

# Holtes / Holtit

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<b>Country:</b> Shqipëria / Albania <b>Region:</b> Shqipëria e Mesme <b>Subregion:</b> Qarku i Elbasanit <b>Town:</b> Gramshi / Gramsh		
<b>Difficulty:</b> not as difficult	<b>Grading:</b> v3 a3 IV	<b>Total time:</b> 4h20
<b>Approachtime:</b> 10min	<b>Tourtime:</b> 4h	<b>Returntime:</b> 10min
<b>Altitude entry:</b> 450m	<b>Altitude exit:</b> 270m	<b>Delta Altitude:</b> 180m
<b>Canyon length:</b> 3100m	<b>Highest rapell:</b> 17m	<b>Amount rapells:</b> 13
<b>Transport:</b> Car required	<b>Rock type:</b>	<b>drainage area:</b> km²
<b>Season:</b>	<b>Orientation:</b> West	<b>Best Time:</b>
<b>Rating:</b> ★ 4 (7)	<b>Info:</b> ★ 2.5 (4)	<b>Belay:</b> ★ 2 (7)
<b>Specialities:</b> Dam (inform operator),		
<b>Gear:</b> Ropes: 2x20m		
<b>Summary:</b> Lange Großschlucht, wohl der beeindruckenste Canyon in Albania bei Sonne und klarem Wasser. Kann mit dem orograf. linken Zufluß Gjerzeze kombiniert werden (siehe <a href="https://de.wikiloc.com/routen-canyoning/carcove-holta-explore-114374371">https://de.wikiloc.com/routen-canyoning/carcove-holta-explore-114374371</a> - alledings Gjerzeze irrig als Çarçovë benannt).		
<b>Hydrology:</b> Tour mit Wasserkraftanlagen. An und abmelden bei folgender Nummer ist erforderlich: +355 68 386 8027		
<b>Access:</b> (machine translated) from Elbasan to the parking lot exit see map section google maps under links, there also the transfer route to the P entry		
<b>Approach:</b> Wenn man sich einen langen Zustieg sparen möchte, wäre empfehlenswert bei dem Wärter der Wehranlage anzurufen. Dieser informiert die insgesamt 7 Wasserkraftwerke, dass sich Personen in der Schlucht befinden und kann einen für 5000 Lek pro Fahrt (max. 4 Personen auf einmal) mit einer 40 Minütigen Fahrt direkt bis zum Einstieg bringen. Die Nummer ist: +355 68 386 8027  Über die Wasserfassung/Wehr auf die westliche Seite des Baches. Über die Natursteinrampe von links in die Bachsohle hineinseilen. Der erste und zweite haken sind sehr weit links oben gesetzt.		
<b>Tour:</b> siehe Fotoalbum und Video unter Links  Die ersten zwei Haken sind sehr weit links oben gesetzt. Zwischen vorletzten und letzten Abseiler befindet sich eine Gehstrecke von ca. 300m. Der Haken für den letzten Abseiler befindet sich rechts oben auf einer Art Platon. (Zwischenstand zum Abziehen vorhanden)  Zahlreichen warmen Quellen auf dem Weg raus von der Tour.		
<b>Return:</b> Aus der Engstelle hinaus nach rechts auf die Piste und zum Auto.		

### Coordinates:

Canyon End [40.9261 20.2238](#)

Parking at Exit [40.9261 20.2218](#)

Parking at Entry [40.9277 20.2579](#)

Canyon Start [40.9270 20.2570](#)

### Reports:

2025-05-02 | Bavarian Canyoning | ★★👉 | 📖 | ⚓★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Rock was very grippy overall, except for a few places covered with lem and sand. All anchors were present and in good condition. The first two anchors are set very far to the top left. There is a walking passages of about 300m between the penultimate and last rappel. The anchor for the last rappel is located at the top right on a kind of platform. (Intermediate stand available for pulling off) The numerous hot springs on the way out of the tour were also cool. Watch out! Stinks like rotten eggs that have been in the sun for too long (machine translated)

2025-04-16 | Ruben Casta | ★★★★★ | 📖★★ | ⚓★ | 🌊 Low | 🍏 Completed

Beautiful canyon, more time climbing than rappelling but worth it. We contacted the dam operator and he made us the combination of cars saving us about 2 hours. (machine translated)

2024-10-21 | Luis Pulkrab | ★★★★★ | 📖 | ⚓★★ | 🌊 Low | 🍏 Completed

Very beautiful landscape, not very challenging with our low water level. The road to the entry is not particularly good. We managed it with our small, low rental car, but something bigger would certainly be more comfortable. Contact the HEC operator. Our contact couldn't speak English, it's best to contact them by text so they can translate. He may also be able to organize a shuttle. The drill hooks are often very high so that they last longer, so look up when searching:) (machine translated)

2024-10-10 | Rachael Brock | ★★★★★ | 📖★★ | ⚓★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

Great canyon. Some of the anchors were high/involved some polished scrambling to get to - recommend good shoes or confidence. Canyon is very straightforward from start to finish. We contacted Lindor from HEC and he registered us/made sure no hydro operations were taking place and gave us a lift to the canyon start (approx 1hr) for 50€ (2 people) - well worth it. Otherwise you'd probably want a car drop. If you need his contact details please DM me on Instagram @thisistraveling and I'll share his WhatsApp details (he prefers text). He asked to please text him 2 days in advance so he can tell you if HEC are doing operations. Enjoy!

2024-09-24 | Jeanne Picart | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★ | ⚓★★★★ | 🌊 Low | 🍏 Completed

Very nice (machine translated)

2024-06-23 | Bina | ★★★★★👉 | 📖 | ⚓★ | 🌊 Low | 🍏 Completed

Many thanks to Lindor Carciu for the cab service. Once at the top, we were even allowed to use the Hec toilet. We were escorted to the stream, where no water was flowing. A little later, a little water came in from the right of the overflow. Great tour, all the stalls were there. (machine translated)

2023-04-11 | Canyon Dave | 📖📖📖 | ★★★★★ | 📖★★★ | ⚓★★★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🍏 Completed

We made contact with Mr. Carciu of the Tervolit HEC before our descent as suggested by Pascal in the guidebook. At the hydro dam all water was taken into another capture so we started completely dry. There is a local man living next to the dam, he is also very concerned about your safety and reminds you if there is permission of the HEC to enter the canyon. The canyon was easy, climbing and sliding and some descents. One bolt was missing so we had to make an extra long descent at one of the stations. The original bolt was cut off by debris, this happened already several times according to Pascal. The last part of the canyon was an easy walk out, there are some (hot) springs along the hugh canyon wall. This canyon is highly recommended. And if you have energy and time enough it could be combined with the Gjërzezë canyon next to the entrance of the Holtit.