Oscuros de Balcés

Oscuros de Balcéd, Rio Isuala, Balces

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Country: España / Spain Region: Aragón Subregion: Huesca Town: Las Almunias		
Difficulty: a little difficult	Grading: v3 a4 III	Total time: 2h45
Approachtime: 45min	Tourtime: 1h30	Returntime: 30min
Altitude entry: 620m	Altitude exit: 470m	Delta Altitude: 150m
Canyon length: 1500m	Highest rapell: 8m	Amount rapells: 3
Transport: on Foot	Rock type:	Drainage area: km²
Season:	Orientation: Southwest	Best Time:
Rating: 🖈 4.6 (9)	Info: 🖈 2.8 (5)	Belay: ★ 2.8 (6)

Specialities:

Gear:

Ropes: 1x20m

Summary: (machine translated)

Unfortunately very crowded (high summer); short but very beautiful canyon; grippy limestone; several bottlenecks and climbing; small siphon; clean water; few short rappels; diving goggles and lamp advantageous; very aquatic canyon.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)

From the village of Rodellar: ri. Huesca --> pass the outdoor club (on the left side of the road) --> through the small village (Bierge) --> continue up the road --> up to the Barranco Fondo hill (signposted + viewpoint) --> take the gravel road on the left for approx. 1.6 km --> parking lot at the exit of the road.

Approach: (machine translated)

From the parking lot, walk along the gravel road --> pass a barrier and continue up to a trail marker (Steinmandl+ signs) --> take the path to the right here and walk across the boulder field --> after approx. 20 min. When you reach a viewpoint --> keep left and you will come to the descent path which leads over the steep boulder field to the stream in about 25-30 minutes --> once you reach the stream, take the right side of the stream to the entry point.

Tour: (machine translated)

A short swimming passage is immediately followed by a mighty labyrinth of rocks into which you first rappel, then rappel and swim (problematic when there is a lot of water)--> the mighty wedged limestone rocks are very impressive --> after the chaos of rocks follows a very narrow, 1m wide part with towering rock faces in which the light is only very sparse (very beautiful part) --> in this part there is also a swimming section and a slide in very dark pools (be careful, very narrow) --> further on you come to a small abseiling point in a slowly narrowing pool --> the water is very narrow and the slide is very narrow. Abseiling point in a slowly opening canyon --> swimming passage --> climbing over small rocks --> at the end you have another swimming passage of about 100m --> the exit is on the right (after a small iron plate bridge).

Return: (machine translated)

On the right side, hike up the clearly visible hiking trail next to the wooden railings to the parking lot.

Coordinates:

Canyon Start <u>42.2425 -0.0458</u> Canyon End <u>42.2349 -0.0520</u>

Parking Entry and Exit 42.2457 -0.0613

Reports: 2025-09-12 | System User | |□ | ₺ | ≅ Normal | ₺ Completed Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Balcez [Oscuros del] Débit tro

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Balcez [Oscuros del] Débit très bas permettant une descente sans aucune difficulté. Il y a néanmoins eu un orage violent de pluie et grêle le soir à Adahuesca pour information. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/20790/observations.html)

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Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Balcez [Oscuros del] Bonnes conditions. Un vautour fauve en perdition juste avant le chaos qui n'en a certainement pas pour longtemps à vivre. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/20790/observations.html)

2025-07-10 | Julien | $\stackrel{\wedge}{\bowtie} \stackrel{\wedge}{\bowtie} \stackrel{\wedge}{\bowtie} \stackrel{\wedge}{\bowtie} | \stackrel{\square}{\square} \stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow} \stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow} | \stackrel{\bullet}{\circlearrowleft} \stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow} \stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow} | \stackrel{\square}{\Longrightarrow} \text{ Normal } | \stackrel{\bullet}{\bowtie} \text{ Completed }$ Nice descent, some water but the level is starting to get a bit low (machine translated)

2025-07-10 | Gareth Evans | $\stackrel{\wedge}{\curvearrowright} \stackrel{\wedge}{\curvearrowright} \stackrel{\wedge}{\curvearrowright} \stackrel{\wedge}{\curvearrowright} \stackrel{\wedge}{\bowtie} \stackrel{\wedge}{\bowtie} \stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow} \stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$

2025-05-30 | Wolfgang | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ∮ | 🎞 | ♣ ★ ★ | 🏯 Normal | 🖒 Completed

Significantly less water today than 3 days ago, but many more groups / people. But we caught it well. It was fun again (machine translated)

2025-05-27 | Rok | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ∮ | 🏻 ★ ★ ★ | 🗯 High | 🖒 Completed

Everything tip top. Lots of water, but no problems. Climb over the siphon (fixed ropes inside). (machine translated)

2025-05-04 | PeterAlbertini | $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Omega} \stackrel{\wedge}{\Omega} \stackrel{\wedge}{\Omega} \stackrel{\wedge}{\Omega} \stackrel{1}{\sqrt{}} | \stackrel{\square}{\square} \stackrel{\wedge}{\Lambda} \stackrel{\wedge}{\Lambda} | \stackrel{1}{\cancel{\cup}} \stackrel{\wedge}{\Lambda} \stackrel{+}{\Lambda} | \stackrel{\boxtimes}{\Longrightarrow} \text{ High } | \stackrel{\bullet}{\iota} \stackrel{\wedge}{\iota} \text{ Completed}$ Beautiful!!! Doable even without rope--recommended to experienced people. (machine translated)

2023-07-04 | Wolfgang Streicher | $\stackrel{\wedge}{\curvearrowright} \stackrel{\wedge}{\curvearrowright} \stackrel{\wedge}{\curvearrowright} \stackrel{\wedge}{\curvearrowright} | \stackrel{\square}{\square} \stackrel{\bigstar}{\bigstar} \stackrel{\bigstar}{=} \stackrel{\bigstar}{=} | \stackrel{\boxtimes}{\Longrightarrow} \text{Normal} | \stackrel{\bullet}{\multimap} \text{Completed}$ Relatively much water flow for the time of year. Siphon dived through instead of rock climbed over. Partly unusually slippery. (machine translated)

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all were happy to let us pass.

Info: Teile der Canyonbeschreibung wurden automatisiert übernommen. Konkret die Felder Weblinks, Koordinaten, Rating, Ort von https://canyon.carto.net/cwiki/bin/view/Canyons/OscurosdeBalcesCanyon.html

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2019-05-10 | Christian Balla | $\spadesuit \Leftrightarrow \spadesuit \Leftrightarrow | \square | \clubsuit | \equiv$ Normal | \spadesuit Completed

A fascinating canyon. You simply have to have done a canyoning tour here. Video of the tour:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FZUOL9qOjNY (machine translated)

Parts:

Balces (superior) II, v1 a2 III, 2h30+3h30+45min Oscuros de Balcés, v3 a4 III, 45min+1h30+30min