



Dufourspitze, 4634m, in the Monte Rosa area, is the highest mountain in Switzerland and the second highest in the Alps. The “Cresta Rey” can be easily considered the “perfect line”! It rises up from the glacier exactly to the top of Dufour with a direct line; over it, it offers a first-class rock quality: flakes, cracks and spikes assure an enjoyable climb.

Program:

- 1st day: Meeting with the guide in Staffal around 14:00p.m. - Equipment check. We will take the cable car up to Punta Indren. From there we easily hike up to the Gnifetti hut, where we overnight.
↑ 1:00 hours - 370m
- 2nd day: Departure around 3:00 depending on the period of the year. We will follow the trail going to Margherita hut until the Colle del Lys; from here, we first go down along the Grenz Glacier to the altitude of 4000 meters. We climb up the small glacier between Dufour and Zumstein until the base of the ridge at the approximate altitude of 4200 meters. A short steep snow slope gives access to the proper ridge. We follow the ridge always as much as possible close to its edge and we arrive exactly on top of the Dufourspitze 4634m. On the way, back we follow the Italian regular route crossing the summit of Zumsteispitze. After a quick stop to Gnifetti hut to repack, we go back to the cable car and the valley.
↑ 6:30 hours 1200m ↓ 5-6 hours 1500m

You have to know:

- Accommodation: Gnifetti hut CAI (3647m) with half board service
- Meeting point: At 14:00p.m. in our office in Staffal (Hotel Nordend near to the bar da Giovanni).
- Requirements: Long approach, steep terrain, rock climbing up to grade III° and exposed narrow ridges. This is a tour only for experienced and fit mountaineers. You should have already made similar tours. **Please note:** Depending on the conditions of the ridge the mountain guide, to guarantee a reasonable margin of safety, can decide to do this tour with 1 or 2 participants.
- Equipment: See the equipment list below.
- Weather: In the high mountains, even in summer, there could be extreme weather conditions. Three/four days before the tour/trip, we will check the weather forecast in the area, and we will inform you about it!

DUFOURSPITZE 4634m – REY RIDGE

Leading Guide: Mountain Guide of Guidemonterosa. Shortly before the tour, you will get the phone number of the guide. For all other questions, please contact our office.

Services and prices:

Services included Mountain Guide IFMGA for two days

Additional costs: Overnight stay in the hut in HB also for the mountain guide, cable car to Punta Indren and back, drinks, lunch, travel expenses, if necessary equipment.

Prices: 1 participant Euro 1100,00
2 participants Euro 715,00 per part.

Helpful for preparation:

Apparel / Clothing: We recommend functional clothing / layering principle so you can react to the different temperatures.

Boots: Waterproof mountaineering boots suitable for crampons.

Lunch: Snacks and drinks you can buy in the hut. Please take some snacks and drinks with you.

Back pack: Do not put too many things! You will be amazed how few things you need. Functional clothing for the day and a change shirt for the hut is usually enough. At the end you have to carry your back pack. We recommend a back pack with 30-40L.

Maps: Monte Rosa - Alte valli d' Ayas e del Lys - L'Escursionista | ESC08 | 1:25000
Swisstopo – Combination No. 2515 Zermatt-Gornergrat 1:25000
Swisstopo – No. 294 Gressoney 1:50000

For any further questions...

We are happy to help you for any further questions. Please contact our office.
The equipment list is attached below.

Equipment list

Apparel / Clothing

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mountain jacket Gore-Tex | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gloves |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Poss. light mountain pant Gore-Tex | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Warm, breathable clothing |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robust and elastic mountain pants for example Soft Shell pants | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trekking / Mountaineering socks |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Spare underwear | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beanie / headband |

Additional material

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sunglasses with high protection | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Headlamp with spare batteries |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sun-tanning crème / lip balm - lip care | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water bottle |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Light toiletry not too much | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pocket knife |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Event. silk sleeping bag | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alpine club identification CAI/DAV/SAC |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Poss. photo equipment | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ID / Passport |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Poss. first aid kit to coordinate with mountain guide | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Poss. Oropax |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Poss. map |

Boots / Gaiter

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Mountaineering/Trekking boots | <input type="checkbox"/> Climbing boots |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mountaineering boots for crampons | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gaiter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Approaching boots | |

Technical mountaineering material

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Harness | <input type="checkbox"/> Via ferrata set |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 x HMS screwgate carabiner | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Helmet |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 x HMS screwgate carabiner | <input type="checkbox"/> Chalk bag |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Quickdraw | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 x Ice screw |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Belay/Rappel Device with screwgate carabiner | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Crampons with anti-balling/anti-snow |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 x runners/tubular sling 120cm | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ice axe |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 x runners/tubular sling 60 cm | <input type="checkbox"/> Ice climbing axe |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1,2m Cord 6mm | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trekking pole |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2,4m Cord 6mm | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Backpack 30/40L |