Noire Fontaine

Cascade de Noire Fontaine

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Country: France **Region:** Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes **Subregion:** Ain **Town:** Serrières sur Ain		
Difficulty: not as difficult	**Grading:** v3 a1 I	**Total time:** 1h42
Approachtime: 10min	**Tourtime:** 1h20	**Returntime:** 12min
Altitude entry: 450m	**Altitude exit:** 320m	**Delta Altitude:** 130m
Canyon length: 650m	**Highest rapell:** 18m	**Amount rapells:** 8
Transport: Car optional	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season:	**Orientation:** North	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 1.3 (2)	**Info:** ★ 0 ()	**Belay:** ★ 0 ()

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 2x20m

Summary: (machine translated)
forest canyon

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
From Geneva, take the A40 highway for about 65 km in the direction of Lyon. After 3 short tunnels, you pass the small town of Nantua (on the right below a high viaduct) and then drive through a tunnel about 3 km long. The highway branches off and we take the A404 northwards (towards Oyonnax) into the French Jura. 5 km after the junction, we also leave the A404 and change to the D979 heading west towards Bourg-en-Bresse. From here, we continue for another 14 km to the village of Derrières-sur-Ain on the River Ain. Turn right off the D979, drive through the village and join the D91, which follows the River Ain. Turn left under the high road bridge and you have reached the place where you park the lower car.
In the second car, we drive a good 1 km downstream on the D91 (towards Poncin) and turn left uphill towards Chales-la-Montagne shortly before reaching the hamlet of Merpuis. Continue uphill in bends for about 2.4 km, then reach a clearing just before the road leaves the forest. Park the top car here.

Approach: (machine translated)
We take the forest road that runs north along the edge of the forest (but within it). After about 500m you reach the stream.

Tour: (machine translated)
Rappel canyon, in the absence of water flow only for collectors. At the exit of the tour swimming possibility in the Ain.

Return: (machine translated)
After the last rappel, follow the path that runs downstream and sometimes indistinct, you can refresh yourself at a cold karst spring, if necessary, and come directly to the car on the D 91. Here you can cleanly bathe your neo in the river Ain.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 46.1402 5.4584
Canyon End 46.1498 5.4483
Parking at Entry 46.1381 5.4557
Parking at Exit 46.1507 5.4468

Reports:

2026-04-25 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Dry | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Noire Fontaine RAS (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2178/observations.html)

2025-11-01 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Dry | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Noire Fontaine Canyon glissant, équipement OK. Pas une goutte d'eau, alors qu'il a plu abondamment jusqu'à il y a 3 jours. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2178/observations.html)

2025-07-20 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Dry | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Noire Fontaine Canyon sec, mais très bien pour faire des manips de corde : AN, guidé, debrayable... Idéal pour s'entraîner.Le canyon en lui même est très joli même à sec. La 1ere partie très intéressante jusqu'à l'enchaînement C8C3C17, après il faut mieux prendre le chemin pour rentrer.Car ensuite seule 1 cascade est sympa, faut même faire attention à un syphon possible quand il ya de l'eau, vers la fin (gros rocher au milieu de la rivière).A refaire avec de l'eau ! (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2178/observations.html)

2025-07-20 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Dry | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Noire Fontaine Tout sec. On a pas mal fait de manips de corde pour s'amuser (présence de pas mal d'arbre pour des guidés par exemple). Équipements un peu vieillissant. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2178/observations.html)

2025-06-08 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Noire Fontaine Top conditions, agréable, beaucoup d'amarrage naturel, quelques sangles a changer. Vers la fin possibilité de faites des guidésEn crue a j-1 et super conditions le lendemain. Jolie balade (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2178/observations.html)

2025-06-07 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Crazy | 👎 Not done
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Noire Fontaine Beaucoup d'eau relais de la c6 sous l'eau.. pas faisable avec des initiations... Dommage (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2178/observations.html)

2025-05-29 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
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2025-05-23 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Noire Fontaine Super conditions avec ces derniers pluie. Aucune difficulté rencontrée. Le relais intermédiaire de la grande cascade (vétuste) a été ré équipé par le SMPM 01 ce jour. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2178/observations.html)

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2025-04-29 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Noire Fontaine dans la première cascade, il y a deux relais juste derrière la ligne de cassure (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2178/observations.html)

2024-06-01 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👎 Not done
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Noire Fontaine Parcouru sans navette, le chemin qui longe le canyon permet d'aller à l'amont. Raide mais sans difficulté.Jolo débit aujourd'hui, qui permet, pour une fois de jouer dans les cascades. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-