Val Clusa

Clusa

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Country: Italia / Italy Region: Veneto Subregion: Belluno Town: Agordo		
Difficulty: difficult	Grading: v5 a5 VI	Total time: 8h5
Approachtime: 1h50	Tourtime: 6h	Returntime: 15min
Altitude entry: 960m	Altitude exit: 470m	Delta Altitude: 490m
Canyon length: 3500m	Highest rapell: 36m	Amount rapells: 36
Transport:	Rock type:	drainage area: km²
Season:	Orientation:	Best Time:
Rating: 🖈 4.1 (6)	Info: 🖈 2.5 (4)	Belay: ★ 2.3 (4)

Specialities:

§ Proscription, Dam (autom. flushing),

Gear:

Summary: (machine translated)

The extreme classic. Narrowly cut aquatic canyon of great demand and length. Very scenic and remote. Only a few emergency exits possible.

There is the upper part and the lower part that starts at the dam. The dam is connected to Lago del Mis and is used when there are problems in the side valley. I.e. you should only go into the canyon when the weather is stable and especially do not spend too much time in the lower part to reduce possible danger.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)

Coming from Belluno on the SS 203 direction Agordo through the Cordevole Valley. Parking in the area La Muda, after the suspension bridge over the Torrente Cordevole. (Tip: Here you are just outside the National Park, i.e. you have here also no problem to spend the night and directly opposite there is a bar / restaurant where you can eat in the evening or which is open from 6:30 - 7:00 for breakfast.

Approach: (machine translated)

Orographically right along marked trail no. 546 uphill, initially steep through forest. After about half an hour you come to the turnoff to the dam for the lower part. For the upper part, follow the path uphill. At about 940 m there is a barely visible turnoff to path 545, but here you stay along the course of the gorge on path 546 (path arrow Val Clusa path 546). From now on you go without much loss of altitude always along the path until at 960Hm you come closer and closer to the stream and can enter without major problems (see coordinates).

The path is generally clearly visible, there is no more damage from the forest fire. At one point there is a possible risk of falling, but this is well secured with steel ropes.

Tour: (machine translated)

At the beginning, Val Clusa is still a relatively open forest canyon. But this changes after the first 6 rappels, where the canyon narrows and becomes deeper. In general, during the tour you have only a few possibilities to get out of the canyons.

After about 18 rappels or 27 rappels in the upper part, there is a possibility to get out of the canyon ortographic right.

After about 29 rappels there are yellow signs and ortographic right the path leads out to the dam. This path should not be overlooked, because if the dam is active and water is dammed, it may not be possible to get out of the reservoir, because the ladders are in a shaft, which is only accessible when the dam is empty. For the upper part you should plan about 4h-5h.

If you miss the signs and jump into the pool, then another rappel follows before you reach the reservoir and stand in front of the dam. During our ascent (15.8.2023) we were lucky that the dam was open, i.e. one could pass through the dam without any problems and thus get to the lower part or reach the ladder in the shaft for a possible exit.

The dam is automatically controlled and also connected as an overflow with the Lago del Mis, i.e. one should generally not dawdle in the lower part, because even if the reservoir is open and the water is ok due to a technical malfunction etc.. Water is directed into the Clusa.

The lower part is a bit more aquatic than the upper part but very nicely incised. In total the lower part has 7 rappel, highest 30m.

For the lower part you should plan about 1.5h.

Return: (machine translated)

Go under the bridge of SR203 until Torrente Cordevole and turn right (in the direction of Torrente Cordevole) for about 50m. Here up the embankment to the road and return by the road to the parking lot (about 15 min).

Coordinates:

Canyon Start <u>46.2590 12.1186</u>
Parking at Entry <u>46.2468 12.0985</u>
Canyon End 46.2442 12.1054

Reports:

2025-06-25 | Jason Walker | ☆ ☆ ☆ ∮ | 🏳 ★ ★ | 🗯 Low | 🖒 Completed

We entered at the dam, after following the metal railing down to it. The dam was nearly spilling, however the water flowing out was minimal, maybe 1m2. This was the slipperiest canyon we have ever been down. All the rocks are covered in alge. The anchors were adequate, however you would be stupid to go down without some material to replace a couple of helpful threads. At this flow, all the anchoring was sufficient. Some abseils have both dry and wet lines. I think if it wasn't so slippery, there would have been numerous opportunities to jump. However, we were not very confident with the take-off spots given the lack of friction.

2024-10-15 | System User | |□ |♣ | 🏯 Crazy | 👍 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Clusa Gros débit pour le sup, très gros sous la prise d'eau. Cette dernière est toujours ouverte a cause du tronc. Nous avons sauté dans les 2 vasques en amont. Équipement excelent dans tout le canyon. Très grande course beaucoup plus exigeante et technique que soffia... Beaucoup de sauts possibles ou rappels trop courts. :) (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2531/observations. html)

2024-08-31 | System User | |□ | 🕁 | 🏯 High | 🖒 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Clusa Flusso forte e molto freddo dalla confluenza del Canton dei Pez. Tutto il resto ok. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2531/observations.html)

2024-08-02 | System User | | 🕮 | 🗯 | 🚃 Normal | 🖒 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Clusa DC+Nous n'avons pas fait la partie inférieure à cause du débit sous la prise d'eau (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2531/observations.html)

2024-07-27 | Peter Lampacher | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🎞 ★ ★ | 🗘 ★ ★ | 🏯 High | 👍 Completed

All good, still quite a lot of water. Got out in front of the dam. (machine translated)

2024-07-05 | System User | | 🕮 | 🕏 Crazy | 🖒 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Clusa We made it through the army of ticks. Lot of water in the superior part. We made it through the hard parts and we used unverified exit. It was not easy. Dont recommend the exit. As the flow was really high dont want to imagine how much water was there after intake from neighbor canyon. We spend 7 hours in the canyon. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2531/observations.html)

2024-06-22 | Madie Ga | | 🕮 | 🟂 Crazy | 🤛 Not done

Does not look doable, water changed from blue to brown overnight, and 4 times the flow

2023-08-13 | Horst Lambauer | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🏻 ★ ★ | 🗘 ★ ★ | | 👶 Completed

Canyon information completely revised and adapted to current conditions. (machine translated)

2023-03-09 | System User | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🏻 | 🗘 | |

Info: Teile der Canyonbeschreibung wurden automatisiert übernommen. Konkret die Felder Weblinks, Koordinaten, Rating, Länge des Canyon, Einfachseil Mindestens von https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon/2531

2023-03-09 | System User | 🖈 🖈 😭 | 🕮 | 🗘 | |

Daten importiert von https://canyon.carto.net/cwiki/bin/view/Canyons/ValClusaCanyon.html

2022-08-17 | Bubtore | $\stackrel{\wedge}{\sim} \stackrel{\wedge}{\sim} \stackrel{\wedge}{\sim} | \stackrel{\square}{\square} \stackrel{\bigstar}{\sim} | \stackrel{J}{\smile} \stackrel{\bigstar}{\sim} | \stackrel{\ggg}{\Longrightarrow} \text{Low} | \stackrel{d}{\sim} \text{Completed}$

I somehow don't find the rock that great to look at, but the pools are cool, and lots of jumps (just a single rappel if you're wild about it). (machine translated)