

Saufla (amont)

Saufla Amont, Pas d'Encel, Saufla

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Country: Schweiz / Switzerland Region: Kanton Wallis / Canton du Valais Subregion: Bezirk Saint-Maurice Town: Champéry		
Difficulty: a little difficult	Grading: v4 a2 V	Total time: 5h45
Approachtime: 1h45	Tourtime: 3h	Returntime: 1h
Altitude entry: 1800m	Altitude exit: 1400m	Delta Altitude: 400m
Canyon length: 650m	Highest rapell: 70m	Amount rapells: 10
Transport: on Foot	Rock type:	Drainage area: 14.00km ²
Season:	Orientation:	Best Time:
Rating: ★ 0 ()	Info: ★ 0 ()	Belay: ★ 0 ()
Warnings: <i>Automatic flushing</i> Above the stream is a water catchment that automatically flushes itself, so you should only walk the stream late in the year, even if it looks feasible in late summer.		
Specialities: Glacier in drainage area, Dam,		
Gear: Ropes: 2x 75m		
Summary: (machine translated) Saufla Amont has 2 subsections: a) and b), separated by an open run of about 200m. The upper section is a rappel in a narrow gorge, the lower section is a 25m rappel followed by the Cascade de la Sauffla with 50m.		
Hydrology: (machine translated) Special care must be taken when walking on Saufla. Check water level well for superiore and inferiore. Many narrow passages. Inferiore has, among other things, a lot of water supply from the sides and superiore, 2 water dams where the water is pumped. These are sometimes defective and can overflow. When entering the superiore, check that the pools are empty.		
Access: (machine translated) We leave the Autoroute du Rhône between Martigny and Lake Geneva via the Saint-Triphon exit. Via Monthey we go up the valley of the Vièze to Champéry. Continue towards the cable car and Camping du Grand Paradis. After the second stream crossing (this is already the Saufla) go left and directly along the stream (Route de Barme). 650m further on, a forest road branches off to the left, leading to the parking area for the ascent of the Saufla Aval. But we stay on the Route de Barme and continue for another 800m. Before the next stream, we park where signposted hiking trails ("Bonavau") begin (1150m altitude).		
Approach: (machine translated) We take the path to the Chalet de Bonavau at 1550m altitude. In the process we cross several times a dirt road that ends at 1440m altitude. From Bonavau we continue up to Pas d'Encel, increasingly steep. At almost 1800m altitude we cross the Saufla on a pedestrian bridge. Between the bridge and the dam wall about 100m away we climb.		

Tour: (machine translated)

The Saufla Amont is divided into two parts a) and b). The first part - Le Pas d'Encel - is a narrow and incised canyon with a 70m waterfall (Several variants possible: c70; R10,R45,R20; r50,r20) The second part, set back about 200m from the first, is short and limited to a 25m rappel and the Cascade de la Saufla with a drop of 50m. Between both parts crosses a hiking trail.

Return: (machine translated)

After the Cascade de la Saufla (1400m altitude) out to the right and up to the trail. There right, cross the Saufla between subsection a) and b) and via the Chalet de Bonavau back down to the car.

Coordinates:

Canyon Start [46.1397 6.8814](#)

Canyon End [46.1446 6.8783](#)

Parking Entry and Exit [46.1589 6.8571](#)

Reports:

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Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Saufla Amont Magnifique partie amont manque de temps et de préparation pour la partie aval dans la 70 bien prendre la dev rg (mono point neuf) qui mène au relais chaîné en rg dans une petite grotte (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22774/observations.html>)

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Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Saufla Amont Top avec une bonne équipe ! Dommage que l'on ai pas pu enchaîner avec la partie aval ! (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22774/observations.html>)

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Parts:

Saufla (amont), v4 a2 V, 1h45+3h+1h

Saufla (aval), v5 a5 V, 1h+3h+10min