Herques sup.

Archifira,Chifira,Barranco de la Majaa

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Country: España / Spain **Region:** Canarias / Canary Islands **Subregion:** Santa Cruz de Tenerife **Town:** Fasnia		
Difficulty: not as difficult	**Grading:** v3 a1 III	**Total time:** 4h15
Approachtime: 5min	**Tourtime:** 4h	**Returntime:** 10min
Altitude entry: 500m	**Altitude exit:** 1290m	**Delta Altitude:** -790m
Canyon length: 7000m	**Highest rapell:** 40m	**Amount rapells:** 8
Transport: Car required	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season: November - February	**Orientation:**	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 3.3 (2)	**Info:** ★ 2 (2)	**Belay:** ★ 2.5 (2)
Specialities:		

Gear:
Ropes: 1×50, 2×40

Summary:
Long canyon with little sportive challenges other than its length and dimensions as a Natural Monument and route finding. Ample walking in between abseils.

Hydrology:

Access:
Crossings in the El Escobonal area
We need to head along the TF28 between Fasnia and El Escobonal.
Access points to the Cano and Archifira crossings
Exactly at kilometre marker 39.5, heading towards El Escobonal, is the bridge over the Herques stream; just past this is the tunnel, and on the right there is a place to park your car for the return journey.
Access points to the Cano and Archifira streams
Drive back to kilometre marker 40, where you'll find the turn-off to the right towards Archifira. After 4 kilometres along this road (taking all the right-hand turn-offs), you'll reach the head of the Cano stream; continue uphill for another 2 km until the tarmac road ends and a track begins; there's a clearing beside it where you can park.

Approach:
We follow the track for 100 metres until we reach the clearly visible riverbed

Tour:
See map.
Long stretches between abseils and quite a few sections of rough terrain or dense vegetation that will slow us down.

Return:
After the final abseil, we head out through the gully to the Cercado de la Viña Gallery; from here, we'll take the track that leads to Aguerche and continues on to the road, just above the tunnel.

Coordinates:
Parking at Exit 28.2498 -16.4376
Canyon End 28.2501 -16.4423

Reports:

2024-11-28 | Jeroen Kirchner | ☆ ½ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ Dry | 👍 Completed
Collector canyon. Neighbouring Volcán canyon has the better scenery and is less monotonous. Also in Herques inf. the walking is less teduous. Given the few repetitions some downclimbing is unbolted & some single anchors remain (single steel maillons).

2024-11-01 | Testuser | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | ≋ Low | 📈 Emergency exit
Test

2024-06-16 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | |
Información: Partes de la descripción del cañón se han importado automáticamente. Concretamente, los campos Acceso, Acceso, Recorrido, Regreso, Ruta GPS, Topografía de https://www.docuwiki.infobarrancos.es/doku.php?id=barrancos:canarias:archifira