

# THE LEGEND OF THE GORGE GHOST

Legend has it that there is a ghost living deep in the gorge at the end of the Leutasch valley. For hundreds of years, people thought it was a demon, a supernatural creature sprung from the depths of the earth who guarded the mouth of the Leutasch valley to the North, aided by goblins.

These goblins were said to dance in rounds, to wondrous music. Sometimes the gorge ghost was also seen in Mittenwald, flying over the fields and leaving a shower of golden sparks over the dewy grass on a summer morning.

There were never any footprints to be seen – just scorched grass that gleamed like gold.





### IMPORTANT NOTE

The narrow ascent through the gorge cannot accommodate strollers or dogs, and bicycles are not allowed at any point along the Ghost Gorge trails between the parking lot in Leutasch and the Mittenwald gorge kiosk. Do not enter the gorge if you suffer from vertigo or dizziness. Please follow these rules to help ensure that the gorge experience is an enjoyable one for everybody.

Fees for the parking lot in Leutasch: car € 5.-, bus € 15.-



## The Power of Nature Meets Human Ingenuity



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A fantastic hiking experience awaits in the realm of the gorge ghost...  
 ... the Leutascher Geisterklamm Gorge!

## THE LEUTASCHER GEISTERKLAMM GORGE

*Hellish waters and haunted pools, witches' cauldrons and the devil's waters – a whole world to experience in water and stone. Welcome to the realm of the gorge ghost and his goblins!*

Everyone has heard of ghosts and spirits, goblins and dwarfs. They are said to make their home in untouched natural settings. But only a few people have ever seen them for themselves...

Far back in the Leutasch valley, when we walk through the gateway to the gorge and enter the forest, we feel a strange and mysterious reality all around us. For this is the realm of the gorge ghost, who brews mischief deep down in his roaring castle of churning, spraying whirlpools and eddies, crashing waterfalls and bizarre, craggy rock faces. A daring ascent brings us a breathtaking look at where the gorge ghost dwells. The gorge goblins and water dwarfs live all the way at the end of the gorge, which plunges to depths of as much as 75 meters. All of them are natural beings, and we can only see and hear them when we leave our everyday lives behind and immerse ourselves in the mysterious world of the Leutascher Geisterklamm Gorge.

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## THREE ROUTES THROUGH THE REALM OF THE GORGE GHOST

The "Klammgeistweg" Gorge Ghost Trail is 3,000 meters long, including a daring 800-meter walkway. The gorge's resident ghost tells all about the mysteries of his realm at various stopping points. The "Koboldpfad" Goblin Trail is 1,900 meters long. It runs from the gorge kiosk in Mittenwald up into the Leutasch Gorge via the glacier-cut

rock face. Along the path, goblins tell about geological formations in the gorge and about the power of glaciers during the Ice Age. At the gorge exit, near Mittenwald, the 200-meter "Wasserfallsteig" Waterfall Trail takes hikers deep into the gorge, ending at a 23-meter waterfall (entrance fee required).

### Gorge Ghost Trail

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|---|----------------------------------|
| 0 Gateway to the gorge and Leutascher Klammsüberl (refreshment stand) | 920 "Hall of mirrors"            |
| 510 "Haunted castle"  | 1,025 "Magic spiral"             |
| 620 "Drumming water – Reading drum"                                   | 1,100 "Devil's waters"           |
| 630 "Rainbow snake"   | 1,235 "Witches' kitchen"         |
| 650–730 "Curve of sounds": dance of veils and fairy harp              | 1,360 "Chamber of horrors"       |
| 830 "Devil's pools"   | 1,680 "Border – without borders" |
| 870 "Ghost grotto"  | 1,880 "The kingdom of stone"     |
|   | 2,040 "Men's hair and Wild man"  |
|   | 2,180 "Enchanted forest"         |
|   | 2,360 Ghost quiz                 |
|   | 2,490 End                        |

### Goblin Trail

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| 0 Welcome sign                                  | 1,190 "The ghosts' treasure"    |
| 80 Goblin gate                                  | 1,300 "Power of the goblins"    |
| 650 "Fury of the ghosts" and glacial formations | 1,500 "Fairy grove"             |
| 800 "Call of the goblins"                       | 1,620 "Ghost hump"              |
| 900 Entrance to the underworld                  | 1,740–1,890 "Goblins' mischief" |
| 1,010 "Goblin stones"                           | 1,900 End                       |

### Waterfall Trail

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| 0 Mittenwald gorge kiosk       |
| 50 Entrance gate               |
| 120 Gorge crossing             |
| 200 Waterfall viewing platform |

