

Rio Macile (Rio Brussine)

Rio Brussine, Rio le Macile

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Country: Italia / Italy Region: Friuli Venezia Giulia Subregion: Udine Town: Chiusaforte		
Difficulty: a little difficult	Grading: v4 a4 IV	Total time: 3h25
Approach time: 40min	Tour time: 2h30	Return time: 15min
Altitude entry: 600m	Altitude exit: 350m	Delta Altitude: 250m
Canyon length: m	Highest rappel: 60m	Amount rappels: 12
Transport:	Rock type:	Drainage area: km ²
Season:	Orientation: North	Best Time:
Rating: ★ 4.1 (26)	Info: ★ 2.7 (24)	Belay: ★ 2.9 (24)

Specialities:

Gear:

Ropes: 2x60m

Summary:

Bach is known both as Brussine and Macile (Brussine is used on some maps, but the Italians know the stream as "Macile"). Macile is a "pro canyon", i.e. all abseiling points are equipped with Inox chains and glued anchors. In 2021, the canyon was also equipped with SOS badges from the canyoning rescue service.

Clean, cold water; beautiful aquatic lime canyon; middle part is more incised; some narrow sections that can be dangerous at higher water levels; check the water level of the canyon and river before the tour; final waterfall 60m, upper part possible but uninteresting because only "block hopping", lower part jump, slide and rappel canyon.

Hydrology:

Access:

From Chiusaforte drive in the direction of Sella Nevea. Park on the left immediately after crossing the Raccolana (space for 1 car), or in the village beforehand.

From Carnia, take the SS13 towards Tarvisio --> at the exit of the village of Chiusaforte, turn right towards "Sella Nevea"/Raccolana --> follow the road straight ahead --> before the bridge over the Raccolana stream, turn right into a road that leads to a large parking lot. When you reach the embankment at Racolana, turn left and stand at the exit of the parking lot -> there are steps leading up the embankment and down to the streambed of the Raccolana. The way back through the riverbed of the Fella and the Raccolana is a good way out.

Approach:

After the bends, a path starts on the right which is marked with a wooden sign "Rio Macile" including canyoning markings. The path first leads slightly downhill parallel to path 638 -> you cross a streambed and then it goes slightly uphill again over the ridge before you then go slightly downhill (insured downhill with barrier tapes) (approx. 520Hm). to the streambed of the Macile/Brussine directly before the first rappel/jump point. The path was newly created by the AIC in fall 2021 and is the fastest and most ergonomic access to the Rio Macile. Fast walkers can easily complete the access in under 30 minutes.

Tour:

The first spot (SOS 12) is a rappel (C10), but can usually also be jumped. You can also rappel at SOS 11, but it is also an extremely fun slide that is actually always possible (as of April 2024). The canyon narrows visibly. A few smaller abseils follow. At SOS 8, the last escape route is on the right.

This is followed by several smaller abseils, some of which must be completed in the water. The final section is a 60m rappel that leads directly into the Fella riverbed. If no 60m ropes are available, you can exit to the left after the last narrow section and descend via an embankment and stone channel.

Return: (machine translated)

Follow the Fella upstream until the Raccolana stream flows into the Fella. Cross the streambed of the Raccolana and continue upstream to the right until you reach the concrete steps (about 50m before the bridge over the Raccolana).

Coordinates:

Canyon Start [46.3995 13.3056](#)

Parking Entry and Exit [46.4054 13.3160](#)

Canyon End [46.4027 13.3030](#)

Reports:

2025-08-24 | Alfredo | ★★★★★ | □ ★★★ | ⚓ ★★★ | ≙ Normal | 🌟 Completed

All correct. the rappel/jump number 5 is too shallow to jump. the rest of the rappels and slides are possible. (machine translated)

2025-08-20 | System User | | □ | ⚓ | ≙ Normal | 🌟 Completed

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2025-07-27 | Georg Rudelstorfer | ★★★★★ | □ ★★★ | ⚓ ★★★ | ≙ High | 🌟 Completed

Everything top as always but a bit slippery at the moment. First jump and slide possible without any problems. All pools are deep enough. (machine translated)

2025-07-23 | System User | | □ | ⚓ | ≙ Normal | 🌟 Completed

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2025-07-23 | System User | | □ | ⚓ | ≙ Normal | 🌟 Completed

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2025-07-23 | Bina | ★★★★★ | □ ★★★ | ⚓ ★★★ | ≙ Normal | 🌟 Completed

The watercolor is a dream. (machine translated)

2025-07-20 | Martin Jasek | ★★★★★ | □ ★★★ | ⚓ ★★★ | ≙ Normal | 🌟 Completed

Very nice canyon, maybe a little short, but from the start to the end is full of jumps, slides and rappels. Really slippery at the moment, be careful.

2025-07-10 | Marco Heltai | ★★★★★ | □ ★★★ | ⚓ ★★★ | ≙ Normal | 🌟 Completed

Very nice short canyon very well equipped by AIC (thanks to AIC)

2025-07-06 | Erik Weisz | ★★★★★ | □ ★★★ | ⚓ ★★★ | ≙ Low | 🌟 Completed

Great day at Brussine. The first jump we rappelled, but the slide after it was fine. The rappel before the 60m could use a traverse anchor or a sling around a tree on the right, you could only reach the current anchor by jumping/sliding into a small pool, or doing a dangerous, slippery traverse (maybe after heavy rains it's fine). Other than that great protection.

2025-07-05 | Horst Lambauer | ★★★★ | □ ★★★ | ⚓ ★★★ | ≙ Low | 🌟 Completed

All jumps work, the first one is in contact with the ground. The slide is also ok. Very slippery at the moment. Stands all superiore (machine translated)

2025-06-07 | Péter Bonczi | ★★★★ | □ ★★★ | ⚓ ★★★ | ≙ Normal | 🌟 Completed

Everything works fine. (machine translated)

2025-05-31 | Manni | ★★★★★ | □ ★★★ | ⚓ ★★★ | ≙ Normal | 🌟 Completed

Top abseiling stands, sometimes a bit slippery, pool deep enough for jumping and sliding (machine translated)

2025-05-18 | Andi Schober | ★★★★★ | □ ★★★ | ⚓ ★★★ | ≙ Normal | 🌟 Completed

Water level normal, good flow; stands all tip top (machine translated)

2025-04-08 | Rick Paapy | ★★★★★ | □ ★★★ | ⚓ ★★★ | ≙ Normal | 🌟 Completed

all anchors good, all pools the same as last year. nice flow!

2024-10-01 | Manuel Reindl | ★★★★★ | □ ★★★ | ⚓ ★★★ | ≙ High | 🌟 Completed

More water than normal but easily manageable. Some of the pools are receding. (machine translated)

2024-08-31 | Florian Heufler | ★★★★★ | □ ★★★ | ⚓ ★★★ | ≙ Low | 🌟 Completed

Stands ok, one of the funniest slides in Friuli (SOS11) Otherwise everything is great! New parking lot, turn right before the small bridge towards Raccolana. Jumps, slides, rappels - everything is there and sometimes very narrow, but really fun when the water level is right (machine translated)