

Day 1 Top station cable car Vigiljoch - Gasthaus Jocher

Altitude difference uphill approx. 320 m Length of the trail approx. 2.8 km Terrain: 2.8 km forest- and meadow trails, path, forestry road. Time needed 1-1½ hours – not including rest periods.

Route description:

From the top station of the Vigiljoch cable car (1489 m) one hikes past the Hotel Vigilius and aims for the nearby retro chairlift. From there, follow the wooden signs indicating the Jocher (marker number 34). From the tram station, the trail leads gradually uphill, passing through the sparse larch forest, and eventually it is shrouded by the dense spruce forest. It is possible to follow the broad nature trail without great effort, passing the former Gasthaus "Waldkönigin" which almost greets visitors in an ethereal, spooky way. Shortly afterward the trail arrives at a vast opening. There are two wooden houses right at the border of the forest; this is where one turns right (marker number 8) and starts meandering up the big meadow toward the Gasthaus Jocher (1770 m).

Public transport to Oberlana:

Bus connection from the railroad station in Meran to Lana and the small bus station in Oberlana Bus connection from the railroad station in Burgstall to the small bus station in Oberlana Timetable on the internet under www.sii.bz.it

At the bus station in Oberlana (roundabout) it is necessary to cross the street and hike for a short while toward the Ultental (road signs). The bottom station of the tram to the Vigiljoch is very visible on the right side of the road.

Reaching Oberlana by car:

From Bozen take the expressway MeBo directly from the south exit of the Autostrada in Bozen (Meran is indicated) all the way to the exit Meran-Süd. Follow the indications to the village of Lana (to Oberlana) and then follow the road signs toward Ultental; right away, after a roundabout and on the right side is the tram station.

Timetable tram to Vigiljoch - www.vigilio.com

Maps: TABACCO - Blatt 046 - 1:25.000 / Lana - Etschtal

Overnight stay at Gasthaus Jocher - www.jocher.it

Tourist association: www.lana.info

