

Rio Rivas

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Country: Italia / Italy Region: Friuli Venezia Giulia Subregion: Udine Town: Chiusaforte		
Difficulty: a little difficult	Grading: v4 a2 II	Total time: 2h55
Approach time: 25min	Tour time: 2h30	Return time: 0min
Altitude entry: 720m	Altitude exit: 425m	Delta Altitude: 295m
Canyon length: 600m	Highest rappel: 40m	Amount rappels: 7
Transport: on Foot	Rock type:	Drainage area: km ²
Season:	Orientation:	Best Time:
Rating: ★ 3 (10)	Info: ★ 2.6 (11)	Belay: ★ 2.8 (9)
Specialities:		
Gear: Ropes: 2x40m		
Summary: (machine translated) Short, beautiful lime canyon; belays were renewed in May 2024 with glued anchors; short, steep access; can be easily combined with Rio Pliz or Rio Malimberg. Adventurous access to the upper part.		
Hydrology:		
Access: (machine translated) From Chiusaforte, drive into the Raccolana Valley. Approx. 1.2 km after the bridge over the Raccolana stream, there is a large gravel parking place on the right and a power station site on the left. Either park here or better a little further up directly 2m next to the Rivas exit (space for 2 cars with ground clearance + approx. 50m further along the road possibly before the bridge on the right before the barrier again space for 2 cars).		
Approach: (machine translated) From the small parking lot right next to the Rivas stream (with the small concrete house in the water) you can judge the amount of water. Continue along the very steep and not always clearly visible path (trail) on the orographic left side, through the forest. After about 20 minutes and a few meters of ascent, you cross over a small rinse to the left and you are already standing directly in the Rivasbach. Entry at 600m. If you want to do the upper part (but it is not interesting), continue up. At a small game feeding station, cross left into the valley of the Rio Rivas (exposed). You reach the bottom of the valley by abseiling twice (1 abseiling point is a narrow gap) - see links + video		
Tour: (machine translated) The Rivas is a short, rewarding, open, not too difficult lime canyon that was newly equipped with glued anchors in 2024. As an alternative to the belays, some steps outside the water flow can be rappelled from tree slings. The canyon is a good alternative if other canyons have too much water or simply as a half-day tour. Right at the beginning there is a narrow section with a clamping block under which you rappel. This is followed by several abseils in quick succession. At the highest abseil point (approx. 40m) there is a belay on the left and right, whereby an intermediate belay can be used after 15m on the right. There are also 2 more rappels of 25m and 15m before descending over the last rock steps on the right (alternatively: rappel down short steps via anchors). In the shallow streambed you will soon reach the concrete house and the bridge with the parking lot (approx. 440m).		
Return: (machine translated) Get off just left of the bridge. Depending on parking possibilities, return to the parking lot.		
Coordinates: Parking Entry and Exit 46.3960 13.3311 Canyon End 46.3959 13.3312 Canyon Start 46.3933 13.3325		

Reports:

2025-08-31 | Florian Heufler | ★★★★☆ | ☰ ★★★★ | ⚓ ★★★★ | ⚓ Normal | 🤗 Completed

After the water level dropped, it was still possible to do this fun vertical rappel canyon! Would be easily accessible even at high water levels! Top anchors and perfectly secured (machine translated)

2025-08-29 | Florian Heufler | ☰ ★★★★ | ⚓ | ⚓ High | 🚫 Not done

Water level high after the rainfall of the night, if the tour is known ascent wsl possible, but group decision not to enter as also unstable weather forecast for today (machine translated)

2025-08-24 | Péter Bonczi | ★★★★ | ☰ ★★★★ | ⚓ ★★★★ | ⚓ Normal | 🤗 Completed

All TOP (machine translated)

2025-07-26 | Georg Rudelstorfer | ★★★★★ | ☰ ★★★★ | ⚓ ★★★★ | ⚓ High | 🤗 Completed

Walked at slightly higher water level. All insurances top! Very nice tour when others have too much water. Can be combined well with Rio Costa. (machine translated)

2025-07-26 | Péter Bonczi | ★★★★ | ☰ ★★★★ | ⚓ ★★★★ | ⚓ High | 🤗 Completed

Good flow after the morning rain. Equipment in perfect condition. (machine translated)

2024-10-23 | Péter Bonczi | ★★★★ | ☰ ★★★ | ⚓ ★★★★ | ⚓ Normal | 🤗 Completed

A clear, signposted, approach. Perfect equipment. (machine translated)

2024-10-19 | Max H. | ★★★★★ | ☰ ★★★ | ⚓ ★★★ | ⚓ High | 🤗 Completed

Only walked the lower part. Very nice tour when there was a bit more water. Siphon at the second rappel was still negligible. The amount of water on the rappel was manageable. Key point with more water probably the first abseil channel under the rock. (machine translated)

2024-05-30 | Thomas Fras | ★★★★ | ☰ ★★★★ | ⚓ ★★★★ | ⚓ Normal | 🤗 Completed

Has just been fitted with lots of new glued anchors. thanks, as always good work from the Italians :-) (machine translated)

2023-10-15 | Rick Paapy | ★★★★ | ☰ ★★★★ | ⚓ ★★★★ | ⚓ Low | 🤗 Completed

Perfect little afternoon trip, low water all the anchors are in perfect condition, hiking up the trail so now and then disappears, but with Gaia maps good to find.

2023-07-08 | Jak87 | ★★★ | ☰ ★★★ | ⚓ ★★★ | ⚓ Low | 🤗 Completed

Forra usually with little water (machine translated)

2023-04-11 | Daniel Sturm | ☰ ★★★ | ⚓ | 🚫 Not done

Coordinates and description edited. (machine translated)

2023-03-09 | System User | ★ | ☰ | ⚓ | |

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