Ponte

Riale del Ponte

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Country: Italia / Italy **Region:** Piemonte **Subregion:** Verbano-Cusio-Ossola **Town:** Premosello-Chiovenda		
Difficulty: a little difficult	**Grading:** v4 a2 III	**Total time:** 4h5
Approachtime: 0min	**Tourtime:** 4h	**Returntime:** 5min
Altitude entry: 610m	**Altitude exit:** 240m	**Delta Altitude:** 370m
Canyon length: 1100m	**Highest rapell:** 26m	**Amount rapells:** 26
Transport: Car optional	**Rock type:** gneiss	**Drainage area:** km²
Season:	**Orientation:**	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 3.5 (7)	**Info:** ★ 2 (3)	**Belay:** ★ 2.7 (6)

Specialities:
Dam,

Gear:
Ropes: 2x 30m

Summary: (machine translated)
Medium length canyon with two incised sections separated from the middle part of the canyon.
The canyon is not very aquatic but has some nice jumps and a slide - about 26 rappels.

Hydrology: (machine translated)
Some of the water is collected to supply the power station and the village, while a small amount is diverted just before the last flood protection wall. Only a very small flow rate remains. However, there are numerous pools, some of which are deep and require a wetsuit.
The path is extremely slippery, which makes a descent in strong currents problematic.

Access: (machine translated)
From Domodossola, head south and leave the SS33 at the Piedimulera-Vogogna exit. Continue to Vogogna and then to Premosello.
From Gravellona, leave the SS33 at Premosello and then turn left.
From there, follow the signs to Colloro.
Downhill access: Once you reach the stream, cross it and park on the bank on the right shortly afterwards.
Uphill access: Continue along the steep and winding road to Colloro. Pass the village and continue on a small paved road to the parking lot opposite the hydroelectric power plant basin.

Approach: (machine translated)
After the bridge, descend to the right side of the river.

Tour: (machine translated)
About 26 abseils. Above, after a first hurdle, the steep C26 begins. This first part is a bit steep and narrow, but offers beautiful parts. Cross a path (approx. 500 m altitude), after which it becomes a little more difficult. Then there are beautiful waterfalls again. Then the old bridge, below which are two magnificent waterfalls with deep pools. Then the large pool, very popular with the locals, marks a classic exit (hanging tube). This is followed by a C16, another one to go around on the right and then the final of about 18 meters. Be careful through the passage in the flood protection wall when the current is strong.
Very good equipment.

Exit options after the 9th and 19th anchors: the road up to Colloro is often nearby. In the last part, before the bridge on the left bank, then at the bridge and afterwards, it is possible to get off at almost every anchor.

"Ponte Express": is often practiced, especially by professionals from the area. From the old bridge, walk along the left bank for a few minutes to an access point about 3-4 m high, equipped with a fixed rope and rungs; some waterfalls before the bridge, then the T5 under the bridge. The exit is at the large waterhole, clearly visible from above. Very short, but very beautiful, a real highlight...
It is best to park the car in the hairpin bend on the left 1.3 km after leaving the village. From this hairpin bend you can reach the old bridge in 5 minutes (signs).

Return: (machine translated)
A few meters behind the flood protection dam, use the stairs to get back to the right bank.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 46.0142 8.3323
Canyon End 46.0054 8.3295
Parking at Entry 46.0145 8.3322
Parking at Exit 46.0053 8.3293

Reports:

2025-08-07 | Stephan Gehringer | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | Low | Completed
Everything went smoothly from start to exit. No problems (machine translated)

2025-08-05 | Bastien P. | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | Normal | Completed
Upper part closed due to nature reserve. During the RIC there were already active problems with the police with other groups. Walk the upper parts at your own risk. The description will be changed soon. (machine translated)

2025-08-02 | Waldemar Engelhardt | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | Low | Completed
All good (machine translated)

2025-08-02 | Peisen | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | Low | Completed
Everything top, but full (machine translated)

2025-07-27 | Bina | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ |🕮 |⚓ ★ ★ | Low | Completed
This is the third time we've done the canyon. Today it was particularly beautiful. Very grippy rock overall (machine translated)

2025-07-20 | Nicola | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ | Low | Completed
Very fun creek, the end and middle section is used for commercial purposes, so there are already many Zip Lines and fixed ropes in the creek. Little parking downstream. (machine translated)

2023-03-09 | System User | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ | |
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