Peonera (inferior)

Cañón de la Peonera Inferior, Rio Alcanadre

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Country: España / Spain Region: Aragón Subregion: Huesca Town: Bierge, Morrano		
Difficulty: not as difficult	Grading: v2 a3 III	Total time: 5h55
Approachtime: 45min	Tourtime: 5h	Returntime: 10min
Altitude entry: 555m	Altitude exit: 435m	Delta Altitude: 120m
Canyon length: 5200m	Highest rapell: 4m	Amount rapells: 1
Transport:	Rock type:	drainage area: km²
Season:	Orientation: South	Best Time:
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Specialities:

Siphon,

Gear:

Ropes: 1x20m

Summary: (machine translated)

Aquatic hiking and swim canyon, varied and with possible jumps.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)

For an integral ascent of the Peonera Inferior, we drive from Bierge on the A-1227 in a north-westerly direction almost to the bridge over the Alcanadre with a view of the dam, but turn right up the dirt road 220m before reaching the bridge and park our first car there in the large parking lot - 1.8 km from Bierge to the junction. With the second car we continue on the A-1227 to Morrano (4.6 km from the bridge over Rio Alcanadre). From here, continue for another kilometer and turn right onto an open area with trees slightly below road level, where we park the second car (beware, risk of burglary!).

Approach: (machine translated)

See http://www.descensodebarrancos.com/barrancos/peonera/topo/mapa.html . So we start on the track at "Cadena" (chain) in a northerly direction. After a little more than 1 km, it bends to the EAST and we ignore the junction of a path to the left in the direction of Pedruel - "Camino de la Peonera" - and we descend into the wooded area. There we come across a signpost indicating the entry to the Peonera inferiore to the left of the track. Follow the path, keep right at a fork and climb steeply up to the streambed, where you can also open the course with a jump ("Badina Cebollero" near Salamero).

If we want to descend into the riverbed at the next access point, we follow the aforementioned signpost in the direction of "Huevo de Morrano" to the south and after about 100 m turn off the track onto a not very clear path in an easterly direction ("Camino de Escaliguala"). We come to a saddle where we have a beautiful view into the canyon and descend here - partly on fixed ropes or chains below a rock face - to the river bed.

We can also descend steeply from the large parking lot on the road from Bierge to Rodellar directly to the beginning of the narrowing (this is usually the commercial route). At the spring, you can then take a track up to the left and back to the car.

Tour: (machine translated)

Initially walking, wading and swimming down the open riverbed, we pass several half-caves that have been carved out by the river. After about 1.5 hours - calculated from the 2nd access point - the canyon narrows. Then the access via the "Faja os Caracoles" comes from the left. This access reaches the river bed at the rocky chaos that immediately precedes the Estrechos de Tamara.

The following Estrechos de Tamara are the centerpiece and highlight of the Peonera inferiore. At their beginning there are some siphons, which can be dangerous if the water flow is sufficient (several deaths have already occurred). Now the Peonera becomes a swim canyon. Where the narrow walls recede again, we see the Fuente (spring) Tamara on the right, where we could take a footpath up to Morrano and the upper car.

From the Fuente Tamara, a footpath on the left bank (but somewhat separated from the river) would also lead directly to the exit point at the dam.

If we continue along the open riverbed, after a while we come to a place where the water has suddenly eaten into a narrow chute (start of the "Puntillo" parts).

Here, just below the first waterfall, you can enter from the right-hand side with a small jump. This is followed by varied flowing channels, some of which are underground, an interim opening of the gorge and a short final section that begins with a spring on the left. At the exit of the Puntillo there are various jumps. Here, too, the chutes of the Puntillo should only be walked on when the water thorns - as is usual in summer - are not increased (deaths have also occurred here).

We continue downhill, hiking and swimming again, finally becoming somewhat monotonous and tiring. Finally, we come to the dam, where we can end our tour by jumping off the dam, following the example of those bathing here.

Return: (machine translated)

From the top of the weir, turn left onto the slope and then up the steps on the left to the lower car.

Coordinates:

Canyon Start <u>42.2106 -0.0900</u> Canyon End <u>42.1733 -0.0903</u> Alternative Canyon Start <u>42.2071 -0.0876</u> Parking Entry and Exit <u>42.2057 -0.1106</u> Intermediate Canyon Exit <u>42.1964 -0.0921</u> Parking at Exit <u>42.1724 -0.0903</u> Parking Entry and Exit <u>42.2036 -0.0607</u> Alternative Canyon Start <u>42.1984 -0.0870</u>

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We found the paths well with the description, entered at the 2nd entry (i.e. only at the interesting part) and got out again at the Tamara bathing area (i.e. after the interesting part). The canyon was beautiful, very aquatic and equipped with some exciting and unpredictable white water pools with hidden stones and syphons - I would only recommend it to experienced groups, but all in all, if you can read water a bit and are careful not to jump in blindly everywhere, it was an absolutely great canyon (we still had throw bags with us for safety). The water was just the right "cooling temperature", so you didn't have to freeze or sweat and the water remained nice and clear and free of algae. We wouldn't have needed a rope, we downclimbed everything, which went well due to the sintered rock with good grip throughout. At the bathing area before the ascent, you can (and in our 40° weather: should) refresh yourself at an ice-cold, delicious spring. (machine translated)

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Only walked part of the tour. Very beautiful, some water (potentially dangerous siphons). Very clean water with some springs flowing into it Very strenuous ascent and descent due to the heat (take water with you) (machine translated)

Parts:

Peonera (superior), v1 a4 III, 15min+3h+20min Peonera (inferior), v2 a3 III, 45min+5h+10min