Val Pisson

Pisson

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Country: Italia / Italy **Region:** Veneto **Subregion:** Belluno **Town:** Sospirolo		
Difficulty: difficult	**Grading:** v5 a3 IV	**Total time:** 6h30
Approachtime: 1h30	**Tourtime:** 3h	**Returntime:** 2h
Altitude entry: 950m	**Altitude exit:** 770m	**Delta Altitude:** 180m
Canyon length: 1000m	**Highest rapell:** 50m	**Amount rapells:** 8
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:** limestone	**Drainage area:** 3.44km²
Season: May - September	**Orientation:** West	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 3.8 (2)	**Info:** ★ 2 (1)	**Belay:** ★ 1 (1)

Warnings:
Canyoning forbidden (Dolomite Bellunesi National Park Authority)
According to article 11 of law no. 394 of December 6, 1991, as amended on July 9, 2021 Canyoning is prohibited.
https://www.dolomitipark.it/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/Regolamento-PNDB_GU-n.163_20210709.pdf

Specialities:
§ Proscription,

Gear:
Ropes: 1x35m, 4x50m

Summary: (machine translated)
Side stream to the Soffia with a magnificent, free-falling 105m waterfall.

After the gorge, the canyon flows into the Gola della Soffia. You can either climb through it to Lago da Mis (2h), or exit to the right after the next high rappel and the long corridor and descend on foot along a small path through the forest to the access road (approx. 30 minutes). Alternatively, you can also ascend very steeply and largely pathless through the forest to the access path after the 105 waterfall in Pisson. In this way, you could also do the most beautiful part of the Soffia after the Pisson.

You can also start further up in the Val dei Forti.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
SS203 from Belluno Ri. Agordo, at Ponte Mas turn left towards "Valle del Mis". Nice overnight stay at the lake, legal 2016 only possible with camper. Continue through the valley and park after the bridge in the area "Cascate della Soffia".

Approach: (machine translated)
Follow the steep road, open only to residents, until you reach Genna Alta. At a fountain turn right and follow a forest road to the entry for the Soffia. Cross the stream and climb to the right to a crossroads. Follow the right crossing path, exposed in places, to the streambed of Val Pisson.

Tour: (machine translated)
ATTENTION: the "obligatory 5 m jump" at the entry is currently (May 2024) NOT possible, the pool is only waist deep! However, there is an old and frayed rope sling for rappeling on a small clamping block on the left at the bottom. * 5m downclimb, clamping block bottom left * downclimb\n\n * 35m rappel, 2 anchors left

 * 11m rappel, 2 anchors right
 Now follows the 105 meter high waterfall: * 15m rappel, 2 anchors & stirrups on the left. When rappelling, you have to keep strongly to the orographic left to reach a traverse rope to the next belay. If you miss this, there is still the old hanging belay 5m below.
 * 50m rappel of which 40m free hanging, 2 hangers. Space for 2 people.
 * 45m rappel, 2 anchors. Rock alcove, space for max. 4 people.
 * Escape option to the right (20min, largely pathless)
Di* 5m rappel right, 2 anchors * Cross rappel to belay on the right. Rappel 37m from 2 anchors or rappel to the orographic far right corner (approx. 20 m), where there is a bolt chain. Unfortunately the rock there is extremely slippery (use a foot sling!) From there it is a good 25 m rappel
* Mouth of the Soffia. You can either climb through this to Lago da Mis (2h), or exit after the next high rappel and the long corridor on the right and descend on foot along a small path through the forest to the access road (approx. 30 minutes). Alternatively, after the 105 waterfall in Pisson, you can climb up very steeply and largely pathlessly through the forest to the access path.

Return: (machine translated)
The exit is located after the next, approx. 38 meter high rappel of the Soffia. A longer corridor follows. When the canyon widens, there is a path on the right bank by a large boulder that first runs parallel to the water and then ascends into the forest. You pass an old water house and a memorial shrine before reaching the access road. This way back takes about 30 minutes.
Alternatively, you can descend the Soffia to the viewing platforms (highest rappel approx. 30m, 6 rappels in total - currently (May 2024) the last three are poorly equipped).
If you like, you can also do the last rappel into the gorge to the lake. However, the access is a bit sporty and the starting point for the rope traverse is very difficult to spot.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 46.1950 12.0575
Parking Entry and Exit 46.1861 12.0453
Canyon End 46.1951 12.0548
Alternative Canyon End 46.1947 12.0553

Reports:

2024-05-14 | Christian Balla | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ | Normal | Completed
Very beautiful canyon, spectacular waterfalls and then it continues via the beautiful Soffia. Great! The first 5 meters are often described as an obligatory jump. However, the pool was only a BONE DEEP during our ascent! You will look in vain for an anchor, there is only old rope laid around a small stone. Various other anchor points are also in poor condition. (machine translated)

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Info: Teile der Canyonbeschreibung wurden automatisiert übernommen. Konkret die Felder Weblinks, Koordinaten, Rating, Länge des Canyon, Einfachseil Mindestens von https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon/21084

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Parts:
Soffia (amont), v3 a3 ?, 2h20+2h30+0min
Val Pisson, v5 a3 IV, 1h30+3h+2h
Torrente Soffia, v4 a4 IV, 1h30+5h30+5min