GLETSCHERWEG 'BERLINER HÜTTE'

Berlinerhütte (2040m) at Breitlahner (1257m) - you can get there by car or public transport - trail to Berliner Hut (3 hours). Begin at Gasthaus Alpenrose (1857m). Now follow the path to the Waxeggkees - (Schönbichler Horn 3134m). At a moraine the path turns left to the Berliner Hütte (2040m). Duration: 3 hours

The hidden secrets of the glacier.
Year on year, glaciers recede and lose volume - the sign of an approaching climate change? Even the landscape around the Berliner Hut (2040 m) has changed significantly since the end of the last Little Ice Age - around 150 years ago. Entirely new habitats have emerged because of the thawing ice. With this in mind, glacier research does not concentrate on the "Eternal Ice", but also on the glacier forelands. One particular researcher who has repeatedly worked around the Berliner Hut area is Prof. Helmuth Heuberger. He took part in a Glacier Conference in 1951 at the Berliner Hut and has carried out extensive tests on the glaciers in Zemmgrund during his career. Working in conjunction with the Austrian Alpine Assoc. and the Zillertal Alps Nature Park, he oversaw construction of the Glacier Trail, in celebration of the 125th anniversary of the Berliner Hut. Much can be read on the various sections in the accompanying booklet (available from the Zillertal Alps Nature Park). This circuit takes around 1.5 hours to walk. If you take the time to stop at the various stations, you will discover interesting information in moraines, sickle breaks, garnet mining, flowers and more. In this case, the walk can turn into a pleasant half day tour.
Difficulty: easy
Altitude: 240m
Highest Point: 2040m
Track length: 3.8km
Duration Descend: 2h
Sea height: 1876m
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