



altitude meters uphill 1120 m	highest point 3360 m	walking time uphill 5:30 h	distance 11.6 km
altitude meters downhill 1210 m	difficulty difficult		

**starting point:** Essener-Rostocker-Hütte  
**destination point:** Johannishütte  
**best season:** JAN, FEB, MAR, APR

## Interactive map

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## Hoch Tirol stage 2: Essener Rostocker-Hütte to Johannishütte

From the hut at 2208 m, the route leads for 1 to 1.5 hours along the flat in a northerly direction to an altitude of 2400 m, from where you reach a rocky landslide at around 2800 m, first climbing slightly, then steeper, between two rocky barriers. You go around it on the right in steeper terrain towards the northeast. As the slope is often icy, frozen snow crampons are recommended until you reach flatter territory again at 3000 m. A further ascent leads to Geigerscharte, the western ridge of Großer Geiger, from there on to the ski depot at 3250 m. After around 4.5 hours of climbing time, you reach the peak (3360 m) after a last steep ascent in a northeasterly direction. The descent starts with crossing a slope towards the southeast to a flat glacier, then in steeper terrain past Großer Happ to the west. After crossing the southwest ridge of Großer Happ at around 3100 m, you ski down to the flat glacier floor. Past a distinctive rock pinnacle – Kleiner Geiger – you cross a short rocky ridge to Türmljoch (2845 m). In a southeasterly then easterly direction, you go down through a steep gully to around 2200 m, then below the rockfaces to a little bridge. An option leads from Türmljoch along Sommerweg partly indicated with stones. After crossing the stream, in a short while you reach the finish point of the day stage, Johannishütte.

### Day 2 option:

An ascent option leads from the hut Essener Rostocker-Hütte in a northerly direction to the fork of Sommerweg to Türmljoch. Further in a northeasterly direction to 2328 m, then slightly left, below a sloped rocky strip. Flat hollows lead up to the intersection point.