

Quinta Grande

Ribeira da Quinta Grande

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Country: Portugal Region: Madeira Subregion: Town: Quinta Grande		
Difficulty: difficult	Grading: v5 a2 III	Total time: 2h20
Approach time: 5min	Tour time: 2h	Return time: 15min
Altitude entry: 285m	Altitude exit: 10m	Delta Altitude: 275m
Canyon length: 216m	Highest rappel: 126m	Amount rappells: 7
Transport: Cablecar	Rock type:	Drainage area: km ²
Season: October - March	Orientation: Southwest	Best Time: 13-16 o'clock
Rating: ★ 4 (2)	Info: ★ 2.5 (2)	Belay: ★ 2 (2)
Warnings: <i>Observe tides / swell</i> Canyon is located on the coast. A safe way back is only possible at low tide and when the waves are low.		
Specialities:		
Gear: Ropes: 2x80, 1x60		
Summary: (machine translated) Impressive rappel canyon that exits into the Atlantic. Water only after rainfall or in winter.		
Hydrology:		
Access: (machine translated) Leave the Via Rapida (VR 1 / ER 101) at exit 3, Quinta Grande. Then head towards the coast and Faja dos Padres. After a good 200 meters, take a sharp left and follow the road to the exit. You can park here. Theoretically, it is also possible to walk around the gardens and re-park, but we strongly advise against parking a second car at the cable car, as spaces are limited and are intended for day visitors to the gardens. In addition, the way back to the car is short and downhill.		
Approach: (machine translated) From the parking lot, follow the stone steps down to the levada. The streambed is almost always dry for the first few meters. The abseiling fun begins at the entry with a C20, two anchors on the left. Here you can judge the amount of water falling from the levada into the canyon.		
Note: The old entry into the canyon via a wooden beam staircase no longer exists!		

