

Ferreiro

Ribeira do Ferreiro

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Country: Portugal Region: Região Autónoma dos Açores / Azores Subregion: Town: Fajãzinha		
Difficulty: very difficult	Grading: v6 a4 V	Total time: 3h40
Approachtime: 10min	Tourtime: 3h	Returntime: 30min
Altitude entry: 500m	Altitude exit: 260m	Delta Altitude: 240m
Canyon length: 700m	Highest rappel: 45m	Amount rapells: 10
Transport: Car required	Rock type:	Drainage area: km ²
Season:	Orientation: Northeast	Best Time:
Rating: ★ 3.8 (4)	Info: ★ 2 (2)	Belay: ★ 2.5 (2)
Specialities:		
Gear: Ropes: 2x60m		
Summary: (machine translated) Vertical rappel canyon in a magnificent scenic setting. Looking back from the far shore of the lake, one can see an impressive series of cascades, second only in height to the Trou de Fer in Reunion.		
Hydrology:		
Access: (machine translated) From Fajã Grande on the west side of the island we drive in the direction of Fajãzinha or Santa Cruz Das Flores. After about 3 km (from the center of Fajã Grande) we cross the Ribeira do Ferreiro. After the bridge on the right we park the car for the exit. With the second car we continue in the direction of Santa Cruz, after 300 m we cross the Ribeira Grande and after another 3.9 km we meet the ER 1-2. Now we continue to the left in the direction of Santa Cruz. After a little more than 2 km on the ER 1-2, we turn left from this road onto a dirt road. About 250 m further on, a dirt road goes left at a sharp angle through the bushes. Here we park our second car.		
Approach: (machine translated) We overcome the barrier and follow the dirt road in a southwesterly direction. After 210 m it turns to the north, we ignore the turnoff straight ahead. After another 300 m we are at the Ribeira do Ferreiro below a waterfall. On the left bank we go down the stream for about 50 m, then we enter the stream (if necessary with a jump after prior testing).		
Tour: (machine translated) After only 5 minutes we come to the first rappel (R1 - 45m). Now, interrupted by short walking passages, one rappel follows the other: R2 - 24m; R3 - 10m; R4 - 17m. A longer passage follows, where the stream course is covered with large boulders. Then we are above the big vertical - almost 110m. After the entry rappel R5 - 20m, 3 switchbacks follow, each set back a bit (danger of falling rocks) to the left: R6 - 45m; R7 - 10m; R8 - 40m. Then you swim in the large pool, which is also fed by a left side stream. In case of larger water flow, there may be difficulties here (a5). We climb the stone wall above the big pool and find a final sloping rope there: R9 - 40m.		
Return: (machine translated) At the bottom we follow the stream to the lake Lagoa das Patas, on which we have been looking down for a long time. We swim to the left in a southeasterly direction and after about 120m we reach the far shore at the trees. The lake is quite weedy and so one should not be surprised about a corresponding "hanging" at the exit. Finally, we follow the path that leads from the lake down to the road and the parking lot.		
Coordinates: Canyon Start 39.4393 -31.2351 Canyon End 39.4379 -31.2377 Parking at Entry 39.4387 -31.2312 Parking at Exit 39.4371 -31.2435		

Reports:

2025-10-03 | O nie | ★★★ | 📄 ★ | ⚓ ★ | ⚓ Normal | 🌟 Completed
better in good weather (machine translated)

2025-08-01 | System User | 📄 | ⚓ | ⚓ Dry | 🌟 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Ferreiro Canyon SEC! Les vasques sont croupies. La vue est belle, pas de frottements bien coupants. (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/21613/observations.html>)

2025-07-07 | System User | 📄 | ⚓ | ⚓ Low | 🌟 Completed
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2025-06-02 | System User | 📄 | ⚓ | ⚓ Low | 🌟 Completed
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2025-05-13 | System User | 📄 | ⚓ | ⚓ Normal | 🌟 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Ferreiro il fait partie des canyons à parcourir , la nage dans le lac est sympathique (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/21613/observations.html>)

2024-06-04 | Jo Haegeman | ★★★★★ | 📄 ★★★★ | ⚓ ★★★★ | ⚓ Normal | 🌟 Completed
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2023-03-09 | System User | ★★★★★ | 📄 | ⚓ | |
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