Fartleisbach

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Country: Italia / Italy **Region:** Trentino-Alto Adige **Subregion:** Bolzano **Town:** San Leonardo in Passiria		
Difficulty: difficult	**Grading:** v5 a5 III	**Total time:** 5h20
Approachtime: 10min	**Tourtime:** 5h	**Returntime:** 10min
Altitude entry: 1100m	**Altitude exit:** 650m	**Delta Altitude:** 450m
Canyon length: 1000m	**Highest rapell:** 30m	**Amount rapells:** 27
Transport: Car optional	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season:	**Orientation:**	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 2.5 (2)	**Info:** ★ 2.5 (2)	**Belay:** ★ 2 (2)

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 2x 30m

Summary: (machine translated)
Typical alpine canyon, with water pools of little depth. A rough environment with a long sequence of parts with no exit options until the second part of the tour, where the stream narrows and shows its full interest.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
Approach parking exit: from Merano take the SS44 in the direction of San Martino in Passiria. After the village, turn right onto the bridge into the industrial estate. Immediately afterwards, take the side road on the right and drive past the "Auto Wilhelm" garage. Before the bridge that leads to "Haselstaude", keep right where you can park a car

Parking entry: return to the main road and turn left. After approx. 1 km, turn left again towards Andreus Golf Lodge and continue along the road that climbs towards Pfandler Alm. At the hairpin bend at altitude 1026 (coordinates: 46.779489, 11.241726) take the road to the left and after approx. 2 minutes you will find the first parking lot in a bend to the right. A little further on there is an additional, small parking lot on the left for two cars.

From the parking lot in the valley, you can hike up to the entrance of the canyon in 1 hour on easy paths. (Eishöfe, Pfeiftalhof, 5a, 2)

Approach: (machine translated)
Access: the entry (black arrow on the guardrail) is located about 70 m after the small parking lot at 1100m. It is highly recommended to wear a wetsuit here on the road.
Descend into the canyon using a tree as an anchor (rappel of about 40 meters).

Tour: (machine translated)
The canyon begins with a 25-minute hike to the first abseil point. A few passages of sub-horizontal pools of water in succession, don't let go of the rope until you find the next belay station! In the middle of the canyon, there is an area of large fallen trees that slows down a bit (be careful not to get the rope stuck: Intermediate belays at natural or good existing anchors). There are often unconnected double anchors (but new - ver. J. 2024). Shortly before the bridge over the canyon (path), the character of the canyon increases, with successive hanging pools (v5 a5). This part is more frequented and better equipped with chains and handrails already installed.

Return: (machine translated)
After the last waterfall, take an obvious path on the left bank (old building), walk down the meadow, cross a bridge over the stream and reach the car on the right bank in a few minutes.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 46.7837 11.2479
Parking at Exit 46.7884 11.2336
Parking at Entry 46.7836 11.2471
Canyon End 46.7879 11.2388

Reports:

2026-06-26 | Federico | ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
The anchors are fine, though sometimes hard to spot because they’re hidden by vegetation. Some of the anchors are old. The rocks are extremely slippery, and the many fallen trees in the river make progress difficult and not much fun. (machine translated)

2025-06-27 | Andrea Ceolan | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
Ascended on foot in 1h on very comfortable trails (pfeifental hof, 5a, 2). Descended in 5h very calmly and in two people. (watch out for the black arrow on the guard rail for the entrance). In the middle big fallen trees slow down the progression a bit. In general good anchors (very recent) especially in the second half: attention only to check presence of next anchor before pulling down the rope (often you have to continue by rope). With high flow it becomes a challenging gorge (many hanging pools and rappels in flow)