# Ravin de Gimette

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| **Create:** 2023-08-29 10:11:18 | **Update:** 2024-03-06 21:16:27 | **Print:** 2026-10-30 12:10:18 |
| **Country:** France **Region:** Provence-Alpes-Côte-d'Azur / Provence-Alpes-Cote d'Azur **Subregion:** Alpes-de-Haute-Provence **Town:** Les Thuiles | | |
| **Difficulty:** a little difficult | **Grading:** v4 a4 IV | **Total time:** 3h15 |
| **Approachtime:** 0min | **Tourtime:** 3h | **Returntime:** 15min |
| **Altitude entry:** 1360m | **Altitude exit:** 1160m | **Delta Altitude:** 200m |
| **Canyon length:** 1000m | **Highest rapell:** 25m | **Amount rapells:** |
| **Transport:** Car optional | **Rock type:** | **Drainage area:** km² |
| **Season:** | **Orientation:** North | **Best Time:** |
| **Rating:** ☆ 3.2 (3) | **Info:** ★ 2.5 (2) | **Belay:** ★ 2.7 (3) |
| **Specialities:** | | |
| **Gear:**<br>Ropes: 2x 30m | | |
| **Summary:** (machine translated)<br>A very beautiful canyon with rock with a good grip. | | |
| **Hydrology:** | | |
| **Access:** (machine translated)<br>D900, from Le Lauzet-Ubaye, head towards Barcelonnette to reach the village of Les Thuiles. In this village, turn right onto the D109. Immediately after the bridge over the Ubaye, turn right, then left after the small bridge over the Gimette. 450 m further on, downhill parking lot on the right just before a hairpin bend (wooden information board and small bench).<br>Uphill parking lot: Walk 2 km and park without obstruction at the level of the Gaffe bridge. | | |
| **Approach:** (machine translated)<br>Without shuttle bus: Leave your car at the parking lot on the valley side and walk up the small road to the Gaffe bridge, which crosses the torrent. | | |
| **Tour:** (machine translated)<br>First there is a walking area with some de-escalations and abseils. This is followed by an indentation with some more or less watered abseils, which can be up to 25 m long. At the exit of the canyon, there is a walk with some de-escalations along a pipe that runs alongside the stream.<br><br>Engagement<br>Opportunities to get to safety outside the high water in some places where the embayment is missing. Escape routes are unclear or non-existent until the exit of the embayment (RD pipe).<br><br>Time period/ water character<br>The current can be considerable and some abseiling points are watered. In strong currents, two pools may have water movements that need to be managed. The last rappel is equipped high in RD and requires a climbing step, it is better to stay on the rope of the previous rappel to reach it.<br><br>Historical overview<br>1956 Honnorat and Reynier | | |
| **Return:** (machine translated)<br>Continue along the watercourse, 15 mins along the RD sewer (pipe), past a large flat rock and then RG exit via a path leading up to the road at the lower parking lot. | | |

**Coordinates:**
Canyon Start 44.3772 6.5574
Canyon End 44.3857 6.5640
Parking at Exit 44.3860 6.5640
Parking at Entry 44.3775 6.5581

**Reports:**

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2026-08-29 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Gimette DC++ limité GD- (on ne s'attarde pas au pied de certaines cascades) parfois il est préférable d'éviter l'actif, ça peut bien taper la caboche. Points doublés scellés. Des points pour poser des MC rappelables à certains obstacles (on en a pas fait ce jour). (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/285/observations.html)

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2026-08-14 | Garance Thoviste | ★ ★ ★ |🕮 |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
A beautiful canyon with a few fun abseil sequences and a lovely narrow gorge. The water smells a bit like sulfur at the start. There wasn’t much flow in mid-August despite the rain, but it makes you want to go back when there’s more water. Be aware that the road has been closed for several years due to rockfalls, so there’s no shuttle service available. (machine translated)

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2026-08-12 | Kanyon Kerke | ★ ★ ★ ½ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
The last section of the road leading up to the entry is no longer passable. Otherwise, everything in the canyon is great! (machine translated)

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2026-08-06 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Gimette Bien mieux équipé qu’il y a quelques années...bel encaissement. Sous noté à mon goût . (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/285/observations.html)

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2026-07-27 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Gimette (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/285/observations.html)

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2026-07-25 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
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2026-06-20 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Crazy | 👎 Not done
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Gimette Débit observé depuis le pont aval. ca semblait gros au vue de l'encaissement a franchir dans le canyon. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/285/observations.html)

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2025-09-08 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Gimette Super canyon, des belles cascades pas toujours facile à lire.L'eau sent le soufre ? (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/285/observations.html)

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2025-08-25 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Gimette Route toujours barée. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/285/observations.html)

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2025-07-27 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Gimette Équipements OK ???? (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/285/observations.html)

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2025-07-17 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Gimette Route toujours barrée et pour un moment. Plusieurs arbres couchés au début du canyon dommage. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/285/observations.html)

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2025-07-17 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Gimette DC. Encore de bonnes conditions. Quelques arbres dans le canyon n'empêchent pas la progression. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/285/observations.html)

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2025-07-12 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Gimette DC. Quelques pins tombés dans la partie