Montixi

Rio di Montixi,Valle dei Mantici

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Country: Italia / Italy **Region:** Liguria **Subregion:** Imperia **Town:** Airole		
Difficulty: easy	**Grading:** v2 a2 II	**Total time:** 4h40
Approachtime: 1h20	**Tourtime:** 3h	**Returntime:** 20min
Altitude entry: 430m	**Altitude exit:** 200m	**Delta Altitude:** 230m
Canyon length: 2300m	**Highest rapell:** 18m	**Amount rapells:** 11
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season:	**Orientation:** Southwest	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 1.3 (4)	**Info:** ★ 2 (2)	**Belay:** ★ 1 (2)

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 2x20m

Summary: (machine translated)
Open rappel canyon in tuff, also suitable for beginners.
Long access / very overgrown.
Overall not worthwhile.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
Either from Ventimiglia on the SS 20 in the direction of Breil-sur-Roya, Tende, Cuneo and after about 12 km, immediately after a long tunnel turn right in the direction of Airole or coming from the north (Breil-sur-Roya) after 13 km (from Breil) immediately before the tunnel and the road bridge over the Roya turn left in the direction of Airole. We drive up at the first houses on the left into the village and park the car there.

Approach: (machine translated)
From the central square (church on the left and fountain in the middle) in Airole, head east up the road (Via Garibaldi) with the stair-like flat steps (signposts "Rocchetta" and "Basse d'Abellio"). We are now on "Sentiero 1" on the internet map (CWiki). We soon turn left at the first signpost (towards Monte Abellio; to the right would take us to Valle Para), a few meters further on we turn right. We now follow the path uphill, which is marked with white and red markings. Passing a fountain, we come to the road to Fasceo, leave it again after a few meters to the left (towards Monte Abellio) to climb steeply up to the small saddle ("Croce del Coletto"), from where we have a beautiful (rear) view of Airole and the Roya Valley.
Follow the path for about 250 m, then turn left onto a small path that runs horizontally along the slope. We walk along this path for about half an hour and then come to the ruined houses of Case Sorvan (460 m above sea level). We pass the first ruined house and a few meters further on take a poorly visible path to the left, which we follow downhill through the trees to the stream (430 m a.s.l.).
Folléas-Giminez describe an access path always close to the stream and we enter about 130 m further down (300 m a.s.l.).

Tour: (machine translated)
Sequence of smaller rappels, some with possible jumps, running routes in between.

Return: (machine translated)
At the height of a small dam with a large water reservoir below (ENEL), we climb out to the left onto a poor path, join another path coming down from the left and then come to a road which we follow into Airole.
A further descent is not recommended because of the water catchment and the somewhat smelly water from it.

Coordinates:
Canyon End 43.8772 7.5470
Canyon Start 43.8860 7.5567
Alternative Canyon Start 43.8799 7.5524
Parking Entry and Exit 43.8695 7.5516

Reports:

2025-10-04 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Dry | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Montixi You do NOT have to do this gorge!!!!! The approach is beautiful until you have to leave the wide hiking trail. After that, it gets very scrubby and thorny... with sturdy pants, you might be able to walk faster than we did. From the ruins, it becomes completely pathless!! We were cursing for 2 hours and 35 minutes, even though we reached the "pass" so quickly. When we arrived, a little water was flowing, but it didn't look like a gorge. It became dry, so it was all just a matter of walking along the stream or avoiding muddy puddles. There were 2-3 nice dry abseils until we reached the lower path after an hour, which we then followed out of the gorge. Since the path crosses the stream twice more, you can see that the lower section isn't worth it either. You really don't have to do it!!! (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2736/observations.html)

2025-10-04 | Bina | ⚷ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ | 〰 Dry | 👍 Completed
You do NOT have to do this canyon!!!!! The access is beautiful until you have to leave the wide hiking trail. After that it becomes very scrubby, thorny,.... With sturdy trousers, you might be able to walk faster than we did. From the ruins onwards, it becomes completely pathless! We were cursing for 2h35 on the way, but we reached the mountain pass so quickly. When we arrived, there was a little water flowing, but it didn't look like a canyon. It got dry, all just creek hiking or bypassing dirt pools, there were 2-3 nice dry abseils until we reached the lower path after 1h, which we then followed out of the canyon. As you cross the stream twice along the way, you can see that the lower part isn't worth it either. You really don't have to do it!!! (machine translated)

2025-10-04 | Patrik Bartel | ⚷ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ | 〰 Dry | 👍 Completed
If you want to lose friends or have no other hobbies, you are welcome to do this forest canyon. At the very beginning there is water, then only here and there in stinking pools, which we bypassed). The way there is well described, but so overgrown with thorns that the 30 minutes turned into 1.5 hours. Mostly you climb down, here and there a rappel. Hiking in the wall with abseiling interruptions. The lower part is also not inviting, it can be done quickly and easily on the path along the stream. (machine translated)

2025-08-24 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Crazy | 👎 Not done
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Montixi Ne pas s'aventurer en dessous de l'ouvrage de l'ENEL, qui est une surverse en cas d'arrêt des turbines de la centrale d'Airole situé moins d'un kilomètre plus loin.C'est extrêmement dangereux.Vu de la route au moins 5m3/sec balayait le bas du canyon qui doit très étroit et très propre ceci dit. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2736/observations.html)

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