Val Bianca

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Country: Italia / Italy **Region:** Piemonte **Subregion:** Verbano-Cusio-Ossola **Town:** Calasca		
Difficulty: a little difficult	**Grading:** v4 a2 II	**Total time:** 2h5
Approachtime: 3min	**Tourtime:** 2h	**Returntime:** 2min
Altitude entry: 650m	**Altitude exit:** 525m	**Delta Altitude:** 125m
Canyon length: 400m	**Highest rapell:** 45m	**Amount rapells:** 8
Transport: Car optional	**Rock type:** gneiss	**Drainage area:** 12.00km²
Season:	**Orientation:** Southwest	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 4.1 (34)	**Info:** ★ 2.7 (23)	**Belay:** ★ 2.8 (30)

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 2x50m

Summary: (machine translated)
Beautiful short vertical gneiss gorge; several entry and exit points; above dam with water diversion, therefore mostly little water; most rappels are in water flow; very good belay stations but exposed placement; best sunlight from 11AM; good cell phone reception; ½ day hike.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
From Domodossola on the 549 into the Valle Anzasca valley. After approx. 35min you will come to a small pizzeria "C'era una volta" in Calasca Castiglione on the right (recommended; simple and good). From here it is exactly 1.3km to the parking exit of the Bianca. Do not park your car at the bus stop, but after the bridge on the gravel parking place on the right at the E-Werk house. A little tip: to avoid having to carry heavy rucksacks up, you can deposit them at the entry beforehand. To do this, take the turn-off to the right to Calasca approx. 50 m before the bus stop. After several hairpin bends, there is a turn-off to the left to Barzona. Follow the road to the bridge (entry at 650m). After depositing the car, park at the bottom and walk up.

Approach: (machine translated)
From the parking lot in front of the electricity house, walk back to the bus stop. Directly next to the bus stop, follow the wide access road that leads past the abandoned house. The road quickly becomes an (unmarked) path, which you follow over a small bridge to the mountain road. Follow the road only briefly (approx. 50 m) until you find the path on the left again. This leads through the forest (next to the road) up to the small village of Calasca. When you reach the church, you can already see the B00 Calasca Fermata Bus trail marker next to the stone fountain. At the junction with the other mountain road, follow the hiking trail to the left, which soon leads over the Rio Val Bianca and into the village of Barzona. (On the ascent path, you can already look into the canyon (or get in or out). Before the village, follow the road down to the small bridge/chapel. (Entry at 650m)

Tour: (machine translated)
The Rio Val Bianca is a very beautiful, short, open rappel canyon with mostly little water. If you divide the canyon into 2 halves, you have a walk and downclimb at the beginning, followed by possible slides and short abseils in the watercourse. In a narrow chute, the water pressure in the intermediate basin can be uncomfortable. The second, more vertical part of the canyon begins at the point where you have the best view of the Anzasca Valley. Here a 100m cascade leads into the valley (30m, 20m and 45m). At the 30m abseil point, you get a powerful shower before reaching the beautiful, deep pool (after a check, the last part is slippery). This is followed by an exposed one, where you rappel about 20m to the right to the last intermediate rappel. The last 45m abseil is the highest. Caution: when pulling off the last 45m abseil, the ropes can easily get jammed in the boulders below.

Return: (machine translated)
After the last abseiling point, leave the canyon on the right-hand side (525m). First over large boulders through an iron grid (private). Cross the garden as unnoticed as possible without losing much height. You will soon reach the electricity house (parking lot).

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 45.9958 8.1557
Parking at Exit 45.9938 8.1602
Parking at Entry 45.9958 8.1555
Canyon End 45.9941 8.1607

Reports:

2026-10-16 | Rick Paapy | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Everything's great—nice canyon, nice slides (machine translated)

2026-09-19 | Ivan | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
A short canyon with a beautiful final section consisting of three consecutive rappels. The first of the three belay stations in the final section is very uncomfortable for the person remaining at the belay. At the end of the canyon, exit on the left—not on the right—as that is private property. (machine translated)

2026-09-14 | Wolfgang | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Nice morning tour, everything was fine (machine translated)

2026-09-11 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Bianca Débit suffisant pour que la vasque piège surverse. Énorme orage hier soir mais sans effet sur les cours d'eau visiblement (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/21016/observations.html)

2026-09-05 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
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2026-09-04 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
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2026-09-03 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Bianca Super beau, encore mieux avec la navette (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/21016/observations.html)

2026-09-02 | Enrico Rispoli | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Beautiful toboggan runs and a spectacular first of the three descents in the final vertical section (machine translated)

2026-08-31 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Bianca Toujours aussi beau. Dernières cascades au soleil jusqu'à 16h max. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/21016/observations.html)

2026-08-24 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
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2026-08-23 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Bianca Le premièr rappel de la haute cascade pousse bien, mais reste maîtrisable pour les canyoneurs expérimentés. Le reste du parcours est tout à fait faisable. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/21016/observations.html)

2026-08-12 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Bianca Possible de laisser la grande corde au démarrage du final lors de la montée sur le sentier. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/21016/observations.html)

2026-08-12 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
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2026-08-10 | Sebastian Gaebert | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
After the rain the day before, the water level was very good; only on the first pitch of the tall final waterfall do you feel a bit of water pressure on your helmet. A very beautiful canyon! (machine translated)

2026-07-29 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed