

Rio Nero (Lago di Garda)

"Jurassic"

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| Country: Italia / Italy Region: Trentino-Alto Adige Subregion: Trento / Provincia autonoma di Trento Town: Ampolla Pass | | |
| Difficulty: a little difficult | Grading: v4 a4 IV | Total time: 5h11 |
| Approachtime: 6min | Tourtime: 5h | Returntime: 5min |
| Altitude entry: 1125m | Altitude exit: 740m | Delta Altitude: 385m |
| Canyon length: 2300m | Highest rapell: 30m | Amount rapells: 26 |
| Transport: Car optional | Rock type: limestone | Drainage area: 10.30km ² |
| Season: June - September | Orientation: Northwest | Best Time: |
| Rating: ★ 3.9 (17) | Info: ★ 2.8 (14) | Belay: ★ 2.7 (15) |
| Specialities: | | |
| Gear: Ropes: 2x40m/ 1x20m | | |
| Summary: (machine translated) Highly recommended; many rappels and some jumps possible; long, slippery canyon with cold, crystal-clear water; check the water level behind the inn before the tour; many rappels in the water; several deep pools; large clamping block in the lower third; emergency exit in the middle of the canyon (right); most of the sun at noon. | | |
| Hydrology: | | |
| Access: (machine translated) From Torbole --> Riva --> Storo --> through long tunnel towards Albola mountain pass --> past Lago di Ledro and small villages --> straight on --> past Laghetto D'Ampola --> then turn left (Tremalzo) --> park your transfer vehicle at the Ampola Inn --> from here drive up the long mountain road and past the church of S. Croce church --> after about 1.5 km, at km 6.5 (closed from Nov. 1 to April 30), take the narrow road on the right (small group of houses) down to the bridge (entry 1125 m). | | |
| Approach: (machine translated) Right at the bridge (with shuttle car) or without shuttle car on foot in about 1h15min walk up the old path behind the Ampola inn to the bridge (entry). | | |
| Tour: (machine translated) From the bridge to the 1st rappel point it is approx. 20min. in the streambed (slippery stones) --> now the first rappels follow immediately, which continue continuously --> numerous places can be jumped (exact assessment) or rappelled --> in between there are always walking sections --> many rappels can also be reached outside the watercourse rappel --> in between there are always walking passages --> many rappels are also outside the water flow and can only be reached by long exposed crossings (mostly fixed ropes) --> a striking point is a place with a huge clamping block under which you can rappel --> after that there are about 5-6 rappels (some also jumpable) --> the last rappel (12m) can also be jumped --> from this point it only goes over small flat slides and a short piece along the stream. | | |
| Return: (machine translated) The exit on the right leads through the forest to the open meadow and the inn (shuttle car) (740Hm). | | |
| Coordinates: Canyon Start 45.8504 10.6603 Canyon End 45.8635 10.6448 Parking at Entry 45.8503 10.6604 Parking at Exit 45.8642 10.6458 | | |

Reports:

2026-05-09 | Matteo Delfitto | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🚨 Emergency exit
Really nice canyon with some aesthetically spectacular narrows. Before rappel #13 we had to go out due to unplanned thunderstorm.... On the left there are some old ropes in a very steep gully, you climb about 20 m, these fixed ropes are not reliable. You reach a small terrace. From here climb up a very exposed ledge on the left (few opportunities for protection) to reach below a fir tree. (15 m from the small terrace) to manage to get to the tree there is a complex vertical passage of about 3 m in a kind of dihedral. When you reach the fir tree climb straight up again into the steep forest for another 20 m. From here you can clearly see the bottleneck of waterfalls 16 and 15. You have to continue traversing left on the flat in the steep forest to climb up to obstacle No. 16, it is about 70/80 m. You come to a point where the forest is less steep and below you can see the stream on the level, descend for 20/30 m and reach the Rio bed again. Use this escape route only if you have good straining skills in this type of terrain! From here on the orographic right is an escape route also used by mountain rescue. It consists of a very long flat ledge, exposed in places, that leads to connect with the downhill path to the valley. (machine translated)

2026-05-02 | Ba | ★★★★★ | 📖★ | 🪚★ | 🌊 Low | 🟢 Completed
Much lower water as the last time we went. The crux/key passage in my opinion is a 12m rappel V shaped. There, our rope got stuck and we had to cut out about 5m. It wasn't the only rope stuck there. It's possible to skip it but unfortunately we noticed too late. It must be the 22, 21, 20 or 19th rappel, I no longer remember. Basically you get to a high rappel where from above you see there's a big rappel and a smaller step. You wonder if you're supposed to rappel over both because the smaller step there are no bolts. Stop after the first step! There's a path getting out of the stream on the right that takes you to an alternative rappel point in which you can skip the crux altogether. But if you don't notice when you're above, and you rappel over both the steps, then it's too late and you have to go through the crux (I put a photo of the crux from below). Bring a rope cutter! I hope my explanation is understandable ☹️ otherwise some chains and bolts may have to be changed soon. For us it was safe enough.

2026-04-05 | Silvia | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★★★ | 🌊 Low | 🟢 Completed
Lower part: low water level, slippery, perfect anchors, low water temperature but ok with a wetsuit.

2026-02-21 | Clarissa Linder | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed
Lots of snow, little ice, rock very slippery. Stands almost all freely accessible. Even some sun on access (around 12 noon at entry). (machine translated)

2025-09-05 | System User | 📖 | 🪚 | 🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed
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2025-08-21 | System User | 📖 | 🪚 | 🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed
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2025-08-18 | Harald Gunz | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★★ | 🪚★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed
Entry at the parking lot at 1150Hm. Reachable on foot from the inn in 1 hour. All belays are available several times. Nevertheless, take a good look, some new chain anchors have been torn out. The last part from exit 5 is probably often used commercially. Unfortunately still a bit slippery. (machine translated)

2025-08-04 | System User | 📖 | 🪚 | 🌊 High | 🟢 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Nero Gros débit et très glissant Réalise en 4h dans son intégralité Le parking du haut de la navette est plus à 500m, prendre la 3e à droite après l'église (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2606/observations.html>)

2025-07-02 | System User | 📖 | 🪚 | 🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Nero Fait avec navette, 20min de marche en rivière avant d'arriver au premier rappel. De l'équipement à foison, le plus souvent relai RG et RD. Certains sont neufs et normés, d'autres sont très fatigués, il faut bien choisir. Sorti à l'échappatoire RD après la cascade n°7 (sentier des guides, très confortable, en descente), on s'est pris un orage énorme non prévu. Le risque de crue n'est pas énorme dans ce canyon, mais le risque de chute de pierres est bien réel ! (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2606/observations.html>)

2025-06-28 | System User | 📖 | 🪚 | 🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed