Torrent du Fauge (amont)

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Country: France **Region:** Provence-Alpes-Côte-d'Azur / Provence-Alpes-Cote d'Azur **Subregion:** Bouches-du-Rhône **Town:** Gémenos

Difficulty: easy	**Grading:** v2 a1 II	**Total time:** 3h35
Approachtime: 30min	**Tourtime:** 2h30	**Returntime:** 35min
Altitude entry: 510m	**Altitude exit:** 370m	**Delta Altitude:** 140m
Canyon length: 1000m	**Highest rapell:** 14m	**Amount rapells:**
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season:	**Orientation:**	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 0 ()	**Info:** ★ 0 ()	**Belay:** ★ 0 ()

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 2x 15m

Summary: (machine translated)
No description yet

Hydrology: (machine translated)
- La Fauge amont: Only the short parts offer no way out.
- Grotte de la Tourne de St Pons: Do not enter if a heavy storm is forecast. This cave can quickly fill with water.

In the water after a heavy rain shower.

Access: (machine translated)
Same access as to the Pin de Simon waterfalls

Approach: (machine translated)
Walk 200 m up the road to point IGN 410 (left-hand bend, small wall). From there, take the path just behind the wall, which descends about 20 meters along the bottom of the valley (starting point of the Pin de Simond waterfalls). Follow this path (yellow markings on the ground), which climbs for 200 meters after the bottom of the valley and leads to several forks with signposts in the form of a fork. Turn right and continue to follow the yellow markings on the ground to reach another fork after 300 meters. Turn right again and now follow the yellow dots instead of the yellow markings. From there, continue slightly uphill for 500 meters until you can see the beginning of the descent after a large left-hand bend (a 7 m high slope in the bottom of a valley at the edge of a path, at the foot of which a small cave has formed).

Tour: (machine translated)
C7, 50 m long path leading to a C4. 80 m long path + C8. Another 50 m path leading to a 2 m descent, followed a little further on by a 10 m handrail + C7.
Again a short 60 m path + a 3 m descent leading to a gently sloping C6 which leads into a canyon.
After descending one or two ledges of the canyon, you come to an MC + C12 on a sloping level.
Further down, a new 10 m long inclined surface begins from a hollow.
You then have two options:
Option 1: An RD path (cairn) begins a few meters before a descent, leading up to an opening that leads to a shaft that opens into the cave MC 5 m + rappel of 14 m.
Option 2: A 3 m descent leads to the entrance of the "Grotte de la Tourne de St Pons" cave (a gaping opening in the ground between some boulders, to the right of the streambed when it forms a right angle to the left).
The rest of the route consists of a succession of descents over boulders and three optional abseils (one C3, C5 and one C3). To use the abseiling points, always keep to the right in the chaos of boulders....
After the C3, walk 100 m along the streambed until you reach the way back.

Introductory course in abseiling techniques. It is very interesting to visit the "Grotte de la Tourne de St Pons" cave afterwards: This is a 140 m long fissure cave that can be reached in two ways. Either through a narrow vertical entrance directly on the floor or via a 14-metre rappelling route from the ceiling of the cave, which leads to some stalactites and a siphon at the exit. The hike requires some climbing on a sometimes slippery wall.
A headlamp is required. The way there and back is via the same route.

Return: (machine translated)
Turn right onto the return path.
The path leads past the waterfalls of Pin de Simond and overlooks the waterfalls of Gour de l'Oule. A path on the right then leads back to the parking lot.

Coordinates:
Parking Entry and Exit 43.3044 5.6684

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