

# Cormor

Torrente Cormor

<b>Create:</b> 2023-03-09 20:54:31	<b>Update:</b> 2024-01-05 19:38:13	<b>Print:</b> 2025-07-11 06:07:14
<b>Country:</b> Italia / Italy <b>Region:</b> Lombardia <b>Subregion:</b> Sondrio <b>Town:</b> Lanzada		
<b>Difficulty:</b> a little difficult	<b>Grading:</b> v4 a2 V	<b>Total time:</b> 4h25
<b>Approachtime:</b> 10min	<b>Tourtime:</b> 4h	<b>Returntime:</b> 15min
<b>Altitude entry:</b> 1900m	<b>Altitude exit:</b> 1540m	<b>Delta Altitude:</b> 360m
<b>Canyon length:</b> 1000m	<b>Highest rapell:</b> 27m	<b>Amount rapells:</b> 23
<b>Transport:</b> Car required	<b>Rock type:</b> gneiss	<b>drainage area:</b> km²
<b>Season:</b>	<b>Orientation:</b> Southwest	<b>Best Time:</b>
<b>Rating:</b> ★ 4.8 (15)	<b>Info:</b> ★ 2.8 (12)	<b>Belay:</b> ★ 2.9 (13)
<b>Specialities:</b> Cave passage, Dam,		
<b>Gear:</b> Ropes: 2x30m Headlamp,		
<b>Summary:</b> (machine translated) Immensely impressive serpentine canyon that runs mostly below huge boulders. Waterproof headlamp necessary. Difficult orientation in the rock chaos (here and there cairns).		
<b>Hydrology:</b> Direkt unterhalb einer Staumauer		
<b>Access:</b> (machine translated) From Sondrio head north towards Chiesa in Valmalenco. Pass this village, which is on the other side of the river, and immediately after crossing the stream coming from the east, turn right towards Lanzada, Tornadri. After these places continue and climb steeply in many switchbacks. After passing through a few tunnels, we reach a large parking lot near the Edelweiss Restaurant. Parking entry: on the right on a narrow asphalt road uphill in the direction of Campo Moro. Either park at the large parking lot for hikers or at the first houses turn left downhill on a gravel road to a small parking lot below the dam wall. From there, cross the Cormor to Franscia and park near the bridge over the Laterna.		
<b>Approach:</b> (machine translated) From the hikers' parking lot, take a path to the gravel road and follow it to the parking lot at the dam wall. From the parking lot, descend orographic left on a clear path under the dam. After about 3min the path reaches the streambed filled with giant boulders. Entry at a flood warning sign and an orange reflector on a tree.		
<b>Tour:</b> (machine translated) Downclimb under the first blocks to the first 13m rappel, then rappel from the right under wedged blocks 25m, 12m and 7m. From here 3 rappels in complete darkness before it goes again briefly into the light. A siphon must be climbed around in a twisted and small way above until you reach the stream again above a 22m rappel point. Another 4 rappels, partly in the dark again, lead to the highest waterfall of the tour: 27m down through a rock gate. Here is the only escape route of the tour to the left. Also here is an orange reflector on a tree. A side stream brings at least double the water, if you have already had problems in the first part you should not continue. The second part starts at the path of the emergency exit and is again marked with an orange reflector. You climb back into the blocked streambed and follow the water as much as possible through obscure block climbing before it gets dark for a longer time. 9 abseils in beautifully washed out serpentine follow, at the 18m waterfall be sure to watch out for the hanging basin on the left - at high water levels it is very difficult to get out of there again. You can avoid the basin but orographic left. The gorge ends in block chaos, better downclimb near the stream to the bridge, above the blocks the rock is overgrown and very slippery. About an old wooden ladder (at red / white trail marking on block in the streambed) you can already leave the streambed before right.		

**Return:** (machine translated)

Cross the bridge and follow the red/white marked path on the right bank to the lower parking lot.

**Coordinates:**

Canyon Start [46.3027 9.9235](#)

Parking at Exit [46.2927 9.9129](#)

Parking at Entry [46.3040 9.9258](#)

Canyon End [46.2969 9.9189](#)

Parking at Entry [46.3039 9.9297](#)

## Reports:

2025-07-02 | Jason Walker | ★★★★★ | 📖 ★★ | 🪚 ★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed

Very unusual canyon. Unique rock features and many passages in complete darkness, closer to caving than canyoning. For flows, the dam keepers house is on the true right side of the dam. The people in the refugio will also help you. The day before we went down there was a release. Very grippy rock in most sections. Finding your way at times could be confusing, especially into the second section. Don't bring a crappy headtorch!!

2025-07-01 | Jason Walker | 📖 🪚 | 🌊 Crazy | ❤️ Not done

Well, that was lucky. Often we don't bother asking - but today is the day they are planning to open the big girl up and let the water down the canyon... Apparently it happens maybe once a year.

2025-06-20 | Lieke Smulders | ★★★★★ | 📖 ★★ | 🪚 ★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed

Very unique canyon!! amazing experience. Cold water and the water level was DC+, the water dubbels in the second part of the canyon. Anchoring is amazing! If you don't find a good anchor, look again because at every rappel is a good anchors with most of the time two points and a chain. Finding the second part is easy if you follow the water and go in at the orange/yellow reflector on the tree ( it is very small and on left side on a path) We tried calling the dam but they didn't answer. the phone number we called: +39 0342 451260

2025-05-30 | System User | 📖 🪚 | 🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Cormor Eau froide. DC+. Équipement tout ok. On a du mal à trouver l'entrée de la seconde partie dans le chaos. (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2532/observations.html>)

2025-05-30 | Jeanne Picart | ★★★★★ | 📖 🪚 ★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed

Equipment ok. DC+. We had trouble finding the entrance to the second section. (machine translated)

2025-05-29 | Alex Engelhardt | ★★★★★ | 📖 ★ | 🪚 ★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed

everything tip top (machine translated)

2024-09-15 | System User | 📖 🪚 | 🌊 Low | 🟢 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Cormor I primi due inforramenti avevano un rivolo d'acqua, mentre dopo l'affluenza da sx il flusso è diventato nella media. Acqua bella fresca.Armi tutti ok.Super i giochi di luce che si infilano nel buio sotto la frana.La spiaggia alla fine del secondo inforramento è perfetta per una lunga pausa al sole...con possibilità di sforrare. (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2532/observations.html>)

2024-08-28 | System User | 📖 🪚 | 🌊 Low | 🟢 Completed

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2024-08-28 | Pepijn Hoeksema | ★★★★★ | 📖 ★★ | 🪚 ★★★ | 🌊 Low | 🟢 Completed

The trip is 100% worth it. It is a beautiful area. Technically not difficult with this low water level. Before the trip we walked to the dam keeper's house and registered. We took it easy: Approach: 15 min Descent: 4 hours Exit: 20 minutes

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2024-08-27 | System User | 📖 🪚 | 🌊 Low | 🟢 Completed

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