Val Grande (inferiore)

Val Grande inferiore,Riale Teia,Gordevio - Val Grande Inferiore

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Country: Schweiz / Switzerland **Region:** Kanton Tessin / Cantone Ticino **Subregion:** Bezirk Vallemaggia **Town:** Gordevio		
Difficulty: a little difficult	**Grading:** v3 a4 III	**Total time:** 3h50
Approachtime: 45min	**Tourtime:** 3h	**Returntime:** 5min
Altitude entry: 470m	**Altitude exit:** 325m	**Delta Altitude:** 145m
Canyon length: 700m	**Highest rapell:** 30m	**Amount rapells:** 11
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** 9.60km²
Season: June - September	**Orientation:** Southwest	**Best Time:** 11-15 o'clock
Rating: ☆ 4.1 (37)	**Info:** ★ 2.7 (21)	**Belay:** ★ 2.7 (33)
Specialities:		

Gear:
Ropes: 2x 30m

Summary: (machine translated)
Watery rappel canyon with slides. Very nice gneiss rock, very clean, nice pools, good rappel, pleasant length, very grippy.

Hydrology: (machine translated)
Highest point in the catchment area 2218m; 2/3 of the catchment area is forested/meadows.

Access: (machine translated)
Coming from Locarno, turn into the Maggia Valley at Ponte Brola. After about 4.5 km, cross the stream coming from Val Grande and, immediately after the bridge, turn right onto a dirt road. This is followed to its exit, the last meters across an agricultural estate. Now on the side of the road above the stream park car.

An alternative access is via the tarred road that leaves to the right before the bridge. Park here in front of the barrier in a suitable place.

Approach: (machine translated)
From the parked car on the path further upstream, keeping right through the estate of a "collector" and on a bridge over the stream. Here you can easily see the last part of the descent. After the bridge, go up on the tarred road. This crosses the Val Grande again. Where you reach some houses you go up on a mule track under chestnut trees on the right towards Salvabella - at the same time apparently a kind of Calvary path. At a prominent bend to the left, a path branches off to the right under the trees. But leave it after a few meters to the right and on unclear tracks steeply down to the stream (entry).

Description if you park at the barrier:
From the barrier approx. 50m to the first small stone bridge (water level check!) --> then along the road over iron bridge with wooden beams up to right small stone house with hiking mark --> past behind the house over small wooden bridge --> past small chapel --> further up again small wooden bridge and house with stables --> up again. Wooden bridge and house with stable --> now it's only a few meters until a trail mark on the rock and right. a tree with a hole in the middle show the way to the streambed (450Hm) --> after a short distance descend via rope traverse into the streambed.

Tour: (machine translated)
After the entry come 3 small pools with short slides --> 20m rappel left or 7m rappel and 8m jump (!) --> very nice 30m rappel in large pools --> from here the canyon is somewhat narrower --> there are several rappels that are always well visible by fixed ropes or in more water alternatives open --> who high jumps in deep pools comes in this canyon at his expense --> at the end you come back to the stone bridge where another beautiful 20m rappel with a 5m slide crowns the conclusion.

Return: (machine translated)
After the slide right up over stone bridge to the road (parking lot).

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 46.2219 8.7583
Canyon End 46.2218 8.7459
Parking Entry and Exit 46.2215 8.7465

Reports:

2026-09-20 | System User | |📖 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
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2026-09-20 | System User | |📖 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
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2026-09-13 | Roe_Noerd | ☆ ☆ ☆ |📖 ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
The water depth is low, but it's still wonderfully refreshing. Slippery. All the facilities are in good condition. (machine translated)

2026-09-12 | System User | |📖 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Grande (inférieur) DC-. RAS. Very aesthetic canyon! (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2683/observations.html)

2026-09-11 | System User | |📖 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👎 Not done
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Grande (inférieur) DC--, a bit lower than the low flow El Dorado Ticino guidebook reference picture (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2683/observations.html)

2026-09-10 | thijs | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |📖 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
nice deep canyon!

2026-09-07 | BiodiversitAndy | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |📖 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
A beautiful canyon with turquoise-green water and a lovely old bridge at the end. (machine translated)

2026-09-01 | Manfred Danglmaier | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |📖 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
A beautiful hike, with moderate access; the ascent begins shortly after the last person performs a rappel down the embankment; Ristorante Unione in the village comes highly recommended (machine translated)

2026-08-29 | Joey CIA | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |📖 |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Took place at a water level slightly above average. Got out before the stone bridge. Everything's fine. (machine translated)

2026-08-22 | System User | |📖 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Grande (inférieur) Fait après le plus, DC mais le niveau redescend vite (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2683/observations.html)

2026-08-17 | System User | |📖 |⚓ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Grande (inférieur) Top, manque un peu d'eau pour le rendre encore plus exceptionnel mais super morceau (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2683/observations.html)

2026-08-17 | System User | |📖 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Grande (inférieur) All correct, but it is going low flow (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2683/observations.html)

2026-08-09 | System User | |📖 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Grande (inférieur) DC-Très plaisant malgré le débit limité. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2683/observations.html)

2026-08-08 | Raimund | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |📖 |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Everything's fine. Just not enough water. Deike was there, too. (machine translated)

2026-08-03 | System User | |📖 |⚓ | 〰 Low | 👎 Not done
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Parts:
Val Grande (sup-sup), v4 a3 IV, 2h30+4h10+1h
Val Grande (superiore), v4 a3 IV, 1h15+3h50+30min
Val Grande (inferiore), v3 a4 III, 45min+3h+5min