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Rio Magiaica-Grotte di Ara,Magiaiga

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Country: Italia / Italy **Region:** Piemonte **Subregion:** Novara **Town:** Grignasco		
Difficulty: easy	**Grading:** v2 a2 I	**Total time:** 1h50
Approachtime: 5min	**Tourtime:** 1h30	**Returntime:** 15min
Altitude entry: 440m	**Altitude exit:** 370m	**Delta Altitude:** 70m
Canyon length: 300m	**Highest rapell:** 12m	**Amount rapells:** 4
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:** dolomite	**Drainage area:** 3.00km²
Season: March - November	**Orientation:** Southwest	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 2 (1)	**Info:** ★ 2 (1)	**Belay:** ★ 3 (1)

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 2x 20m

Summary:
Easy and short canyon, with short abseils and not much water, though it features a nice narrow corridor, and it's the only canyon in sedimentary rock in the region.

Hydrology:

Access:
From Grignasco, continue toward Borgosesia. After a few hundred meters, turn right onto a narrower road following the signs for Ara - Grotte di Ara (pass under a brick arch). Continue uphill until you reach the village of Ara, where you can park in the first parking lot.

Approach:
Continue through the village, following the signs for "Grotte di Ara." You'll find a gate, but it's open. Continue on level ground for 5 minutes (trail 779) until you reach the Ara Caves park. Just before the bridge, follow a path on the left that passes above the park building (without entering the fence). After about a hundred meters, you'll find another bridge over the stream; enter here.

Tour:
You immediately find the first C8dx, which leads to a beautiful narrow corridor. Immediately after, the stream enters a very characteristic small cave, and then under a beautiful rock arch. Then you find C12 (boulder in the center) and a bit of walking with some easy downclimbing and a possible dive. You reach the last C6sx+C10sx, the first one diving-able.

Return:
Then continue for 10 minutes along the stream until you find a path on the left that leads up to the caves (15 minutes), from here return to the outward path.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 45.6974 8.3264
Canyon End 45.6944 8.3255
Parking Entry and Exit 45.6921 8.3233

Reports:

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https://www.gulliver.it/itinerari/rio-magiaiga/ Coordinates Input: 45.6974175, 8.3264871 Exit: 45.6944375, 8.3255003 (machine translated)

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MagiaiGa, short but interesting passage into Ara caves, with a headlamp you can explore better. 4 rappels, V2A2II (machine translated)

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