

An aerial photograph of a winding asphalt road carved into a steep, snow-covered mountain. The road features several sharp turns and is bordered by stone walls. A vibrant purple sports car is driving on one of the curves. The surrounding landscape is rugged and mountainous, with patches of snow and exposed rock.

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DOLOMITE TOURS

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INTRO- DUCTION

Some journeys are nothing more than routes from A to B. But there are roads that are far more than just asphalt and curves—they are made of experiences, stories, and legends. The Alps are one of the most fascinating regions for passionate drivers, with their winding mountain passes against breathtaking natural backdrops.

Even in early history, the Alpine passes were more than simply routes connecting countries and cultures; they were proof of human ingenuity. Merchants, pilgrims, and armies used these routes, often rugged and once difficult and laborious to cross. As engineering advanced, the roads improved more and more, and by the twentieth century they became a paradise for motorsport fans and tourists alike. As more and more private cars took to the roads in the 1950s and '60s, many of these passes gained legendary reputations. These once rough stagecoach tracks were transformed into carefully planned masterpieces of road construction, creating an almost balletic interaction between people, machines, and nature.

This book is more than just a travelogue. It is a tribute to these roads as unique amalgams of driving pleasure, technology, and beauty. It is an invitation to everyone who understands the thrill of high-end

sports cars and revels in the excitement of nailing the perfect line. The Alpine passes are not just transport routes—they are arenas where technology meets nature, speed meets the wide open spaces. They tell stories of races, records, and the evolution of car culture. Back in the early days of motorsport, they were where engineers and drivers pushed their machines to the limit, long before there were proper racetracks. Private motorsport grew alongside these developments. In the early twentieth century, mountain races like the Klausenpassrennen or the Gaisbergrennen saw brave drivers battling it out in the first high-performance cars. The passes were testing grounds for technological advancements and became the arena for battles between car makers. After the war these roads changed again, from pure racetracks to favorite destinations for passionate drivers seeking to enjoy the art of precision driving. As automotive engineering advanced and supercars took off, many of these passes became veritable pilgrimage spots for car lovers. The most spectacular passes, the finest hotels, and the best restaurants have been brought together in this book—a tour that gets your fuel pump racing and your heart pounding. From the legendary Stelvio Pass to the smooth switchbacks of the Passo Giau

and hidden gems like Forcella di Monte Rest—every road has its own story. But this trip is more than a series of epic curves and hairpin bends. It's a mix of high-performance machines, perfect road design, and the unbeatable feeling of freedom at the view from the top of a mountain pass over the endless expanses of the mountains. Drivers taking these roads feel the power of the engines, but also experience a deep connection to the tradition of travel and exploration. The Alps are a monument to driving, an arena for those who want to master and enjoy the art of perfect driving. These roads have made heroes, broken records, and inspired generations of enthusiasts. The routes described here stand for the purest essence of motorsport—not as a competition, but as an expression of technology, aesthetics, and precision.

This book is intended as a tribute to those traditions, to the roads that make them possible, and to the machines that bring them to life. It offers an invitation to plunge into history, feel the gas pedal, and discover a new chapter of automotive passion at every curve. The Alps are waiting—ready for a journey that brings together all the ingredients of the perfect tour: speed, style, and the art of driving pleasure.



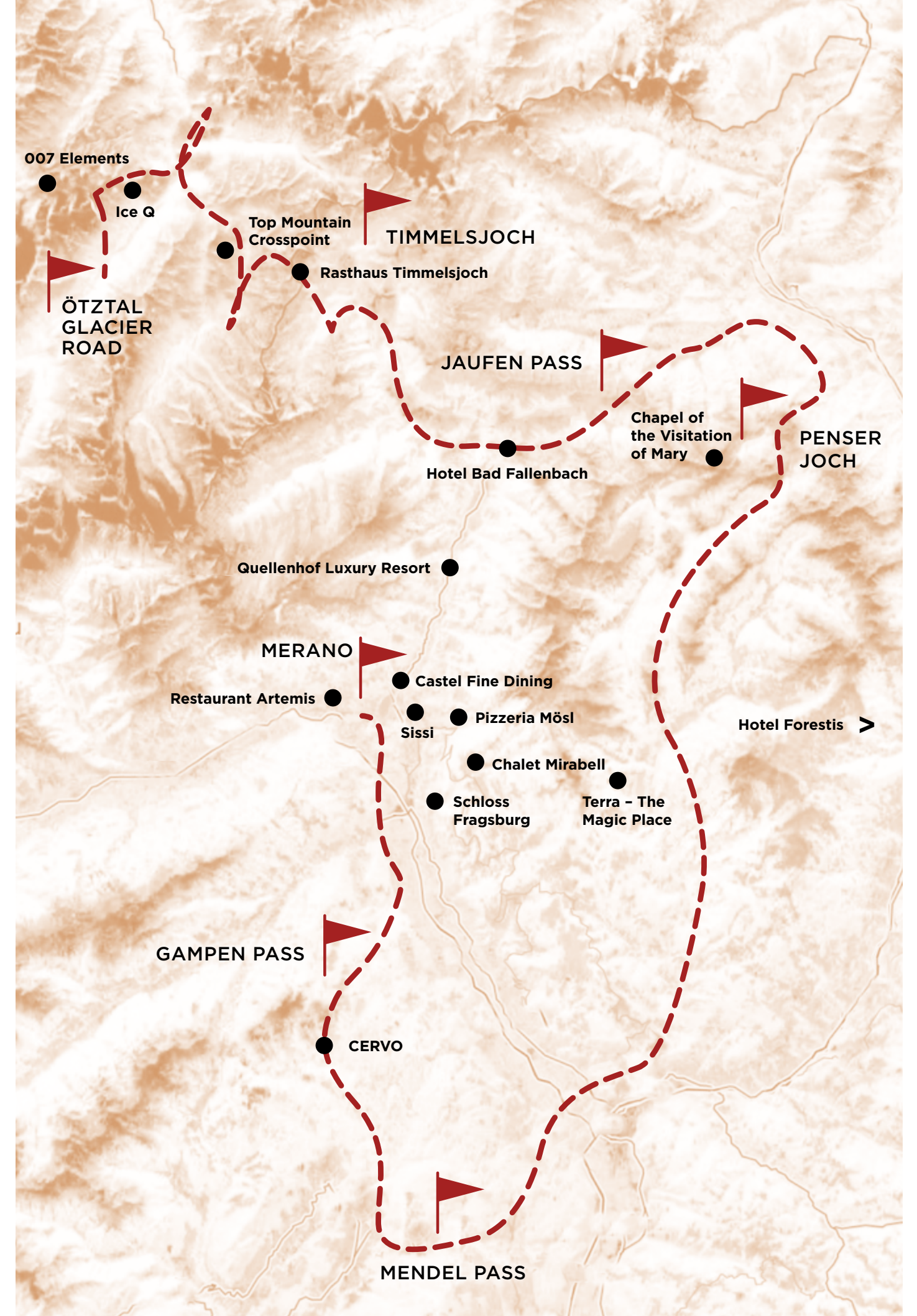






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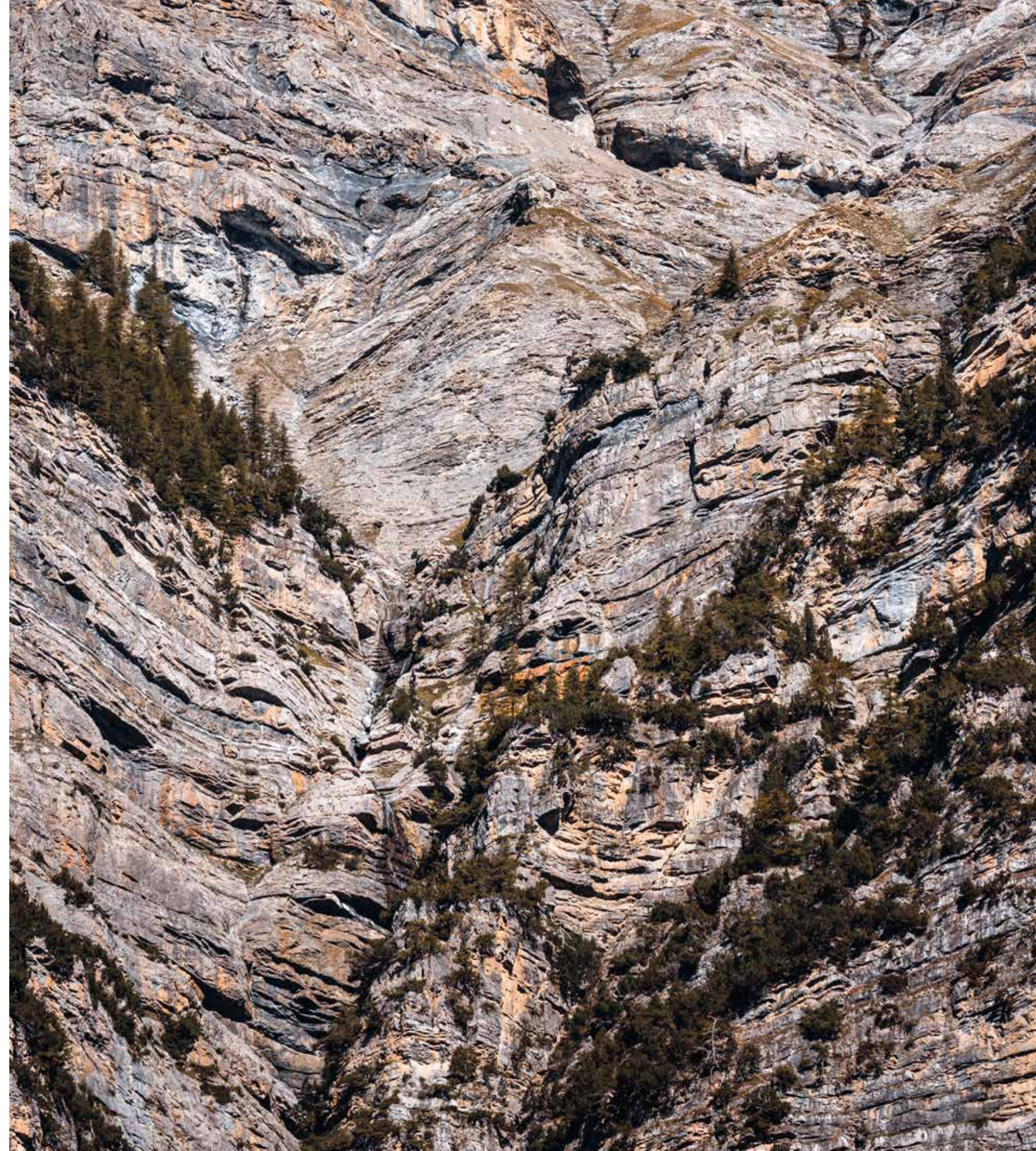
Our sports car tour through the Italian Alps is a journey between nature and luxury, tradition and the modern age. From the highest roads in Europe over winding passes to culinary highlights in Merano, the route offers a peerless fusion of driving delight and pure pleasure. With the perfect blend of stunning scenery and supreme comfort, this day will be unforgettable.



ÖTZTAL GLACIER ROAD

A HIGH ALPINE RIDE TO THE EDGE OF THE ETERNAL ICE

Our journey gets off to a spectacular start. The Ötztal Glacier Road, one of the highest roads in Europe, beckons us up into a world of ice and rock. This toll road reaches an impressive dead end at almost 9,186 feet, the highest drivable point in Austria. Getting there is an experience in itself: The road climbs steadily around challenging hairpins and reveals views over the landscape of the High Alps, dominated by glaciers, deep gorges, and rugged rock formations.



8,232 FT

PASS ALTITUDE

6,191 FT

ELEVATION (IN FEET)

13.7 %

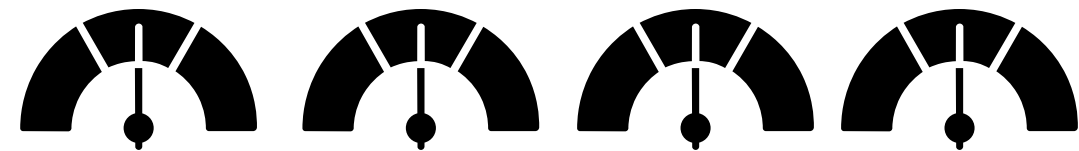
MAXIMUM GRADIENT

30 MI

LENGTH

44

SWITCHBACKS



DIFFICULTY LEVEL (1-5)

ALPINE

RATING



THE PORSCHE 918 SPYDER

The Porsche 918 Spyder is a highly advanced plug-in hybrid supercar that impressively combines driving dynamics and technology.

Its distinctive low-slung body with central tailpipes, low cockpit, and turbine wheels with green-accented brake calipers showcase its racing genes. It's powered by a 4.6-liter V8 naturally aspirated engine with 608 hp and two electric motors, delivering a total system output of 887 hp and maximum torque of 1,280 Nm. This all-wheel-drive powerhouse does 0 to 62 mph in just 2.6 seconds and tops out at 214 mph.

THE MOST SPECTACULAR ROUTES THROUGH THE DOLOMITES AND NORTHERN ITALY

BREATHTAKING LANDSCAPES, FASCINATING SPORTS CARS AND EXCLUSIVE TRAVEL TIPS FOR THE PERFECT ROAD TRIP

Winding mountain passes, secluded roads, and legendary sports cars—pure driving pleasure with exclusive travel experiences. This Callwey book showcases the most stunning routes through the Dolomites and Northern Italy, from challenging high-altitude passes to leisurely drives along the shores of Lake Garda. In addition to detailed maps, it includes insider tips on the best hotels, restaurants, and scenic viewpoints. Striking photography captures the aesthetics of extraordinary vehicles set against breathtaking backdrops, making this the ultimate guide for car enthusiasts, adventurers and connoisseurs alike.

- Inspiring routes with expert tips, detailed maps, and must-see highlights
- Exclusive recommendations for restaurants, hotels, and special stops
- Stunning close-ups of extraordinary cars

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