Parete inf

Rio Parete,Croso Parete

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Country: Italia / Italy **Region:** Piemonte **Subregion:** Vercelli **Town:** Alagna Valsesia		
Difficulty: a little difficult	**Grading:** v4 a1 III	**Total time:** 3h10
Approachtime: 35min	**Tourtime:** 2h30	**Returntime:** 5min
Altitude entry: 1240m	**Altitude exit:** 1030m	**Delta Altitude:** 210m
Canyon length: 300m	**Highest rapell:** 30m	**Amount rapells:** 13
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:** granite	**Drainage area:** 1.00km²
Season: May - October	**Orientation:** Southwest	**Best Time:** 9-16 o'clock
Rating: ☆ 3.5 (2)	**Info:** ★ 2.5 (2)	**Belay:** ★ 2 (2)

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 3 x 60 m

Summary:
Vertical canyon with a continuous sequence of rappels within a narrow slot for the first part, then sunny and open in the final rappels; water levels are low or dry in summer, but the first narrow section becomes highly technical in spring when water flow is high.

Hydrology:

Access:
From Varallo Sesia continue on SP299 to Alagna Valsesia; after the village of Boccorio, there is a tunnel: immediately after the tunnel and before the bridge on the Sesia river, turn right on a smaller road, after about 100 m, leave the car in the parking area.

Approach:
From the parking area, follow the dirt road to the right; after about 200 meters, you will see red and orange markers on the right. Ascend through the woods, following the markers along faint paths and old trails. You will reach a grove of large beech trees and then a power pylon; continue the steep ascent, still following the red/orange markers. At a certain point, you emerge from the woods and the path becomes more distinct, winding along the easiest lines of the steep slope (markers continue). You arrive near the stream, then the path enters in the canyon, here is the start of the lower Parete.

Tour:
You immediately find the first points (right) for the handrail that leads to the first R15 left, entering in the narrowest section of the canyon, then you find MC8 (right) and R25 (right), really narrow. Then 2 short rappels lead to the highest waterfall of the canyon (about 70 m), split in R20 (left) + R30 (left, sharp edges) + R20 (left, diverter, narrow in the final meters), at the bottom of the waterfall there is an emergency exit. Then the canyon opens up and with some easy rappels you arrive to the final R30 (right).

Return:
Continue following the stream and after 50 m you come back to the dirt road and the parking.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 45.8270 7.9790
Canyon End 45.8245 7.9773

Reports:

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Route with water after heavy rain The flow isn't excessive—it was probably around 30–40 l/s.... so it doesn't cause any problems, even on the most technical descent... the pools fill up, but you can still touch the bottom. The narrow section is really beautiful at this flow rate... the lower section could use a bit more... (machine translated)

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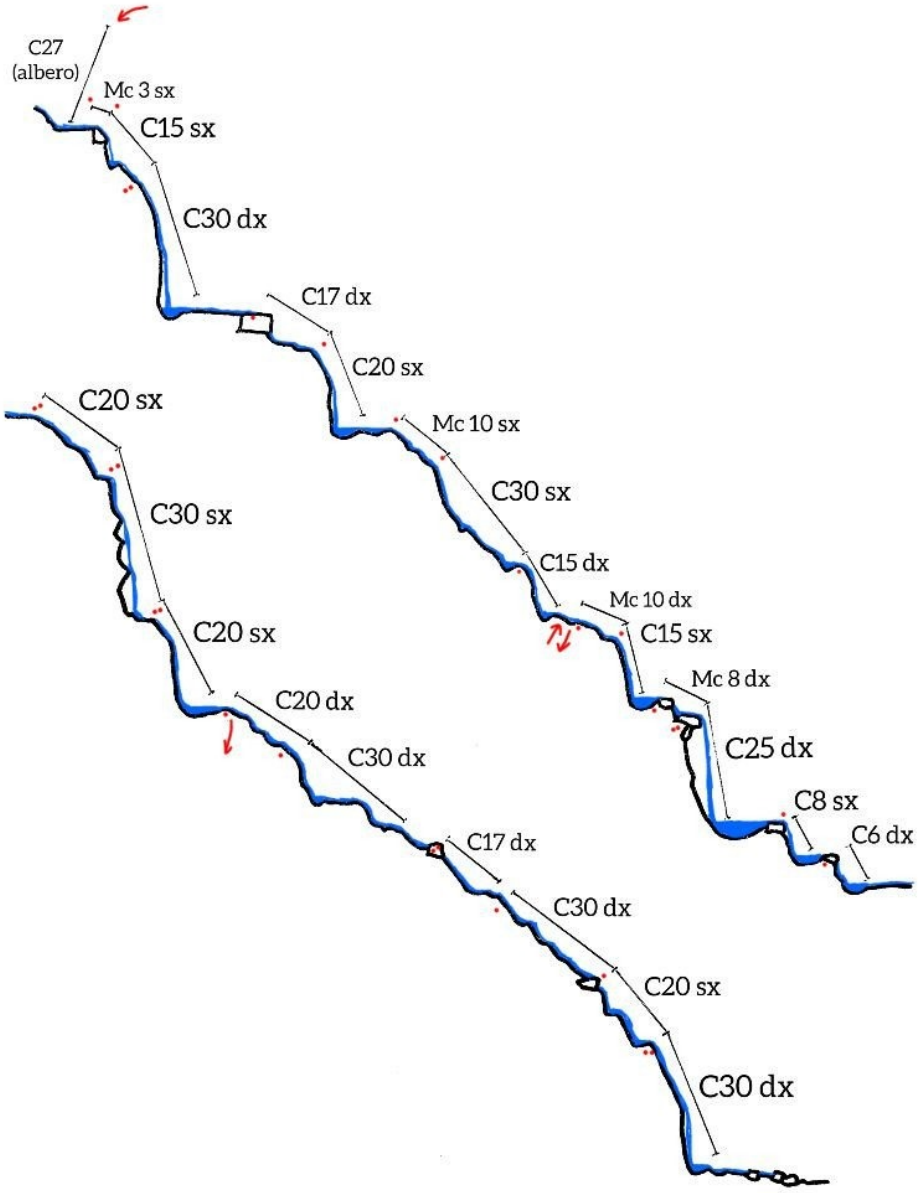
The lower section has finally been equipped as well; now the entire descent is a beautiful canyon with 20 continuous rappels, with no sections requiring walking; it's ideal and technical, with a decent flow rate (50 l/s), but be careful of excessively high flow, which is dangerous in such a narrow environment. The Faglia, where the lower section begins, is aesthetically very beautiful; today the canyon was dry, but at least we avoided having to carry the weight of our wetsuits on the approach... Thanks to Paolo for the day. (machine translated)

Parts:
Parete sup, v4 a1 II, 50min+1h30+30min
Parete inf, v4 a1 III, 35min+2h30+5min

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