

Gurgl. Diamond of the Alps.

Top Quality Skiing with Ski World Cup Premiere.

Gurgl is known for memorable winter holidays at the highest level in combination with upscale hotels and restaurants. This perfect blend guarantees top quality skiing at the rear end of Ötztal amid mighty three-thousand-meter-high peaks in one of the Alps' most exclusive ski areas. The premium winter destination enchants visitors with its snow-sure altitude between 1,800 and 3,080 meters above sea level, 112 immaculate slope kilometers and 25 mountain lifts without any waiting times. Traditionally, Gurgl starts the winter season already on 16 November 2023 as one of the first winter ski areas in the Alps. For the first time, a top-class sporting event will attract guests to celebrate the opening on occasion of a men's slalom race as part of the AUDI FIS Alpine Ski World Cup taking place on 18 November 2023.

The Diamond of the Alps has long been one of the Alps' first non-glacier ski areas to open the season already in November. This year, the mountain lifts will start operating on 16 November, together with the uphill facilities of the Sölden winter ski area. On 18 November 2023, the men's slalom race will be held as part of the AUDI FIS Alpine Ski World Cup in Gurgl – the highly popular European Cup and training destination which is also the alpine home base of British slalom star Dave Ryding. The world's best slalom athletes compete in their first race on the Kirchenkar slope in Hochgurgl, where they will be welcomed by the fans when crossing the finish line at the Top Mountain Crosspoint. In addition to the sporting competition, there will be an exclusive side program to mark the opening of the Gurgl ski area.

Skiing and stopping off: real enjoyment

Not only professionals, but sportspeople of all skill levels feel at home on the slopes of Gurgl during a dreamlike winter vacation. There are plenty of reasons: thanks to the high alpine altitude, the season lasts from November until well into April. Six feeder mountain lifts in Obergurgl and Hochgurgl promise quick access to the slopes and enough individual freedom for everyone. Even pedestrians can get from the village center to the exclusive rest stops in the ski area in just nine minutes. Newly renovated Festkogel Alm (2,668 m) and Hohe Mut Alm (2,670 m) with sunny terraces include real wow moments with a view of Gurgl's glacier world, inviting you to enjoy culinary delights at the highest level. On clear days, "Top Mountain Star" 360-degree panorama bar at Wurmkogel (3,080 m) opens a distant view as far as the Dolomites. The multifunctional building of Top Mountain Crosspoint at the foot of the Timmelsjoch High Alpine Road combines many advantages. Among other things, the architecturally eye-catching construction houses the modern Kirchenkar gondola base station, a restaurant with table service and the Motorcycle Experience World.



Multifaceted winter holiday

Away from the groomed ski slopes, Gurgl knows how to shine with its wealth of variety. For example, on 12 km of cleared winter hiking trails for relaxing to moderate tours or snowshoe hiking routes at the heart of a winter wonderland. The ski tours around Gurgl are rich in altitude meters including summit victories and superb views amid untouched nature. Cross-country skiing fans can enjoy a 12 km network of high-altitude Nordic tracks. The three kilometer long (night) toboggan run in Hochgurgl guarantees speedy and winding downhill adventures. And those who still can't get enough of the slopes can extend their passion twice a week on the night skiing slopes.

Premium at all levels

Gurgl's infrastructure is as first-class as the ski area itself. The destination at 2,000 meters above sea level has over 25 accommodations in the deluxe 4- and 5-star category. Almost all slopes lead directly to the hotel's doorstep, offering unrivaled ski-in & ski-out convenience. Upscale restaurants and gastronomy spots meet the expectations of demanding holidaymakers. The Perrier-Jouët gourmet gondola provides truly exclusive moments. During a ride on Kirchenkar gondola, fine drinks and specialties prepared at the Top Mountain Crosspoint Restaurant are served.

Truly unique: Motorcycle Experience World

The brothers Alban and Attila Scheiber run the Motorcycle Experience World with passion and a lot of heart and soul. Embedded in the multifunctional Top Mountain Crosspoint building in Hochgurgl, the weather-independent excursion site invites all motorbike aficionados as well as curious guests of all ages to marvel and explore. On a total exhibition area of approx. 4,500 m², some 550 exhibits await visitors as a walk-through motor history tour including major brands of car racing and an interactive world of experience with 4D cinema, motor wall, technology simulations and real engine sound. The permanent special exhibition about historical expeditions of the Austrian adventurer Prof. Max Reisch completes the presentation.

Top-class event location

Gurgl can look back on a long history as a research and conference location. Gurgl Carat, a top modern congress and event center in the heart of Obergurgl, provides the ideal setting for events of all kinds. Architecturally modeled on a diamond, Gurgl Carat offers state-of-the-art technology and a flexible room concept for up to 520 people. Congresses, conferences and workshops are held here just as successfully as concerts and regional events. The overall package of hospitality, location and side program in the surrounding high alpine nature is enthusiastically received by the international conference audience.

Variety as a quality feature

Winter holidays in Gurgl enchant with a rich selection of activities according to personal preferences. Freeride fans will enjoy a varied off-piste area around Kirchenkar gondola in Hochgurgl. Thanks to its high altitude and north-east orientation, prime conditions are available



until spring. The ultimate Funmountain in Obergurgl with Funslope & Funcross and the Funslope in Hochgurgl attracts all generations with fun-packed challenges. Electric mobility in the snow is waiting for you on a ride with the innovative Bobsle on the snow course of Festkogel. Also, the "First Line" is considered a special experience. Here early risers enjoy the privilege of making their first turns on the freshly groomed slopes. Afterwards, a first-class breakfast is served at scenic Hohe Mut Alm.

Only one ski ticket for all the valley

If you want to explore all the other ski areas of Ötztal in addition to Gurgl, you should opt for the Ötztal Super Skipass. It is available if you purchase a lift ticket for 3 or more days, offering 363 slope kilometers and 90 mountain lifts with a single ski ticket – including the top destinations of Sölden, Gurgl and Hochoetz-Kühtai as well as Niederthai, Gries and Vent. Skipasses for 6 or more days also comprise a visit to 007 ELEMENTS James Bond Adventure World in Sölden and Top Mountain Motorcycle Museum in Gurgl. Special tip: if you buy your ski ticket for the top ski areas of Sölden and Gurgl online and in advance, you can save up to 22%. This offer is valid for one-day and staggered tickets as well as for the Ötztal Super Skipass. The purchased skipasses are ready for pick-up at the ticket machine on site and promise that you hit the slopes very quickly.

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