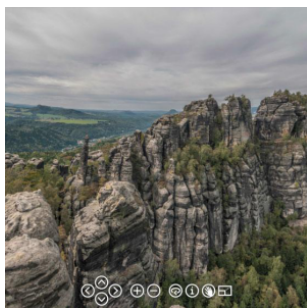
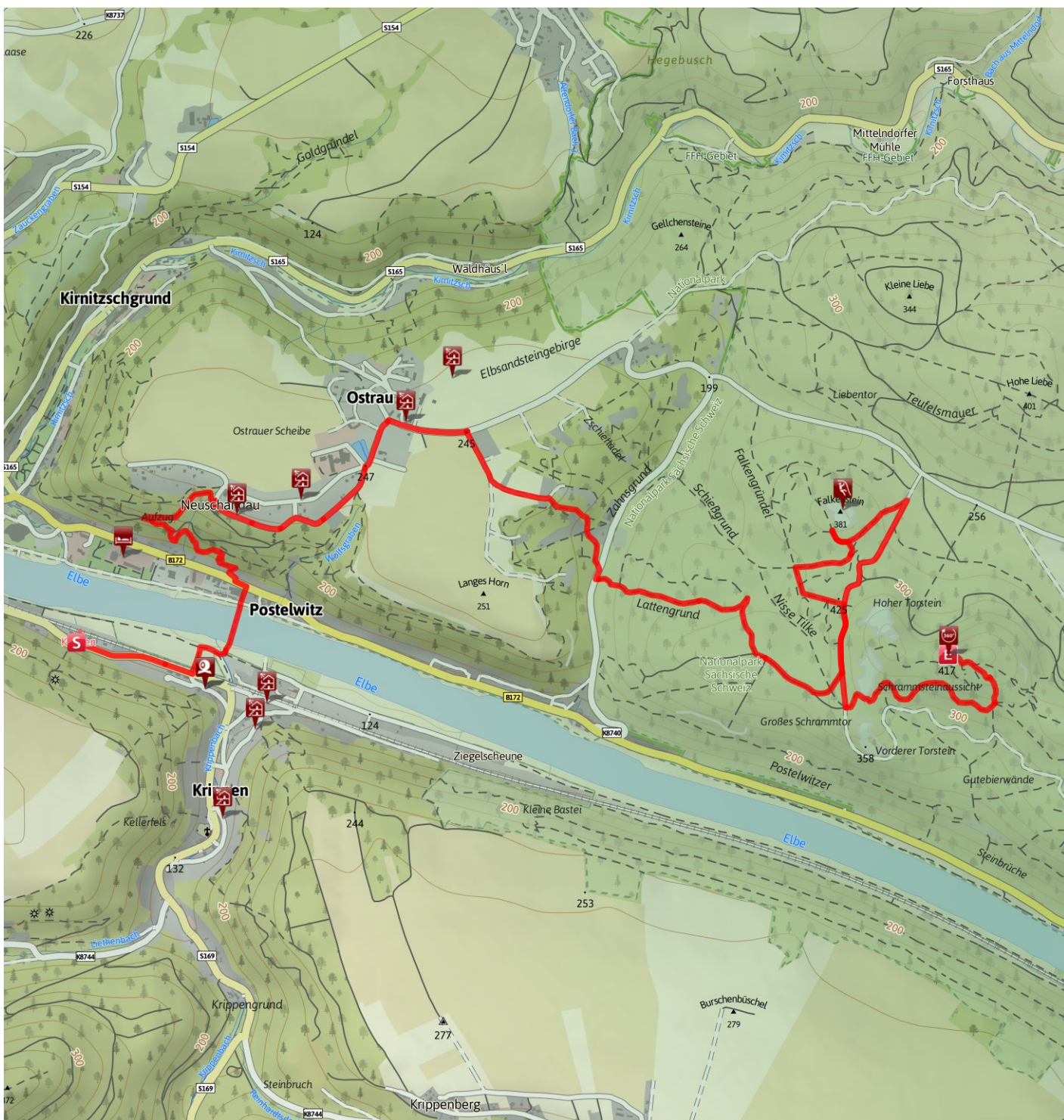


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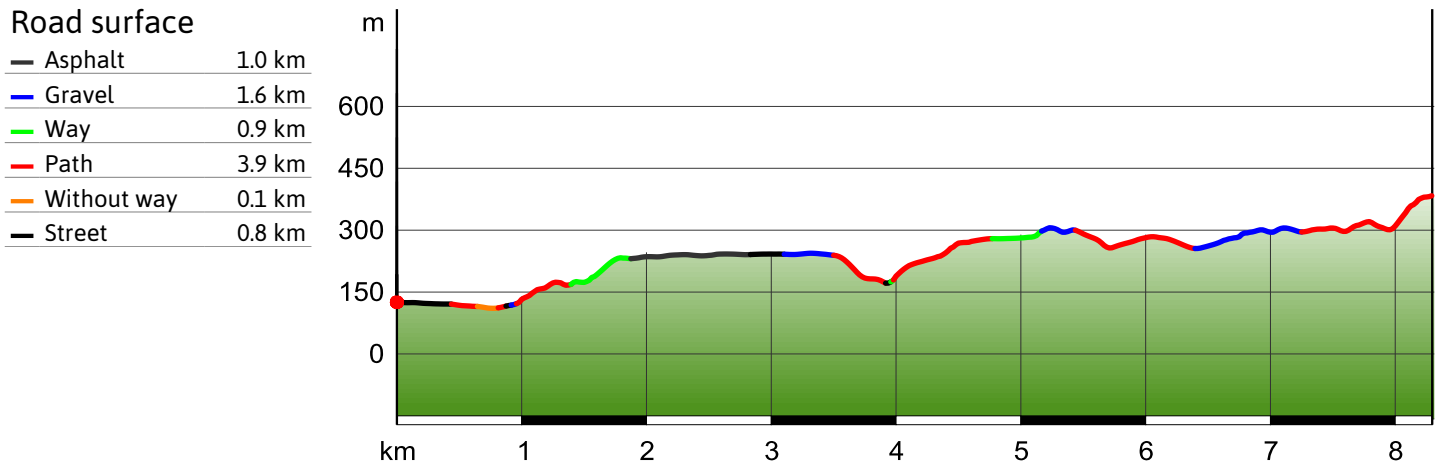
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Recommended season J F M A M J J A S O N D



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 Hiking trail**Bad Schandau - Schrammsteine lookout-point**

gorge and then either the pathes Obrigensteig or the Lattengrund we reach the flat plateau in front of the Schrammsteine rock formation. At the way-crossing on the Elbleitenweg trail we can choose between a 800 meters long detour to the Falkenstein rock or to enter the Schrammsteine region through the crevice of the Schrammtor rock gate. With over 70 different climbing routes the Falkenstein rock has a special historical importance for mountain climbers. In 1864 five gymnasts from Schandau were the first who reached (on the "Turnerweg" trail, which was then named after them) the summit. This special moment is considered as the birth of the mountaineering scene in the Elbe Sandstone Mountains. The typical form of rock climbing as we know it today without rock-changing aids (to attach steps, to cast in or attach climbing irons,...) became generally accepted after 1890. This respectful treatment of the nature and an always present, strong transience were the major principles of the mountaineer Doctor Oscar Schuster and his climbing colleagues. Even today climbers follow these climbing rules of the Elbe Sandstone Mountains. However the first actual human "utilisation" of the Falkenstein rock was further in the past. With its exposed location the Falkenstein rock was particularly suitable as an observation and safeguard post of the old trade routes in the Middle Ages. On the summit was located a look-out point, which was hard-fought due to its strategic importance and therefore it often changed its owner. At the bottom of the rock you can still find inscriptions from earlier centuries. If you decide to follow the immediate road to the Schrammsteine rock formation, then you will arrive at the "Schrammtor" (rock gate) just a few meters after the junction. Here the trail was improved extensively with wood. We cross the (as we will see later) impressive rock range through the high rising rock faces of the "Schrammtorwächter" and the Ostertürme rock towers. Following the blue waymark we reach the "Wildschützensteig" trail right below the cliffs. Alternatively we can also take the later ascent "Jägersteig" trail. From this point we have a fantastic view on the adjacent climbing rock "Jungfer". After reaching the summit we arrive on the Gratweg trail. We continue to the left direction and after passing a few climbing sections we arrive at the unique look-out points of the Schrammstein

rock formation. If you are not sick of heights, then you can enjoy an impressive panoramic view over the Saxony Switzerland. From here you can either follow the Gratweg trail and continue with the "Affensteine" tour, or return back to Bad Schandau on the same route

Starting point / trailhead

Bad Schandau

Equipment

It is recommended to use secure hiking boots.

Safety information

The hikers should not be afraid of heights, as the path leads partly over almost vertical iron ladders and the lookout point is located in a very exposed position (but still secured with railings).

Getting there

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Parking

A multi-storey car parking is located in Bad Schandau (next to the Sparkasse bank) or at the train station in Bad Schandau.

Public transport

Current timetable for buses and ferries:

http://www.saechsisch-boehmische-schweiz.de/html/verkehr/plan_2007.html.

Alternatively take the train (S-Bahn) from Dresden to Schöna.

Tips, hints and links

[Wanderkarte Schrammsteine-Affensteine 1:10000 \(Verlag Böhm Wanderkarten\)](#)

[Panorama der Schrammsteinaussicht](#)

[Webcams der Sächsischen Schweiz](#)

[Hotels, Ferienwohnungen und Ferienhäuser in der Sächsischen Schweiz](#)

Point of arrival

Bad Schandau

Properties

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Geological highlights


















Tour route


Nice views


Insider tip

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Points of Interest

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01814 Bad Schandau
-  FEWO Am Krippenbach
OT Krippen Bächelweg 31
01814 Bad Schandau
 035028-80070
-  Ferienwohnungen Happe
Bächelweg 26
01814 Krippen
 035028/80158
-  Webcam Schrammsteine an der Pension Hönel-Hof
F.-G.-Keller-Straße 15
01814 Krippen
 035028859600
-  Ferienwohnungen Lootze
Zum Mittelhangweg 2
01814 Bad Schandau, OT Krippen
 035028 81030
-  Parkhotel Bad Schandau
Rudolf-Sendig-Straße 12
01814 Bad Schandau
 035022-520
-  Ferienwohnung Nikolaus
Ostrauer Ring 20 c
01814 Bad Schandau
 035022 / 43058
-  Ferienwohnung Geissler
Ostrauer Ring 29
01814 Bad Schandau
 035022 / 42960 oder 42949
-  Ferienwohnung Bach
Falkensteinstraße 3B
01814 Bad Schandau, OT Ostrau
 035022 40421

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OT Ostrau Dorfstr. 12
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 Falkenstein

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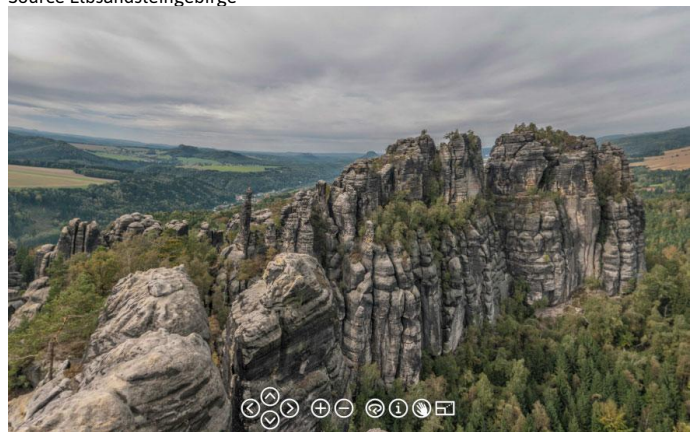
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