Ténalle

Torrente Fiouza,Hône

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Country: Italia / Italy **Region:** Valle d'Aosta / Regione Autonoma Valle d'Aosta **Subregion:** Hône **Town:** Hône		
Difficulty: a little difficult	**Grading:** v4 a2 III	**Total time:** 3h51
Approachtime: 6min	**Tourtime:** 3h30	**Returntime:** 15min
Altitude entry: 730m	**Altitude exit:** 415m	**Delta Altitude:** 315m
Canyon length: 530m	**Highest rapell:** 42m	**Amount rapells:** 18
Transport: Car optional	**Rock type:** gneiss	**Drainage area:** km²
Season: June - September	**Orientation:** North	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 3.4 (1)	**Info:** ★ 0 ()	**Belay:** ★ 0 ()

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 2x 50m

Summary: (machine translated)
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Hydrology: (machine translated)
There is no obvious way out in the upper part of the canyon. But it seems to be regularly possible to get out of it and find yourself back on the mountainside.
There is no way out in the lower part.

The canyon seems to be accessible from May to October. At the exit of summer, the flow decreases but never completely dries up. The only difficulty, as already mentioned, is crossing the Ayasse.

Access: (machine translated)
Between Verrès and Pont St Martin, leave the national highway and head towards the Champorcher valley. In Hône, 270 m after the highway bridge, turn left onto a square in front of the town hall and cross the river Ayasse. Follow the road that runs parallel to the Ayasse uphill and park your car 570 m after the bridge in the first hairpin bend (left).
At this hairpin bend, the path to the tourist complex on the river Ayasse (signpost Orrido di Hône), the normal way back from the canyon and the Pontboset/Hône hiking trail, which is also well signposted, meet on the right. Before parking the car upstream, check the flow of the Ayasse via the tourist route (see explanations below). Ténalle is the tributary that flows on the right side of the Ayasse through a crevasse with a huge boulder field, almost at the exit of the tourist trail. Allow a time of less than 2 x 15 minutes. If the Ayasse cannot be crossed, the return from the canyon is via the Hône/Pontboset hiking trail.
For the car parked above, walk back up the ascent and park at the first hairpin bend (left) after the exit of the paved road, 2.3 km after the car parked below. A blue dot is painted on a large boulder at the side of the road.

Approach: (machine translated)
Below the boulder with the blue dot, a not very well-marked path begins, which more or less follows a contour line (some cairns were erected in 2016). The path leads to the beginning of the canyon in a few minutes.

Tour: (machine translated)
18 relatively open abseils break up the descent, which runs without interruption. The Hône/Pont Boset hiking trail crosses the exit of the canyon via a stable wooden bridge. The part below the bridge includes a C42 in a well-enclosed chute. This is the most beautiful passage of the canyon. However, to get to the lower part, you inevitably have to cross the Ayasse. If the above-mentioned preliminary reconnaissance shows that this crossing is impossible, it is essential to leave the canyon via the hiking trail (return in 10 minutes).

Return: (machine translated)
There are two options at the foot of the boulder field:
_ Descend the Ayasse using canyoning techniques when the water level is low (description follows). This requires good knowledge of "white water" techniques. This option is only suitable for experienced people. The tour is then very varied (rappel at lofty heights + water section).
Cross the Ayasse and reach the hiking trail on the right bank. A boulder in the riverbed, about fifteen meters above the confluence, makes the crossing easier. To get there, stay on the rope at the exit of the last small ropes section on the right bank and climb up a few meters to reach a small ledge that runs alongside the Ayasse. There is an anchorage on this ledge, but the equipment would need to be renewed. If the current of the Ayasse is very strong and the water is flowing over the boulder (normally you should not stay there then!), continue on the ledge. A little further on there is a widening of the Ayasse that allows you to cross at your own risk.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 45.6056 7.7245
Canyon End 45.6097 7.7238
Parking at Entry 45.6056 7.7276
Parking at Exit 45.6109 7.7285

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