Maggia

Gole della Maggia,Ponte Brolla

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Country: Schweiz / Switzerland **Region:** Kanton Tessin / Cantone Ticino **Subregion:** Bezirk Locarno **Town:** Tegna

Difficulty: difficult	**Grading:** v1 a5 III	**Total time:** 1h50
Approachtime: 3min	**Tourtime:** 1h30	**Returntime:** 17min
Altitude entry: 240m	**Altitude exit:** 220m	**Delta Altitude:** 20m
Canyon length: 800m	**Highest rapell:** 0m	**Amount rapells:**
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season:	**Orientation:**	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 2.5 (2)	**Info:** ★ 0 ()	**Belay:** ★ 0 ()

Specialities:
Dam (inform operator),

Gear:

Summary: (machine translated)
Here the Maggia has cut a slot in the rock up to 20m deep and about 600m long. At low water level a bathing tour, it can become life-threatening at higher water level - especially by the siphons towards the exit. Above the canyon there is a water drainage, without which the canyon would not be passable.

Many opportunities to practice rope techniques such as flying fox.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
From Locarno in the direction of Intragna, Centovalli, Valle dMaggia we cross the Maggia next to the railroad track on the Ponte Brolla. After the bridge, the railroad and the road make a 90 degree left turn together. After this bend we turn right, cross the railroad and continue on Via ai Grotti for about 300 m until we reach the larger parking lot on the righthand side. Here we park our car.

Approach: (machine translated)
From the eastern exit of the parking lot we come to the former railroad bridge, cross the river on it and then descend left into the riverbed.

Tour: (machine translated)
Entry is usually made by jumping from the left bank into the kettle below the waterfall. You should jump as far as possible in the direction of the far bank to avoid being swept left into the eddy. This is followed by alternating swimming sections, bypassing smaller steps and running sections in the flowing water. There are always opportunities to climb the rocks on both banks and make jumps of up to 20m. There are also several opportunities to get out, especially at the large lake, which awaits us after approx. 250m (from the start of the gorge). After the large lake, the canyon temporarily becomes quite narrow again. The "problem zone" comes about 150m after the large lake. Several siphons, watery debris and rocks blocking the way present us with certain difficulties in finding and overcoming the path. After that, calm waters await us again and in the following left-hand bend of the Maggia, where it widens again into a large bathing lake, we exit to the right onto the "sandy beach".

Return: (machine translated)
From the exit we go up in direction NNW, crossing the railroad track and then turning right on the big road for about 500m until we can turn left again into Via ai Grotti. On this we come back to our parking place.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 46.1892 8.7563
Canyon End 46.1860 8.7492
Parking Entry and Exit 46.1889 8.7551

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Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Maggia Très sympa pour finir la journée. Gorges bien taillées des sauts partout. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/21384/observations.html)

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