Rizeu

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Country: Schweiz / Switzerland **Region:** Kanton Graubünden **Subregion:** Region Moesa **Town:** Mesocco		
Difficulty: very difficult	**Grading:** v6 a3 III	**Total time:** 6h40
Approachtime: 25min	**Tourtime:** 5h50	**Returntime:** 25min
Altitude entry: 1090m	**Altitude exit:** 620m	**Delta Altitude:** 470m
Canyon length: 780m	**Highest rapell:** 140m	**Amount rapells:**
Transport: Car optional	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** 3.80km²
Season: July - October	**Orientation:** West	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 4 (4)	**Info:** ★ 2.7 (3)	**Belay:** ★ 2.3 (3)

Warnings:
Moesa crossing required
After the canyon, the Moesa must be crossed to get back to the car. Be sure to check the water level and the catchment area before the walk!

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 2x110m, 1x60m, 1x50m

Summary: (machine translated)
Little deep cut bright rappel canyon with many rappel in and through the water stream.

The highlight are the three high waterfalls which sparkle beautifully in the sun at noon and form rainbows

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
Best to walk with two cars. The times refer to an access with a second car.

Park the first car right next to the main road near the castle south of Mesocco in the parking lot with toilet block.

With the second car drive to the village of Mesocco and there cross the bridge up the hill towards Deira.

Just before Deira, a concrete road turns sharply left and goes up in switchbacks to a parking and turning area next to a hut.

Approach: (machine translated)
From here, a gravel road leads further up the mountain to a bridge. Here is the entry.

Alternatively, not far before the bridge on the right a small footpath can be taken on which you can enter keeping left slightly below the bridge and skip the less interesting upper part.
This path is probably private, so please be friendly to the residents and possibly rather take the upper entry at the bridge if someone feels disturbed.

Tour: (machine translated)
See topographic view.

Return: (machine translated)
Where the Rizeu flows into the Moesa, the Moesa should be crossable in dry summers at the above-mentioned low water level.
Following the river to the right, you then walk directly along the Moesa until you can take a well-trodden forest path along the river on the right over roots. This leads to an old hut. In front of the hut you look for a way up the forest until you meet an overgrown path with many stinging nettles and blackberries that leads gently uphill in the direction of the main road and highway. It ends shortly after a fountain at a fence with a gate through which you reach the highway and follow it to the right to the parking lot and back to the first car.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 46.3749 9.2432
Canyon End 46.3770 9.2347
Waterlevel Checkpoint 46.3768 9.2353
Parking at Exit 46.3826 9.2321
Parking at Entry 46.3783 9.2409
Alternative Canyon Start 46.3766 9.2395
Intermediate Canyon Exit 46.3768 9.2385

Reports:

2026-10-03 | Alfredcanyon | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ | Normal | Completed
Not only the big falls are stunning, but i also really enjoyed the whole descenr, nice views on the valley too!

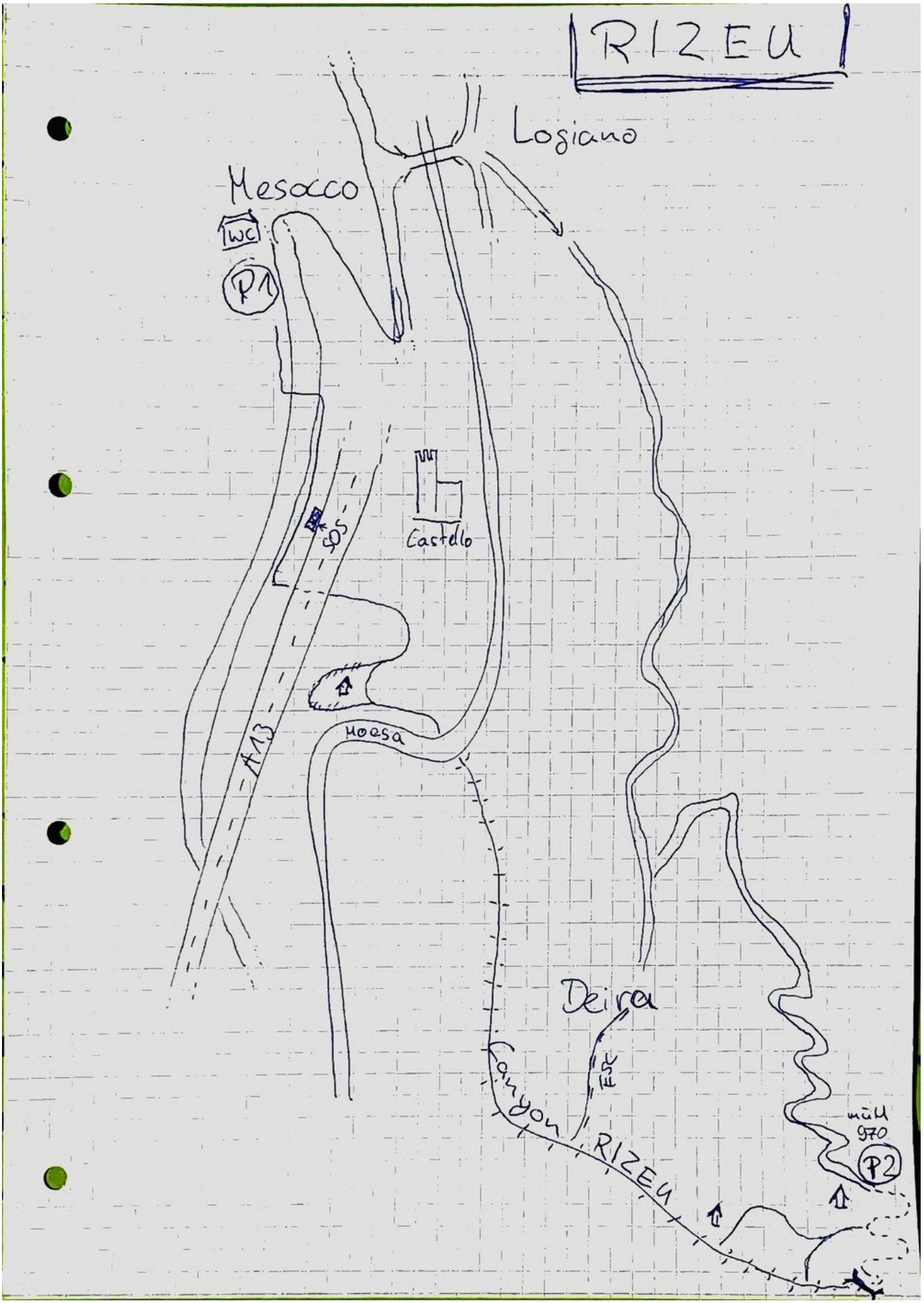
2026-08-31 | Bubtore | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | Normal | Completed
Note: For those looking at the route description in *Swiss Alps Topo 2.0*, 95 meters isn’t enough. We tied together 120 meters and 90 meters, and the rope length was just right. So the 110 meters described here is correct. The belay station for the 10m + 50m section isn’t at the basin (the anchor has been torn out there), but far to the right. We noticed this too late and therefore rappelled the 60m directly. That works, too. The livestock guard dogs are out near the exit/ascent, but you can stay to the right of them in the beech forest and easily get past the enclosure. (machine translated)

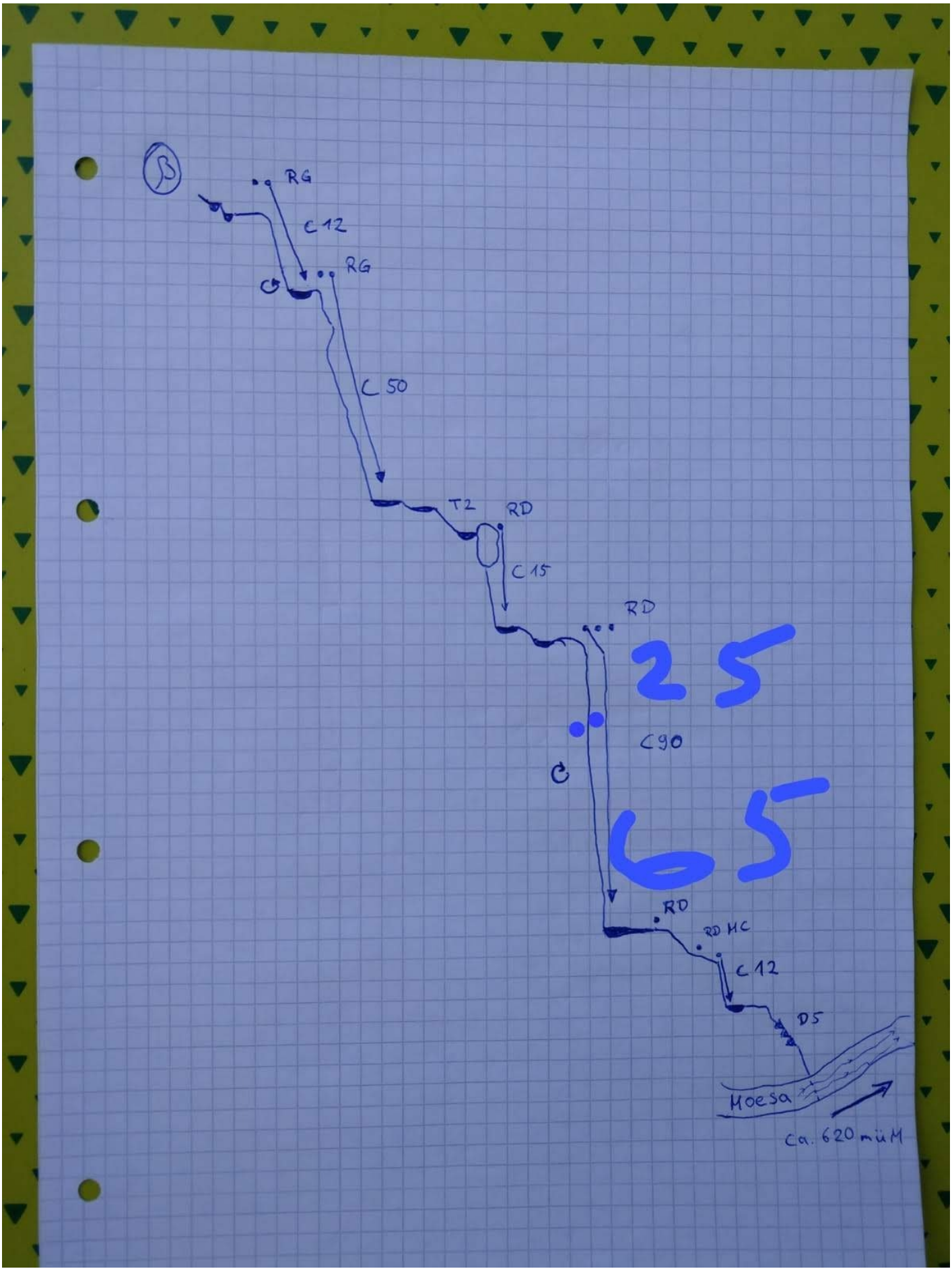
2026-07-07 | rob | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ | Low | Completed
Anchors for nice, beautiful long rappels. A few aggressive sheepdogs guard the path at the exit, but you can jump back over the fence to reach the road. (machine translated)

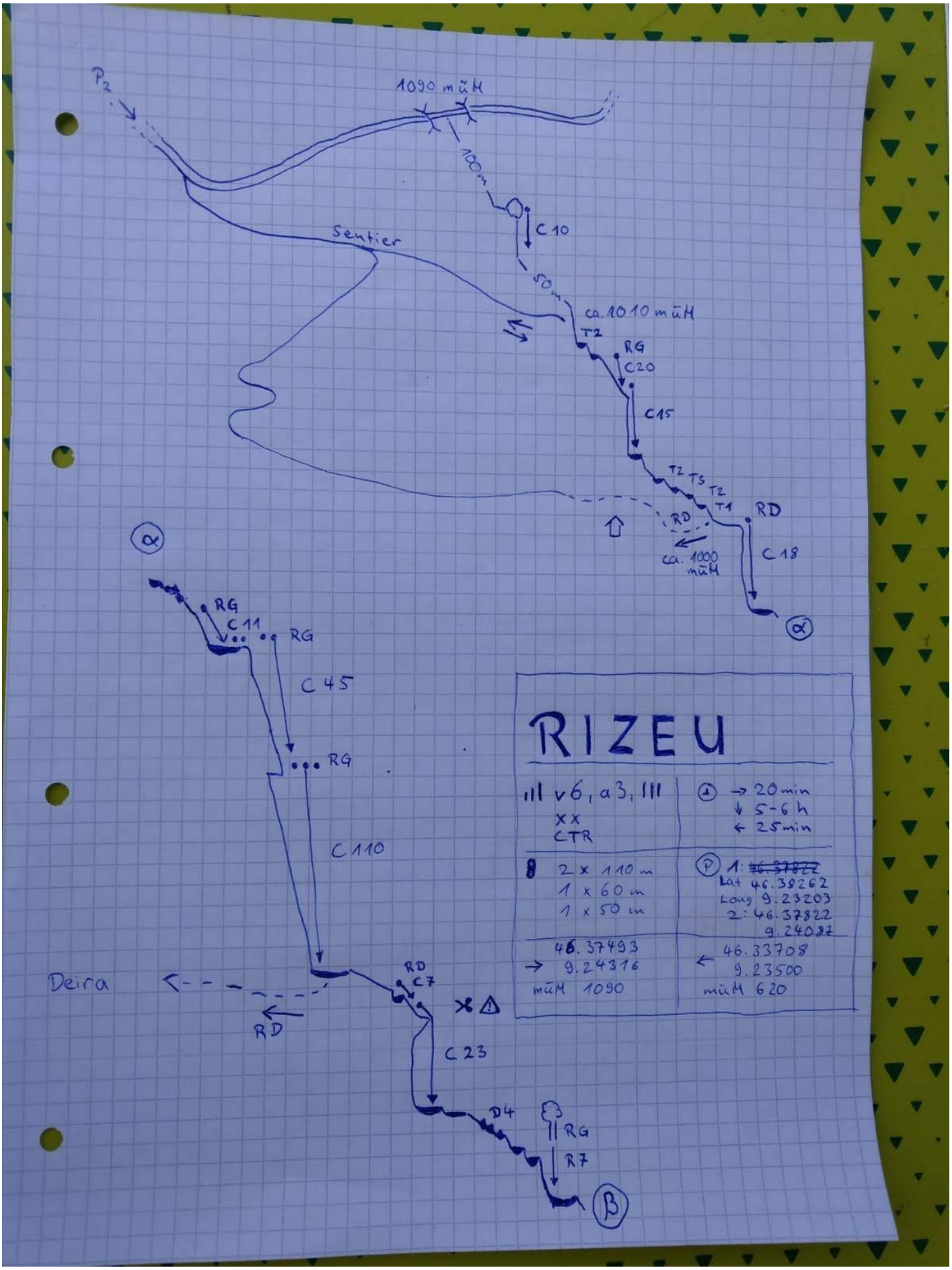
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2018-08-27 | Michael Streiner | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | Normal | Completed
Setting up the hooks / rappelling stations and creating the topos (machine translated)


RIZEU
Logiano
Mesocco
WC
P1
SOS
Castello
A13
Moesa
Deira
canyon
RIZEU
mäM
970
P2


B
RG
C 12
RG
C 50
T2
RD
C 15
RD
25
C 90
65
RD
RD HC
C 12
D5
Moesa
Ca. 620 müM


P2
1090 müM
100 m
C10
Sentier
50 m
ca. 1010 müM
T2
RG
C20
C15
T2 T3 T2 T1
RD
RD
ca. 1000 müM
C18
α
α
RG
C11
RG
C45
RG
C110
Deira
RD
RD
C7
C23
D4
RG
R7
β
RIZEU
v6, a3, III
XX
CTR
2 x 110 m
1 x 60 m
1 x 50 m
46.37493
9.24316
müM 1090
→ 20 min
↓ 5-6 h
← 25 min
P 1: ~~46.37822~~
Lat 46.39262
Long 9.23203
2: 46.37822
9.24097
46.33708
9.23500
müM 620