Rio Del Mulin Chiusaforte

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Country: Italia / Italy **Region:** Friuli Venezia Giulia **Subregion:** Udine **Town:** Chiusaforte		
Difficulty: difficult	**Grading:** v5 a2 III	**Total time:** 4h25
Approachtime: 1h15	**Tourtime:** 3h	**Returntime:** 10min
Altitude entry: 800m	**Altitude exit:** 420m	**Delta Altitude:** 380m
Canyon length: m	**Highest rapell:** 62m	**Amount rapells:** 12
Transport:	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season:	**Orientation:**	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 3.1 (9)	**Info:** ★ 2.7 (9)	**Belay:** ★ 2 (8)

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 1x70m/ 1x60m (2x60m)

Summary: (machine translated)
Vertical open lime canyon with several exit options; south-facing; interesting after rainfall as otherwise mostly dry; single pitons or tree slings.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
Coming from Tarvisio on the A23, take the Ponteba exit. Then follow the main road SS13 until you reach the small village of Villanova (after Chiusaforte). Diagonally opposite the gas station (Agip) there is a large parking lot (with playground). Park here.

Approach: (machine translated)
From the parking lot go left towards the houses below the visible waterfall (Rio Belepeit). Here, however, not directly to the waterfall but on the road further up to the last white house (No. 25). An inconspicuous path passes the liquid gas tank on the right in front of the house and leads shortly to the small concrete bridge (exit Rio del Mulin). After the bridge, the trail climbs more steeply. At the point where yellow markings (arrows) become visible, follow the easily overlooked path over the ridge of the forest (do not follow the yellow markings. These lead to the last part of the Rio del Mulin) up to path 425. Follow the path until the fork. Here continue up steeply on the right via trail 426 (do not follow blue markers to Rio Belepeit). After a few steep switchbacks, the trail flattens out. Here it is also possible to descend or enter the already visible stream. Entrance altitude approx. 780m.

Tour: (machine translated)
Shortly after the entry at about 780m comes the first step where you can rappel left over a tree. After that comes a longer walking and descending section over boulder terrain. The next 2 smaller steps can ideally also be slid. This is followed by an approx. 18m high rappel in the watercourse. After the waterfall comes a short walking section that leads to a sloping crevasse. Here you rappel to the left to the Zwisschenstand in the crevice and then immediately continue to rappel into a pool. After a small jump comes a 10m step. A short walking and abseiling section leads to the 1st high waterfall of about 60m. Here either rappel right from the tree directly in the waterfall or after about 15m use the intermediate stand on the right. After that there is a rappel (20m) left from the tree into a shallow pool. After this step you meet the hiking trail 425. With a beautiful view of the Kanaltal you abseil left about 15m from a tree into a pool which is before the high 50m abseil point. Here you rappel from a tree loop on the right. After the rappel there is a step which is divided again. Here you have after about 15m an intermediate stand (danger of pendulum!) to then rappel further about 20m. A short downclimb and walking passage follows, which leads to the last high waterfall of about 55m (! sharp edge) (before the waterfall you meet the path with the yellow markings on the left). After rappeling from the tree loop on the left, you are almost at the access path/concrete bridge at approx. 420m.

Return: (machine translated)
Immediately after the last rappel point (at 420m) exit left and cross the small concrete bridge back to the road and shortly to the parking lot.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 46.4132 13.2935
Parking Entry and Exit 46.4049 13.2944
Canyon End 46.4058 13.2958

Reports:

2026-02-01 | Horst Lambauer | ☆ ½ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
Wonderful in winter because completely south-facing. Stands could do with a reservation in the next 3 years but no problem. (machine translated)

2025-03-30 | Horst Lambauer | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
Very nice after the rain of the last few days. All stands ok. At the moment you have to be a bit careful in the region because the oak processionary moths are coming out of their nests... (machine translated)

2024-10-05 | Jason Walker | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ | 🕮 ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ High | 👍 Completed
The anchors are quite often on trees with quite old rope. It may be newer than it looks, but I'd go in there with a plan to replace them if I was going to repeat it. The bolts on the first big abseil are (apparently?) missable. They are on the right side, just out of view, not below the main lip of the waterfall!!! Quite good with a heap of rain in the valley currently. Grippy rock.

2024-07-05 | Friedl Martin | ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
Everything is ok, the highest rappel is exactly 62m, so plan enough ropes. The access path is infested with ticks, 16 on one person. (machine translated)

2024-05-04 | Rick Paapy | ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
Nice flow after the rain, some sharp rocks 2nd to last waterfall. Walked up in an hour. Decent in 2hrs. Some rusty anchors, but still good strong! Beautifully state of the rope anchors

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2024-04-29 | Wolfgang | ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Low | 👍 Completed
Just enough water to make it fun. Everything OK so far Access 70 min, descent 2 people 1h 50min (machine translated)

2024-04-13 | GeorgB | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
Currently very good conditions. Hardly any gravel in the pools, all jumps are feasible. Some rusty bolts, but the slings are in good condition. Although there is a lot of rappeling from tree slings, there were no problems with rappels. (machine translated)

2023-11-11 | Horst Lambauer | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
Very beautiful gorge, wonderful in the fall due to the southern exposure, but be sure to go after rainfall. You can check the water level down by the parking lot at the filling station. (machine translated)

2023-04-11 | Daniel Sturm | | 🕮 ★ ★ | ⚓ | | 👎 Not done
Coordinates and description edited. (machine translated)

2023-03-09 | System User | ☆ ☆ | 🕮 | ⚓ | |
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