

## **NOCKALMSTRASSE**



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THE MYSTICALLY BEAUTIFUL

# Nockalm Road!



# GENTLE MOUNTAINS, OVERWHELMING NATURAL BEAUTY

The Nockalm Road in Carinthia comes very close to being the perfect stretch of road. It leads 34 kilometers through gently rolling mountains covered by alpine lodges, pastures, sparse forests, lakes and flowering alpine rose meadows. In contrast to the steep alpine highlands of the Grossglockner High Alpine Road, the Nockalm Road promises a pleasant "easy going" trip. In designing the road, great importance was attached to preserving the landscape.

#### NATURAL AND CULINARY DELIGHTS

The gentle Nocky Mountains, vegetated all the way up to the summit, are a geological rarity and unique in the Alps. Numerous hairpin bends – referred to as "Reidn" in Carinthia – and the relatively gentle ascent afford wonderful panoramic views. Plenty of culinary delights are available at the stops: the hut wardens along the road pamper visitors with Carinthian specialties such as thick barley soup "Carinthian Ritschart" (smoked ribs with barley and vegetables), "Reindling" (a yeast cake filled with cinnamon and raisins) or homemade cheeses. Many restaurants specialize in large

#### EXHIBITIONS AND NATURE TRAILS

In addition, the road offers a number of exhibitions such as the "Marmot Show," the "Museum for Alpine Farming" on the Zechneralm or at the Nockalmhof Biosphere Reserve Center the multimedia show with a 3D nature film "Green Islands in the River of Time" invite visitors to explore the region's special features. When the weather is nice, themed nature trails such as the "Elements Trail" or the "Silva Magica" adventure park offer an opportunity to explore nature on the Nocky Mountains with all of the senses on short



### **DESCRIPTION OF TOURS FROM INNERKREMS** TO EBENE REICHENAU (NORTH-SOUTH):

\* Lodge is off the road and not accessible by bus.

1 Innerkrems (1,500 m)

#### 2 Penkerhütte (1,790 m)\*

The Penker family's lodge is located just off the road. The lodge is open from mid-June to end-September. No bus access.

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#### Jauchzahütte \*



Enjoy a magnificent panoramic view at 1,920 meters above sea level

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#### 4 Nockalmhof Biosphere



Reserve Center (1.700 m)

The fossil exhibition "Petrified Worlds", which is unique in Austria, is located at the Biosphere Park Center right at the Nockalmhof. Visitors can look forward to a new multimedia and 3D cinema, spacious restaurant, permanent exhibitions, a shop, the Biosphere Reserve Information Corner, an interactive children's "Bats" exhibition, a playground and panorama information boards. Free admission, open daily from 10.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

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#### 5 Heiligenbachhütte (1,860 m)\*



The Heiligenbach Lodge is only a few minutes' walk from the road. The rustic lodge features a conglomeration of butter molds, lace doilies and wall coverings. The lodge serves delicious Carinthian delicacies and fresh buttermilk.

Family Walter Dullnig, Tel.: +43 (4735) 281 or +43 (664) 3430939

#### 6 Pfandlhütte (1,860 m)



In the Pfandlhütte there is the new exhibition "Wild Nocky Mountains". Interactive stations offer interesting insights into how the wild animals, farm animals and people in the Nockalm area get along together like "good neighbours". Free admission, open daily from 10.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. (takes approx. 30 minutes). Playground, petting zoo and Carinthian specialties as well as a shop

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#### **7 Zechneralm** (1,900 m)



The museum on the Zechneralm provides information on life in Carinthia over the last few centuries. A quaint farmers' market offers produce from the Nockalm region. Buses are welcome at Zechneralm. Its extensive menu includes Carinthian specialties as well as game dishes.

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8 Eisentalhöhe (2,042 m)



The Eisentalhöhe, the highest point on the Nockalm Road, has a lookout platform with a stunning view of the Nockalm region. Panorama boards describe the major mountain peaks and provide information on Speick plants. A shop offers Speik products, a bistro and biker lockers. The Eisentalhöhe is the point of departure for short hikes to the Königstuhl or the Eisentalhöhe (30 minutes each).

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#### 9 **Karlbad** (1,693 m)



This rustic spa is over 300 years old and a true rarity. Regulars and spa guests enjoy the healing treatments with radon spring water in ancient larch vats, heated with conglomerate rock containing iron and sulfur. The Karlbad is closed in the morning during the spa operations, tours can be scheduled from 1:00 p.m. by prior arrangement. The restaurant is known for its fish and game dishes, pork roasts, cheese noodles and distilled rowanberry schnapps.

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#### 10 Tangernerhütte (1,715 m)\*



You will reach the Tangerner Lodge after a short, 20-minute walk. The proprietors, Edeltraud and Siegfried Göschl, serve nine different homemade cheeses and liqueurs. Large outdoor area with children's playground. Buses can park along the

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#### 11 Stangalm (1.700 m) \*



At the mountain farm, about 80 litres of milk are processed daily for butter and various types of cheese.

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#### 12 Steigerhütte (1,481 m)\*



The Steiger Lodge is also set in an idyllic location slightly off the Nockalm Road. All dishes are prepared with produce from the proprietor's own farm.

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#### 13 Grundalm "Silva Magica" (1,688 m)



The Silva Magica is the only place in the world where natural phenomena and natural beings can be experienced and explored. The loop trail was designed by local and international artists under the supervision of the horticulturalist, Johannes Matthiessen. A geological path with energy loungers is also incorporated in the Silva Magica. The Grundalm is home to a remarkable exhibition about "Trees as Survival Artists".

#### 14 Wolitzenalm (1,777 m)\*



This lodge invites visitors to take a short walk and return for a hearty snack featuring Carinthian specialities.

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#### 15 Glockenhütte (2,024 m) "Schiestlscharte"



The Nocky Mountain Biosphere Reserve administration installed a natural history exhibition on the first floor featuring a multimedia show. A farmers market offers delicious farm pro-



#### SPECIAL INFORMATION FOR BUSES:

- 3 Nockalmhof Biosphere Reserve Center 4 buses
- 5 Pfandlhütte: 6 buses
- 6 Almwirtschaftsmuseum Zechneralm: 3 buses
- 7 Eisentalhöhe: 4 buses
- 8 Karlbad: 3 buses
- 11 Grundalm: 6 buses
- 13 Glockenhütte: 4 buses
- 14 Windebensee / Weg der Elemente: 3 buses
- 17 SIGIS Natursaibling: 3 buses

Playgrounds are available at the following places: Nockalmhof, Pfandlhütte, Zechneralm, Karlbad, Tangernerhütte, Wolitzenalm, Glockenhütte, Priesshütte

#### DRIVING TIME:

Salzburg - Innerkrems 1	hour 40 minutes
Salzburg - Ebene Reichenau 2	hour 10 minutes
Kassenstelle Innerkrems - Ebene Reichenau	
cashpoint	50 minutes
Innerkrems cashpoint - Nockalmhof	5 minutes
Innerkrems cashpoint - Pfandlhütte	10 minutes
Innerkrems cashpoint - Zechneralm	12 minutes
Innerkrems cashpoint - Eisentalhöhe	15 minutes
Innerkrems cashpoint - Karlbad	20 minutes
Innerkrems cashpoint - Grundalm	25 minutes
Innerkrems cashpoint - Glockenhütte	35 minutes
Innerkrems cashpoint - Windebensee —	38 minutes
Innerkrems cashpoint - Weg der Element	e — 40 minutes
Villach - Innerkrems	70 minutes

Panorama
Information board

Exhibition

WC/Restrooms

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WC for the disabled
Cashpoint

electric vehicle charging station

duce. The legendary "Wishing Bell" is located behind the lodge on the Schiestlscharte. Visitors can strike the bell with a stick to set it in motion. Shop and Bikers' Point. Buses are welcome.

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#### 16 Windebensee (1,950 m)

A uniquely scenic nature trail on "The alpine community" around the Windebensee with numerous information boards (walking time: approx. 20 minutes). A 400-m trail leads from the Windebensee up to the Glocken Lodge (walking time:

approx. 15-minutes).

17 Weg Der Elemente (1,950 m)

The "Elements Trail," based on Dr. Wolfgang Hofmeister's idea, is a 1.5-km loop trail featuring stone circles with instructions for exercises, combining ancient and contemporary concepts. Buses can park along the Nockalm Road.

18 Priesshütte (1,700 m)

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The lodge is located right on the Nockalm Road. Guests will be

pampered with home-style Carinthian cooking, Reindling cake and schnapps.

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#### 19 SIGIS Natursaibling (1,300 m)



The Gruber family operates a char fish farm next to the Ebene Reichenau cashpoint. Hot and cold char specialties are offered daily.

Siegfried Gruber

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#### 20 Ebene Reichenau (1,095 m)

The village already served the Celts as the last place to rest before starting on the steep ascent to Turracher Höhe. The management of the Nocky Mountain Biosphere Reserve is located in town.

To walk from Ebene Reichenau to Innerkrems (south-north), read the description of the route in the reverse order.



#### THE HIGHLIGHT OF A TRIP ON THE NOCKALM ROAD

- O An outdoor adventure in Carinthia's Nocky Mountain Biosphere Reserve featuring the highlight of the season: alpine roses in full bloom starting in the middle/end of June.
- O Convenient access from the two starting points, Innerkrems in the north and Ebene Reichenau in the south, to the highest point on the road, the Eisentalhöhe at an altitude of 2,042 meters above sea level.
- O Countess free exhibitions along the road and innovative themed trails such as the Silva Magica, a unique place to experience and explore natural beings.
- O Hiking in the home of the Alpine Speick herb (Valeriana celtica), known for its healing powers. It may only be harvested by a limited number of alpine farmers.
- O A variety of culinary offerings from the traditional alpine cabin to their very own lake trout fish farm.

#### Nocky Mountain Biosphere Reserve:

Information on guides hikes and bus guides Tel.: +43 (4275) 665, biosphaerenparknockberge.at

#### **FACTS & FIGURES**

Road length: 34 kilometers

Valley towns: Innerkrems in the north, Ebene Reichenau in the south

Ascent: Panorama road to 2,042 meters (Eisentalhöhe)

Number of hairpin bends: 52

Shop & bistro: Nockalmhof Biosphere Reserve Center

Barrier-free restrooms: Nockalmhof Biosphere Reserve Center,

Grundalm and Glockenhütte

#### Cashpoints, rescue & breakdown service:

Innerkrems Information Office: +43 (4736) 265 Ebene Reichenau Information Office: +43 (4275) 7494

#### Important information for buses:

Automatic license plate recognition at the cashpoints: drivers must drive up to the light barrier next to the cashier's booth. No clearance on the parking lot by bus drivers or tour guide is possible. Over 29 free bus parking spaces along the road. Picnic tables and benches are available at most parking lots.

#### Parking:

Parking spaces along the road are free of charge.

**Important information for bikers:** Bikers' Point on Eisentalhöhe

with lockers.

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#### **OPENING HOURS:**

The Nockalm Road is open from the beginning of May to the end of October. No motorcycles between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m.





