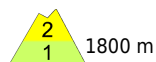


## Sunny and mild, but very windy

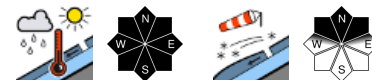


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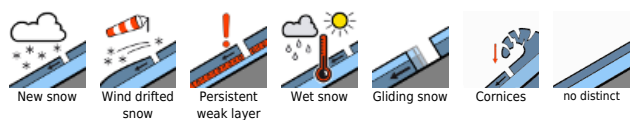
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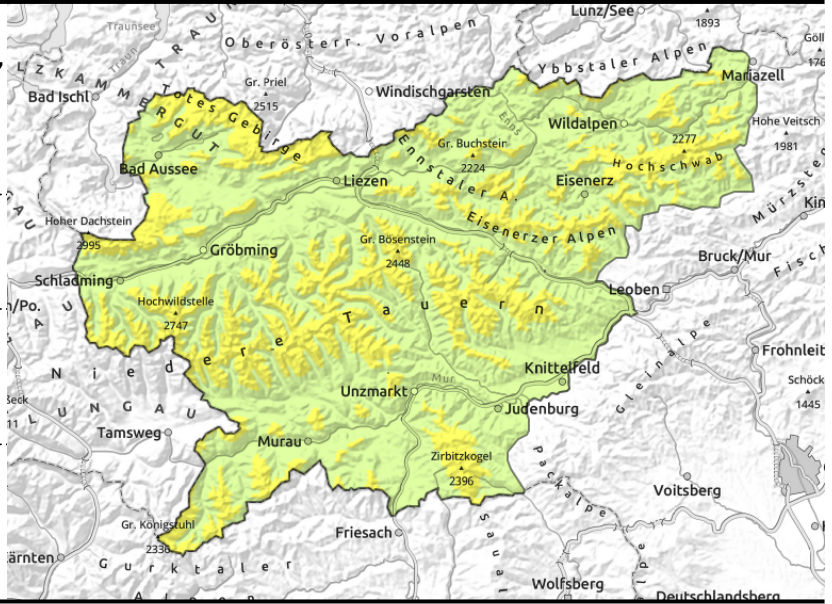
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size and frequency of snowdrifts increase with ascending altitude



increasing as day progresses

## Beware snowdrifts on high-altitude north-facing slopes

Avalanche danger above the treeline is moderate, below that altitude danger is low. Due to strong southerly foehn winds, fresh snowdrift accumulations have been generated on north-facing slopes: attention required. Danger zones increase with ascending altitude, occur behind discontinuities and in gullies and bowls on W/N/E facing slopes, also distant from ridges, slabs can be triggered by 1 person and can be medium-sized. Danger of glide-snow avalanches rising in steep sunny grass-covered terrain at all altitudes. Avoid zones below glide cracks. On sunny slopes, isolated small-to-medium naturally triggered loose-snow avalanches possible in steep rocky terrain.

### Snowpack structure

Due to storm-strength southerly foehn winds, further snowdrift accumulations have been deposited on leeward slopes. Weak layers exist (loose layers & faceted forms) in transitions to the snow base and drifts. Isolated more deeply embedded weak layers near crusts are evident on shady slopes in isolated cases.

At intermediate altitudes the mild temperatures reinforce the moistening of the snowpack, making it more instable, it is beginning to glide over smooth ground. The slopes are becoming bare of snow.

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### Outlook

On Holy Saturday heavy clouds will persist around the Niedere Tauern, showers from them are possible. Elsewhere it will be sunny, winds will be stormy, esp. on the Main Alpine Ridge. Very mild. At 2000 m: +6 degrees. The wet snow problem is coming to the forefront.

#### Avalanche problems



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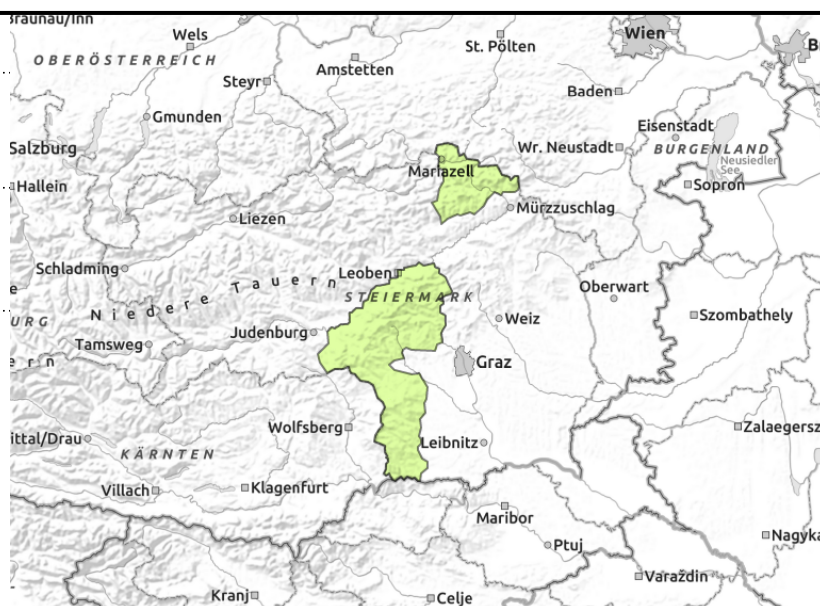
**Stub- und Gleinalpe, Koralpe, Mürzsteiger Alpen**



increasing as day progresses



in very isolated cases, near ridges and summits



**Low avalanche danger - but isolated danger zones**

Avalanche danger is low, but avalanches cannot be ruled out. Fresh snowdrift patches will be generated by southerly winds, depositing new drifts on extended north-facing slopes, these can release small slab avalanches. In addition, from steep slopes which have not yet discharged in all aspects, isolated glide-snow avalanches are still possible.

**Snowpack structure**

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