

# Ribeira da Igreja (inférieur)

Auch bekannt als "Arruda"

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<b>Create:</b> 2023-08-30 19:14:47	<b>Update:</b> 2024-10-25 20:22:02	<b>Print:</b> 2025-07-05 10:07:12
<b>Country:</b> Portugal <b>Region:</b> Madeira <b>Subregion:</b> <b>Town:</b> Porto Moniz		
<b>Difficulty:</b> difficult	<b>Grading:</b> v5 a2 V	<b>Total time:</b> 4h45
<b>Approachtime:</b> 1h30	<b>Tourtime:</b> 2h30	<b>Returntime:</b> 45min
<b>Altitude entry:</b> 220m	<b>Altitude exit:</b> 10m	<b>Delta Altitude:</b> 210m
<b>Canyon length:</b> 200m	<b>Highest rapell:</b> 50m	<b>Amount rapells:</b> 9
<b>Transport:</b> Cablecar	<b>Rock type:</b>	<b>drainage area:</b> km²
<b>Season:</b> December - April	<b>Orientation:</b> Northwest	<b>Best Time:</b>
<b>Rating:</b> ★ 3.4 (3)	<b>Info:</b> ★ 1 (1)	<b>Belay:</b> ★ 1.7 (3)
<b>Warnings:</b> <i>Observe tides / swell</i> Canyon is located on the coast. A safe way back is only possible at low tide and when the waves are low.		
<b>Specialities:</b>		
<b>Gear:</b> Ropes: 2x50m, 2x20m drill tool,		
<b>Summary:</b> (machine translated) Pure rappel canyon without gorge character with incomparable views of the Atlantic. Except for the last two stands, all abseiling points are equipped with 2 titanium glued anchors. The last two anchor points are made of galvanized DIY store chains and are currently (January 2024) 3 years old, the proximity to the sea should not do these chains any good. So better take spare hooks with you!		
<b>Hydrology:</b>		
<b>Access:</b> (machine translated) From Porto Moniz, take the Achadas da Cruz cable car (Teleferico).		
<b>Approach:</b> (machine translated) Take the cable car down (please note the opening times for the way back!), then turn left and walk to the exit of the settlement. You can see the last waterfall. Before the drop-off to the sea, a path starts that is extremely difficult to recognize and leads through the seemingly impassable cliff face. At the beginning, you can follow a black water pipe in places. This path is officially closed. After an exciting 30 minutes, you reach the watercourse at a striking rock ledge.		
<b>Tour:</b> (machine translated) Abseil point follows abseil point, you cover significantly more meters on the rope than on your feet. The last abseiling point is treadless and exposed. If the sea is calm, you can spot the tower of a shipwreck in the sea near the shore. The waterfall leads to the scree beach.		
<b>Return:</b> (machine translated) Along the cliffs back to the cable car from Achadas da Cruz		
<b>Coordinates:</b> Canyon End <a href="#">32.8467 -17.2238</a> Parking Entry and Exit <a href="#">32.8525 -17.2099</a>		

## Reports:

2024-10-21 | Casa Vento Madeira | |📖|🚢|🌊 Dry |🚫 Not done

I used the access today as a way back / exit from the Igreja Superior. There have been several heavy landslides and the path is currently only passable with a very high risk of falling. The path will probably be repaired soon, as it is being used to maintain a water pipe. However, this may well take several months. I must therefore strongly advise against walking on it. (machine translated)

2023-01-17 | Casa Vento Madeira |★★★★|📖|🚢★★|🌊 Low |👍 Completed

Various titanium glued anchors set. (machine translated)

2023-01-17 | Christian Balla |★★★★|📖★|🚢★★|🌊 Low |👍 Completed

Very dangerous approach! Pay attention to tides, swell and cable car operating times! (machine translated)

2021-01-26 | Casa Vento Madeira |★★★★|📖|🚢★|🌊 Normal |👍 Completed

First ascent, all expedition-style anchors from DIY chains. (machine translated)

## Parts:

Ribeira da Igreja (inférieur), v5 a2 V, 1h30+2h30+45min

Ribeira da Igreja (superior), v5 a2 V, 30min+4h30+45min

First descent: 26.01.2021 by Michael Jordan, Casa Vento Madeira