Moleno inf

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Country: Schweiz / Switzerland **Region:** Kanton Tessin / Cantone Ticino **Subregion:** Bezirk Bellinzona **Town:** Bellinzona		
Difficulty: a little difficult	**Grading:** v4 a4 III	**Total time:** 4h32
Approachtime: 1h	**Tourtime:** 3h30	**Returntime:** 2min
Altitude entry: 560m	**Altitude exit:** 270m	**Delta Altitude:** 290m
Canyon length: 1100m	**Highest rapell:** 30m	**Amount rapells:** 14
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season: June - September	**Orientation:** Northeast	**Best Time:** 10-14 o'clock
Rating: ☆ 4.1 (21)	**Info:** ★ 2.3 (15)	**Belay:** ★ 2.2 (20)
Specialities:		

Gear:
Ropes: 2x40m

Summary: (machine translated)
Very worthwhile beautiful aquatic canyon; turquoise blue water; some jumps; several rappels in the water; in the lower part many downclimb over large granite boulders; very steep impassable access into the canyon.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
From Biasca take the main road towards Locarno --> after about 10 minutes you come to the village of Moleno --> on the mountain side there is a bridge that leads over the stream --> before the bridge turn right to the exit (280Hm) of Moleno --> parking on the left in front of the wall

Approach: (machine translated)
From the parking lot, go up the hiking trail (Penn-Val-Moleno) from the bend in the road --> after a short time you come to the bridge on the left where the water level is checked --> return to the hiking trail and follow it steeply up through the forest until you reach approx. 580Hm --> here there is a single boulder on the left side (if you see 2 houses you have already gone too far) --> behind the rock you have the possibility to descend into the canyon (there is no real path here) --> the stone slabs and rocks scattered along the ridge serve as a guide --> first descend straight until it gets too steep, then take the best path to the right until you reach a small inlet --> at the end of the inlet (slippery!) there is the possibility to rappel 25m from the tree into the already visible stream (if you cross even further above, you can also rappel into the stream without a rope through rough terrain) --> entry at 560Hm or 480Hm (tree).

Tour: (machine translated)
Once you have found the steep access to the Moleno, you can immediately see the crystal clear green/blue water --> the first places are downclimbed or slid --> after a short walking passages you come to the first abseiling points --> experienced canyoneers can also jump these points after checking the basin (stone in 2. The pools in the canyon are usually very deep, but should always be checked for jumps --> the highest abseiling points are in the upper part; 25m, 30m, 30m (the rope can easily get stuck here!).)--> after these rappel points there are many large rocks where you usually have to climb your way down --> shortly before the water drainage there is a high jump of 12m into a large pool (can also be rappelled) --> after the wall there are 2 short rappels and several rocks that are downclimbed to the last jump --> after the last jump you are left at the exit.

Return: (machine translated)
Get out of the stream on the left by the wall --> you will soon be at the parking lot.

Coordinates:
Parking Entry and Exit 46.2668 8.9934
Waterlevel Checkpoint 46.2658 8.9924
Canyon Start 46.2636 8.9842
Canyon End 46.2663 8.9929
Alternative Canyon Start 46.2626 8.9890

Reports:

2026-10-05 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Moleno Varios anclajes tienen un punto. Temperatura del agua no muy fría todavía, se puede hacer bien el descenso. Nivel del agua bajo. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22522/observations.html)

2026-09-30 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | |
Automatisch importiert von Schlucht.ch für Canyon Val Moleno inferiore, Wasserstand: "Wenig" Verankerungen: "Alle Gut" Keine Sprünge gemacht (Quelle: https://schlucht.ch/schluchten-der-schweiz-liste/1112-val-molino-inferiore)

2026-09-26 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Moleno (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22522/observations.html)

2026-09-21 | Hexig | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Less water and a little slippery (machine translated)

2026-09-20 | Bubtore | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
I really liked the opening section. There were a few tricky slab rappels, but overall I found it less boring than I expected. Great jumps—they're no walk in the park. (machine translated)

2026-09-08 | thijs | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
done, scrambling canyon

2026-09-06 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Moleno (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22522/observations.html)

2026-09-06 | Bina | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ |🕮 |⚓ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Beautiful, crystal-clear water. Everything's great. (machine translated)

2026-08-22 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 High | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Moleno Fait après les pluies, le 22 en fin d'aprem, GD+, un peu plus que la photo du topo, les lignes qui partent plutôt hors actif pour finir dans l'eau au pied de la cascade permettent de passer sans trop se faire matraquer par la veine d'eau. Les mouvements d'eau sont plutôt clairs et lisibles. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22522/observations.html)

2026-08-12 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Moleno Fin de marche d'approche un peu sketchy Équipement d'ouverture en bon état, principalement sur monopoints Comme indiqué sur la fiche un équipement dans l'actif serait le bienvenu 1 relais inaccessible (probable remaniement suite à des crues), 1 tronc d'arbre coincé fait le job (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22522/observations.html)

2026-08-07 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Moleno Très très glissant Jolie ambiance Les amarrages sont ok mais souvent mal placé. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22522/observations.html)

2026-07-18 | RURE | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
If you've ever wanted to walk along the stream when it's slippery, now's your chance. Everything else is great. (machine translated)

2026-07-17 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Moleno Équipement nickel Ca glisse par endroit (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22522/observations.html)

2026-07-13 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Moleno DC-, approche bien raide (en montée comme en descente). Belles cqscqdes, équipement sommaire et beaucoup de blocs, chaos,... Discontinu. Surnoté à mon goût (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22522/observations.html)

Parts:
Gariss, v4 a3 IV, ++
Moleno sup sup, v4 a3 IV, ++
Moleno sup, v4 a4 IV, +6h+
Moleno inf, v4 a4 III, 1h+3h30+2min