

28. Via Ferrata Sci Club 18 (2.123 m)

Ferrata with spectacular panorama view above the Ampezzo basin

Technical difficulty of the ferrata	● ● ● ● ●
Total rating of the tour	● ● ○
Via ferrata in detail	100% steel ropes
Total duration	ca. 3 ½ hours
Difference of altitude	650 meters
Duration ascent:	ca. 1 hour
Climbing time	ca. 2 ½ hours – 380 meters
Duration descent	descent by the funicular
Orientation	west

Arrival and starting point: to Dobbiaco, turn left and further through the Val di Landro Valley until Cortina d'Ampezzo. Next to the bus station in Cortina there is a chargeable parking place (valley station of the funicular Faloria). Driving-up with the funicular to the middle station “Mandres” (stazione intermedia).

Difficulty and general information: Besides the ferrata „I magnifici 4“, the Sci Club 18 for sure is one of the most difficult climbing tours in the Dolomites. The difficulties are continuous and permanent. This ferrata is perfectly saved. A retreat downwards can be very problematic.

Access: From the middle station (1.480m) follow the perfectly signposted path until you arrive at the start of the ferrata.

Route-Information: This ferrata requires arm strength and a good foot technique. The tour has not much difference of altitude, but it should not be undervalued (in the upper part the path leads not directly to the exit plateau, you have to go round of a hidden cliff rock). The ascent is cliffy and challenging. All in all a great half day adventure, in case of stable weather also doable in the afternoon.

Characteristic and technical details: A steep, in parts also overhanging and consistently difficult ascent. In large part saved only with steel ropes. Ambitious traversers, where an additional belay can be advantageous. A good climbing technique and experience are necessary.

Descent: From the exit of the ferrata in a few minutes to the mountain station of the funicular Faloria (2.123m) and comfortable back to the valley.

