

Flying Decision

Recipe to never miss a good flying day in the eastern Alps by Lex Robé

>7 Days:

- Do Nothing! ☺

5-7 Days:

- [Soaringmeteo.ch](https://www.soaringmeteo.ch): Thermal Index „ThQ“, Foehn-tendency
- [Windy.com](https://www.windy.com): ECMWF: wind & thunderstorms
- [Meteoblue.ch](https://www.meteoblue.ch): Meteograms for wind- and cloud-distribution

2-5 Days:

- [Soaringmeteo](https://www.soaringmeteo.ch)
 - [XCskies.com](https://www.xcskies.com): Average wind
 - [ZAMG.ac.at](https://www.zamg.ac.at): Cloud cover & rain animation
 - [Skiron](https://www.skiron.com): Dust nucleus -> solar radiation
 - Windy & Meteoblue
 - Phone with flight buddies
- Take vacation!**

Day before:

- [Austrocontrol](https://www.austrocontrol.at)
- [Soaringmeteo](https://www.soaringmeteo.ch), [XCskies](https://www.xcskies.com), [ZAMG](https://www.zamg.ac.at), [Windy](https://www.windy.com)
- [Meteo-Parapente](https://www.meteo-parapente.com): Rain locations, convergence
- Phone: Final check & travel arrangements

Early in the morning:

- [Austrocontrol](https://www.austrocontrol.at): best thermal heights, cloudbase, wind; [Meteo-Parapente](https://www.meteo-parapente.com)
- Webcams: general: [Panomax](https://www.panomax.com), [Foto-Webcam](https://www.foto-webcam.com); Details: local meteo stations

The Day After: Compare the screenshots with own experience to develop better understanding ☺