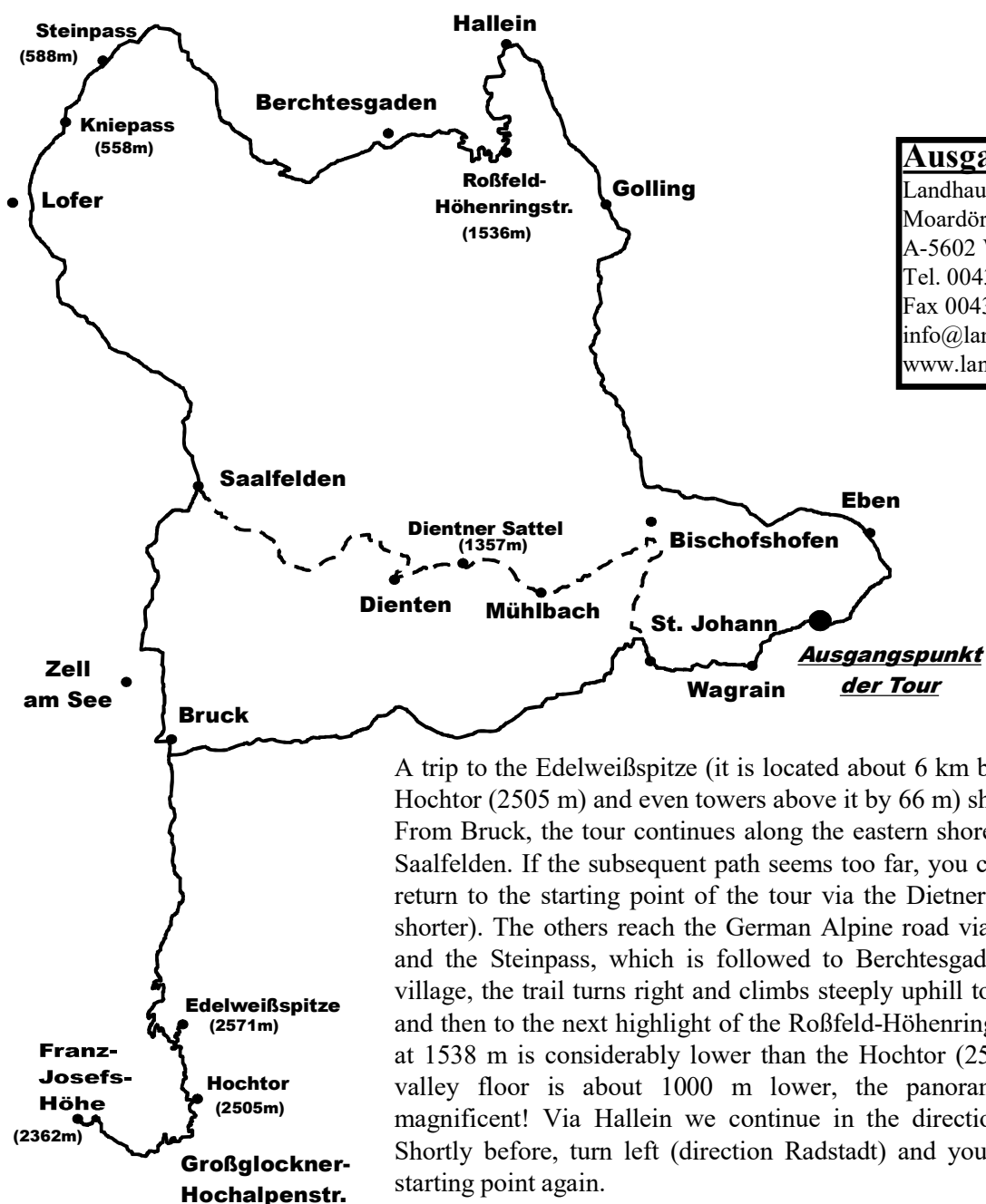


12.06.04: Grossglockner High Alpine Road and Roßfeldhöhenringstr. (ca. 295 km)

short tour description/route characteristics: The tour connects the most spectacular mountain road in Austria with the most spectacular mountain road in Germany - both are subject to tolls, but driving the Austrian road costs almost 6 times as much as the German road (2004: 17 € and 3 € respectively), and both are impressive both in terms of driving and scenery. First, we take the direct route to Bruck, where the 47 km long trail to Franz-Josefs-Höhe begins. Suggestion: On the way there, focus on motorcycling, on the way back, focus on the landscape. On Franz-Josefs-Höhe, the glacier landscape of the Grossglockner lies at your feet. Directly below the visitor platform, by the way, marmots can be observed regularly, which are not in the least disturbed by the masses of visitors! Due to the beauty of the route, we then return to Bruck - one wants to get something out of the expensive toll!



A trip to the Edelweißspitze (it is located about 6 km behind the pass of the Hochtorn (2505 m) and even towers above it by 66 m) should still be planned. From Bruck, the tour continues along the eastern shore of the Zeller See to Saalfelden. If the subsequent path seems too far, you can turn east here and return to the starting point of the tour via the Dietner Sattel (about 80 km shorter). The others reach the German Alpine road via Lofer, the Kniepass and the Steinpass, which is followed to Berchtesgaden. Shortly after the village, the trail turns right and climbs steeply uphill towards Obersalzberg and then to the next highlight of the Roßfeld-Höhenringstraße circuit, which at 1538 m is considerably lower than the Hochtorn (2575 m), but since the valley floor is about 1000 m lower, the panoramic view is simply magnificent! Via Hallein we continue in the direction of Bischofshofen. Shortly before, turn left (direction Radstadt) and you will soon reach the starting point again.