and take the bus back to Matrei.

To the mountain village "Zedlach" 1.260 m

Walking time: about 5 hours

Go between the tourist office and the "Imbiss "Mühlstätter" to the river "Tauernbach". Turn left, go straight ahead to the bridge "Brugger Brücke". After the bridge turn right into the street "Zedlacherstraße". After one hour you will reach the district "Zedlach". At the info point turn right in direction "Strumerhof" (refreshment option). The flat path goes further to the district "Hinteregg". There an immpressive panorama is offered to you! Take the same way back!

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