

# Gondo

Zwischbergenschlucht, Grosses Wasser

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| <b>Country:</b> Schweiz / Switzerland <b>Region:</b> Kanton Wallis / Canton du Valais <b>Subregion:</b> Bezirk Brig <b>Town:</b> Gondo   |                                    |                                       |
| <b>Difficulty:</b> a little difficult  | <b>Grading:</b> v4 a4 II           | <b>Total time:</b> 3h2                |
| <b>Approachtime:</b> 2min  | <b>Tourtime:</b> 3h                | <b>Returntime:</b> 0min               |
| <b>Altitude entry:</b> 1056m   | <b>Altitude exit:</b> 850m         | <b>Delta Altitude:</b> 206m           |
| <b>Canyon length:</b> 620m   | <b>Highest rapell:</b> 35m         | <b>Amount rapells:</b> 8              |
| <b>Transport:</b> Car optional   | <b>Rock type:</b> gneiss           | <b>Drainage area:</b> km <sup>2</sup> |
| <b>Season:</b> August - September  | <b>Orientation:</b> North          | <b>Best Time:</b> 11-13 o'clock       |
| <b>Rating:</b> ★ 4.5 (16)  | <b>Info:</b> ★ 2.5 (13)            | <b>Belay:</b> ★ 2.8 (13)              |
| <b>Warnings:</b><br><b>inactive:</b> <i>Water drain</i> (29.09.25 - 24.04.26)<br>Due to work on the pressure pipe, the canyon will remain closed over the winter.  |                                    |                                       |
| <b>Specialities:</b><br>Dam (autom. flushing),   |                                    |                                       |
| <b>Gear:</b><br>Ropes: 2x40m   |                                    |                                       |
| <b>Summary:</b> (machine translated)<br>Beautiful aquatic gneiss canyon; several jumps and slides (after checking the water depth); several slippery passages; automatic power station; information may be obtained from Lokals ( <a href="http://www.zwischenbergenschlucht.ch">www.zwischenbergenschlucht.ch</a> ); several emergency exits on the left side; rock arch in the lower part; partly difficult rope retrieval; some belays bent but still sufficient; best entry time approx. 11am as northern exposure.<br><br>Information about the dam from:<br>Energie Electricque du Simplon SA tel. +41 (0)27 966 54 00.<br>Possibly the municipal administration of Gondo: +41 (0)27 979 15 01 |                                    |                                       |

**Hydrology:** (machine translated)

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It is highly advisable to check the water level beforehand from the lowest wooden bridge (key point).

A prevention concept has been developed in collaboration with people from the canyoning industry in the region.

It is mainly based on operational measures to limit the risk of overflows during the day.

In concrete terms, this means that the risk remains low as long as the water inflows can be stored in the reservoir, even in the event of an unforeseen shutdown of the Gondo power plant. However, as the storage capacity is limited, this safety margin can change quickly during the walk.

In order to keep people as informed as possible, EES provides its own website: <https://ees-canyoning.ch>. This site provides the best possible estimate in real time of the time until which no overflows are expected. This estimate is based on the latest available meteorological and hydrological forecasts, whereby an uncertainty must be taken into account (order of magnitude: 15 minutes).

Recommendations to users

- Visit the site regularly to obtain the latest information.
- Analyze the situation on site, taking into account the local weather conditions.
- Allow for margins of uncertainty in your planning.

If possible, the site will also indicate the dates of the next operational events (water drains, flushing) that will temporarily prevent canyoning. Any technical problems or exceptional operating conditions are also indicated on the page.

<https://ees-canyoning.ch/de>

<https://ees-canyoning.ch/fr>

**Access:** (machine translated)

From Domodossola on the SS33 in the direction of the Simplon Pass (Switzerland). In Gondo, just after the Swiss border (before the petrol station) turn left down to the parking lot. Here the shuttle car can be parked right next to the exit. With the 2nd car, drive up the mountain road (several serpentine bends) behind the parking lot. After the last hairpin bend there are a few houses. Park here before the small fork left at the mirror.

**Approach:** (machine translated)

(on foot: 20min)

From the parking lot, walk a few meters until you see clear climbing tracks into the stream (1056m). Without a shuttle car, follow the mountain road to the "Stockalperweg" hiking trail, which crosses the road a few times. After about 20 minutes you reach the parking entry.

**Tour:** (machine translated)

The continuously watery canyon offers slides, jumps and rappels into pools, some of which are very deep. The water level and water depth should always be checked beforehand! Some pools recede when the water level rises. The abseiling sections, especially in the lower part (key section), also become very dangerous. The canyon remains very entertaining until the end, but should never be underestimated. One of the highlights in the lower part is a huge rock arch under which you can swim (possible jumps). Before the final waterfall, you can decide whether to leave or continue downclimbing (C40+ downclimb).

**Return:** (machine translated)

You can get out of the canyon at about 920m before the last waterfall on the left via a small path. This leads to the road and shortly back to the parking lot.

2nd option: You can rappel about 40m over the last waterfall and climb the rest right over stone slabs to the confluence of the Doveria at 850m. Then get off to the parking lot on the left.

**Coordinates:**

Canyon Start [46.1898 8.1418](#)

Canyon End [46.1940 8.1396](#)

## Reports:

2026-06-14 | Badegruber Friedrich | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | ⚓★★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

A stunningly beautiful canyon, both scenic and in terms of the action. Pools with enough depth for jumps. Highly recommended. One minor drawback is the info website; unfortunately, there was no information available about the dam's flushing schedule. After speaking with a local, it seems this happens quite often. Check the water level in the lake just to be safe. (machine translated)

2026-06-01 | System User | 📖 | ⚓ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Gondo SuperbeDC+ on se fait chahuté juste au niveau de la verticale avec le toboggan au milieu Moins engravée que l'année dernière si j'en lis les commentaires (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2750/observations.html>)

2026-06-01 | System User | 📖 | ⚓ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Gondo Les vasques sont désensablées et de nouveau profondes ce qui rend le canyon de nouveau joueur, toboggans, sauts, y a du choix. L'équipement est toujours en bon état à part peut-être le relais rd juste avant l'arche. Attention ça glisse toujours autant. DC+ (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2750/observations.html>)

2025-09-08 | System User | 📖 | ⚓ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Gondo (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2750/observations.html>)

2025-08-30 | System User | 📖 | ⚓ | |

Automatisch importiert von Schlucht.ch für Canyon Gondo - Zwischbergenschlucht, Wasserstand: "Mittel +. " Verankerungen: "Top. " Pools kontrollieren weil untief. (Quelle: <https://schlucht.ch/schluchten-der-schweiz-liste/1031-gondo-zwischbergenschlucht>)

2025-08-23 | Patrik | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | ⚓★★★★ | 🌊 Low | 🍏 Completed

Start at 11.00 am incl. lots of sunshine and a few groups ;- ) But these can be easily overtaken. Currently a lot of sand in the canyon, therefore deduction in the rating. (machine translated)

2025-08-16 | Marco Wahler | ★★★★★ | 📖★ | ⚓★★★★ | | 🍏 Completed

superiore fun - ideal with two cars (machine translated)

2025-08-16 | System User | 📖 | ⚓ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Gondo Joli mais court (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2750/observations.html>)

2025-08-10 | System User | 📖 | ⚓ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Gondo Canyon ensablé! Pas de saut possible sauf au niveau de l'arche. Parcours en 2h-2h30 (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2750/observations.html>)

2025-08-09 | Christoph Cramer | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | ⚓★★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Lots of sand, some pools shallow. Very nice tour! (machine translated)

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2025-08-08 | Herbert von Neumann | ★★★★★ | 📖★★ | ⚓★★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Short but amazing canyon (machine translated)

2025-08-08 | Markus Jendryan | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | ⚓★★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Everything is ok. Beautiful canyon. Unfortunately, it was quite sandy with us, so hardly any jumps and slides were possible. Nice grippy rock (machine translated)

2025-08-08 | Wolfgang Streicher | ★★★★★ | 📖★★ | ⚓★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Comparatively moderate water flow. Only a few slides and jumps feasible due to sanding. On entry to the narrow section at the exit, anchors to the intermediate belay were not found; so rappel from the top down to the gap with a continuous shower. (machine translated)

First descent: 01.08.1994 by C. Burgener, D. Zurbriggen