Val Tovanella superior

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Country: Italia / Italy **Region:** Veneto **Subregion:** Belluno **Town:** Ospitale di Cadore		
Difficulty: a little difficult	**Grading:** v3 a4 III	**Total time:**
Approachtime: 1h30	**Tourtime:** 3h	**Returntime:**
Altitude entry: 1030m	**Altitude exit:** 500m	**Delta Altitude:** 530m
Canyon length: m	**Highest rapell:** 35m	**Amount rapells:** 16
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season:	**Orientation:**	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 3.5 (1)	**Info:** ★ 1 (1)	**Belay:** ★ 1 (1)

Specialities:

Gear:

Summary: (machine translated)
Upper part of the well-known Val Tovanella
2 possible entries (with about a 20-minute hike along the stream in between).

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
How to best park at the Val Tovanella Picnic Area (see info section)

Approach: (machine translated)
As with the lower section, head up the forest road, then follow the well-maintained trail (secured in places with steel cables). After about 60 minutes, you'll cross the stream—where you could theoretically start your hike—or you can continue following the trail steeply uphill for about 30 more minutes to Costa Signora.

Tour: (machine translated)
Right from the start, there are 6 continuous rappels, followed by about 20 minutes of hiking along the stream until you rejoin the trail.
This is followed by about 10 rappels with great rappelling spots. Immediately after the dam (best to go around it on the right), there's a belay station far to the right up ahead (accessible via the tree) to get somewhat out of the way of the water jet. After 2.5 to 3 hours, you'll reach the well-known starting point of the lower section.

Return: (machine translated)
It's best to continue with the lower part

Coordinates:
Alternative Canyon Start 46.3151 12.2920
Canyon Start 46.3160 12.2836

Reports:

2026-10-03 | Jeroen K | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ | 🕮 ★ | ⚓ ★ | ≈ Normal | 👍 Completed
Worthwhile addition (one truly memorable abseil) but a bit discontinuous and at present not so well equipped or well positioned (8mm mono, mix of metal, bits of chain). Warning. One stand is from a hollow rock (on the left), which is about to let go!! More upgrades would be welcome as the upper Tovanella will attract more people. Cold with no sunlight in Octobre. Quite slippery. For the first obstacle we chose to go down from a tree. Continued into the inferiore.