Val Grande (inferiore)

Val Grande inferiore,Riale Teia,Gordevio - Val Grande Inferiore

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Country: Schweiz / Switzerland **Region:** Kanton Tessin / Cantone Ticino **Subregion:** Bezirk Vallemaggia **Town:** Gordevio		
Difficulty: a little difficult	**Grading:** v3 a4 III	**Total time:** 3h50
Approachtime: 45min	**Tourtime:** 3h	**Returntime:** 5min
Altitude entry: 470m	**Altitude exit:** 325m	**Delta Altitude:** 145m
Canyon length: 700m	**Highest rapell:** 30m	**Amount rapells:** 11
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** 9.60km²
Season: June - September	**Orientation:** Southwest	**Best Time:** 11-15 o'clock
Rating: ☆ 4.1 (24)	**Info:** ★ 2.8 (13)	**Belay:** ★ 2.8 (20)
Specialities:		

Gear:
Ropes: 2x 30m

Summary: (machine translated)
Watery rappel canyon with slides. Very nice gneiss rock, very clean, nice pools, good rappel, pleasant length, very grippy.

Hydrology: (machine translated)
Highest point in the catchment area 2218m; 2/3 of the catchment area is forested/meadows.

Access: (machine translated)
Coming from Locarno, turn into the Maggia Valley at Ponte Brola. After about 4.5 km, cross the stream coming from Val Grande and, immediately after the bridge, turn right onto a dirt road. This is followed to its exit, the last meters across an agricultural estate. Now on the side of the road above the stream park car.

An alternative access is via the tarred road that leaves to the right before the bridge. Park here in front of the barrier in a suitable place.

Approach: (machine translated)
From the parked car on the path further upstream, keeping right through the estate of a "collector" and on a bridge over the stream. Here you can easily see the last part of the descent. After the bridge, go up on the tarred road. This crosses the Val Grande again. Where you reach some houses you go up on a mule track under chestnut trees on the right towards Salvabella - at the same time apparently a kind of Calvary path. At a prominent bend to the left, a path branches off to the right under the trees. But leave it after a few meters to the right and on unclear tracks steeply down to the stream (entry).

Description if you park at the barrier:
From the barrier approx. 50m to the first small stone bridge (water level check!) --> then along the road over iron bridge with wooden beams up to right small stone house with hiking mark --> past behind the house over small wooden bridge --> past small chapel --> further up again small wooden bridge and house with stables --> up again. Wooden bridge and house with stable --> now it's only a few meters until a trail mark on the rock and right. a tree with a hole in the middle show the way to the streambed (450Hm) --> after a short distance descend via rope traverse into the streambed.

Tour: (machine translated)
After the entry come 3 small pools with short slides --> 20m rappel left or 7m rappel and 8m jump (!) --> very nice 30m rappel in large pools --> from here the canyon is somewhat narrower --> there are several rappels that are always well visible by fixed ropes or in more water alternatives open --> who high jumps in deep pools comes in this canyon at his expense --> at the end you come back to the stone bridge where another beautiful 20m rappel with a 5m slide crowns the conclusion.

Return: (machine translated)
After the slide right up over stone bridge to the road (parking lot).

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 46.2219 8.7583
Canyon End 46.2218 8.7459
Parking Entry and Exit 46.2215 8.7465

Reports:

2025-10-05 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Grande (inférieur) Moins d'eau que dans leVal di Gei. Mais une superbe canyon que nous avons effectuée depuis le départ jusqu'au pont de pierre. L'accès n'est pas très facile à trouver et la fin est une descente raide, mais équipée de cordes fixes. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2683/observations.html)

2025-10-05 | Christian Balla | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Partly only single hooks, many old anchors, partly wobbly or not correct in the rock. Cold water at this time of year. Air temperature was pleasant. (machine translated)

2025-09-21 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Grande (inférieur) Une corde coupée malheureusement sur la C18. Merci aux prochains de la ramasser (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2683/observations.html)

2025-09-21 | Jeanne Picart | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
We had to cut a rope on the C18... Thanks to the next ones to throw it away or reuse it (machine translated)

2025-09-20 | Kris Klein | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
We rappelled down the high jump at the beginning and the last two slides at the bridge before the exit, the last one had really good water pressure and the pool didn't look that deep. Otherwise a beautiful canyon with the rocks. (machine translated)

2025-09-19 | Joey CIA | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ |🕮 |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Everything top. Partly slippery (machine translated)

2025-09-09 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 High | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Grande (inférieur) Toboggan du bas :Avant dernier : okDernier : seulement 3m en rappel corde Courte (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2683/observations.html)

2025-08-20 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Grande (inférieur) Fait entre les orages. Les deux toboggans finaux paraissent difficilement réalisables sans se mettre en danger. Il y a une dalle en rive droite sur le premier à l'arrivée et des sections casse-cou sur le second. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2683/observations.html)

2025-08-20 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Grande (inférieur) (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2683/observations.html)

2025-08-16 | Raimund | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Everything OK. (machine translated)

2025-08-14 | Michele Dini | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Better than the top (machine translated)

2025-08-14 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Crazy | 👎 Not done
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Grande (inférieur) Warning: Avoid disturbance through mass canyoning (11.08.25 - 31.08.25)After RIC 2025 big groups have been reported that cause litter at the parking sites, occupy private property, party loud after canyoning and park 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 fill each car completely to avoid congestions in the parking lots, use alternative parking, be quiet, limit whistle signals in the canyon, respect local catholic culture by not undressing visibly and use clothing for ascent. Do not party after canyoning in the parking lots and remove your litter please! (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2683/observations.html)

2025-08-12 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed

Parts:
Val Grande (superiore), v4 a3 IV, 1h15+3h50+30min
Val Grande (inferiore), v3 a4 III, 45min+3h+5min