

Blausee Hike

Description

Blausee is a small blue lake surrounded by idyllic woods. This relaxing walk takes you along well-marked, good quality footpaths along the bank of the river Kander and is a suitable hike for all ages. At the lake, you can visit the Trout farm, take a boat ride on the crystal clear waters, or enjoy the BBQ areas available for you to use.

Pricing

Check with reception or look on the website for the most up to date pricing.

Bus to Blausee

The bus goes from the station and takes about ten minutes to go to Blausee.

Entrance fee to Blausee

Discounted tickets to Blausee can be bought at reception.

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Guest Notice

Please note that this route description is intended solely as an aid for planning your route. It is NOT a substitute for properly planning your route and having the necessary equipment, skills and knowledge. The Centre accepts no responsibility for variations in the information given for whatever reason, including the route on the ground.



Hike details

 4h  Very Easy

 14 km  1186 m

 3-15  8 years +

 Swiss Explorer Award
Eco Adventure
KISC Challenge Award
High Adventure Award

 UK Terrain 0



Route

Start from the Centre (1189m) by following the riverside path (route 1) towards the village (N). Follow the track as it becomes a road through the fields. The road takes you to the tunnel under the railway. Before the tunnel turn left (NNE) and walk to the train station, which is now only 500 meters away.

After the train station continue in the same direction (NNE) along the road (route 2). Ignore the three junctions (after 100, 500 and 800 meters from the station) on your left. They ascend to Hüh view point.

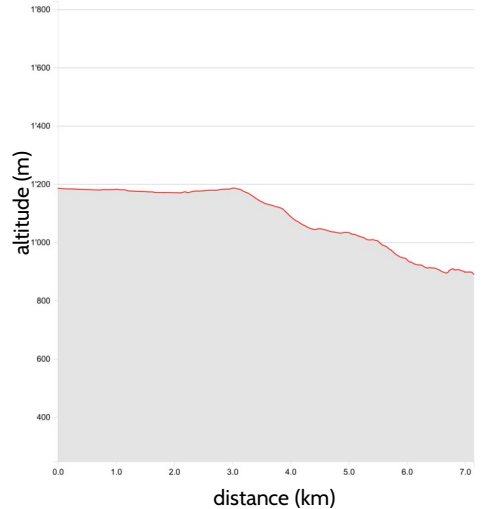
Twenty minutes after the train station you arrive at a Y shaped junction. Continue to the left and straight after the junction take the first track joining into your path on the right side (signposted to Blausee). Now you are back beside the river Kander. The path (route 3) leads you to NNW and traverses the gentle slope that descends diagonally to your route. Soon the path will leave the river bank and curves quickly NW (1138m). After some 10 minutes it descends back to river side at the place called Underen Büel (1043m). This is the half way point to Blausee. Do not cross the nearby bridge unless you want to go to the main road with frequent bus connections between Kandersteg and Blausee.

The sudden elevation difference in valley floor at Büel made it necessary to build the road up to Kandersteg in a series of hairpin bends. You can see these bends on the other side of the river. Also the railway makes a few large loops around Mitholz. You can also see some building works on your right. This is the new railway tunnel from Frutigen to Brig some 44km in length.

After the slightly steeper step down to Underen Büel you walk through woods and across meadows to NNW descending only 32 meters over the next kilometre in distance. The route is sided all the way by a huge rock wall on the left side and by the river Kander on the right side. Walk along for approximately 2 kilometres and you will arrive to a junction with the Blausee signpost (924m). Turn right (NE) here and follow the path to the bridge over the river. You must cross the river here. If you walk straight on without turning you will miss Blausee.

The lake can be seen on the other side of the river, but there is no bridge across. Having crossed the river walk through some fields (NE) and you will finally come to the main road. To get to the Blue Lake (Blausee), turn left and walk along the road for five minutes. The bus stop for your return is at the car park entrance, but now go into Blausee and enjoy!

Altitude profile



Route Card

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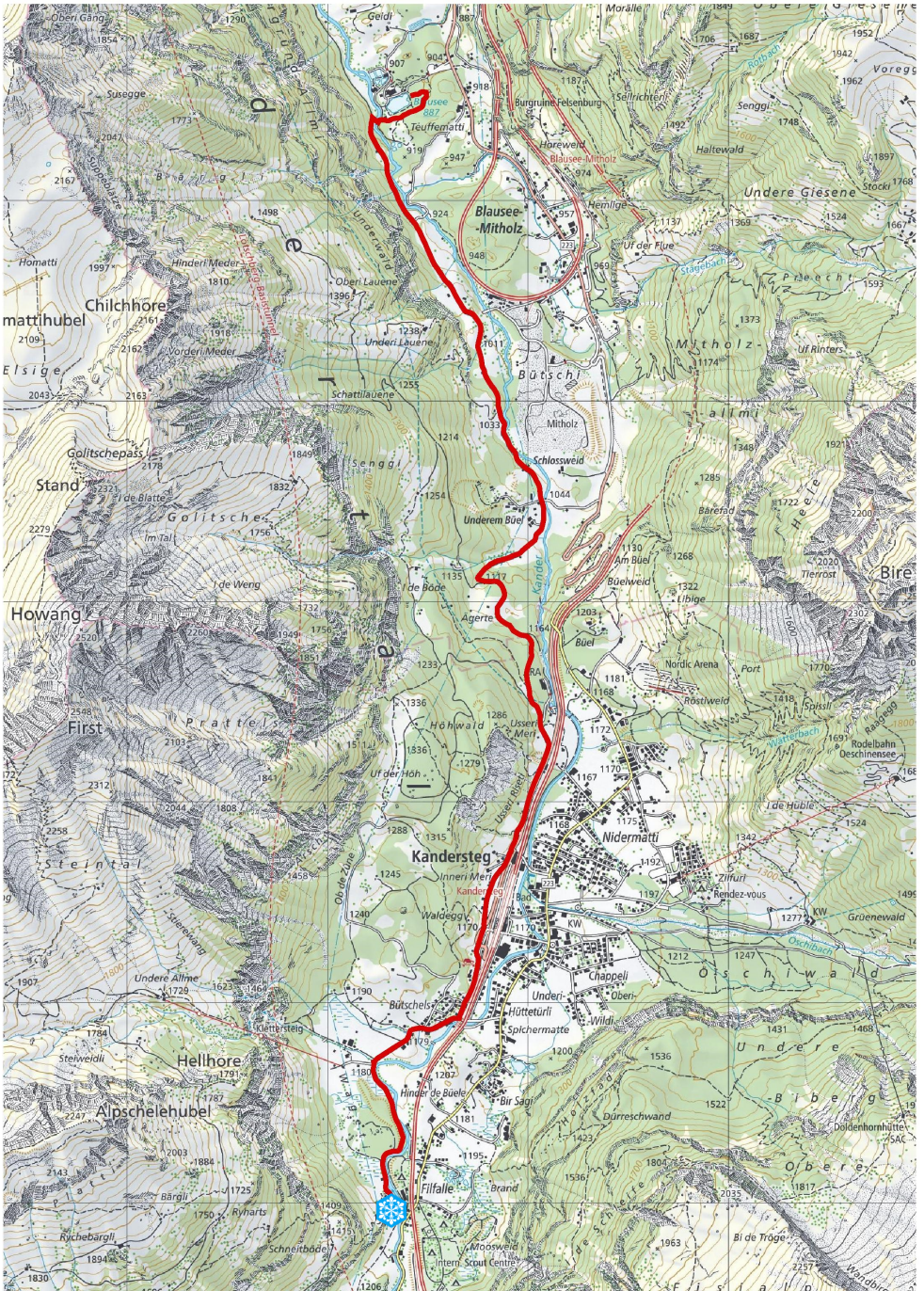
In the interest of safety, all groups or individuals going out hiking must complete a route card. Before hiking, pick the route card at reception, fill it in and hand it to a Staff member at reception. After the hike, come to reception to report that everyone has safely returned.

Route to destination

KISC – Route 2 – Route 3 – Blausee

Return route

Return via same route or by bus



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500m

Scale 1:25'000

Safety Checklist

Pack with you:

- Rucksack - 20 to 40 litres
- Hiking boots with ankle support (no trainers)
- Waterproof jacket and waterproof trousers
- Warm clothing - long trousers, fleece, warm hat and gloves (no jeans)
- Sun protection - sun cream, sunglasses, sun hat
- Water bottle - 2 litres
- Food - packed lunch and snacks
- Personal medication (asthma inhalers, etc.)
- Pocket money (optional)
- First aid kit
- Hiking map, compass and whistle
- Mobile phone

Leave No Trace Outdoor Ethics



- Plan ahead and prepare
- Travel and camp on durable surfaces
- Leave what you find
- Dispose of waste properly
- Minimise campfire impacts
- Respect wildlife
- Be considerate of other visitors

Please be aware of the following:

Weather

Daily weather forecast to be consulted. The following conditions require attention:

- Bad weather (e.g. thunder/storms/snow). Call local restaurants and mountain huts on the route you are taking for advice.
- Rainfall before or on the day.
- Hot weather - check if you have enough water, plenty of sun cream and have a cap or sun hat on. Keep an on-going observation of your group

Exposed areas

- The route uses wanderwegs all the way with no known problems.
- Use road safety precautions in the village.

Must have

- Confidence and previous hiking experience.
- Filled out a route card at the reception.

When to cancel hike

- Weather conditions (as detailed above) should be taken in consideration.
- Inadequate equipment
- Poor behaviour of the group
- Poor leadership
- Any member of the group suffering from health problems
- Any situation which may jeopardise the safety of your group

Emergency

Contact the centre at

0041 33 675 82 82

for advice and help in alerting the emergency services

In case of a life threatening situation alert the mountain rescue at

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