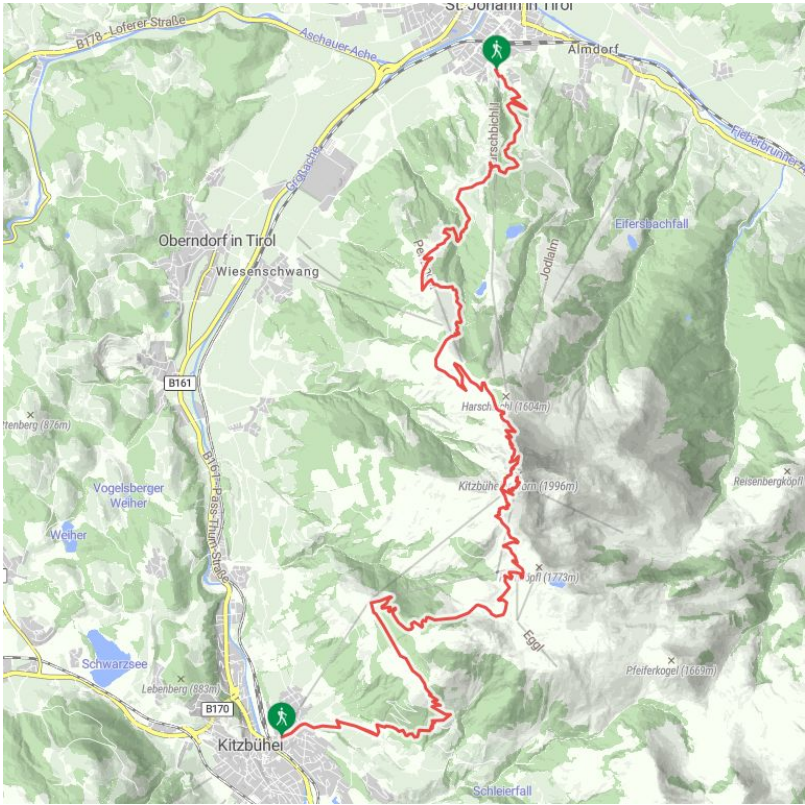


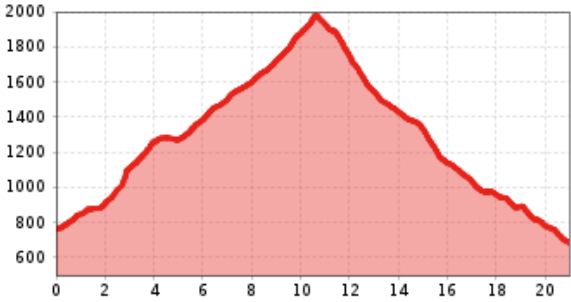
# KAT Walk Compact stage 4: Scaling summits – Magnificent adventures on the Kitzbüheler Horn

Multi-day long-distance hiking trail through the Kitzbühel Alps. Stage 4 of 5: Kitzbühel - St. Johann in Tirol

<b>total walking time</b>	8 h	<b>distance</b>	21,0 km	<b>difficulty</b>	average
<b>altitude meters uphill</b>	1250 m	<b>altitude meters downhill</b>	1350 m	<b>highest point</b>	1996 m
<b>stamina:</b>	★ ★ ★ ★ ★				
<b>skill:</b>	★ ★ ★ ★ ★				
<b>public transport:</b>	Train station Kitzbühel Bahnhof – 10 minutes' walk to the starting point Timetables: <a href="http://www.vvt.at">www.vvt.at</a>  Kitzbüheler Alpen guest card = free ticket for local public transport! More information can be found here.				
<b>parking:</b>	fee based parking lot Parkplatz Hornbahn - right at the starting point				
<b>starting point:</b>	Kitzbühel - Valley station Hornbahn				
<b>destination point:</b>	St. Johann in Tirol - Valley station Harschbichlbahn				
<b>road quality:</b>	Asphalt road, forest paths, mountain path (medium difficulty - marked in red), alpine hiking trails				
<b>best season:</b>	MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT				



Altitude profile



## Description

A stage that requires a good level of fitness ...

across the renowned Kitzbüheler Horn to St. Johann in Tirol, that can also be truncated by using several cable cars. Views to all four points of the compass, a well-tended Alpine flower garden and several refreshment stop options make this stage a very special experience! Spectacular path on the descent from the Horn to Harschbichl.

Note: from June 2022 - increased number of kilometers due to adjusted route!

Preliminary notes: By taking the [Kitzbüheler Hornbahn](#) or the [Harschbichl cable car](#) you can truncate this stage to vary the length. Please note the cable car opening and operating hours!

[Hornbahn Section 1](#) to the Adlerhütte (1,270 m, time difference 1 hr 15 minutes)

[Hornbahn Section 2](#) to Alpenhaus (1,670 m, time difference 2 hrs 15 mins)

[Horn Gipfelbahn](#) (1,960 m, time difference 3 hrs 30 mins)

On the descent too you can use the [Harschbichl cable car](#) to St. Johann in Tirol (1,600 m – 650 m, time difference around 2 hrs).

There are also [mountain carts](#) at the intermediate station, on which there is another option of speeding into the valley. If time permits, a trip to the [Hornpark climbing forest](#) near the Harschbichlbahn intermediate station is worthwhile.

From the starting point at the [Hornbahn](#) valley station head on the access road to *Hagstein*. At the **farmhouse Grünberg** branch off on to a steep forest path heading for **Gasthof Hagstein**, **Adlerhütte**, Alpengasthaus.

The route proceeds through the forest, uphill in several serpentines. Further up you pass Alpine meadows to reach [Adlerhütte](#) (2 hrs from Kitzbühel) and the nearby intermediate station for the **Hornbahn**. Continue on the steep path behind Adlerhütte, that soon crosses into a forest path. From here keep following the signposts to the **Kitzbüheler Horn**.

The path soon crosses the pastureland area and as a result, the hiking path still ascends slightly beneath the **Wilder Hag** over the hilly Alpine terrain of the **Trattalmen**. The summit is now always in front of you and you hike on the access road, initially to [Alpenhaus](#) (1 hr 15 mins from Adlerhütte; mountain station section 2).

Then continue on the access road to the **Kitzbüheler Horn** until you come to the entrance of the [Alpine flower garden](#). Go through this and continue up on the path to [Horn Gipfelhaus](#) (50 minutes from Alpenhaus) and the transmitter at the top of the Horn.

On the descent, hike up to the section that branches off to **St. Johann in Tirol**, passing an impressive viewing cross up at around 1,900 metres altitude and take the same path back. The path branches off here and is well-secured with ropes, proceeding through steep terrain (as an alternative to the Scheibersteig you could opt for the easier but longer Hornrundwanderweg). A spectacular route section on the north west side of the Kitzbüheler Horn!

The terrain flattens out further down and just beneath [Harschbichlalm](#) you come to a path again. Now either proceed on a short section to **Harschbichlalm** (approx. 1 hour from the Kitzbüheler Horn) and take the [cable car](#) into the valley, or head down towards the Stanglalm.

Beneath the [Stanglalm](#) the route proceeds on a forest path for a short section, until once again this merges on to a steep path. At the next junction, head for [Müllneralm](#).

From there follow the signs for [Bassgeiger Alm](#), continuing to [Gasthof Hirschberg](#) and [Hochfeldalm](#). Follow the signposts for **Buchwies**, the stage proceeds through the forest to [St. Johann in Tirol](#) and [Hilscherpark](#) at the valley station for the [Harschbichlbahn](#)

## equipment

Breathable outdoor clothing, sufficient food and drinks, first aid equipment, mobile phone with full battery & charger, hiking map & guide books, possibly GPS device or load the GPS data onto the mobile phone, sun protection (sunglasses, sunscreen & hat), rain cover, cash

## downloads

[GPX FILE](#)

[INTERACTIVE MAP](#)

