Lajeado

Ribeira do Lajeado,Ribeira Grande

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Country: Portugal **Region:** Região Autónoma da Madeira / Madeira **Subregion:** Ilha da Madeira **Town:** Calheta		
Difficulty: difficult	**Grading:** v5 a4 I	**Total time:** 5h40
Approachtime: 25min	**Tourtime:** 4h15	**Returntime:** 1h
Altitude entry: 1360m	**Altitude exit:** 1000m	**Delta Altitude:** 360m
Canyon length: 1870m	**Highest rapell:** 120m	**Amount rapells:**
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season:	**Orientation:** West	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 3.6 (5)	**Info:** ★ 2 (3)	**Belay:** ★ 2.5 (4)
Specialities:		
Gear:		
Summary: (machine translated) On the Paul da Serra plateau is the Lajeado canyon, which can be explored in several parts.		
Hydrology:		
Access: (machine translated) There are plenty of places to park your car on the ER105 road.		
Approach: (machine translated) First follow the path to the Levada do Pico da Urze, then follow this levada for a short distance to reach the Lajeado canyon. Alternative access: Park in Rabacal, from there an easy 3.5km walk along the Levada de Alecrim to the canyon. If you start here (and not 200m further up), you can save yourself a longer streambed hike, but you will miss R1. If you despair at this easy jump, you can always climb over it from below (more jumps follow anyway).		
Tour: (machine translated) We were in the first part, which is particularly suitable for canyoning enthusiasts who love jumping. The highest parts in this part measure 20 meters. The second part follows on seamlessly with an 80-meter cascade. This is followed later by a 130 meter high cascade.		
Return: (machine translated) At the exit before the C80: Shortly before the C80, a path leads out of the canyon on the left bank. At the beginning, a short section is very steep and athletic, then a leisurely, albeit constantly uphill hiking trail.		
Coordinates: Canyon Start 32.7568 -17.1123 Parking at Entry 32.7521 -17.1101 Intermediate Canyon Exit 32.7602 -17.1217		

Reports:

2026-10-20 | Isabella Rosenau | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | Normal | Completed
If you’re traveling by car, park at the Levada 25 Fontes hiking parking lot (Parque de estacionamento Levada 25 Fontes). From there, follow the Levada do Alecrim until you reach the entry after 3.5 km. At the start, there are a few short rappels and jumps. These are followed by two tall cascades. The belay points are free-hanging, so a foot loop is recommended. At the second cascade, we found only three belay points: 9 m, 47 m, and 75 m. After that, walk about 50 meters along the stream until you reach a stone-paved step. Do not downclimb here; instead, follow the faint trail along the wall to the orographic right. You’ll reach an older levada that leads to the hiking trail and the Levada das 25 Fontes. Then simply follow the Levada das 25 Fontes. Walk to PR6 25 Fontes Hike & Levada do Risco, and from there you can take the minibus (€5 per person), which will take you back to the parking lot. (machine translated)

2026-04-26 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | Normal | Completed
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2025-12-07 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | Normal | Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Lajeado Uniquement la partie touristique, sans les grandes rappels. Eau froide, équipement presque partout dernier cri, nombreux sauts magnifiques, mais attention, tous les bassins qui semblent profonds depuis le haut ne le sont pas forcément et ne sont pas tous exempts d'obstacles. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22757/observations.html)

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2025-06-06 | Marosffy Dániel | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | Normal | Completed
The beginning is pure jumps (except for the 20m) and longer walks, the second part is a super airy descent pair with high drops and hanging belays. I'd recommend an alternative approach: park at Rabacal, from there an easy 3,5km along the Alecrim levada leads to the canyon. If started here (and not 200m above) a longer streambed walk can be spared, but R1 is missed. If you are desparate about this easy jump, it can still be climbed over from the bottom. (More jumps follow anyway.) The 80m fall have two splits, one at 8m, this one is free hanging, and one 32m lower, that one is wet. One can choose. :) As for the 130m, there is a highly unofficial way to desert at the Risco levada that crosses the drop at half way. To reach this from the upper anchor (R11, free hanging, what else...) you need 60m rope. There is a closed gate at the end but it can be climbed over. From there appr. 2km flat leads to the Rabacal house where you can take the shuttle (try to look dry).

2023-03-09 | System User | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ | |
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2023-01-26 | Christian Balla | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | Low | Completed
A canyon with jumping opportunities (machine translated)

2021-11-10 | Joey CIA | ☆ ☆ ½ |🕮 |⚓ ★ ★ | Normal | Completed
A few jumps, rappels, cable cars...we got off before the '80s... (machine translated)