Lodrino (inferiore)

Lodrino,Val Lodrino

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Country: Schweiz / Switzerland **Region:** Kanton Tessin / Cantone Ticino **Subregion:** Bezirk Riviera **Town:** Lodrino		
Difficulty: difficult	**Grading:** v5 a5 IV	**Total time:** 3h50
Approachtime: 15min	**Tourtime:** 3h30	**Returntime:** 5min
Altitude entry: 490m	**Altitude exit:** 280m	**Delta Altitude:** 210m
Canyon length: 900m	**Highest rapell:** 45m	**Amount rapells:** 16
Transport: Car optional	**Rock type:** granite	**Drainage area:** 17.00km²
Season: July - September	**Orientation:** Northeast	**Best Time:** 10-14 o'clock
Rating: ☆ 4.9 (32)	**Info:** ★ 2.8 (22)	**Belay:** ★ 2.6 (31)

Warnings:
inactive: *Avoid disturbance through mass canyoning* (11.08.25 - 31.08.25)
After RIC 2025 big groups have been reported that caused litter at the parking sites, occupied private property, partied loud after canyoning and parked without considering access by local inhabitants. Local communities are already pissed! In order to avoid negative consequences and regulations please make sure that you act considering the environment and local communities. Please us every car completey to avoid congestions at the parkings, use alternative parking, be quiet, restict whistle use in the canyon to a minimum, respect local catholic culture by not undressing visibly and use clothing for ascent. Do not party after canyoning in the parking spots and remove your litter please!

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 2x 50m

Summary: (machine translated)
Rappel canyon in beautiful granite rock with optional jumps. Very beautiful, deep canyon with turbulent pools and crystal-clear water.

Hydrology: (machine translated)
Can only be walked on without risk after prolonged dry spells

Indicative measuring point, no direct measured value:
Little: <150l/sec; Medium: 150-400l/sec; Much: 400-1000l/sec>; Too much: 1000l/sec
https://www.hydrodaten.admin.ch/it/seen-und-fluesse/stationen-und-daten/2612

Access: (machine translated)
From the freeway junction (Gotthard/Bernardino) north of Bellinzona on the N 2 northwards. Shortly after passing through Cresciano, turn left and drive to the other side of the valley to Lodrino (approx. 12 km from the interchange). Enter the village (on the right) and after the bridge over the stream take the 3rd street on the left. Park your first car behind the cemetery (not at the storage hall) (do not use the parking spaces in front of the supermarket and under the trees in the center of the village). With the second car, drive north towards Iragna and after almost 2 km (from Lodrino), immediately after the houses of Rodaglio, at a commercial establishment (GPS coordinates: 46°19'02.46 "N / 8°58'19.70 "E), just after an inconspicuous chapel, turn left onto a small road that takes us up to the houses of Legri (a fork to the right). - The road continues straight ahead until it ends in an open area (helipad) (or continues as a dirt road to the west). Park the second car here.

The road to the upper parking lot is a private road with toll.

Approach: (machine translated)
From the upper parking lot, descend on the mentioned slope and where it makes a left turn, turn right onto a path that takes us down to the stream in 15 min (entry). If you have only 1 car, you can go up from Lodrino on a trail to Legri, then take the tarred road to the left to the upper parking area described. Access then about 1 hr. 15 min. in total.

Tour: (machine translated)
The Lodrino is accessible without risk only after prolonged drought. If you look up into the narrows at the exit of the canyon (easily accessible from the orographic left side), you get at least an approximate impression of the situation. After some smaller slides and jumps, you are in front of the first real rappel point, a winding 15m channel. If the water level allows it, rappel 15m from the left, or cross to the right to the other exit of the pool and jump down 10m from there. After a few nice bends, you are in front of an almost vertical 11m slide. Dangerous rock bay on the left, keep right when surfacing. Can also be rappelled left. This is followed by an 8m rappel from anchors on the left and two narrow, winding rock canyons before the canyon widens considerably (pathless escape on the left). The second part of the gorge begins with a 7m slide and a 7m jump into a deep pool. This is followed by a very photogenic 9m rappel (Can also be jumped). The next, wild-looking 5m rappel either rappel in the water or bypass right on traverese rope. At the big rappel from two anchors on the right, rappel 5m (install rope traverse) to reach the actual belaystation on the left under the edge. Here it goes down 45m into a large pool. Here you can escape to the right. Pass the dam on the right and downclimb through the chaos of blocks. The last waterfall either rappel 37m from the right in the water jet, or traverse to the left over fixed ropes to a dry belaystation. Finally, rappel another 22m from the belaystation at the top right. Exit possible on a paved path after the 45m rappel. The chute at the beginning of the penultimate (37m) rappel can be avoided by rappelling out of the wire entanglement on the left above; but the turbulence down in the big pool cannot be avoided. Can be well connected with Lodrino med.

Return: (machine translated)
After leaving the bottleneck left over the stone wall and gravel road back to the parking lot.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 46.2963 8.9710
Parking at Exit 46.3025 8.9784
Parking at Entry 46.2978 8.9733
Canyon End 46.3008 8.9770
Waterlevel Checkpoint 46.3008 8.9772

Reports:

2026-09-05 | Demouser | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | | 👍 Completed
I have been here!

2025-10-28 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Lodrino (inférieur) TOP! Instalaciones en perfecto estado! (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2672/observations.html)

2025-10-27 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Lodrino (inférieur) Debit correct voire faible pour ce canyon à cette époque, de la neige présente sur les sommets mais la température assez basse n'a pas joué sur le débit pendant la journée.nous avons aussi descendu la partie intermédiaire. Le tob de 11 mètres dans le début de la partie inf était praticable mais attention au drossage en bas à gauche. Une personne en sécu sur corde peut être une bonne chose. Équipement en état. Corde en fixe dans le même état que les canyons de la région . Canyon tjrs aussi beau, un incontournable (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2672/observations.html)

2025-10-19 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Lodrino (inférieur) RAS. Aucun problèmes liés au débit ou mouvement d'eau...Juste rester attentif à l'état des MC.Magnifique mais ca tout le monde le sait... (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2672/observations.html)

2025-10-16 | Pepijn Hoeksema | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Good trip

2025-10-09 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 High | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Lodrino (inférieur) Débit d'eau similaire à celui de l'Intermedio, mais à notre avis, l'Inferior est plus facile à gérer que l'Intermedio en termes d'eau. Une descente de rêve au Tessin ! (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2672/observations.html)

2025-10-09 | Christian Balla | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ ★ | 〰 High | 👍 Completed
Impressive canyon. Some anchor points are loose. (machine translated)

2025-09-22 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Crazy | 👎 Not done
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Lodrino (inférieur) (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2672/observations.html)

2025-09-21 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Lodrino (inférieur) Dc+ juste mythique avec rocosifreeski et suze51First time pour moi sublime. Des beaux sauts et tobs. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2672/observations.html)

2025-09-21 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Lodrino (inférieur) DC+ (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2672/observations.html)

2025-09-19 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Lodrino (inférieur) DC ça a bien baissé par rapport à hier (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2672/observations.html)

2025-09-18 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 High | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Lodrino (inférieur) GD Tout passe, sortie de vasques facile (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2672/observations.html)

2025-09-18 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Crazy | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Lodrino (inférieur) GD, ça pousse fort dans l'actif mais tout passe bien. Équipements ++ (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2672/observations.html)

2025-09-09 | Pepijn Hoeksema | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ | 〰 High | 👍 Completed
The tube was fun to rappel! Water higher then normal but good to manage. Beautiful canyon!

Parts:
Lodrino (superiore) dx, v4 a4 III, 2h+5h+20min
Lodrino (intermedio), v4 a5 IV, 30min+2h30+15min
Lodrino (inferiore), v5 a5 IV, 15min+3h30+5min