Soladino (superiore)

Ri d'Alzasca

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Country: Schweiz / Switzerland **Region:** Kanton Tessin / Cantone Ticino **Subregion:** Bezirk Vallemaggia **Town:** Riveo		
Difficulty: difficult	**Grading:** v5 a5 IV	**Total time:** 8h
Approachtime: 1h30	**Tourtime:** 6h	**Returntime:** 30min
Altitude entry: 910m	**Altitude exit:** 575m	**Delta Altitude:** 335m
Canyon length: 1500m	**Highest rapell:** 45m	**Amount rapells:** 20
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** 12.00km²
Season: July - September	**Orientation:** Northeast	**Best Time:** 9-12 o'clock
Rating: ☆ 4.4 (3)	**Info:** ★ 2 (2)	**Belay:** ★ 2 (1)

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 2x 50m

Summary: (machine translated)
Very watery canyon which is one of the long and hard tours in Ticino.
Some jumps and slides. Not for beginners.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
From Locarno, drive into the beautiful Maggia Valley --> take the main road through several small villages (watch out for speed cameras!) until you reach the village of Someo. In the village of Riveo, take the first real road "la Geira" to the left. Park at the exit of the road (theoretically you can also drive through the Maggia with a 4x4).

Approach: (machine translated)
From the parking lot, follow the path to the left through the Maggia. Keep to the slope, then follow the signpost to the Alzasca hut and follow the path to the bridge. This is the entry point, before climbing up to the water catchment and checking the water level in the stream. Return to the path and continue steeply uphill. At the waypoint (crossroads), follow the left-hand path which crosses the valley less steeply. Waypoint 2 is a bridge over the stream. At waypoint 3 (Häußer) turn right downhill towards the stream (keep slightly left).

Tour: (machine translated)
Water level should be low for this tour. Do not enter if rain is in the forecast.
Waterfalls, slides and jumps, everything a good tour needs. No easy emergency exits. The narrowest narrow section after approx. 2/3 of the tour can be bypassed on the left, but you should not rely on this alternative (for this, climb the R6 which is the entry to the narrow section and bypass it on the left).

Return: (machine translated)
Get out at the water intake on the left and follow the path into the valley, cross the Maggia and return to the car.

Coordinates:
Waypoint 46.2889 8.6298
Waypoint 46.2823 8.6251
Waypoint 46.2805 8.6228
Canyon Start 46.2810 8.6199
Canyon End 46.2893 8.6322
Parking Entry and Exit 46.2964 8.6309
Waterlevel Checkpoint 46.2894 8.6322
Parking lot Alternative access 46.2954 8.6355

Reports:

2026-08-28 | Herbert von Neumann | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ | Normal | Completed
It's easy with this workflow (machine translated)

2026-07-18 | Massimo Loriato | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | Normal | Completed
All the anchor points in order, quite everything single point and also many downclimb needed. In the C40 with the arch the final T20 was not doable without enough water to avoid contact with rock, all the rest of the jumps or toboggan feasible. Water level without any problem (checkpoint picture) and quite inexistent release from the caption towards the lower part that we did nearly dry, except for the intermediate pools.

2025-08-16 | MirkoT | |🕮 |⚓ | High | Completed
Descended twice this week, first by a Hispanic group and yesterday by an Italian group. (machine translated)

2024-09-04 | Marco Pasquera | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ | Normal | Completed
Wow it's really a creek not to be missed, of course it's difficult there arebalong some bottlenecks to face in opposition between the walls to avoid the flow channeling too strongly... passage waterfall arch bellisima and also a succession of cascades further on. TOP canyon (machine translated)

2023-09-28 | Daniel Sturm | |🕮 |⚓ | |
Basic data taken with kind permission by Matthias Holzinger from "Swiss Alps Canyoning VOL. 2.0" (machine translated)

2023-04-18 | Daniel Sturm | |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ | | Not done
Canyon created. (machine translated)

Parts:
Soladino (superiore), v5 a5 IV, 1h30+6h+30min
Soladino (inferiore), v5 a2 III, 20min+2h+10min