Barranco de la Ribereta

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Country: España / Spain **Region:** Aragón **Subregion:** Huesca **Town:**		
Difficulty: difficult	**Grading:** v5 a4 V	**Total time:** 5h
Approachtime: 2h	**Tourtime:** 2h	**Returntime:** 1h
Altitude entry: m	**Altitude exit:** m	**Delta Altitude:**
Canyon length: 500m	**Highest rapell:** 50m	**Amount rapells:**
Transport:	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season: June - August	**Orientation:**	**Best Time:**
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Specialities:

Gear:

Summary: (machine translated)
The Barranco Ribereta, also known as Cascadas de Millares because it is the outlet of the lake located at 2,300 m, is one of those descents that combine alpine beauty and technical demand. It is a route marked by a spectacular crevasse that guides the water along continuous rappels and long waterfalls, in a spectacular alpine environment. The best time is at the end of summer, since the rappels are narrow and run through the active. It is also known for its descents in winter conditions.
⚠ Important: Although the facilities have been improved in recent years, it is still an adventurous descent and it is advisable to bring equipment to install. In a September 2025 descent, the beginning of galvanic corrosion was identified in some installations, so it is essential to check each meeting at the time of the descent and assess the need to reinforce or reinstall.
Only recommended for experienced canyoneers.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
We are located in Ainsa (N260), we will take the A138 towards France through the Bielsa tunnel. After a few kilometers we will pass through Labuerda and at pk57 we arrive at Escalona. We will continue towards France passing through Lafortunada until the detour to the valley of Chistau/Gistaín (A2609).
We will follow the road towards Plan/Gistaín until we reach San Juan de Plan, we will pass it and at the first sharp bend to the left there is a track straight ahead. This track takes us to Biados (Posets-Maladeta Park panel).
We will go up the track until almost the refuge of Biadós, before the camping there is a lot of place to park.

Approach: (machine translated)
Trail well marked and traveled by hikers. After the refuge we have the GR detour to the right to climb to the pass of Eriste (direction Ref Angel Orus), we will go up this beautiful path through forests seeing in the background the gap that we will descend. Almost at 2300m altitude, the path that climbs to the pass continues straight ahead and a path to our right to the Ibón de Millares, we take this path and soon the path approaches the riverbed, we can access from here or from the dam, a few meters above.

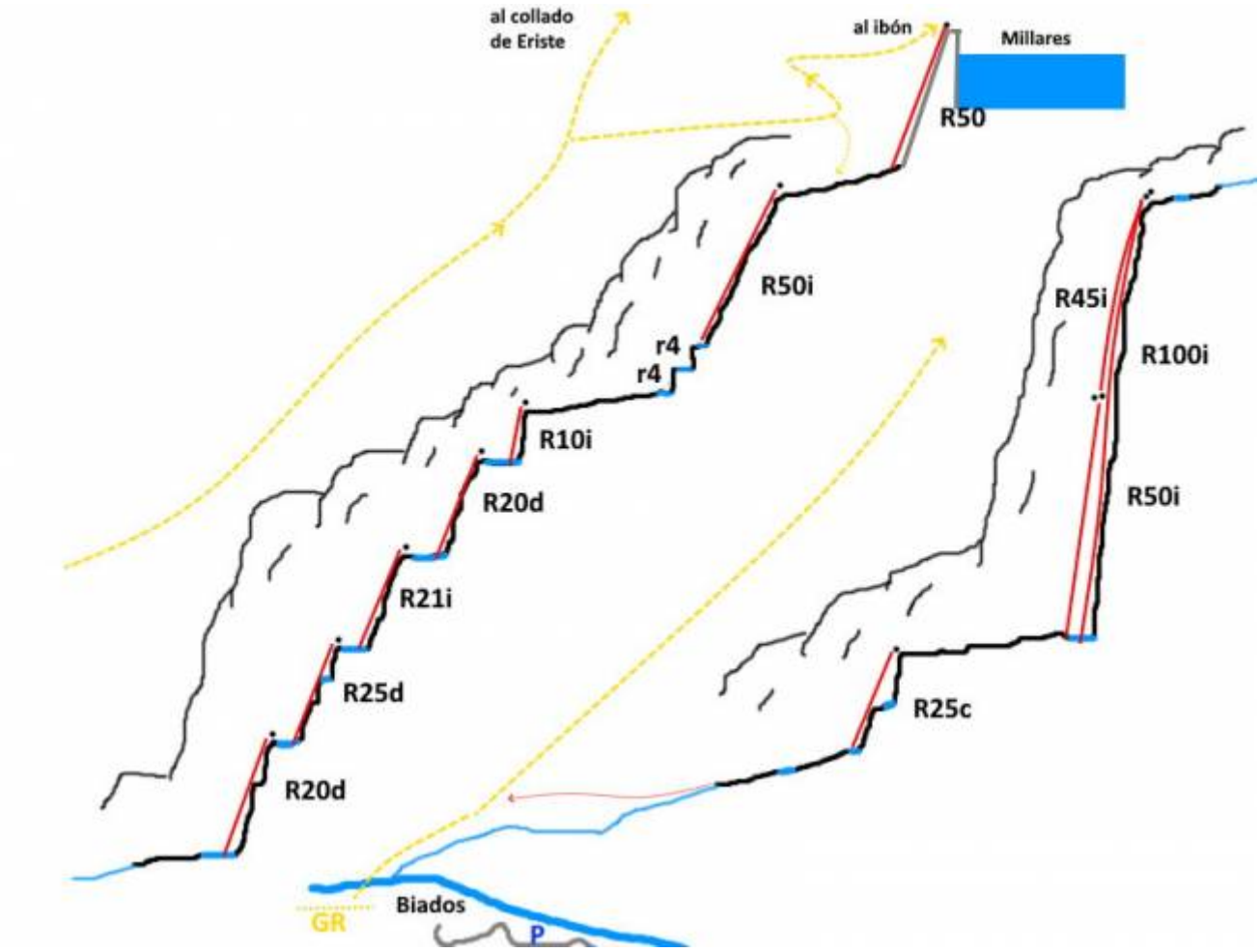
Tour: (machine translated)
The descent officially begins at the dam, where the sketch shows a first 50-meter rappel. In reality, this vertical does not exist: it is a ramp that can be climbed without difficulty, which allows you to advance directly to the next section.
The access path passes through R2 (50 m), so you can also start there. However, it is worth the climb up to the dam to enjoy the views of the lake, an environment of great alpine beauty.
⚠ Important: Rope recovery is complicated in most of the canyon, due to the ease of rope snagging in rock grooves or trunks. Careful rope management is recommended: flush the rope, rappel while unclimbing, locate the recovery points well ...
At the end of the descent you cross an ice arch bridge with a large block that is usually maintained throughout the summer, a spectacular closure for a demanding and visually stunning alpine canyon.

Return: (machine translated)
Once it opens we will go to the right to take the access path.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 42.6595 0.3786
Canyon End 42.6462 0.4060
Unknown 42.6413 0.4105
Unknown 42.6443 0.4072
Unknown 42.6461 0.4060
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