Carecchio (Inferiore)

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Country: Schweiz / Switzerland **Region:** Kanton Tessin / Cantone Ticino **Subregion:** Bezirk Locarno **Town:** Verzasca		
Difficulty: difficult	**Grading:** v4 a5 V	**Total time:** 5h30
Approachtime: 1h15	**Tourtime:** 4h	**Returntime:** 15min
Altitude entry: 880m	**Altitude exit:** 520m	**Delta Altitude:** 360m
Canyon length: 2400m	**Highest rapell:** 40m	**Amount rapells:** 23
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season: June - October	**Orientation:**	**Best Time:** 9-16 o'clock
Rating: ☆ 4.5 (7)	**Info:** ★ 2.1 (7)	**Belay:** ★ 2.3 (7)
Specialities:		

Gear:
Ropes: 2x50m

Summary: (machine translated)
Massive canyon with slides and jumps with crystal clear water and pools. Rappels are partly in the water. Many places can be jumped. Very rewarding, quite aquatic canyon with beautiful rock formations.

Hydrology: (machine translated)
There is no power station or water discharge, but there is a measuring point.
https://www.hydrodaten.admin.ch/it/seen-und-fluesse/stationen-und-daten/2612

Low < 150l/sec; Medium; 150-300l/sec; Much: 300-600l/sec; TOO MUCH>600l/sec

Access: (machine translated)
Verzasca Valley: Pass the famous Roman bridge in Laverezzo until you reach a large parking lot on the left. You can park there all day. Please make sure that you buy the 10 Fr. day ticket at the parking machine. 3 hours cost 5 Fr. It is checked there and a parking ticket costs 40 Fr. Payment is possible with francs or EC card.

Approach: (machine translated)
Walk back to Laverezzo and take the first road on the left uphill, over a bridge and on to the mountain village. Continue along the path/steps until you come to a handful of houses where there is a drinking fountain. From there, continue up the path/steps into the forest. From here there are hiking markings. In the forest, follow the canyon upwards until you reach a suspension bridge. Cross this and you have a great view of the pools. You can get off at this bridge later. It may be advisable to lay a short rope in the slope. The slope looks slippery and steep. The 2nd ascent in the forest follows. At some point you reach the height of the river. This is also the entry point.

Tour: (machine translated)
On a rappel, the hook is under a large boulder in the watercourse. The first person should be secured there with a man belay and build a rope traverse. However, there should also be an abseil point behind the boulder that is outside the water. Here, too, it would be useful to have a hook in front of the abseiling point to build a rope traverse. When you get back to the suspension bridge at the bottom, you can get off to the left. If you continue, you should have checked the water level in the village beforehand. The water inflow from the Real Agro is difficult to see because of the large boulders. Everything that follows is very watery with long swimming spots. This is followed by great jumpable pools with 30-40m swimming sections. This part takes about 1.5 hours.

Return: (machine translated)
Either get off at the suspension bridge or follow the stream into the village. Exit on the left in each case.

Coordinates:
Parking Entry and Exit 46.2623 8.8309
Canyon Start 46.2603 8.8684
Waypoint 46.2578 8.8417
Canyon End 46.2579 8.8399

Reports:

2025-07-12 | SandroS | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ | ⚓ ★ | Normal | Completed
At approx. 400l Was very slippery in places. (machine translated)

2025-06-19 | Christoph Cramer | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ | ⚓ ★ | High | Completed
770l/s 17 degrees water temperature. All anchors ok. Some pools were not easy, but otherwise quite easy. Very slippery in places. (machine translated)

2024-09-22 | Peter | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | Normal | Completed
The rock in this gorge has beautiful colors! The crystal clear and abundant water completes the work. Today with 400 L/s at the check point, easily manageable but still not for beginners. After the confluence it becomes a long water trek but does not lose its charm. Thanks for the two new anchors, they were appreciated □ (machine translated)

2024-09-13 | Bubtore | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | High | Completed
Pincascia at 0.74 cubic meters, rather sporty but goes well. We set 2 more anchors after the inflow. Lots of cool high jumps! (machine translated)

2024-08-15 | Simone Steffke | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ ★ | High | Completed
Level between start and exit decreasing from 520 - 450 liters. All easily doable. At the stand directly at the confluence (rd, right above a large block) the plate is missing. The bolt is still there and ok. Currently quite grippy so that even the downclimbs in the water go well. Nevertheless, always be careful □ There are anchors at all relevant points. From the confluence onwards, climb or jump. Top! 9 people, 1.25 h access, 4.5 h ascent (machine translated)

2024-08-08 | Norbert Fischeer | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ ★ | Normal | Completed
All slides are now also equipped with a safety device. (machine translated)

2024-07-27 | Stephan Gehringer | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | Normal | Completed
According to hydrodata 550l/s Our feeling was that the creek was easily manageable and could take even more water at least up to the right side arm... From this point on, there were no more anchors.... And we had to improvise... In some places one or two anchors would have been useful... but it was possible without... Stones and trees were available (machine translated)