

Fisgas do Ermelo

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Country: Portugal **Region:** Região Norte / Norte Region **Subregion:** Vila Real **Town:** Mondim de Basto, Ermelo

Difficulty: difficult	Grading: v4 a5 IV	Total time: 6h50
Approach time: 40min	Tour time: 5h30	Return time: 40min
Altitude entry: 675m	Altitude exit: 340m	Delta Altitude: 335m
Canyon length: 2300m	Highest rappel: 48m	Amount rapells: 11
Transport: on Foot	Rock type:	Drainage area: km ²
Season:	Orientation: Southwest	Best Time:
Rating: ★ 3.7 (2)	Info: ★ 0 ()	Belay: ★ 0 ()

Specialities:

§ Proscription,

Gear:

Ropes: 2x60m

Summary:

(machine translated)
Aquatic rappel canyon, open at the top.

Hydrology:

Access:

(machine translated)
From Vila Real approx. 10 km on the E 82 in the direction of Porto, then right onto the N304 in the direction of Ermelo. After 20km (from the turnoff) and passing just below Ermelo, you will reach the road bridge over the Rio Olo (330m above sea level). After the bridge, turn right and follow the signs for Fisgas do Ermelo. If you have 2 vehicles, park the first one 1 km after the junction at the bridge at a track on the right (stone posts on both sides) (440 m a.s.l.). With the other vehicle, continue uphill, at the chapel at the saddle then on the far right and up to the Belvedere at the end of the road (3.1 km from the lower vehicle parking, 600 m a.s.l.). Here park 2nd vehicle and take a look at the waterfalls, but they are visible here only to a small extent.

Approach:

(machine translated)
From Belvdere on the road closed with barrier in a wide curve up to 740 m above sea level, then beyond 65 meters of altitude down to the stream.

Tour:

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It is an attractive tour, although relatively long and serious, which generates certain difficulties due to insufficient belays. The fact that there is no anchor at the first 6 m drop seems understandable in view of the fact that the canyon is located in a national park, even if an explicit prohibition is not perceptible (2007). So about after the third high rappel, the water disappears in a long rock crevice. Here, during the first search, only an anchor with a thin rope was found, which could not have been reached without a rope belay; moreover, it would have forced the rappeler directly into the narrow crevice with a strong water flow. Only after a thorough search for an alternative was a tape loop found about 10 m further to the right, somewhat hidden, which made it possible to rappel onto a tape that could be used to bypass the narrow chute at the top.

Return: (machine translated)

After the last 5 m drop, a knotted rope is stretched up the right side. However, since no tracks were recognizable at the upper end and the unknown path seemed too risky in steep terrain, we preferred to walk downhill in the streambed for another hour until an exit presented itself at a widening of the streambed. Tracks led steeply uphill here, but it seemed better to cross a small side stream to a neighboring meadow with fruit trees and a hut, and from there to a dirt road 30 meters above. This leads - at the beginning a gate is to be climbed around - with small height fluctuations altogether 100 elevator meters upward - out on the tarred road with the vehicle parked below.

Coordinates:

Canyon Start [41.3796 -7.8633](https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/21209/observations.html#41.3796,-7.8633)

Canyon End [41.3752 -7.8763](https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/21209/observations.html#41.3752,-7.8763)

Parking at Entry [41.3766 -7.8703](https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/21209/observations.html#41.3766,-7.8703)

Parking at Exit [41.3756 -7.8825](https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/21209/observations.html#41.3756,-7.8825)

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