Nala (Superiore)

Nala superiore,Osogna superiore,Nala

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Country: Schweiz / Switzerland **Region:** Kanton Tessin / Cantone Ticino **Subregion:** Bezirk Riviera **Town:** Osogna		
Difficulty: a little difficult	**Grading:** v4 a3 III	**Total time:** 6h15
Approachtime: 2h15	**Tourtime:** 3h	**Returntime:** 1h
Altitude entry: 1015m	**Altitude exit:** 835m	**Delta Altitude:** 180m
Canyon length: 750m	**Highest rapell:** 35m	**Amount rapells:** 10
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:** granite	**Drainage area:** km²
Season: June - September	**Orientation:** West	**Best Time:** 9-12 o'clock
Rating: ☆ 3.7 (8)	**Info:** ★ 2.5 (6)	**Belay:** ★ 2.3 (7)

Warnings:
inactive: *Avoid disturbance through mass canyoning* (11.08.25 - 31.08.25)
After RIC 2025 big groups have been reported that caused litter at the parking sites, occupied private property, partied loud after canyoning and parked without considering access by local inhabitants. Local communities are already pissed! In order to avoid negative consequences and regulations please make sure that you act considering the environment and local communities. Please us every car completey to avoid congestions at the parkings, use alternative parking, be quiet, restict whistle use in the canyon to a minimum, respect local catholic culture by not undressing visibly and use clothing for ascent. Do not party after canyoning in the parking spots and remove your litter please!

Specialities:
Dam (inform operator), Dam (autom. flushing),

Gear:
Ropes: 2x 35m

Summary: (machine translated)
Some nice shorter rappels, huge slides and technical jumps.

Hydrology: (machine translated)
If necessary, water supply from the interconnected reservoir canal leading to the power plant (automatic opening of the sluice in case of problems in the canal or in the power plant, as in the case of the accident in 2001: https://www.nzz.ch/article7KF2C-ld.179745).

Access: (machine translated)
From the freeway junction north of Bellinzona take the N2 towards Biasca. Passing through Claro and Cresciano we reach Osogna (11.4 km from the highway to the bridge over the Nala). After the bridge over the Nala, drive up to the cemetery and leave the car there.

Approach: (machine translated)
On foot:
Walk along the road above the parking lot towards the river and descend to the large terminal basin. Check the water flow, then cross the riverbed to the south and hike along the narrow mountain road to the start of the path to Pönt and Valle di Osogna. After the steep ascent to Pönt, the path becomes flatter and then enters the Valle di Osogna. From bridge 839, the path climbs again. At stone bridge 950, carefully check the water level in the basin below (this can become a trap). Climb the steep steps and at 1060 meters take the less visible path on your left down into the valley to the river and the outlet of the diversion channel.

Helicopter:
From the helipad, first go up to the houses I Cassin di Carli. There we take the hiking trail to the right. After the last houses, the path descends along a ridge. At an altitude of 1060m, we take the not very clearly recognizable path to the right. It leads us down to the entry at the outlet of the drainage channel.

Tour: (machine translated)
The upper part starts after the water intake and accordingly carries little water. The water is generally quite cold. Many slides that need to be well checked out. There are also some possible jumps.

Return: (machine translated)
Either get off at the bridge and go back down the access path or continue in the Nala Intermedio (see there).

Coordinates:
Parking Entry and Exit 46.3146 8.9861
Waterlevel Checkpoint 46.3134 8.9880
Canyon Start 46.3241 9.0157
Canyon End 46.3169 9.0098
Helipad 46.3243 9.0170

Reports:

2025-10-06 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Low | 👎 Not done
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Osogna (supérieur) Vérifié depuis le pont au-dessus du Trap Pool.Il manque 3 à 4 mètres d'eau dans ce bassin jusqu'au bord. La roche semble très adhérente. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22493/observations.html)

2025-09-12 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Osogna (supérieur) (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22493/observations.html)

2025-09-04 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Osogna (supérieur) Fait l'intégrale, peu d'eau dans le sup mais vasques pleines, DC+ dans l'inter et l'inf. Magnifique. Beaucoup de monopoints... (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22493/observations.html)

2025-08-12 | Michele Dini | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👎 Not done
Integral (machine translated)

2025-07-28 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Osogna (supérieur) DC. Fait en intégrale à 2 en 9h avec marche d'approche. Très belle descente, on se fait bien arroser dans la 50m. Pas compris cette histoire de vasque piège. Même sans eau on peut en sortir facilement (de belle marche). (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22493/observations.html)

2025-07-15 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Osogna (supérieur) Débit très très faible ,certaine partie sont sèches.La vasques pièges est en action ! Il faut sortir avant !!! (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22493/observations.html)

2025-05-03 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Osogna (supérieur) (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22493/observations.html)

2025-05-03 | Patrik Bartel | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Lots of trees and slippery. (machine translated)

2024-09-25 | Bavarian Canyoning | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
We entered the canyon by helicopter shortly after the water intake. There are several obstructions in the superiore, but these can be easily negotiated. The rock was very slippery and the anchors were in good condition. (machine translated)

2024-09-14 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Osogna (supérieur) Très joli enchaînement. La partie supérieure me paraît plus intéressante que l’intermédiaire. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22493/observations.html)

2024-09-04 | Bubtore | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
We started at A Merisciöu at 1270m (so the whole tour is 1000m). There are a few nice single sections before the water catchment, but overall quite flat, and above all a lot of tree trunks. It took the three of us just under 7 hours to get down to Osogna, and we slid pretty much everything that could slide. (machine translated)

2024-08-27 | Massimo Loriato | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
2h15 approach on foot to superiore, 6h30 tour for superiore + intermedio + inferiore in a group of 7. Water level normal without any problem, superiore with low flow as usual but with cristal clear pools and lot of water entering from the tributary right after the first stone bridge; all jumps and toboggans doable. All anchor points in order, in superiore and intermedio many are single.

2024-08-24 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Osogna (supérieur) Partie supérieure très inintéressante mise à part l’approche en Hélicoptère ! (Quelle: https://www.descente-

Parts:
Nala (Superiore), v4 a3 III, 2h15+3h+1h
Nala (Intermedio), v4 a4 IV, 1h30+5h30+20min
Nala (Inferiore), v5 a4 III, 35min+2h30+5min