# Arvi

Canyon Arvi

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| **Country:** Ελλάδα / Greece **Region:** Περιφέρεια Κρήτης / Crete **Subregion:** Νομός Ηρακλείου / Heraklion Prefecture **Town:** Arvi | | |
| **Difficulty:** difficult | **Grading:** v5 a3 III | **Total time:** 4h25 |
| **Approachtime:** 10min | **Tourtime:** 4h | **Returntime:** 15min |
| **Altitude entry:** 270m | **Altitude exit:** 30m | **Delta Altitude:** 240m |
| **Canyon length:** 1100m | **Highest rapell:** 82m | **Amount rapells:** 15 |
| **Transport:** Car required | **Rock type:** | **Drainage area:** km² |
| **Season:** | **Orientation:** | **Best Time:** |
| **Rating:** ☆ 4.1 (3) | **Info:** ★ 3 (1) | **Belay:** ★ 3 (1) |

**Specialities:**

**Gear:**
Ropes: 2x 50m (1x70m 2x50m)

**Summary:** (machine translated)
Very beautiful and varied canyon - despite the disfigurement with countless water pipes (plastic and iron, in use or just waste). In summer/late summer, the part below the rockfall is heavily polluted with bird droppings. There is a siphon after the C82 when the water flow is high.

**Hydrology:**

**Access:** (machine translated)
From Ierapetra westwards along the sea (rarely seen) to Myrtos (14 km). Past the village, the road (no. 97) turns inland towards Ano Viannos and climbs uphill. After 16 km we turn left at Kefalovrisi and drive to Amiras. From there we drive with two cars down to the village of Arvi by the sea (if we only have 1 car, we turn off onto the road on the left about 4.3 km after Amiras - large trees on the left before the road, open space behind it, 2008 - and leave the car here). When we arrive in Arvi, it is best to park one car at the eastern end of the harbor (about 700 m from the exit). With the other one we drive back and up again for 6.7 km. Where there are some larger trees on the right-hand side after a treeless area (east of the road and north of the track), we take the track that goes eastwards here. After about 100 m, at the junction, take the northbound track (i.e. left), at the next junction 200 m further on, take the track to the right (eastbound). Continue along the slope at the same height for another 600 m until you reach the place before a sharp left-hand bend, where you park the vehicle.

**Approach:** (machine translated)
From the vehicle, a bad track leads downhill at an acute angle to the path on which we came, initially heading southwest. Then it bends to the east and we are in the valley. We follow the track along the right-hand side of the valley until a suitable access to the left into the stream presents itself.

**Tour:** (machine translated)
A total of 15 rappels. If the first rappels are largely blocked with pipes, you can bypass them on the rock to the left above.
There are several options for the 82m rappel with various transfers, in particular a "dry" variant of the Via Ferrata is offered, even with water flow.
The 82m rappel can be abseiled on the edge at the top right outside the waterfall. There is an intermediate stand after 32m, then 50m. There is a siphon here if the water flow is high. If this is to be feared, the section can be bypassed via the Via Verrata.
If this option is chosen, however, the verticality rating changes to VI. The belay is very exposed via the Via Ferrata, but can be reached safely. (An emergency exit is also possible from there. 2022 explored but not verified. The beginning is already quite exposed climbing in the third degree).
If you rappel from the chain anchor at the exit of the via ferrata, it goes down about 30 meters and 10 meters to the side downstream. There you will find the next belay (follow the rock ledge and make sure you clip in on the way). The intermediate belay is located at the exit of a very narrow ledge and offers space for a maximum of two people (no visual contact with the first belay). From here, rappel approx. 65m.

See an extreme situation in the video: https://youtu.be/138eS5x-tEo (the first canyonist on the right on the usual abseil route, the others then to the left of the via ferrata, but not from the exit, but from the middle...).

Headlamp not absolutely necessary as long as the tour is undertaken "during the day". The enclosed area after the C82 is in twilight. Directly after the c82 comes a c25, mc3, R12 or c8, r3 after which you are back in daylight and almost at the exit of the canyon. This is followed by C5, C6 under clamping block, c4.

**Return:** (machine translated)
At the canyon exit, take the dirt road and continue straight ahead along the stream for approx. 250 m. When you reach the road bridge, turn right, then left again at the next T-junction (50 m further on) and then straight on to the harbor.

**Coordinates:**
Canyon Start 35.0093 25.4559
Canyon End 35.0020 25.4580
Parking at Entry 35.0121 25.4515
Parking at Exit 34.9956 25.4571

**Reports:**

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2025-04-07 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Dry | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Arvi Canyon superbe si on fait abstraction des nombreux tuyaux et de la fiantes des pigeons dans la partie obscure. Le grand rappel fait moins de 80 m, il doit faire entre 70 et 75 m, pas vu le relais. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/21186/observations.html)

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2024-05-08 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Dry | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Arvi Beautiful canyon, but a lot of old watertubes in the beginning and a lot of bird shit at the end. Be careful, at this time a lot of young birds waiting in their nest in the narrow part. Be careful and try to go around if possible. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/21186/observations.html)

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2024-04-25 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Dry | 👍 Completed
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2024-04-17 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Dry | 👍 Completed
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2024-04-17 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Dry | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Arvi Fait en short. 1 seule vasque en eau shuntable.Beaucoup de nids et d'oeufs.Fontaine appréciable à la sortie. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/21186/observations.html)

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2024-03-10 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Dry | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Arvi Équipement en bon état. Beaucoup de vieux tuyaux à évacuer. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/21186/observations.html)

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2024-03-10 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Dry | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Arvi Les creusement sont fantastiques.Un filet d'eau au départ du canyon mais qui se perd rapidement. Tous les amarages sont en bon état et la grande se fractionne sans problème à -40 dans un petit renfoncement à gauche en descendant. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/21186/observations.html)

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2023-03-09 | System User | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ | |
Info: Teile der Canyonbeschreibung wurden automatisiert übernommen. Konkret die Felder Weblinks, Koordinaten, Rating, Länge des Canyon, Einfachseil Mindestens von https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon/21186

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2023-03-09 | System User | ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ | |
Daten importiert von https://canyon.carto.net/cwiki/bin/view/Canyons/ArviCanyon.html

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2022-04-10 | Daniel Sturm | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 High | 👍 Completed
Variant taken via the Via Ferrata (rating hook refers to it). Communication there not possible. Use the deflectors to the intermediate stand necessarily. Emergency exit at the Via Ferrata could not be verified. (machine translated)