Ual Ault Vorab

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Country: Schweiz / Switzerland **Region:** Kanton Graubünden **Subregion:** Region Surselva **Town:** Laax		
Difficulty: a little difficult	**Grading:** v4 a2 III	**Total time:** 6h45
Approachtime: 1h30	**Tourtime:** 4h30	**Returntime:** 45min
Altitude entry: 2320m	**Altitude exit:** 1985m	**Delta Altitude:** 335m
Canyon length: 1700m	**Highest rapell:** 46m	**Amount rapells:** 16
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:** limestone	**Drainage area:** 6.00km²
Season: September - October	**Orientation:** Southeast	**Best Time:** 7-12 o'clock
Rating: ☆ 4 (6)	**Info:** ★ 2.3 (4)	**Belay:** ★ 2 (4)

Specialities:
Glacier in drainage area,

Gear:
Ropes: 1 x 10m, 2 x 50m

Summary: (machine translated)
Small-limbed glacial stream, narrow and beautifully cut

Hydrology: (machine translated)
Beware, the stream is known to rise 5-fold within seconds because the glacier is fully exposed to the sun from sunrise.

Access: (machine translated)
We are coming from Chur on the A18. At the end of the highway, we turn right towards Flims, Laax, Disentis. We drive around Flims in the tunnel and then turn right before the water reservoir into the Laax parking lot at the foot of the mountain railroads. From here we take the Postbus up to Alp Nagens (1970m). Runs Mon - Sun between 8.00 and 17.00 from Laax Bergbahnen to the Nagens mountain station 6 times a day. Last descent: Alp Nagens 17.00 hrs.

Approach: (machine translated)
From the inn we go down again a few meters on the approach road and then turn right (1940m altitude) on a slope that leads us via Alpe Mughels (2000m altitude) to another alp on Sogn Martin. There the exit ends (1985m altitude). We now take a trail that goes up the slope in a northwesterly direction. At about 2110m altitude, we leave the path and keep going in an exactly westerly direction towards "our" stream, which we reach at 2170m altitude. Here it is easy to climb into the creek and we deposit here at least the ropes for the 46m rappel. Until then, a 20m rope is sufficient. Also the backpacks should be packed here and possibly reduced so that the many narrow passages can be mastered without major problems. Thus "relieved" we climb now on the orographic left edge of the canyon upwards. We cross a hiking trail (2230m altitude) and further up we meet a hiking trail that crosses the stream to the left here (2320m altitude). Above the bridge we enter the gravel bed of the stream, where then also immediately begins the gorge.

Tour: (machine translated)
We pinch off through narrow chutes, squeeze through rock crevices following the meanders of the stream and crawl under rock arches. Where we meet our rope depot, the descent becomes more attractive, but also more technically demanding. Below the 46m rappel, a series of smaller steps awaits us until the tour ends at the confluence with the Ual Draus.

Return: (machine translated)
We follow the Ual Draus downstream and after a good 20 minutes come across a path that has just crossed the stream. We initially head ONE, stay left at a fork and come up to the alp where we reached the exit of the slope on the approach (1985m altitude). From here, take the approach path back to the Alp Nagens shuttle bus stop.

Alternatively, instead of heading towards Alp Nagens, follow the signs to Plaun and from there along the piste to the road. The last bus from Alp Nagens to Laax stops at the "Plaun junction" at around 17:05

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 46.8604 9.1845
Canyon End 46.8513 9.1949
Waypoint 46.8554 9.2353
Waypoint 46.8559 9.2241
Waypoint 46.8524 9.2131
Intermediate Canyon Exit 46.8548 9.1932
Waypoint 46.8494 9.2101
Waypoint 46.8460 9.2320
Waypoint 46.8435 9.2470

Reports:

2025-10-18 | Günther Schwarzmann | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | Low | Completed
Access by e-bike from Laax Murschetg via the road to Alp Sogn Martin is recommended (we rode from the Prau Giosch parking lot in Flims via the piste and downhill route, which was very steep). Depot of 2nd rope and backpack advantageous, as the canyon is very narrow in the upper part with only 2 short ropes, which can be downclimbed if there is little water. In the upper part there were up to 1.5 cm thick slabs of ice in the correspondingly cold water. 1-2 places are unpleasant for downclimbing, anchors would not hurt there. At the high abseiling point there is an additional belay about 5m below. From the exit, take the hiking trail back to Alp Sogn Martin. (machine translated)

2025-10-15 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | Low | Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Ual Ault Vorab Bus Alp Nagens, accès en pantalon néoprène en raison de la température. On laisse les cordes et on marche jusqu'au départ. La première section est spectaculaire mais assez éprouvante ; on n'a pas froid. Les gants étaient superflus.Deux rappels de 5 mètres chacun.On récupère les cordes et on se faufile à nouveau dans des passages étroits, éprouvant avec les sacs à dos lourds.La rappel de 50 mètres comporte un autre relais quelques mètres plus bas ; à partir de là, 40 mètres de corde pourraient suffire.Le passage étroit qui suit est très beau et propose une bonne douzaine de rappels jusqu'à environ 15 mètres.Après le canyon, descente vers Plaun, puis jusqu'à l'arrêt de bus de bifurcation Plaun. Arrivée à 16 h 10, une heure avant le dernier bus.L'eau ne coule presque plus, mais les bassins sont tous propres et peu profonds. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22713/observations.html)

2025-10-15 | Christian Balla | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | Low | Completed
Extremely beautiful canyon. Very impressive rock formations. A bit like Segnes in miniature. We hardly had any running water, but the water was extremely cold at around 1°C. In the first part there are two rappels, each about 5m high. You can get in and out very often. You should only have the bare essentials with you here, backpacks/long ropes/barrels/too many carabiners ect are absolutely annoying in the narrow corridors. I will adapt the description to find the optimum position for the "material store". Also in the second part it is very tedious with the backpacks, but the ropes are needed for the C50... Anchoring ok, all single pitons on the low ones. On the C50 there are 2 anchors, but only 1 anchor for the ropes railing to the C50. There are plenty of opportunities to get stuck somewhere, so a higher water level poses a particular danger. We returned via Plaun to the bus stop at the Plaun junction, which saves an enormous amount of altitude compared to the return route to Alp Nargens, last bus from here around 17:05 (machine translated)

2025-10-11 | Bubtore | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | Low | Completed
I like these kind of labyrinth streams, but with the water level definitely more if you want to take nice photos, as it promises a lot of water action. The water didn't move much until we were outside (14:30). (machine translated)

2025-09-21 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | Normal | Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Ual Ault Vorab Eau blanche. Etroitures impressionnantes, ça change de style... (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22713/observations.html)

2025-09-21 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | Normal | Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Ual Ault Vorab Eau banche. Etroitures impressionnantes, ça change de style... (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22713/observations.html)

2025-09-21 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | |
Automatisch importiert von Schlucht.ch für Canyon Ual Ault Vorab, Wasserstand: "Mittel-hoch" Verankerungen: "Gut" Wassermenge hat sich von 11.30 Uhr bis 15 Uhr etwa verdoppelt. (Quelle: https://schlucht.ch/schluchten-der-schweiz-liste/1171-ual-ault-vorab)

2025-09-21 | Patrik Bartel | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ |🕮 |⚓ | High | Completed
Water level roughly doubled from 11.30 -15.00. Lots of glacier milk. (machine translated)

2024-09-29 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | |
Automatisch importiert von Schlucht.ch für Canyon Ual Ault Vorab, Wasserstand: "tief" Verankerungen: "Gut" Sehr schöne "kraxlerei" und Alternative im Herbst, wenn die anderen Schluchten in der Gegend noch zu viel Wasser haben. (Quelle: https://schlucht.ch/schluchten-der-schweiz-liste/1171-ual-ault-vorab)