

Ribeira Funda

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Country: Portugal Region: Madeira Subregion: Town: Porto Moniz		
Difficulty: difficult	Grading: v5 a2 III	Total time: 2h50
Approachtime: 10min	Tourtime: 2h30	Returntime: 10min
Altitude entry: 245m	Altitude exit: 15m	Delta Altitude: 230m
Canyon length: 800m	Highest rapell: 60m	Amount rapells: 11
Transport: on Foot	Rock type:	Drainage area: km ²
Season: January - December	Orientation: Northeast	Best Time:
Rating: ★ 3.7 (7)	Info: ★ 2.5 (6)	Belay: ★ 2.8 (7)
Specialities: Permit required,		
Gear: Ropes: 2x 60m		
Summary: (machine translated) Ribeira Funda is a beautiful canyon located in the small village of the same name. The canyon is cut to a depth and is characterized by two extremely spectacular abseils. The highest abseil point is practically at the beginning. Before this there is an emergency exit on the left. After that there is no way out! The tour exits a few meters before the Atlantic Ocean.		
Hydrology: (machine translated) The water level changes from day to day for no apparent reason. Sometimes there is a small flow right from the start, sometimes the first 200 meters are dry. At the latest at the high waterfall, various springs feed the canyon. After a very long dry season, some places in the lower area fall dry (last observed in summer 2023). At high flow, the last waterfall becomes critical, there are two glued anchors on a large boulder at the bottom for a Rappel Guidé.		
Access: (machine translated) VE2 highway from Seixal to Porto Moniz. If you only have one car, you can park in Ribeira Funda. Large groups with several vehicles should park at the exit of Seixal (see parking lot "Access and exit"), which considerably extends the access.		
Approach: (machine translated) From Ribeira Funda it is a short, easy to find hiking trail to the canyon of the same name. Get in at Funda or alternatively follow the path to Terra d'Alem, which flows into Funda.		
Tour: (machine translated) It begins with a downclimb, a small rappel and a short run. This is followed by the 60 meter high waterfall, for which there are anchor points on both the right and left banks. The anchors for the right-bank feeder to the C60 belay are very far back. Below the C60, the canyon is deeply incised, at the following C8 it becomes almost dark. This is followed by several small to medium rappels, a maximum of two jumpable. The C22 at the end is another beautiful waterfall.		
Return: (machine translated) The tour exits directly at the old coastal road on the Atlantic. Follow this road to the right for a few minutes to the parking exit. Or another 750 m to the "official" parking lot.		
Coordinates: Canyon Start 32.8275 -17.1343 Canyon End 32.8316 -17.1312 Parking at Exit 32.8298 -17.1286 Parking at Entry 32.8302 -17.1331 Parking Entry and Exit 32.8264 -17.1221		

Reports:

2025-06-02 | System User | |📖|🚢|🌊 Normal |👍 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Agua d'Alto Descente à 5 CAF Avignon/ Nyons. Rappel 15m puis 80m. Eau 15°7. (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22203/observations.html>)

2025-04-14 | Sascha Schäfer |★★★★|📖★★★★|🚢★★★★|🌊 Normal |👍 Completed

Everything top - very nice. (machine translated)

2024-10-20 | Anja |★★★★|📖★|🚢★|🌊 Low |👍 Completed

The first few meters were dry, then low water flow. Beautiful rappel with exit at the sea. Short tour, we did Vimiero the same day before. Stands ok. (machine translated)

2024-10-10 | O nie |★★★★|📖★|🚢★★★★|🌊 Low |👍 Completed

very pleasant. it start dry, water show up in second waterfall (machine translated)

2024-10-02 | System User | |📖|🚢|🌊 Normal |👍 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Agua d'Alto Nice little canyon befor watching the Island. (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22203/observations.html>)

2024-03-05 | Christian Balla |★★★★|📖★★★★|🚢★★★★|🌊 High |👍 Completed

Entry via Terra d'Alem (machine translated)

2024-02-29 | System User | |📖|🚢|🌊 Normal |👍 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Agua d'Alto DC+, court mais sympa, public à l'arrivée. (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22203/observations.html>)

2023-10-12 | Bina |★★★★|📖|🚢★★★★|🌊 Low |👍 Completed

Pretty little canyon. (machine translated)

2023-01-27 | Christian Balla |★★★★|📖★★|🚢★★★★|🌊 Normal |👍 Completed

Tour video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=StGqOGWBsoY> (machine translated)

2021-11-14 | Anja Rot |★★★★|📖★★★★|🚢★★★★|🌊 Low |👍 Completed

all good

Parts:

Ribeira Funda, v5 a2 III, 10min+2h30+10min

Terra d'Alem, v4 a2 IV, 22min+3h+7min