Rio Patoc (inferiore)

Rio Patoc,Patoc

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Country: Italia / Italy **Region:** Friuli Venezia Giulia **Subregion:** Udine **Town:** Chiusaforte		
Difficulty: not as difficult	**Grading:** v3 a3 III	**Total time:** 2h30
Approachtime: 30min	**Tourtime:** 1h30	**Returntime:** 30min
Altitude entry: 550m	**Altitude exit:** 400m	**Delta Altitude:** 150m
Canyon length: 2500m	**Highest rapell:** 17m	**Amount rapells:** 6
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** 3.55km²
Season:	**Orientation:** Northwest	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 3.6 (39)	**Info:** ★ 2.9 (36)	**Belay:** ★ 2.9 (36)

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 1x40m

Summary: (machine translated)
Nice half-day tour; short rappels in the water; upper part open, lower part cut; short access; return via Fella River (attention water level!); in the afternoon you have more sun in the canyon;

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
From Carnia drive towards Tarvisio --> at the exit of Chiusaforte turn right towards "Sella Nevea"/Raccolana --> after the bridge turn left towards the church --> behind the church you can park your car next to the road.
If you don't want to park in the middle of the village (changing clothes, hanging up things,...) you can stay at the "Brussine parking lot" (see coordinates). There you have much more space and you don't disturb anyone (+2min longer walking distance)

Approach: (machine translated)
Behind the church, hiking trail 620 with the sign "Patoc" branches off to the left of the road --> follow this path, initially slightly uphill and then slightly downhill from a small wayside shrine to the stream --> the last few meters you walk parallel to the canyon to a stone bridge at approx. 550Hm --> the entry for the lower part of the canyon is directly to the right after the stone bridge.

Tour: (machine translated)
The Rio Patoc is a short, interesting canyon, which can be very tricky at higher water levels as most of the short rappels are directly in the watercourse --> in the upper part of the "Patoc inferiore" some places can be bypassed or downclimbed --> the lower part of the canyon is more incised and technically more demanding --> here is also the highest rappel point of approx. 15m --> between the rappels there are only a few walking passages --> after a small chute and waterfall the tour suddenly ends --> after approx. 100m you pass under the railway/motorway bridge and in front of the Fella river (approx. 400m). meters you stand under the railroad / freeway bridge and in front of the Fella River (approx. 400m).
If you want to walk the whole canyon, follow hiking trail 620 to the village of Patoc (access also possible by car) --> however, the upper part is usually omitted due to lack of interest (only walking and climbing passages).

Return: (machine translated)
There are 2 options for the way back:
Option 1:
You swim down the Fella for about 15 min --> before the road bridge of Raccolana there is an iron ladder on the left side, which makes it easier to get out --> shortly you get back to the car at the road.

Option 2: At the confluence of the Patoc and the Fella, walk upstream along the Fella for about 200m. You come to a point with fixed ropes along which you come to the cycle path up the slope. Then take the cycle path to Chiusaforte and cross the bridge to the parking lot. approx. 20min

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 46.4183 13.3240
Parking Entry and Exit 46.4092 13.3141
Canyon End 46.4192 13.3201
Parking Entry and Exit 46.4055 13.3162
Waypoint 46.4091 13.3155

Reports:

2026-10-10 | Georg Rudelstorfer | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Hike to Rio Bianco. The walking passages take about 30 minutes, with one rappel section that can also be jumped. Everything at Patoc is great as always. (machine translated)

2026-08-20 | Elias Ladurner | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
It's always nice. All the booths are well-equipped with SOS stickers and adhesive hooks. (machine translated)

2026-08-15 | Maša | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
A very beautiful short canyon, suitable even for beginners. It’s a bit slippery in some places. (machine translated)

2026-08-03 | Katharina Pristauz-Telsnigg | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Everything's fine. You can still smell the dead animal at first. The lake doesn't have much water, but we swam all the way to the exit anyway—we just have a few more bruises now ;) (machine translated)

2026-07-31 | Rok | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Everything's great. There's a dead animal at the entry—or rather, the smell—but it's only a brief nuisance. Fella has very little water right now. (machine translated)

2026-07-04 | Thomas C | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Very slippery at the start, but otherwise everything's OK (machine translated)

2026-06-14 | Olda | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Everything's fine. Easy access, normal water levels, good anchoring, and easily accessible. When climbing out, it's easy to find the path and ropes leading to the bike trail, (machine translated)

2026-06-12 | Marosffy Dániel | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 High | 👍 Completed
A bit more water than usually but still not too bad. Otherwise OK.

2026-06-02 | Uschi Winter | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Everything is ok! (machine translated)

2026-05-29 | Georg Rudelstorfer | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Everything tip top as always (machine translated)

2026-05-23 | Rok | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Everything ok. A few short, obligatory downclimbs. Today we did the 3rd stream to finish. When swimming back in the Fella, watch out for the current under the bridge (we bypassed it). (machine translated)

2026-05-17 | Clarissa Linder | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Short canyon with beautiful clear pools. Few jumps possible, pools partly covered with gravel. (machine translated)

2026-05-17 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
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2025-10-01 | Montie | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
All good, quite a bit of walking and downclimbing to get to the rewarding part, but then it is very nice

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2025-09-09 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Patoc Top condition, équippement au top (comme les autres canyons fait dans cette région)Retour en floating très amusant. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2598/observations.html)

2025-09-09 | Denis F | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
In very nice condition. Made before Malinberg. (machine translated)

2025-08-26 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
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