



Active Summers in Raurisertal: Alpine Moments of Happiness Await!

Fresh mountain air, unspoiled natural landscapes, and a breathtaking alpine panorama – that's Raurisertal in a nutshell. A true paradise in the heart of Hohe Tauern National Park, captivating you with an array of unforgettable adventures.

Here, majestic peaks, crystal-clear mountain streams, broad alpine meadows, and the fascinating history of the gold-mining era come together to create the ideal summer vacation. More than **295 km of hiking trails**, **60 km of cycling and mountain bike routes**, family-friendly adventure stations, and sweeping views of the Hohe Tauern range are just waiting for you to discover.

Whether you are traveling with your family, an outdoors enthusiast in search of new challenges, or simply want to relax and reenergize – Raurisertal is everybody's perfect recipe for happiness.

"Slow travel", Rauris style: don't hurry, be happy ☺

In Raurisertal, the clocks tick differently. Here, it's not about hurtling ahead or chasing "higher, faster, farther," but rather truly experiencing each and every moment to the fullest. Taking your vacation at a slower pace is what slow travel means: feeling the soft moss beneath your feet during a leisurely stroll, listening to the gentle murmur of a mountain stream, or breathing in the scent of wildflowers on a sun-swathed alpine meadow.

It's the art of discovering the landscape at your own tempo, enjoying small adventures, and spending precious time with the people who matter most. Here you can truly switch off and recharge, far away from the stresses of everyday life.

Hiking tips certain to heighten your anticipation:

- **Rauris Virgin Forest:** Step into a mystical world of giant ancient trees and mysterious forests on this easy trail just over 3 km long. A fairytale-like experience for visitors of all ages.
- **Tilly's Forest Path on the Hochalm:** A roughly 2.5 km themed pathway certain to excite the youngsters. With fun play stations and interactive nature experiences, this is where hiking becomes a real-life adventure.
- **Gold Miner Trails:** Set out on a journey back in time. Traces of historic gold mining can be discovered at the valley head in Kolm Saigurn along two self-guided trails: the Tauern Gold Info Trail and the Tauern Gold Interactive Trail.
- **Trails Alongside Water and Natural Springs:** Experience the pure energy of water and feel how nature refreshes you on hikes that lead to bubbling mountain springs and peaceful waterside spots.
- **Glacier Nature Trail:** For everyone who wants to head even higher into the mountains. This tour rewards you with spectacular views of the majestic glacial landscapes of the Hohe Tauern – a panorama that will leave you speechless.



The Valley of Gold: In the Footsteps of Treasure Hunters

Did you know that the Raurisertal was once the center of gold mining in the Alps? Centuries ago, the precious metal drew adventurers and miners into the Tauern mountains. During the boom years of the 15th and 16th centuries, nearly **10% of the world's gold production** originated in this very valley!

Even today you can still feel this pioneering spirit everywhere:

- **Historic Miners' Huts:** Hike to the remnants of the old mining operations in Kolm Saigurn. The ruins of the "Bremserhäusl" or the old "Radhaus" tell silent stories of hard toil and astonishing wealth.
- **Panning for gold like in the olden days:** At original gold panning sites such as the Bodenhaus and the Heimalm, you can pull on some rubber boots and try your hand. Under expert guidance, you will swirl your pan in the icy mountain water – and who knows, perhaps you will indeed spot a glistening speck of Rauris gold.
- **The Tauern Gold Museum:** At the valley museum in Rauris, you will learn all about "Tauern Gold," dangerous transportation routes over high alpine passes, and how the gold miners have left their mark on our valley to this very day.

Hochalm Mountain: Family Fun & Adventure High in the Alps

Hochalm Adventure Mountain, located at around 1,780 m above sea level, is a true family paradise and an absolute must during any Rauris vacation. And the best part: with the National Park Summer Card, your lift rides up and down the mountain are included for free.

Mountain highlights certain to excite you:

- **Bird-of-Prey Station:** During the 40-minute bird-of-prey show, you'll witness an impressive spectacle as bearded vultures, golden eagles, and other majestic raptors circle elegantly overhead. A powerful nature experience that lets you feel the freedom of the skies.
- **Panning for Gold and Minerals:** Become a prospector yourself. Children and adults alike can search for glittering treasures to their heart's content while playfully discovering the fascinating story of gold mining in Raurisertal.
- **Barefoot Path and Water Playground:** Kick off your shoes and experience nature right beneath your feet. The Barefoot Path leads across different natural surfaces, while the Water Playground invites children to splash, explore, and cool off on hot summer days.
- **Marble Run and Play Stations:** Exciting activity stations and a fast-paced marble run provide plenty of fun and action for children and teenagers. Boredom? Not a chance!
- **Hiking Paths Directly from the Summit Station:** Numerous hiking trails begin right here, leading you out on half- or full-day tours flanked by magnificent panoramic views. Enjoy the fresh mountain air and endless expanses.



Hohe Tauern National Park: Experience the Wilderness Up Close

Raurisertal is a proud part of Hohe Tauern National Park, one of the largest and most impressive protected areas in all of Europe. Here you will encounter an almost untouched natural landscape, certain to enthrall you with its diversity and pristine scenery. Step into unique habitats where you can experience nature in its purest form.

Discover the National Park's special valleys:

- **Valley of Springs:** Countless mountain streams emerge here, forming idyllic waterfalls and crystal-clear alpine tarns. A place of peace and refreshment where you can feel the primal power of water.
- **Valley of Gold:** Living history. Along the paths once taken by the gold miners of yore, you will tread in the footsteps of the past – and can even try your own luck at panning for gold. An exciting experience for the whole family.
- **Valley of Vultures:** Here you have the unique opportunity to observe bearded vultures, golden eagles, and other majestic birds of prey at close range – an unforgettable encounter that will allow you to experience the fascination of alpine wildlife.

Mountain Destinations in Raurisertal: Summit Joys and Sweeping Views

- **Hoher Sonnblick (3,106 m):** A striking lookout point that rewards you with a magnificent panoramic view of the surrounding alpine world. A feeling of freedom you won't soon forget.
- **Goldzechkopf (3,042 m):** This peak is less frequented than the better-known summits of the Goldberg Group, but it attracts experienced mountaineers who appreciate more secluded routes and magnificent panoramas.
- **Kolmkarspitze (2,529 m):** Surefootedness and a good level of fitness are definitely a must here since sections of the ascent are quite steep.

Guided Hikes with National Park Rangers:

Make your nature adventure even more exciting and instructive. Experienced National Park rangers lead you to the most beautiful places and share fascinating insights into the region's flora and fauna. Ideal for families and nature lovers who want to immerse themselves more deeply in the world of the Hohe Tauern mountains.

Cycling & Mountain Biking: More Than 60 km of Endless Variety

Hop on the saddle and discover Raurisertal on two wheels. Whether you prefer relaxed cycling tours or ambitious mountain biking challenges, everyone is certain to find their own dream route.

Examples of routes for your cycling enjoyment:

- **Raurisertal Valley Bike Path:** A flat, family-friendly route of about 35 km that follows the banks of the Rauriser Ache through the valley. Perfect for a relaxed bike outing with the whole family.



- **Kolm Saigurn Tour:** A scenic route that takes you through fragrant alpine pastures, shaded forests, and small valley canyons. Over the course of roughly 20 km you can enjoy the valley's unspoiled nature and peaceful atmosphere.
- **Goldberg Bike Path:** For everyone looking for a sporting challenge. This tour of about 40 km – also spanning about 1,100 vertical meters – rewards you with incomparable alpine vistas and lots of adrenaline.
- **Seidlwinkltal and Gaisbachtal Trails:** Variety-packed singletrails for experienced bikers that combine technical riding with unforgettable nature experiences.

Cycling tours can be mixed and matched, of course, while rental stations as well as guided tours make planning even easier if you prefer not to bring your own bike along.

National Park Summer Card: Your Key to Unforgettable Experiences

The National Park Summer Card is your all-inclusive ticket for a varied and gloriously relaxed summer vacation in Raurisertal. It is your key to more than 60 attractions and includes one free activity every day!

Your Advantages with the Summer Card:

- **Mountain lifts included:** Enjoy free rides up and down on the mountain lifts, for example on the Hochalmbahn, where the bird-of-prey show and a gold-panning site await you.
- **Mobility ticket included:** Leave your car behind. Enjoy the convenience of buses and hiking taxis in the valley and surrounding area, and never have to pay a penny. For stress-free travel to the starting points of your many adventures.
- **Family program:** Look forward to exciting adventure trails, educational ranger-guided tours, and entertaining themed hikes designed especially for children.
- **Validity:** The card is included as of your first overnight stay with participating hosts and is available from May through October.

With the National Park Summer Card, every day of your vacation becomes yet another new highlight – from exciting mountain tours and refreshing waterfalls to historic gold miners' trails.

Nature highlights that will enchant you:

- **Kitzloch Gorge:** A dramatic gorge with thundering waterfalls and dizzying suspension bridges. A natural spectacle that leaves a lasting impression.
- **Rauris Virgin Forest:** An ancient forest pathway where towering ages-old trees make you feel as though you've stepped into a whole other world.
- **Kolm Saigurn:** An idyllic valley head with spectacular alpine scenery – the perfect starting point for unforgettable hikes.
- **Mountain Lakes and Springs:** Discover hidden alpine tarns and bubbling springs – ideal places for a picnic, a refreshing break, and quiet moments gazing out on unspoiled nature.



Mobility During Your Stay: Sustainable and Flexible Travel

Thanks to the Mobility Ticket which is also included, you can simply leave your car behind and explore Raurisertal in a relaxed, sustainable way. Hiking taxis, public buses, and mountain lifts take you in complete comfort to all valley highlights as well as the starting points of your hiking and cycling tours. Enjoy the freedom of being able to focus entirely on nature without having to stress about traffic or finding a parking space.

Authentic and Diverse - Accommodations in Raurisertal

Raurisertal offers a wide selection of accommodations, all sharing one thing in common: warm hospitality and a deep connection to the region.

Here you are certain to find your perfect vacation home-away-from-home:

- **Family-run hotels:** Enjoy total comfort and personal service.
- **Cozy guesthouses:** Feel right at home in a relaxed, family-style setting.
- **Holiday Apartments & Chalets:** Your own private realm with maximum flexibility and privacy.
- **Farm Holidays:** Experience an authentic country lifestyle and let yourself be treated to delicious regional products.

Many hosts focus on sustainability and regionality, welcoming guests with a genuine warmth that makes them feel completely at ease from the very first moment.

A Summer In Raurisertal That Moves You

Raurisertal is more than just a destination – it's a feeling. A valley full of experiences that will inspire you with the variety it offers. Here, nature, activity, and history come together to create a summer vacation that energizes, inspires, and leaves you with lasting memories – for families, explorers, and active travelers alike. Come and enjoy Alpine moments of pure happiness in beautiful Raurisertal!

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