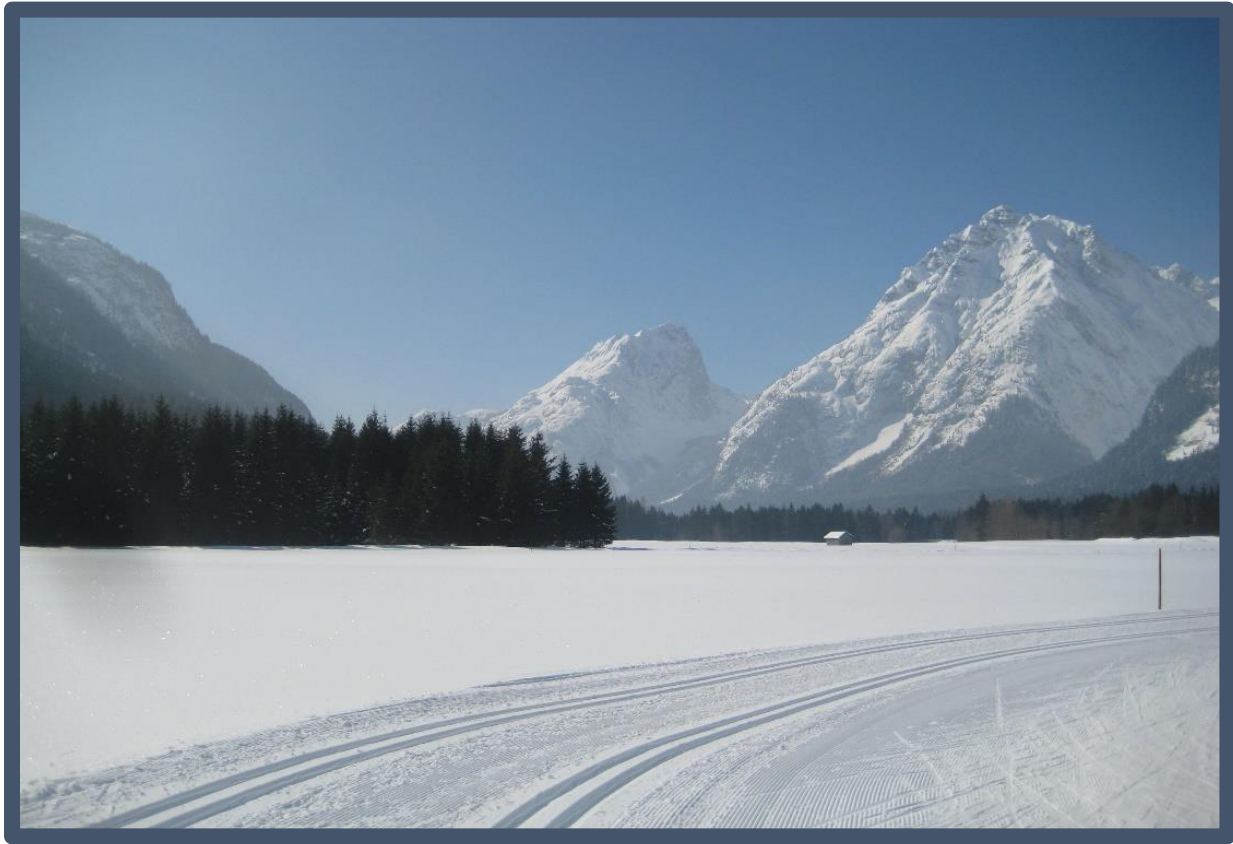


Cross Country Skiing in Austria

January 31-February 7, 2026



Description:

Discover some of Europe's best Nordic skiing in the stunning Leutasch Valley, situated northwest of Innsbruck in Austria's Tirol region. Surrounded by the Wetterstein and Karwendel Mountains, this area is part of the Olympia Region Seefeld, a place with a rich Olympic history, having hosted the Winter Games in 1956 and 1976, along with World Championships. With over 150 miles of groomed cross-country ski trails, and over 140 miles of cleared winter walking trails, it is a wonderful area to enjoy Nordic skiing at its best. There are trails for all levels of skiers with long flat valleys and winding hills through the woods, including the 25-kilometer Olympic loop. Skiing to a cozy mountain hut or to the busy ski town of Seefeld for lunch are wonderful ways to spend a perfect winter day! Or take an afternoon hike and stop for some glühwein, a local specialty of warm spiced wine, or a fresh piece of apple strudel. Other activities in the area include rodeling (sledding), horse drawn sleigh rides, curling or just relaxing after a day of skiing. The hotel is in the small village of Obern and offers a wellness room with sauna and steam rooms.

What's included:

- 7 nights at Hotel Trofana, in Obern, a 3-star hotel, in the Leutasch Valley of Austria
- Daily breakfast, Dinner and afternoon snack. The local tax is also included in the room cost.
- Begrüssungsgetränk bei Ankunft (Welcome drink on arrival)
- Large ski room with boot warmers and work area
- Ski Tickets to the entire Nordic ski area known as Region Seefeld, or the Olympiaregion Seefeld, including the Leutasch and Seefeld Valley's.

The ski trails are just a short walk from the hotel, and there are a variety of trails to choose from at that location, or it is possible to take the bus to begin or end your ski day.

- Bus Tickets are also included in the cost of the room.
There is a bus stop just outside the hotel. Local bus service is very convenient to all the local towns.
- A Map of the cross-country ski trails as well as for the winter walking trails.
- Some days we may all ski together, it can be flexible. We can also offer different ski options and be available to suggest skiing routes, if you would like to go on your own. We will help with ideas, walking routes, bus information, and other fun activities.
- Trip organization and the leadership
Pam has traveled to the Leutasch Valley many times.
- Sleigh ride
- Local tax

What's not included:

- **Airfare**

Munich Airport is about a 2-hour drive to Obern and is the easiest airport to get flights in and out of. There is a nonstop Lufthansa/United flight from Boston. If you book the Lufthansa/United flight to Munich, it is easier to book seats if you book directly through Lufthansa. If you book through United you may not be able to book your seats ahead of time even though it is the same flight. It is also possible to fly into Innsbruck, which is less than an hour from the hotel. It tends to cost a bit more. You would want to fly out on the 30th of January to arrive on the morning of the 31st of January. If you would like to arrive a day or two early to recover from the flight, I can help you with arranging accommodation. There are also many great places to explore and/or to extend your trip.

What's not included:

- **Transfer to and from the airport**

Once we know flight schedules, and if it makes sense, I can schedule a private group shuttle from the Munich airport to the hotel. The cost is around \$150-200 round trip per person, depending on the number of people. Otherwise, I can help with scheduling a shared shuttle from the airport, with the same company, directly to the hotel. This is a little less, as they make stops for others along the way, so it takes a little longer. Both are in a shuttle van. More detailed information to follow.

The train is also an option. It takes about 4 hours with 1-2 train changes, and you would need to take a taxi or a bus to reach the hotel.

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- If conditions permit there is a possibility of taking a **Taxi** to Germany for a day long ski back to the hotel. The cost of the taxi is not included, and it would be optional.
- **Exchange rate:** if there is a **major** change in the exchange rate of the euro between now and the trip, the cost may have to be adjusted.
- **Trip insurance**, highly recommended!
- **Lunches**, there is a little grocery store within walking distance for picnic lunches and snacks. And many options for lunch out while skiing.
- **Beverages** at the hotel
- **Optional group activities.** There will be some **optional** group activities. It could be a curling afternoon, or a hike to a mountain hut, for lunch and a Rodel (sled) run back. There is a nice public swimming pool, a short bus ride from the hotel, or about a 30-minute walk. There is also a local ski school which offers lessons in both classic and skate skiing, as well as biathlon shooting.

Other information:

If you would like to look at the rooms that we have reserved for us, you can look at pictures on their website. <https://www.hotel-trofana.at/hotel/>. If you would like to have a double room for one person, there is a 50% surcharge added.

We will have Gibfelstube rooms, and Steinpilz rooms. Also available is a room with 2 separate twin beds, the Enzian. The Gibfelstube rooms have a small kitchenette, and the Steinpilz does not. The room layout and pictures are on the hotel's website.

It is possible to rent ski equipment at a local ski shop for the week, it is about \$100/6 days, and for skate ski equipment is about \$135 for 6 days. It is also possible to rent either type of skis, per day.

Group size: 14

The altitude of the valley is around 4,000 ft.

The currency is euros.

Cost and Registration:

Cost per person: \$1325. We will do our best to give you the room type that you request, it will depend on availability. The price is based on 13 paid participants.

Registration Postmark Date: June 12nd

The registrations will be based on the postmark date, not the day that they arrive.

1st payment date: August 15, 2025, \$500 deposit payable to CVOA

Balance payment date: October 15, 2025, made payable to CVOA

Trip Closing Date: After October 15, 2025, the rooms will no longer be guaranteed, at that time please check in to see if there is availability before sending in a registration form.

To reserve your trip, please send a \$50 per person non-refundable deposit and completed registration form, by USPS First Class, postmarked on or after June 12th. The registration form is included in this brochure.

All names should be written as they appear on your government issued valid passport. Your passport must be valid for a full 6 months after the trip return date, August 2026.

CVOA Membership – You must be a current member of CVOA for 2025 and 2026. Membership covers the calendar year. Your membership must be current for 2025 BEFORE you can send in a reservation and you can renew your membership for beginning 2026 in October, either in person at the CVOA Sugarloaf Homecoming booth or at www.cvoutdoors.com/join-us.

Cancellation policy:

Outside 90 days, before November 1, 2025, 100% refund minus the \$50 non-refundable deposit.

Within 90 days, after November 1, 2025, 100% non-refundable.

Please purchase trip insurance!!



TO SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION COMPLETE THIS FORM, ENCLOSE A CHECK PAYABLE
TO CVOA FOR YOUR NON REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT OF \$50/PER PERSON AND MAIL TO:

Pam Twaddel

156 Mountain St.

Camden, ME 04843

TRAVELER #1

Name as it appears on Passport.

DOB _____

Gender _____

Nickname _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE (indicate if cell) _____

INDICATE YOUR ROOM CHOICE

Gibfelstube

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Steinpilz

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Enzian

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TRAVELER #2

Name as it appears on Passport.

DOB _____

Gender _____

Nickname _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE (indicate if cell) _____

ARE YOU MEMBERS OF CVOA ON MARCH 31, 2025? Yes / No

I understand: My purchase of trip/travel insurance is highly recommended.

My reservation fee of \$50 to CVOA is non-refundable unless there is no space available for me or if the trip is cancelled.

Signed: _____ Signed: _____ Date _____

CVOA Payment and Cancellation Policy Form and Agreement

Austria 2026 Trip - First payment due on August 15, 2025

Payments for the Austria 2026 trip may be remitted by bank check or personal check. All checks should be made payable to: "CVOA" and sent to Pam Twaddel (Pam). If you must cancel your reservation, your right to receive a refund is limited as set forth in the following schedule: If your notice of cancellation is received before 90 days from the Austria arrival date of January 31, 2026, you will receive a full refund minus the \$50 non-refundable deposit, any vendor costs and/or whatever is specified on your Payment Schedule. For a cancellation after that (being within 90 days of the arrival date), there will be no refund. All cancellations will result also in a \$50/person service charge regardless of the cancellation date.

Additional Terms: The following terms and conditions apply to the Austria 2026 Trip and to all services provided by Carrabassett Valley Outdoor Association ("CVOA") and/or Pam (both of whom shall be jointly referred to as the "Trip Leader" for purposes of this form):

1. The Trip Leader reserves the right to cancel or postpone the Trip if payments are not received by the indicated due date.
2. All rates are subject to change.
3. Pam and CVOA act only in the capacity of Trip Leader for the undersigned and assume no responsibility beyond making initial arrangements for hotel accommodations.
4. The Trip Leader reserves the right to change any arrangements set forth in the confirmation should conditions necessitate offering substitutes of comparable value, or to cancel the operation of any scheduled tour on refund of monies paid.
5. Guest acknowledges that there are inherent risks in the activity that is the subject of this agreement; Guest agrees to hold harmless and indemnify the Trip Leader and their employees, agents, contractors, and officers, of and from all claims, damages, liability, and causes of action of any kind by, or involving, the Guest, other participants associated with Guest, or the estate or other legal successor of same.
6. Guest acknowledges that he/she, is at all times, responsible for care and custody of his or her person and property.
7. If the Guest uses equipment of any kind from the Trip Leader, such use is at the Guest's own risk and the Guest assumes any and all liability for personal injury and property damage relating to the Trip.
8. The Trip Leader reserves the right to list the Guest in public relations and promotional campaigns.
9. **FORCE MAJEURE** – The performance of this agreement by the Trip Leader is subject to acts of God, war, government regulations, disaster, civil disorder, or other emergency outside of Trip Leader's control, making it illegal, inadvisable, or impossible for the Trip Leader to fulfill its obligations.
10. All arrangements and delivery of services for transports, conveyance, skiing, lifts, or hotel accommodations by the Trip Leader are made upon the express condition that the Trip Leader shall not be liable for injury, damage, accident, delay or irregularity which may be occasioned by reason of any

vehicle or through the acts of default of any company or person engaged in conveying the passenger or in carrying out the arrangements for the Guest, or otherwise in connection therewith, or of any hotel proprietor or servant. Such services are subject to the laws of the country where they are provided. The Trip Leader is not responsible for losses or additional expenses due to delay or changes in hotel or other services, sickness, weather, strikes, acts of war, quarantine, or other causes. All such losses or expenses will have to be borne by the Guest.

11. The right is reserved to the Trip Leader, to decline, accept or retain any person as a member of any trip or to cancel or alter any trip if the circumstances require it.

12. All rates shown for this Trip are based on current tariffs, exchange rates, taxes, etc. and are subject to adjustment in the event of changes therein, prior to or during the Trip.

13. Handling of baggage is at the Guest's sole risk throughout the trip.

Please sign to confirm that you have read, understand and agree to this Form and Agreement including the above Additional Terms. Execution of this Form and Agreement indicates that the signer is duly authorized to execute the same on behalf of the Guest. The Signature binds the Guest to full compliance with all terms and conditions set forth above.

I HAVE READ AND AGREE TO ALL OF THE ABOVE TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND AGREE TO THE PAYMENT SCHEDULE AS INDICATED ON THE RESERVATION FORM:

Guest Printed Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Gender: _____

(name as it appears on Passport or ID)

Guest Printed Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Gender: _____

(name as it appears on Passport or ID)

Address: _____ City, State, Zip: _____

Email Address: _____ Tel. #: _____

Signature(s): _____ Date: _____