

### Why is Lake Faak so turquoise?

Three streams and multiple springs feed into Lake Faak. The main tributary, the Wourounitza, carries fine lime crystals from the steep slopes of the Mittagskogel, which reflect the scattered light in the water and create its intense turquoise colour.

Lake Faak is also unique when it comes to purity and freshness. It tops the list of lakes in Carinthia and has received the highest classification in the Carinthian lake report for many years now.





#### **Beauty worth protecting**

For the people who live here, the unique colour of the water is a symbol of Lake Faak's purity, which they protect as their most precious treasure.

#### Lake Faak is a natural gem.

So in order to protect its beauty and purity, we all need to collaborate by displaying mindful behaviour.



Lake Faak is considered one of Austria's most beautiful bathing lakes. Its pure water and the surrounding natural backdrop offer the ideal conditions for swimming.

I love cycling to the lake after work. When there are fewer people at the public beach and I dip into the warm, turquoise water one last time as the sun sets.



Skip the search for parking spots and instead make your way to the lake by bus or bike. My mum always takes aaaages putting sun cream on me. And then I have to wait at least a hundred thousand hours before I'm allowed to go into the water.





Apply a mineral-based sun cream at least 30 minutes before bathing. This protects you and your loved ones and helps to keep the lake water clean.

Every 1.8 years, the water in Lake Faak is completely renewed. This makes it the lake with the highest flow rate and the freshest status of all Carinthia's lakes.



# Show Lake Faak that you care about it and ...

- 1. ... shower before you jump into the lake. By doing so, you avoid cooling down too abruptly and prevent dirt and sweat from entering the lake.
- 2. ... about its waterfowls too: Please don't feed them. Food remains and bird excrement decrease the quality of the water.
- 3. ... apply your sun cream well ahead of time before swimming. Otherwise, the cream is washed right back off, contaminating the lake and putting you at risk of sunburn.
- **4.** ... get on your bike and get with the soft mobility programme: Take the bus or train from time to time.



- 5. ... you're mindful of its surroundings: Avoid creating waste whenever possible and dispose of it properly. The same goes for your dog's waste.
- 6. ... and speaking of dogs: They'll love the water at Lake Faak too. Feel free to let them drink from the lake, but do not let them swim in it
- **7.** ... take care of all your bathroom needs big and small in the toilets and not outdoors or in the lake.

Everything that happens in and around Lake Faak has a direct effect on the quality of the lake water. Help us preserve its purity.

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