

AREA

Dolomites – Nuvolau

PEAK

Averau

FACE

Northeast

ALTITUDE

2649 m

DIFFICULTY

Easy

TIME

1.30 -2 hrs

BEAUTY

3

DESCRIPTION OF DIFFICULTY

This short via ferrata is not difficult but nevertheless not to be underestimated as there are some vertical sections equipped with fixed cables. A good confidence builder for beginners.

TOTAL ASCENT

500 m

FERRATA ASCENT

100 m

PERIOD

End of May to October.

POPULARITY

High

GEAR

Normal via ferrata kit.

ASCENT

In quick succession ascend the various stepped sections past a chimney and 60m of of via ferrata to the crest above. The track then leads through the wide bowl to the nearby summit cross.

DESCENT

Follow the ascent route back down to the starting point at Rif. Averau.

BIBLIOGRAPHY

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LINKS<http://cortina.dolomiti.org><http://www.planetmountain.com><http://www.guidecortina.com>**INTRODUCTION**

This short route close to Rif. Averau (2413m) is ideal for completing the classic trip round Averau and Nuvolau, or as a half day outing. From the peak of Averau, which dominates the horizon between Passo Falzarego and Passo Giau, there is a magnificent view towards Monte Pelmo, the Civetta, Antelao, Sorapis and the not far-off Tofana di Rozes.

GETTING THERE

FROM RIF. FEDARE (SS 638 P.SSO GIAU) TAKE THE CHAIRLIFT UP TO RIF. AVERAU.

From Cortina d'Ampezzo take the SS 48 towards Passo Falzarego as far as the restaurant Bân de Dones. From here take the chairlift up to Rifugio Scoiattoli (or follow the track to path no. 440 which leads to the refuge). Then from Rif. Scoiattoli take path no. 439 to Rif. Averau (30 min – height gain 190m).

From Passo Falzarego take path no. 441-419 (1 hour 15 – height gain 300m). From Passo Giau (SS 638) take equipped path no. 452.

ACCESS

From Rifugio Averau follow the marked path northwards up a tiring scree slope to the start of the ferrata beneath Averau's northeast gully.

