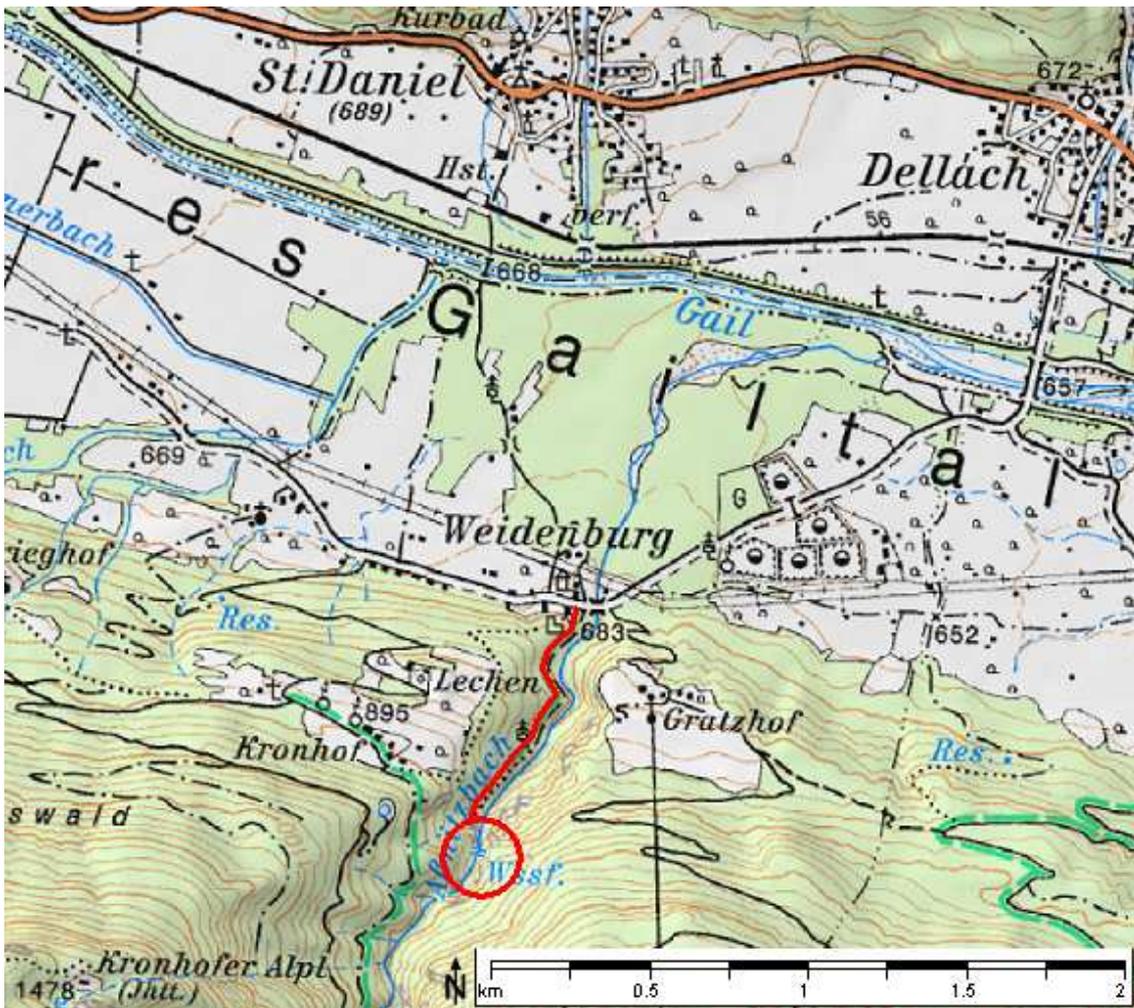


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Geotope 17. Weidenburg Waterfall – The Twin Fall



Red marking: Hiking route according to advance description; green tracks: hiking trails; ©BEV: Federal Office for Calibration and Measurement, 2005.

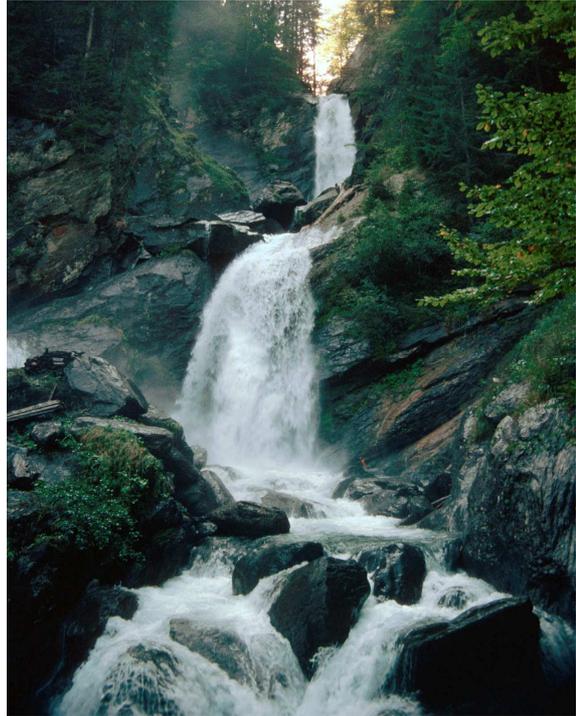
Access:

From the small village of Weidenburg a trail leads in southern direction to the waterfall of the Aßnitz Creek.

Description of the Geotope

This waterfall tells a peculiar story. Originally, in 1983 it was declared as Natural Monument. Since it became obvious that water was deviated for a small electric power plant above the 20 m high rock step and the residue water was too low to be named a waterfall, the rock forming the waterfall was protected and not the waterfall. This rock comprise clastics of the Carboniferous Hochwipfel Formation (360 to 290 m.y. BP which were deposited as flysch-type sediments at the sea-bottom.

Depending on the time of the year and the amount of snow and rainfall the Aßnitz Creek can carry different water volumes which either fulfil the requirement for a real waterfall or it is reduced to a gully with low amounts of residual water. Many years ago the Aßnitz Creek was driving mills. Today stony walls are remnants of this time



Weidenburg Waterfall.



Lapsed mill below the Waterfall