

Barbaira inf.

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Country: Italia / Italy Region: Liguria Subregion: Imperia Town: Rochetta Nervina		
Difficulty: not as difficult	Grading: v2 a3 II	Total time: 3h55
Approach time: 45min	Tour time: 3h	Return time: 10min
Altitude entry: 430m	Altitude exit: 330m	Delta Altitude: 100m
Canyon length: 2100m	Highest rappel: 12m	Amount rappells: 6
Transport: on Foot	Rock type:	Drainage area: km ²
Season:	Orientation: Southeast	Best Time:
Rating: ★ 4.7 (14)	Info: ★ 2.6 (14)	Belay: ★ 3 (13)

Specialities:

Gear:

Ropes: 1x30m

Summary:

(machine translated)
Attractive jumping and rappel canyon with warm, green water.

Hydrology:

Access:

(machine translated)
From Dolceaqua drive up the valley in the direction of Rochetta Nervina. Park in the large parking lot in the village (2023: 8 euros per day, 1 euro per hour, free for motorhomes at night). Water tap at the sanitary building/back wall. Shower in the sanitary building - only open during the day.

Approach:

(machine translated)
Cross the stream and on the other side of the village follow the signs to a mule track ("Sentiero 13"). Follow the path for 35 minutes to a signposted junction and take the lower path. You soon cross the landslide zone with two large rock debris below the path and then reach the entry point at the Ponte Cin bridge.
Fee for ascent - 2023 collection hut was not yet occupied at 08.45 h.

Tour:

(machine translated)
Entry is at the bridge over the stream. Here you can jump directly to 8.6m (descente). In the following, jumps up to 12m and small, well-equipped rappels up to 10m alternate. In the lower third there are wonderful tuff formations similar to the Maglia. After a rappel between huge boulders, the canyon opens up. The last point is the jump from the dam wall. Bathers are often to be found here.

Watch out! There is a place (picture 12 shows it from below) that is often used by commercial operators to build ropeways. There is a VERY well-equipped belaystation on the left which is only moderately suitable for rappels as the rope tends to get stuck in a crevice here. If you are rappelling, then rather org. right a little further ahead. You can jump at this point, but it is essential to check out the spot carefully. The pool looks much deeper from above than it is and is full of large stones.

The water level can best be assessed at the entry.

There are no obvious canyons in the critical part of the canyon. The "signposted" emergency exits described by descente are non-existent. In some places, the slope can certainly be climbed with difficulty on the left.

There are plenty of places to get out of the water.

Return:

(machine translated)
Quite laborious through the blocked streambed until you reach a bathing area below an artificial step. Turn right here on a good path back to the village.

Coordinates:

Parking Entry and Exit [43.8897 7.5991](#)

Canyon End [43.8941 7.5925](#)

Canyon Start [43.9009 7.5812](#)

Alternative Canyon Start [43.9084 7.5810](#)

Reports:

2025-09-07 | System User | |📖 |⚓ | ⚲ Low | 🌟 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Barbaira (aval) (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/20522/observations.html>)

2025-09-06 | System User | |📖 |⚓ | ⚲ Normal | 🌟 Completed

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2025-09-04 | System User | |📖 |⚓ | ⚲ Normal | 🌟 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Barbaira (aval) Tout passe. Bien sonder néanmoins. (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/20522/observations.html>)

2025-09-02 | System User | |📖 |⚓ | ⚲ Normal | 🌟 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Barbaira (aval) Descendido el 2,09, 25, caudal normal bajo, sin problemas, las instalaciones ok. (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/20522/observations.html>)

2025-08-30 | System User | |📖 |⚓ | ⚲ Normal | 🌟 Completed

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2025-08-26 | Daniel Sturm | ★★★★★ | |📖 ★★★★ |⚓ ★★★★ | ⚲ Low | 🌟 Completed

As always, everything tip top! Wonderful play of colors in the water. All slides and jumps possible. The 12m jump is currently better washed out than usual. (machine translated)

2025-08-24 | System User | |📖 |⚓ | ⚲ Normal | 🌟 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Barbaira (aval) Du monde mais c'est beau! Pas bien compris ce pour quoi on payait: pas vu ni de toilettes, ni de vestiaires. Le chemin en revanche aurait besoin d'être raffraîchi (éboulements ci et là) (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/20522/observations.html>)

2025-08-19 | System User | |📖 |⚓ | ⚲ Normal | 🌟 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Barbaira (aval) Belle descente, parcourue en famille. Pas de grosse difficulté mais corde sortie 4 fois quand même. 5€ par personne. Pas mal de groupes arrivés après nous, et beaucoup de monde au barrage à l'arrivée. (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/20522/observations.html>)

2025-07-22 | sc8 | ★★★★★ | |📖 ★★★★ |⚓ ★★★★ | ⚲ Normal | 🌟 Completed

After violent downpour yesterday, some new logs on the path and some leaves, but still spectacular environment (machine translated)

2025-07-06 | Gareth Evans | ★★★★★ | |📖 ★ |⚓ ★★★★ | ⚲ Normal | 🌟 Completed

canyon was beautiful, payment required, small kiosk at begging of entry walk, 5 euros per person , cash only at kiosk (potential discount for qualified guides) can also be paid online at riobarbaira.it, more than worth it for quality of canyon + facilities at takeout.

2025-06-05 | thijs | ★★★★★ | |📖 ★★★★ |⚓ ★★★★ | ⚲ High | 🌟 Completed

2 days later after some rain even higher waterflows, but still manageable .

2025-06-03 | thijs | ★★★★★ | |📖 ★★★★ |⚓ ★★★★ | ⚲ High | 🌟 Completed

Much more water than last year august, but easy managable with all the various hooks in the rocks so you don't have to abseil in the stream.

2025-05-05 | GeorgB | ★★★★★ | |📖 ★★★★ |⚓ ★★★★ | ⚲ High | 🌟 Completed

Late April weather with a mix of sun, clouds and rain. Still a dream of a canyon. All jumps doable and lots of water (machine translated)

2025-04-06 | David Gamperl | ★★★★★ | |📖 ★★★★ |⚓ ★★★★ | ⚲ High | 🌟 Completed

Very exciting canyon! High water level. Anchors in excellent condition. Lost a camera (DJI Osmo) in the deepest pool (Photo 20/21) so if anyone should find it let me know!

