

24 Gibidum, 2317 m

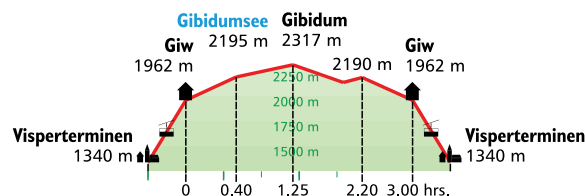
3.00 hrs.



A fairly easy walk to an interesting scenic overlook

This short circular walk leads to an interesting saddle which opens wonderful views of the Weisshorn range on the other side and also of the Fletschhorn, mirrored in the Gibidumsee. A transmission tower is perched on the broad ridge of the Gibidum (also spelled Gebidum) but even this does not detract from the fantastic views of the Bernese Alps with the Bietschhorn as well as downward views of Brig and Visp in the Rhône Valley.

Walkers finding this circular walk a bit too easy should descend along the trail leading to the Antoniuskapelle then crossing through a delightful mountain forest to reach Visperterminen (Kapellenweg or chapel trail).



Near Visperterminen: cherry trees, barberry and other blazing autumn colours.



At the Gibidumsee; the Fletschhorn is mirrored on the lake's surface.

Location: Visperterminen, about 1340 m; pretty settlement situated in a panoramic setting high above the Visptal. Post bus service from Visp (frequent service, about nine circuits daily).

Starting point: The terminus at Giw, 1962 m, for the chair lift from Visperterminen; restaurant.

Height difference: 405 m.
Grade: Good walking trails.

From the chair lift terminus at Giw, a broad trail leads eastward crossing the ski run to Stafel and then continues over open terrain to the **Gibidum Pass**. At the little lake, turn northward and walk along the crest of the ridge enjoying views to reach the broad hump of the **Gibidum** and the transmission tower. To descend, remain on the trail descending northward and after negotiating two short drops in altitude, reach a level spot where the trail turns westward and then southward. It then, with only slight drops, keeps along the treeline to return back to the approach route at about the height halfway between the Gibidum saddle and Giw: marvellous stage props for the superb views enjoyed along the entire way! At the end, return along the broad trail to the terminus at Giw.

