Isorno (Inferiore) - Piemont

Valle Isorno inf., Torrente Isorno, Isorno (intermédiaire), Isorno finale, Isorno (finale), Isorno

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Country: Italia / Italy Region: Piemonte Subregion: Verbano-Cusio-Ossola Town: Altoggio		
Difficulty: not as difficult	Grading: v3 a3 IV	Total time: 2h35
Approachtime: 30min	Tourtime: 2h	Returntime: 5min
Altitude entry: 600m	Altitude exit: 460m	Delta Altitude: 140m
Canyon length: 800m	Highest rapell: 28m	Amount rapells: 6
Transport: Car required	Rock type:	Drainage area: 47.25km²
Season: June - September	Orientation: South	Best Time:
Rating: 🖈 4.7 (19)	Info: 🖈 2.8 (12)	Belay: ★ 2.8 (16)

Specialities:

Dam (autom. flushing), Dam (inform operator),

Gear:

Ropes: 1x15m, 1x30m, 1x35m

Summary: (machine translated)

Short, gloomy canyon with impressive ambience.

Hydrology: (machine translated)

From a very large catchment area, flow regulated 3 km upstream at the dam.

Very sporty over 100 l/s.

Upstream dam with automatic opening in case of overflow. When the level of retention (visible from the upstream part) is low, low risk. If the level rises (in case of heavy rainfall) a siren is triggered.

CALL BEFORE DESCENDING:

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Access: (machine translated)

Coming from the south on the SS33, we drive past Domodossola and take the exit to the north of this town. From here we head east and then cross the bridge over the Isorno to the orographic left bank of the river. Here we continue upstream to the exit of the road (P2 - parking exit). The last 3.5 km are on a bumpy sand road.

Take the second car back across the Isorno and then up to Altoggio. Here we park either in the large square at the entrance to the village or near the church.

See approach and relocation sketch in photo gallery.

Approach: (machine translated)

In the village, walk in front of the church, before the short staircase turn right underneath a row of houses in the direction of the fields. Behind the house, briefly turn left and then soon right again across the meadow into the northeast corner of the cultivated fields. Here we find a wayside shrine and just behind it the beginning of a clear path. After passing the wayside shrine, we go downhill in switchbacks. We ignore the first path branching off in a serpentine, our path branches off to the left about 130m before reaching the bridge (stone man). Ascend about 10hm into a small saddle, then descend straight into the shallow valley on the other side. We soon reach a small house on the canyon rim. Here we now descend (yellow markers) to the bottom of the gorge - handrails are provided in sections.\n\Man can also ascend from the lower parking lot to the entry. The path is registered in the OSM but should be difficult to find.

Tour: (machine translated)

- * Short downclimb
- * 18m rappel from chain on the right (can be jumped after 4m, narrow but deep pool)
- * 5min downclimb
- * 12m rappel or jump
- * 28m rappel from chain right. You can also rappel two meters in advance through a crevice into the dome behind the waterfall. If there is a lot of water, however, it can be difficult to pass under the waterfall.
 - * 50m swim in a great atmosphere
 - * 15m rappel from chain on the right, can also be jumped
 - * 18m rappel from the chain on the left
 - * 15m rappel from the chain on the top left

This is followed by another longer swim through the last pool, which is bordered by a dam. Climb up the left side of the dam over iron pins and then rappel 8m from two anchors on the right.

Return: (machine translated)

After the last rappel and the large pool, we climb down over the small dam and exit about 50m to the left via an overgrown forest road. In 2017 there were dozens of beehives in the exit area, so be careful.

Coordinates:

Canyon Start <u>46.1722 8.3550</u>
Parking at Exit <u>46.1649 8.3573</u>
Parking at Entry <u>46.1671 8.3456</u>
Canyon End <u>46.1668 8.3581</u>

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don't walk on rocks with sandy shoes..... Please tap \coprod (machine translated)
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As Elke has already described, before the bridge the first left turn is easily recognizable, then turn left again

before it gets steep. The cairn is about 5m to the left of the path. (machine translated)