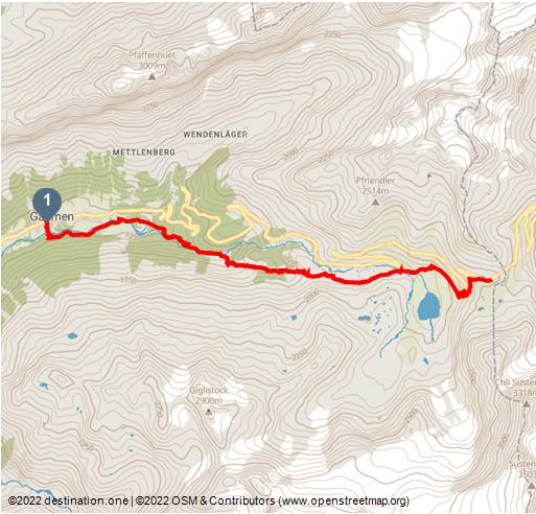





ViaBerna - stage 20 Gadmen - Susten Pass

Hiking Trail




Berner Wanderwege


Tour Dates:




medium
Difficulty




10 km
Distance




4 h 10 min
Duration




1200 m
Altitude



130 m
Altitude descending



2222 m
Highest Point



1169 m
Lowest Point



Recommended Seasons:

JAN	FEB	MRZ	APR	MAI	JUN
JUL	AUG	SEP	OKT	NOV	DEZ

The final stage of ViaBerna goes upwards again, from the mountain village of Gadmen to Susten Pass. It leads along the old pass road and takes you deeper and deeper into the natural mountain landscape.

Starting in the beautiful mountain village of Gadmen, the trail then follows the old route of the pass via Obermad. Reissend Nollen, Titlis, Grassen and Fünffingerstöck tower mightily over Wendenal. The route passes the huts on Alp Wyssenmad and heads to Steinweng where you can enjoy the view. It's also worth looking back into Gadmertal as you walk along. This area is one of wild beauty. A paved path takes you through the marshy high moorland landscape to the Alpin Center in Steingletscher. The ascent to Susten Pass takes you further and further into the mountain world. The border to the canton of Uri is at the top of the Susten Pass, 2,259 metres above sea level. The time has come to say goodbye ViaBerna. With its high natural retaining walls and stone slabs, the old Susten trail, set in a wild mountain landscape, is one of Switzerland's most beautiful pass routes. Since

Ratings:

- ★★★★☆ Kondition
- ★★★☆☆ technique
- ★★★☆☆ Erlebnisqualität
- ★★★★☆ Panorama

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it was renovated in 1993, you can follow the old pass route, away from the traffic. In the unique mountain landscape with its thundering waters, you get an insight into the techniques used by the former road builders.

The story behind the pass road: When the canton of Valais was annexed by France during the Napoleonic era, Bern was looking for an alternative to the Grimsel Pass route to avoid paying high duties. In 1811 the estates of Bern and Uri built the road link over the Susten Pass but after the fall of Napoleon and, especially after the new pass road was built, it quickly became less important. The former link was restored in 1993 to show how the old pass was built.

The new pass road is 45 km long and was built between 1938 and 1945. Because it is mainly used for tourist traffic, it is normally only open from June to October. The ascent to Susten Pass gives you a real impression of the Alpine mountain world. Ice streams flow down to Steinalp from the snow-capped summits of Susten and Gwächtenhorn, Tierberg and Giglistock.

ViaBerna is an attractive, fully signposted hiking trail that leads straight through the canton of Bern from Bellelay in Bernese Jura to Susten Pass. The route covered by the Bernese hiking trails is around 300 kilometres long and is made up of 20 stages.



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Startpoint:

Gadmen, "Post" stop (1,197 m)

Destinationpoint:

Top of Susten Pass

Directions:

Gadmen – Wyssmad – Steingletscher – Sustenpass

Safety Guidelines:

All or part of this route is on marked trails in the mountain trail category.

Equipent:

We recommend the following equipment:
Sturdy mountaineering boots, medium-sized rucksack with hip belt, sun protection, waterproof clothing, walking poles, pocket first-aid kit, picnic, sufficient fluids, mobile phone.

It is also possible to book baggage transport from stage accommodation to stage accommodation at short notice via Eurotrek. Info and conditions at Eurotrek.ch

Tip:

Accommodation tip - Gadmen: **Hotel Restaurant Gadmer Lodge**, Gadmen
283a, 3863 Gadmen, Tel. + 41 (0) 33 975 00 30, info@gadmerlodge.ch,
www.gadmerlodge.ch
Accommodation tip - Susten Pass: **Berghotel Steingletscher**,
3863 Steingletscher, Tel. + 41 (0) 33 975 12 22, info@sustenpass.ch,
www.sustenpass.ch

Shopping: Steingletscher Alpine cheese factory (Alpkäserei) on the Alpine pasture of the same name, with regional Alpine products.





Getting There:

By private car via Meiringen to Innertkirchen.

Parking:

Parking around Innertkirchen Grimseltor.

Public Transit:

Getting there: by train to Innertkirchen Grimseltor. Then by bus to Gadmén Post.
Coming back: by bus from the top of Susten Pass to Innertkirchen Grimseltor.

Maps:

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Additional Information:

ViaBerna is a multi-day hike made up of 20 stages that takes you from Bellelay straight through the canton of Bern to Susten Pass. Hikers on the trail get to experience the diversity of the canton of Bern in Jura, Mittelland and in the Bernese Alps. The entire distance is signposted with route number 38. You can find information about the ViaBerna multi-day hike at viaberna.ch





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