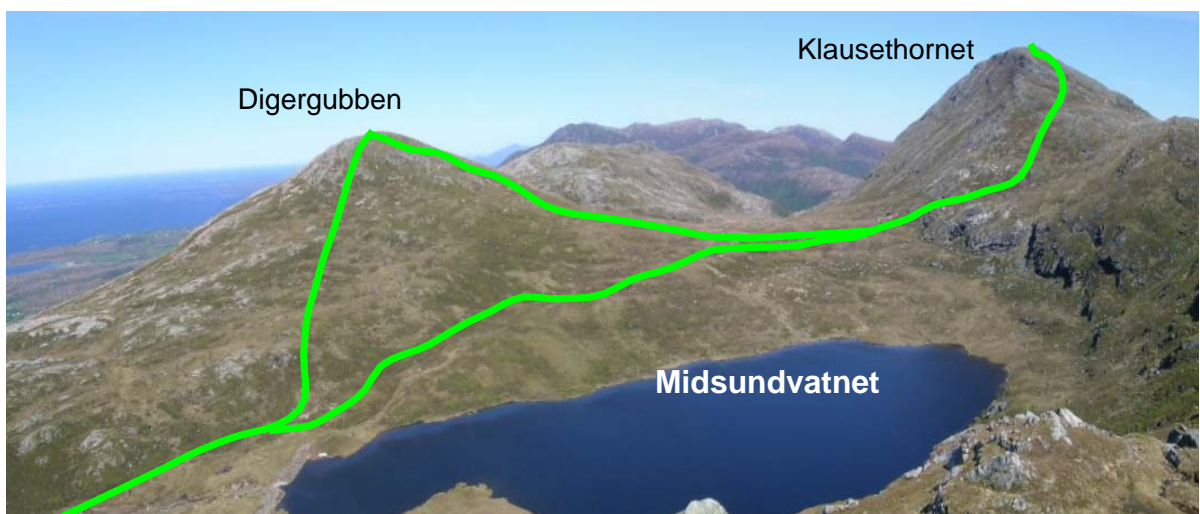




## Klausethornet Midsund

In the southwest part of Otrøya we find several interesting mountains, but Klausethornet (alt. 669 m) is the highest. Here we describe an interesting ascent, using ladders and ropes for support. The view is excellent. The descent will take you to a small lake above the centre of Midsund. From here there are several possibilities, among these Digergubben and Klausethornet.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Klausethornet</b>
Our ranking	★★★★
Location	Southwest part of Otrøya
Time (hours)	2.5 + 2 = 4.5
Total elevation	660 metres
View	★★★★
Direction	Easy, also where there is no path.
Trail	Steep but good up to the plateau, later weak on some parts. Dry all the way.
Airy	A bit (on the initial part)
Map reference	1220 III Brattvåg and 1220 II Vestnes
Miscellaneous	Good weather needed. It may be difficult to find the way in fog.





## Driving instructions



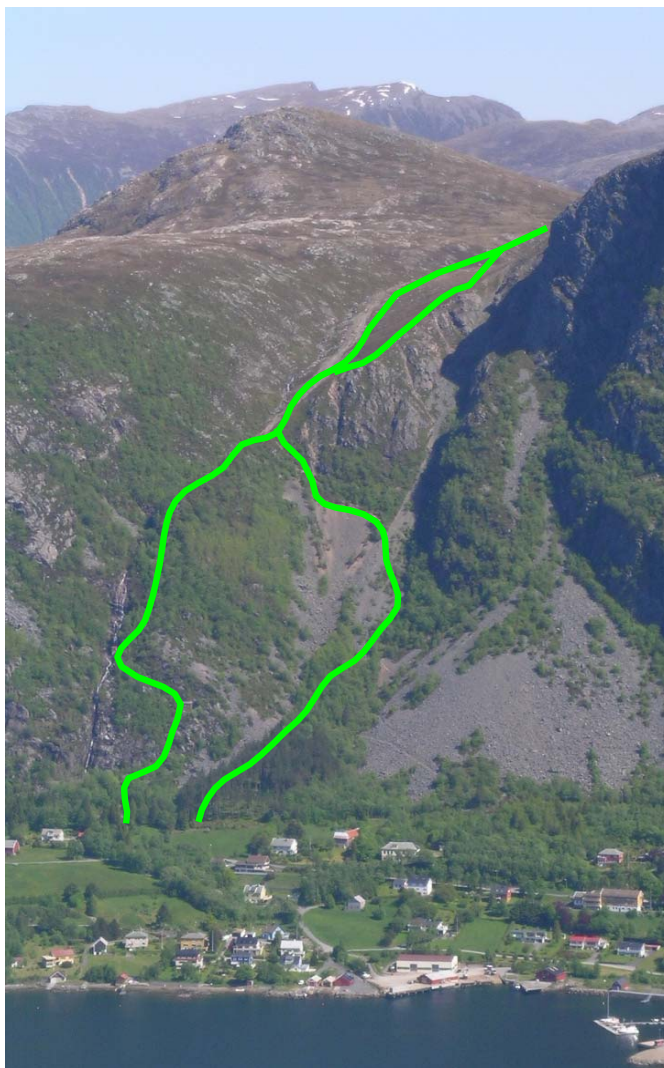
*From Solholmen:* Turn to the right after leaving the ferry and go around the island on its northern side. When you pass the sign for Midsund, go 1.1 km (0.7 miles) further on into the centre. Here the road passes a small stream that comes down a cleft in the mountain to the left. The place is distinguished with aluminium rails on both sides of the road. Just as you have passed the stream you will find a small parking space to your left (close to the picture).

*From Dryna:* Follow signs to Midsund and go all the way to the centre of the community, turn left towards Molde and go approx 0.5 km (0.3 miles) until you get to the space described above.

## Trail description

You can choose between the two parallel trails seen in the picture. The left alternative, the “Waterway” takes you up a set of ladders, then up a steep trail where you have good support from heavy ropes laid out at many places. Here we follow a water pipe most of the way. The right alternative, the “Valley way”, goes through a forest and later crosses the stony area above. This can be a good alternative going up if you are afraid of heights, and is also the easiest way down. However, we will use the “Waterway” as the alternative on the way up, and the “Valley way” for returning home.

Follow the small gravel road shown in the picture on the previous page. Pass a small building and continue further up. Then on to the steep but solid ladders. Take to the left for the next building, and follow a steep



but good path up to a third building. Follow the water pipes, using the ropes for support.

Further up we meet the “Valley way” trail. This place is marked by a concrete cistern embedded in the trail (only the two lids are seen). Just a few metres beyond this point the trail splits again. We can now follow the valley, but the path going up to the right (see picture on next page) offers a better alternative. This goes to a viewpoint marked with a cairn.



Some hundred metres above the cairn the trail takes horizontally off towards the lake (Midsundvatnet) and a small dam. Here you can chose between Klausethornet (alt.

669 metres), Digergubben (alt. 527 metres), or both (see picture on page 11). The trail to Digergubben takes off to the left up the slope, while the trail towards Klausethornet passes the two cottages that are seen further up the valley. If you take Digergubben first, there is a good path from the peak down towards these two cottages. After passing the cottages the trail goes up to the right. When this trail fades out take aim to the right of the peak, and you will find the trail again as you get closer. Follow this trail to the top and enjoy the magnificent view.



We recommend returning the same way, using the "Valley way" alternative on the last part. When you get to the concrete cistern, take the trail to the left as shown in the picture. The trail down is fairly steep at some places, but there are many handholds.