

ZERMATTERS

ALPINE SCHOOL

Snowshoetour Wildhorn 3,248 meters

ON THE HIGHEST ELEVATION IN THE WESTERN BERNESE ALPS (CH) | 2 DAYS

The Wildhorn 3248 m is the highest elevation in the western Bernese Alps. The beautiful white summit pyramid is easily recognizable from afar. The high alpine tour leads over gentle glacier areas from the cosy Wildhorn hut to the summit with a tremendous panorama. By the way, the Schnidejoch, which has been an important link from the Bernese Oberland to Valais since the Neolithic Age, is not far from the route. Around 900 finds bear witness to this.

Technique	easy-moderate Alpine technique: no prior knowledge needed; Terrain: mostly moderately steep, short steeper sections and traverses
Condition	moderate Duration from 5 to 7 hours, up to approx. 1,200 vertical meters, approx. 300 vertical meters per hour. Our Self-Check (https://findmind.ch/c/eJTb-6Cue) can help you estimate your condition for this tour.
Meeting place	9.30 a.m. Lenk train station (train arrival 9.23 a.m. Lenk, then taxi to Iffigenalp)
Departure	Approx. 16.00 p.m. Lenk train station
Accommodation	Wildhornhütte SAC 2303 m

Services

Included	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Guiding and supervision by a mountain guide• Accommodation with half board: 1 x hut (base camp)• Mammut safety equipment for testing (avalanche equipment worth CHF 49.-)• 15% discount on mammut.com
Not included	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Travel to the course• Transport (taxi approx. CHF 40)• Snacks and drinks• A CHF 12 per night (approx.) hut tax for non-SAC members• Snowshoes CHF 40 (incl. poles)• Glacier equipment CHF 40 (harness)• Contribution to the Travel Guarantee Fund (0.25% on total amount)

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Program

- Day 1**
- Individual arrival at Lenk, welcome by the mountain guide and handover of rental equipment. The group will then travel together by taxi to the Iffigenalp. Today's tour will take you via Iffigensee to the Wildhorn Hut at 2,303 meters. On the way, you will be given tips on hiking technique, an introduction to avalanche theory and use of emergency equipment. (Distance: 6 km, walking time approx. 4 hours, ascent/decent: 800/0 am).
- Day 2**
- From the hut you climb over the Chilchli glacier, past the Schnidejoch, up to the Glacier de Téné and up to the Wildhorn 3247 m. Here you will be rewarded with a tremendous view. Descent to the Wildhorn hut and after a refreshment back to the valley. (Distance: 14 km, walking time 7 h, ascent/descent: 1000/1650 am).

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Rental equipment

Our mountain guide will bring the ordered rental equipment to the meeting place. The following equipment can be rented:

- ☐ Barryvox (Avalanche Transceiver)
- ☐ Avalanche Probe
- ☐ Avalanche Shovel
- ☐ MSR Snowshoes
- ☐ (telescopic) Ski poles
- ☐ Climbing harness with 1 safelock carabiner (or 2x screw carabiners)

Technical equipment

- ☐ Barryvox (Avalanche Transceiver)
- ☐ Avalanche Probe
- ☐ Avalanche Shovel
- ☐ Touring backpack (approx. 30l)
- ☐ Snowshoes
- ☐ (telescopic) Ski poles
- ☐ Climbing harness with 1 safelock carabiner (or 2x screw carabiners)
- ☐ Gaiter (optional)

Clothing

- ☐ 1x ski jacket and 1x ski pants (Gore-Tex or similar material)
- ☐ 1x Soft shell and/or fleece jacket
- ☐ 1x Short/long functional underwear
- ☐ 1x Beanie and 1x headband
- ☐ 2 pairs of gloves (1 thin pair, 1 warm, windproof and waterproof pair)
- ☐ 1x Functional socks and 1x spare socks
- ☐ Warm, robust winter shoes, must be laceable and have solid soles or mountain boots

Overnight cottage

- ☐ Own toiletries, ear plugs if required
- ☐ Clothes to wear in the hut (Minimum)
- ☐ Slipper socks are at the hut
- ☐ Sleeping bag liner made of silk or cotton (for hygienic reasons)
- ☐ Pillow (60x60)
- ☐ SAC/Alpine Club member card (if available)

Food

- ☐ Breakfast and dinner at the hut
- ☐ Tea and lunch must be brought or can be bought at the hut
- ☐ Snacks (e.g. energy bars, dried fruit, dried meat)

Various

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- ☐ Sunglasses and ski goggles
- ☐ Sun cream and lip cream (SPF 30 or higher)
- ☐ Camera and binoculars (optional)
- ☐ Half fare travelcard (if existing)
- ☐ Thermos flask made from break-proof material
- ☐ Headlamp with new batteries
- ☐ Small medicinal supplies for personal requirements