

Funda da Ponta Ruiva inf.

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Country: Portugal **Region:** Região Autónoma dos Açores / Azores **Subregion:** **Town:** Ponta Ruiva

Difficulty: not as difficult	Grading: v3 a3 IV	Total time: 3h
Approach time: 20min	Tour time: 2h	Return time: 40min
Altitude entry: 210m	Altitude exit: 10m	Delta Altitude: 200m
Canyon length: 1300m	Highest rappel: 18m	Amount rappels: 9
Transport: on Foot	Rock type:	Drainage area: km ²
Season:	Orientation: Northeast	Best Time:
Rating: ★ 2.9 (1)	Info: ★ 0 ()	Belay: ★ 0 ()

Specialities:

Gear:

Ropes: 2x20m

Summary:

The Funda da Ponta Ruiva joins the confluence of Esguilhão and Ribeira Funda superiore. It is short and without technical difficulties and offers beautiful views of the sea at the exit.

Hydrology:

Access:

From Santa Cruz we take the road ER 1-2 in the direction of Ponta Delgada (northern direction, near the coast). Calculated from the northern exit of the runway of the airport of Santa Cruz we reach after about 10 km the junction of the road down to the village Ponta Ruiva. We drive through the village and park our car on one of the parking lots near the small "Museu".

Approach:

The approach road a few meters further, the mule track to Cedros goes off to the left. We walk on it until the concrete bridge over "our" stream. Here we get on.

Tour:

7 rappels, some possible jumps and slides. Substrate less slippery than most other canyons on the island. The last (8th) rappel (15m) we are also - bumpy - slid, but the receiving rappel was only about 1.60m deep and the subsoil a rock plate (!). 10m above the rubble beach the tour is over.

Return:

After the aforementioned last rappel and without having descended to the beach, you climb up a fishermen's path on the left - initially in steep terrain. Later, the path then moves up through open coppice forest to our starting point in Ponta Ruiva.

Coordinates:

Canyon Start [39.4890 -31.1649](https://canyon.carto.net/cwiki/bin/view/Canyons/39.4890-31.1649)

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