Vallière

Ravin de la Vallière

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Country: France **Region:** Provence-Alpes-Côte-d'Azur / Provence-Alpes-Cote d'Azur **Subregion:** Alpes-Maritimes **Town:** Rigaud		
Difficulty: not as difficult	**Grading:** v3 a2 II	**Total time:** 4h5
Approachtime: 1h30	**Tourtime:** 2h30	**Returntime:** 5min
Altitude entry: 1080m	**Altitude exit:** 895m	**Delta Altitude:** 185m
Canyon length: 600m	**Highest rapell:** 30m	**Amount rapells:** 15
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season:	**Orientation:** East	**Best Time:** 10-14 o'clock
Rating: ☆ 2.4 (2)	**Info:** ★ 0 ()	**Belay:** ★ 0 ()

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 2x30m

Summary: (machine translated)
Lonely rappel canyon in red pelite

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
From Nice 54 km up the Var valley on the N 202 towards Digne. Then (about 1 km after the village of Touet-sur-Var) turn right (north) onto the D 28 into the Vallée de Cians. First through the Gorges de Cians and later in serpentines into the upper canyon (direction Beuil). About 16 km after the turnoff from the N 202, one comes through a first shorter tunnel. About 2 km further on, a second tunnel appears. We park our vehicle in the parking lot in front of the tunnel entrance.

Approach: (machine translated)
We walk back along the road for about 250 m (southwards) and start at marker point "211" on the path uphill to "Ciabanon" (signpost). It climbs in a few serpentines, later crossing southwards to the few houses of Ciabanon (1045 m above sea level).
Now the path starts to become more difficult to find. Although there is a clear path to the north on the map mentioned above, it is hardly recognizable from Ciabanon onwards; many tracks walk in the indicated northern direction. As the path climbs gently and continuously from Ciabanon, it seems sensible to first ascend about 20 meters in a north-westerly direction at the houses (past the beehives - 2010) and then walk northwards along the slope at the same altitude. If you are lucky, you will come across the now more clearly recognizable path about 200 m further on (GPS: 44°1'12.27 "N/6°58'37.85 "E). On this track, we cross a wide chute that runs down the slope, only to discover on the opposite slope that the clear track has disappeared again. We climb up the opposite slope without a path for around 25 to 30 meters and come across a black plastic pipe (approx. 5 cm in diameter). We follow it - the path seems clearer at times - until we reach a rocky ledge. We fight our way down through the thorny maquis until we find a passage to the left. If we are right, we can traverse over the sloping scree cirque using a wire rope safety device directly below the rock. Afterwards, the route climbs steeply again for 5 - 10 meters and we meet the path again on a rocky ledge. It is now clearer and after a while leads us to the stream where the water is drained into the black pipe. We have now completed the most difficult part of our tour.
If you are a friend of the maquis, you can save yourself the double horizontal crossing (to Ciabanon and then the same distance in the opposite direction) and try to fight your way from the left-hand serpentine at around 990 m above sea level in a westerly direction through the maquis directly up to the upper "path" - GPS position given above.

Tour: (machine translated)
Apparently rarely visited canyon in slippery red rock, which except for an arduous access does not offer the class as its northern neighbor Raton, but is also much shorter.

Return: (machine translated)
After the rappel to the road bridge out to the right, down the road (south direction), around the tunnel outside and we are at the car.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 44.0253 6.9720
Canyon End 44.0255 6.9760

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