Lodano

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Country: Schweiz / Switzerland **Region:** Kanton Tessin / Cantone Ticino **Subregion:** Bezirk Vallemaggia
Town: Lodano

Difficulty: not as difficult	**Grading:** v3 a3 IV	**Total time:** 5h13
Approachtime: 1h10	**Tourtime:** 4h	**Returntime:** 3min
Altitude entry: 780m	**Altitude exit:** 380m	**Delta Altitude:** 400m
Canyon length: m	**Highest rapell:** 55m	**Amount rapells:**
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season:	**Orientation:**	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 4 (1)	**Info:** ★ 1 (1)	**Belay:** ★ 2 (2)

Warnings:
Temporarily prohibited (27.06.26 - 31.12.26)
According to the operator, the system is on RED because communication with the water intake is currently unavailable.

Specialities:
Dam (inform operator),

Gear:
Ropes: 2x 60

Summary: (machine translated)
At the beginning nice rappels and big pools, very scenic. After a longer, blocked section, there are some more beautiful spots with possible jumps

Hydrology: (machine translated)
A few hundred meters before the suspension bridge, the stream is tamed. The power plant operator must be informed before an ascent, as indicated by signs on the bridge at the exit.

Access: (machine translated)
Drive from Locarno into the Maggia Valley and then turn left towards Locano. After the bridge over the Maggia, turn right onto la Caraa di Gèir and follow the road to a meadow at the parking coordinates. Park there.

Approach: (machine translated)
Orographic right past La Scalèta, Capela ad'Lana, Capella del Pedro and Al Belvedé in the direction of A Castell on the hiking trail. Shortly before A Castell, descend to the right to the entry point.

Tour: (machine translated)
Some higher rappels with large pools are followed by a longer blocked section. This is followed by beautiful lower steps and nice pools.
It is possible to rappel from the suspension bridge after the water catchment and thus avoid the blocked section, but also the sporty first part.

Return: (machine translated)
Turn right at the bridge and follow the road to the parking lot.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 46.2565 8.6643
Canyon End 46.2612 8.6796
Parking Entry and Exit 46.2611 8.6815

Reports:

2025-08-12 | MirkoT | |🕮 |⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
Installed double limb in the first rappel on the left and integrated three more belays. At the end of the first forcing (R5+T3 from Nizzola's book) there is room for escape routes on both banks. In this section of the creek there is a long walk/climb section about 600 meters long. Try to avoid the water as the wet rock is very slippery. Lots of fish fauna in the pools. The final forked section is worth the ride, although it is very slippery. (machine translated)

2025-06-20 | Christoph Cramer | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
Two new anchors set, water temperature 17 degrees, anchors now OK. On the second rappel the anchor on the left is well hidden. There is a second anchor on the right near the tree. Very slippery in places. The anchor on the first rappel (stone in the middle) could not be tightened optimally, but held well. Check carefully before use if necessary. (machine translated)

2025-06-13 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | |
Automatisch importiert von Schlucht.ch für Canyon Rio di Lodano, Wasserstand: "mittel" Verankerungen: "Ok" Ab Hängebrücke begangen. Alles ok. (Quelle: https://schlucht.ch/schluchten-der-schweiz-liste/1096-rio-di-lodano)

2023-10-06 | Daniel Sturm | |🕮 |⚓ | |
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