Foppiano

Rio di Foppiano

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Country: Italia / Italy **Region:** Piemonte **Subregion:** Verbano-Cusio-Ossola **Town:** Formazza		
Difficulty: difficult	**Grading:** v5 a2 III	**Total time:** 3h30
Approachtime: 50min	**Tourtime:** 2h30	**Returntime:** 10min
Altitude entry: 1250m	**Altitude exit:** 950m	**Delta Altitude:** 300m
Canyon length: 500m	**Highest rapell:** 60m	**Amount rapells:** 14
Transport: Car required	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season:	**Orientation:**	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 3.9 (4)	**Info:** ★ 2.5 (2)	**Belay:** ★ 2.7 (3)

Specialities:
Dam,

Gear:
Ropes: 2x 65m

Summary: (machine translated)
Relatively open canyon, quite vertical. Beautiful rappels in the granite.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
Access downstream: From Masera, take the 5533 from the Simplon Pass in the direction of Simplon and exit at Crodo. Drive up the Antigorio valley, pass Baceno and Premia and continue in the direction of Val Formazza. Shortly after the hamlet of Chioso, at about km 26, park in a parking lot on the left next to the stream.
Access upstream: Follow the road and drive through the long spiral tunnel. After the tunnel, turn left and head back. Go through a small tunnel and park wherever possible.

Approach: (machine translated)
Follow the road downhill. After a few hundred meters, the mule track to Antillone begins on the right. Follow the mule track to the village of Antllone. Continue through the houses, pass the church and keep left on the marked path towards Alpe Vova. The path climbs for a while, then flattens out. When it descends again, it soon crosses the stream, where the descent begins.

Tour: (machine translated)
WARNING: On weekdays, there may be loud and somewhat alarming (but not dangerous) explosions near the quarry.

Return: (machine translated)
After the last rappel, follow the streambed. After a few minutes, climb up to the right to the path (this is clearly visible on OSM)

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 46.3375 8.3997
Canyon End 46.3337 8.4003
Parking at Exit 46.3328 8.4000
Parking at Entry 46.3409 8.4228

Reports:

2026-09-04 | System User | |📖 |⚓ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
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2026-09-01 | Enrico Rispoli | ☆ ☆ ☆ |📖 |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Great routes, except for the one already mentioned in the other reports... The canyon is beautiful, very open, and the water level is low right now, but you can still enjoy the beautifully smooth granite slabs—a pleasant day. (machine translated)

2026-08-30 | Ivan I. | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |📖 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
A beautiful, semi-dry, and well-equipped canyon. The only problem is at the third rappel, where the rope gets stuck between the rocks and can’t be retrieved. It’s best to tie it to a small tree off to the side and rappel down to the belay station. (machine translated)

2025-09-15 | Wolfgang | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ |📖 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Nice open canyon with easy access. Double anchors everywhere, good grip on the rock Anchor at rappel 3 rather unfortunate, we had problems pulling it off (climbed back up and chose a small tree). At the last 55m stand an anchor would not be bad, especially if it should be slippery. Description will be adapted in the next few days (machine translated)

2025-08-06 | System User | |📖 |⚓ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Foppiano Amarrages en très bon état, double points non reliés. On a échoué à ne pas sursauter lors des tirs de mine de la carrière très proche. Vraiment très beau granit sculpté. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/23082/observations.html)

2023-03-09 | System User | ☆ ☆ ☆ |📖 |⚓ | |
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