

Torrente Viellia

Val Viellia, Vielia

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| Country: Italia / Italy Region: Friuli Venezia Giulia Subregion: Pordenone Town: Tramonti | | |
| Difficulty: difficult | Grading: v4 a5 IV | Total time: 8h |
| Approachtime: 1h40 | Tourtime: 6h | Returntime: 20min |
| Altitude entry: 950m | Altitude exit: 490m | Delta Altitude: 460m |
| Canyon length: m | Highest rappel: 30m | Amount rapells: |
| Transport: on Foot | Rock type: | Drainage area: km ² |
| Season: | Orientation: Southeast | Best Time: |
| Rating: ★ 4.5 (10) | Info: ★ 2.8 (6) | Belay: ★ 2.3 (9) |
| Specialities: | | |
| Gear: | | |
| Summary: (machine translated) Long, watery canyon with uniquely beautiful passages but also longer walking passages in blocky terrain. Remote, long access and quite wild protection. Probably the biggest tour in Friuli. Many jumps and large pools. Sections separated by walking terrain. According to the map Viellia, but most descriptions call the canyon Vielia. Description of part 2,3,4 | | |
| Hydrology: | | |
| Access: (machine translated) From the Carnia/Tolmezzo freeway exit, follow the SS 52 towards Forni di Sopra/Mauria Pass. After Mediis, immediately after the bridge over the T. Lumiei turn left towards Tramonti. Follow the road, full of bends and motorcyclists, first into the Tagliamento Valley and then over Passo Rest. After many hairpin bends the road crosses Torrente Viellia. Here you may have to park (danger of burglary). It is better to continue towards Tramonti. After passing the houses of Maleon, there is a large parking lot on the right at the beginning of trail 377. | | |
| Approach: (machine translated) Follow the trail 377 for 300m into the Forcella del Rovin, followed by a long traverse into the Val Viellia. At a sign "Stazione le Velleai" you can enter if you want to walk only the 4th part.\nFollow the path until the path meets the stream again (about 13m high waterfall in a circular pool 'Ipnotic Pool'). Here is the start of the second section. It is better to hike 250m upstream, because there are some nice jumps hidden here. Up to here it takes 1.5-2h. If you also want to walk the upper part, follow the path for another 1h and 300m until you reach the flat gravel bed in the area of Casera Chiampis.\n\nAlternative access from the pass road:\nnear KM-Steig IV/17 you will find a small parking area, on the other side of the road starts a path between stone slag nets. Follow this path (clear route, cairns) until you reach a small saddle, then keep descending until you reach the ruins of Stalle Velleai. The path is usually easy to see, only in the area of wind breaks there are orientation problems, but if you keep slightly to the right in the descent you should always find the path again. In the area of the Stalle Vellai briefly pathless left past the only house still standing until a path forms again that leads down to the Vielia. On the other bank climb about 40 m on a comfortable path to the hiking trail.\n\nI'm streambed then uphill | | |

Tour: (machine translated)

Part 2: After a series of jumps up to 8m you are faced with the impressive 13m rappel into the 'Hypnotic Pool', the 4m rock step afterwards you rappel from an anchor on the left rock face (slippery traverse). After a nice swimming section, a 15m rappel follows under a rock arch (anchor on the right), then intermediate stand on the right to be able to rappel the last 5m outside the water jet. When the canyon opens up again, you are faced with a 20m waterfall - anchor to the right of the small pool of water (downclimb to the right). A short swimming section is followed by a 15-minute walk and climb. Part 3: The water flows partly underground here, less flow than in the upper part. After a 5m jump comes the first 14m abseil (tree on the right). Then a 6m jump and a steep 8m slide (or jump from the right) before you reach a 25m rappel into a narrow corridor (wonderful play of light, with the 'Olympic pool' waiting behind it). Either jump into the Olympic pool or rappel left using the hourglass, after the pool a strong and cold karst spring flows from the right, the water level is about tripled. After a bit of climbing and jumping, you come to another walking passages (10min), parts to the right at a boulder with numbers on it.
Part 4: This part starts with a 7m jump into a large pool, then a 2m jump into a receding pool (you will notice the increased water volume here at the latest) and a fun 8m slide. After a few jumps you stand in front of a Z-shaped 8m waterfall, anchor on the left, crossing the current is not easy. The anchor for the next 15m rappel is on the left and very high up: ascend, ascend over a very narrow rock channel and then carefully rappel down a massive ramp (can be slid after checking). This is followed by many steps up to 10m high, some to jump, some to climb down in the watercourse. Some drops are equipped with abseil hooks. Two siphons can be bypassed on the right-hand side (one traverse each over grassy slopes to tree abseils, it should also be possible in the river bed). After a long swim in a narrow gorge, a stream with a beautiful waterfall flows in from the left, climb up a short ramp on the left at the next rockslide and rappel 24m from a tree with a rope sling (sharp-edged). The following idyllic walking passages lead through an area with many springs - there is some cold water again. Here it is possible to leave the stream to the left to the road about 80m above. The last gorge is followed by some more massive waterfalls, a sloping 2.5m ramp is secured with an anchor on the right (underwater washouts). Immediately after the bridge, climb steeply up to the road on the right.

Return: (machine translated)

If the cars are at the parking entry follow the road back for about 15min.

Coordinates:

Canyon Start [46.3333 12.7568](#)

Parking Entry and Exit [46.3217 12.7954](#)

Parking Entry and Exit [46.3431 12.7926](#)

Canyon End [46.3317 12.8018](#)

Reports:

2025-08-26 | System User |   |  Low |  Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Viellia Descendido tramo 2 y 3(muy bonitos y lúdicos)Buenos saltos.Demasiada aproximación y retorno para lo que duran los 2 tramos en el agua. (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22063/observations.html>)

2025-08-25 | System User |   |  Normal |  Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Viellia Nous n'avons parcouru que les 3 parties avales (2,3,4). Bien équipées. Quelques sections de marche un peu longues, mais des parties de toute beauté avec des sauts, des toboggans, des rappels qui poussent gentiment, des couleurs hallucinantes : du bonheur ! (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22063/observations.html>)

2025-08-16 | Bernhard |     |    |   |  Low |  Completed

Partly only 1 bolt at the stands - but these are good Beautiful single pitches, but a lot of boulder terrain in between 2-4 made (machine translated)

2025-07-19 | System User |   |  High |  Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Viellia We did 1-4Vielia 1: very slipperyVielia 2+3 beautyfullVielia 4: gros debit (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22063/observations.html>)

2025-07-19 | Bina |     |    |   |  Normal |  Completed

Parts 1-4 done. 1st part extremely slippery. All jumps in 1-3 possible. (machine translated)

2025-06-21 | Friedl Martin |     |    |    |  High |  Completed

Vielia II+III: You notice the higher water level, but everything is unproblematic. The plunge pools are in superiore condition, the rock is quite grippy. Vielia IV: Has a lot more water than in the fall. For me, there were actually only 2 problematic spots, but these were defused by professionals using a ropeway and full physical effort. (machine translated)

2025-06-21 | System User |   |  High |  Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Viellia High flow in 2 and 3 very high flow in 4. 2 and three are in excellent conditions. Rock Not slippery yet and good flow from top to bottom. (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22063/observations.html>)

2025-05-17 | Marcus chew |     |    |   |  Normal |  Completed

Route easy to follow. Water from artic circle. Very grippy most of the way. Isolated slippery. Most jumps possible. Lots of bolts are incomplete and missing parts. Take extra equipment or you must jump from very high. Many access positions also missing. Position number 19 missing also and can jump but Water very very very shallow. Jump at own risk. Very cool jumps and rope jobs

2024-08-26 | Anja Rot |     |    |    |  Low |  Completed

Comitted part 3 and 4, part 4 quite slippery, beautiful pools.

2024-08-15 | Rok |     |  |    |  Normal |  Completed

Made all 4 parts today. We re-drilled or renovated some of the stands as anchors were missing. As always superiore beautiful and simply a dream. Currently very slippery. Photo of the bridge at the exit. (machine translated)

2024-07-28 | Moosi |     |    |    |  Normal |  Completed

Part 4 committed: Always surprisingly cold. Otherwise everything is fine (machine translated)

2024-06-29 | System User |   |  High |  Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Viellia Higher flow created few places with tricky parts. But pasaable without huge issues. Jumping makes it easier to avoid dangerous waters (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22063/observations.html>)

2023-09-03 | Horst Lambauer |      |  |    |  Normal |  Completed

Vielia I -IV committed. All stands ok (machine translated)

2023-08-20 | Rok |      |  |    |  Normal |  Completed

First descent: 01.07.2004 by Gruppo Speleologico Carnico, Kristian Muser & C.