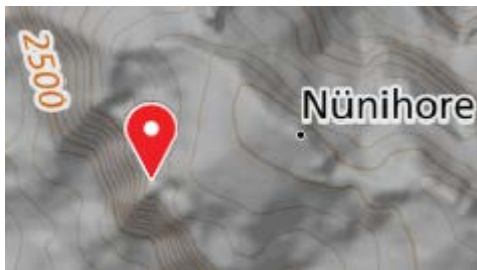


## Finding the right spot

During the last year, many jumpers asked me - how do I find some exit spots in Switzerland? Therefore I like to give you a few recommendations about different sources I'm using to find some spots.

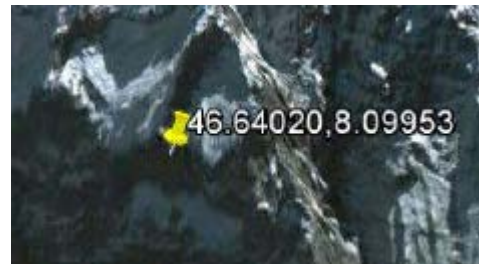
It's very important to prepare yourself, do the proper "Homework" and follow some guidelines to make sure you're jumping from the right place! A mix from the listed sources below will help to find what you're looking for:

- a.) [SwissTopo](#) is providing a wide range of 3D maps. Thereby you can select different colors of the slope angle and easy see the steepness (see sample with 85-90% in dark blue).



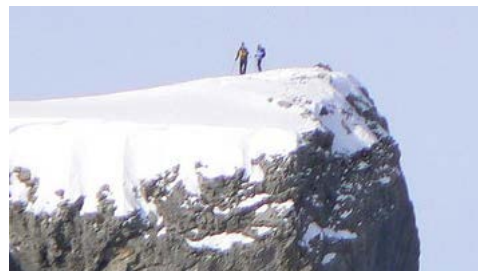
- b.) After you spotted a possible wall, you could look up on [the national map](#) raster the further details. Thereby you can zoom-in and see if the topographic will allow a jump! Additional you'll get the GPS coordinates.

- c.) Parallel it would be helpful to check the spot on [Google Earth](#). At least you'll see the spot in 3D and the possible way to get there.



- d.) To avoid any collisions with any cable in the wingsuit or under canopy, check the out the [FOCA page](#).

- e.) Additional, check on [Google](#) if you'll find some pictures from the wall you like to jump?



- f.) Next to searching for possible exits on the maps, you may find some spots on climbing magazines. Thereby some obviously spots will be illustrated and you just follow the above steps to find the right place!

However, one of the safest way to be at the right place, take another BASE jumper colleague with you, which jumped already at the requested spot!

## Lauterbrunnen local news and landing card 2015

After the [Swiss Base Association](#) renewed their home page designed last year, many BASE jumper news has been posted. Therefore it would be helpful to read the newest information / local rules before you're heading to the valley. And don't forget to online register yourself online plus pay the landing card at Lauterbrunnen!

## Masai – Trackingsuit



The Masai will take your track to a new level. Thanks to its unique inflatable rail design the Masai offers incredible performance and excellent handling.

The use of tracking clothing has grown in popularity over the past decade and is considered standard safety equipment by many BASE jumpers providing better object separation.

The Masai is an innovative one-piece design, featuring inflatable rails that divide the suit into separate cells, the result is better pressurization and increased stability. To further improve performance the suit incorporates the same 'zip in rig' features found on our top end wingsuits. This allows the suit to benefit from the improved aerodynamics of an internal harness system. The suit can still be used for skydiving by passing the main lift webs to the outside with the zip system. The Masai also comes with cordura booties, BASE soles, large lumbar pocket and back fly inlets as standard.

## Stash-Bags made by Stiven Gade

During the last years different Stash-Bag designs came up and every BASE manufacture is making their own type. However, a good model with many useful features has been made by [Stiven Gade from Berlin](#).

These Stash Bags are very useful for long hikes, but even for short trips to have everything stowed away. The Bags are available in different material (light & heavy/strong) and in different colors (even custom color Stash Bags are possible).

So take the chance to get a high quality Stash Bag for your next trips!



## Lobo canopy by Apex BASE



Apex BASE announced the debut of their new, completely redesigned “Lobo” canopy for exclusive use in the demanding BASE environment. There are so many elements in this system that BASE jumpers at all skill levels will appreciate. First, the larger camber makes it stabler in slower flight. Second, the rolled-over nose, a technological crossover inspired by innovations in skydiving and paragliding airfoils, redirects the area of high pressure in front of the nose down, allowing for a smoother flow of air over the airfoil. It has the added benefit of slowing the escape of air during slow flight, as does the optimized cross-port design!

The Lobo comes standard with a list of useful features, several of which are decidedly cutting edge. Vtec (3 of 7 vents on cells 2, 4 and 6), a mesh slider, dual brake settings, color coded line tabs and dual toggle settings. Also standard: a double bridle attachment point that supports the weight of the tail pocket during deployment. The “Multi2” also reduces center cell stripping and helps to maintain the integrity of the pack job. When ordering, jumpers may choose from two tail pocket styles standard or top-loading (a new offering that eliminates the possibility of line dump).

Further infos to the Lobo canopy which is available in sizes from 160 to 350 square feet are at [www.apexbase.com](http://www.apexbase.com)

## Double canopies BASE rig

The Sun Path Products manufactory developed in collaboration with the PULSEteam a two canopies equipment for BASE jumping. Thereby in case of emergency a second canopy could be activated either; if the pilot chute cannot be reached or the main BASE canopy should be cutaway due to uncontrolled twists/flying!

This container system has been test jumped by Oliver during the last year. Thereby it was very convenient, save and simple to handle. The BASE canopy openings are straight and with the new Proxy canopy from PD very soft openings!

Additional this equipment is TSO approved and thereby legal to jump from every helicopter or plane! Perfect to use for any demo/show/stunt jump or for practice (wingsuit) BASE jumps.

So take the chance and rent this unique equipment, if you need extra security during low jumps.





## **Action cameras in comparison**

Since a few years many jumpers are using "Action Cameras" during their jumps. A wide range of different cam types are available at the meantime.

Mainly the GoPro model is used as they have useful adapted assessors, but it's an expensive solution.

Currently are many cameras on the market they similar resolutions, features, etc. Behind this [LINK](#) is an overview from the available cameras.

Looking into alternative cam's compared to GoPro; there are good & much cheaper cameras, special the [OUMOX SJ5000](#) would be a great opportunity to get nice images!



## **Event Days 2015**

Currently are organizing different BASE event organization some competitions all around the world. Thereby I listed up some dates below with their homepage addresses:

Note: If you need an invitation or a reference to one events do not hesitate and contact me. I'll support you to pass the entry procedure!

- 17.-20.06.15, Helicopter Boogie at Kjerag in Lysebotn, Norway - [www.basekjerag.com](http://www.basekjerag.com)
- 2.-05.07.15, World Base Race, Innfjorden Åndalsnes, Norway - [www.worldbaserace.com](http://www.worldbaserace.com)
- 01.-05.10.15, KL Tower, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia - [www.kltowerjump.com](http://www.kltowerjump.com)
- 17.10.15 Bridge Day, Fayetteville, West Virginia, USA - [www.bridgeday.info](http://www.bridgeday.info)

Hope this BASE refresher update gives you an overview on the new available products on the market, upcoming BASE jumping events and a few, interesting topics opens your horizon to think about!?

All BASE refresher updates you'll find at:

[www.oliverfurrer.com/projects\\_BASE\\_jumping\\_refresher](http://www.oliverfurrer.com/projects_BASE_jumping_refresher)

Thereby I posted a list of all equipment used in BASE jumping including all manufactures and product description!

Wish you a great jumping season and greetings from

*Oliver*