Despeñalagua

Cañon de Despeñalagua,Cascadas de Despeñalagua,Arroyo de las Chorreras

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Country: España / Spain **Region:** Castilla-La Mancha **Subregion:** Guadalajara **Town:** Valverde de los Arroyos		
Difficulty: a little difficult	**Grading:** v4 a3 III	**Total time:** 3h
Approachtime: 1h	**Tourtime:** 1h30	**Returntime:** 30min
Altitude entry: m	**Altitude exit:** m	**Delta Altitude:**
Canyon length: 300m	**Highest rapell:** 46m	**Amount rapells:** 4
Transport:	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season: January - December	**Orientation:**	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 0 ()	**Info:** ★ 0 ()	**Belay:** ★ 0 ()

Specialities:

Gear:

Summary: (machine translated)
Small but intense canyon near Madrid ideal for a morning of adventure, more than 90 meters of vertiginous descent in 4 waterfalls with a spectacular environment.
The first part of the descent is the waterfall itself, is the most interesting part, then the stream loses verticality and interest because it gets into a wooded area little traveled.
The last part of the ascent gets into the vegetation but the approach to the first rappel is evident.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
We must go to Valverde de los Arroyos, a village of black architecture that belongs to the network of "The most beautiful villages of Spain". Only for this reason it is worth doing this ravine.
From Guadalajara we take the CM-101 towards Humanes, when we get to Humanes we take the CM-1004 towards Tamajón, we pass it and after one kilometer we have a detour to the right "Valverde de los Arroyos". Once we reach the village we park in the parking lot on the outskirts and get ready for a 1 hour walk.

Approach: (machine translated)
We cross the village towards the waterfall and after 400m we find a detour to the right (GR markings) and climb to the Ocejón. We take this detour, which is gaining height, with the Ocejón and the waterfall always as a reference. We will follow this trail until we reach a stream that must be crossed to climb to the Ocejón. Here we leave the trail for a little marked path to the left that descends to the stream or the block from which to enter.
This trail goes along a stone wall that today is quite hidden in the undergrowth.

Tour: (machine translated)
Short but intense and beautiful descent that in 4 rappels saves more than 100m of vertical drop. You can enter from the stream, approaching the waterfall by a handrail or from the embedded block doing a 12m rappel. In both cases we descend to a tree on the left of the riverbed from which we rappel another 20m to a third rappel of 20m. Then we climb to the right (or rappel) to get to the upper small pool from which we can rappel outside the waterfall (45m) going to the right, an option that we do not recommend. The normal thing would be to take advantage of this single point to make a simple 10m rappel to the head of the waterfall and from here with a tree with two points to make the 35m rappel to the base.
The second part of the descent does not provide much, there are 3 natural rappels from trees, the second before was from a block that no longer exists.

Return: (machine translated)
There are two exits, the most obvious after the 45m rappel to take the path of the pipe that leads to the village. Or continue for a while more along the riverbed and make 3 more rappels and exit by the forest track to the left that leaves us on the road leading to the village.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 41.1272 -3.2543

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Información: Partes de la descripción del cañón se han importado automáticamente. Concretamente, los campos Resumen, Acceso, Acceso, Recorrido, Regreso, Tiempo acceso, Tiempo regreso, Cantidad rapells, Longitud del cañón, Temporada start, Temporada end, Ruta GPS, Topografía de https://www.docuwiki.infobarrancos.es/doku.php?id=barrancos:guadalajara:despenalagua

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