Navegna

Riale di Navegna

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Country: Schweiz / Switzerland **Region:** Kanton Tessin / Cantone Ticino **Subregion:** Bezirk Locarno **Town:** Brione sopra Minusio		
Difficulty: a little difficult	**Grading:** v4 a3 III	**Total time:** 5h10
Approachtime: 5min	**Tourtime:** 5h	**Returntime:** 5min
Altitude entry: 700m	**Altitude exit:** 250m	**Delta Altitude:** 450m
Canyon length: 1200m	**Highest rapell:** 45m	**Amount rapells:** 26
Transport: Car optional	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season: May - October	**Orientation:** South	**Best Time:** 10-14 o'clock
Rating: ☆ 2.9 (4)	**Info:** ★ 1.7 (3)	**Belay:** ★ 1.5 (2)

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 2x 50m

Summary:
Rappel canyon in the suburbs of Locarno

Hydrology:

Access:
Park the lower car in the park in Minusio in "Via delle Vigne" right in front of "Esplanade" hotel and right before "Centro anziani Casa Rea".
Drive with the second car in Brione sopra Minusio in "Via Val Resa", right after "Grotto al Ritrovo dai Fusetti" there is a free parking with 4/5 places on the side of the street right in front of the reservoir/dam that is the canyon entry.

Approach:
From the parking just cross the street and you'll see the stairs going down to the dam, the gate is open, and you can find the first belay right on the balustrade.

Tour:
Best to walk in spring or after rains.
Relatively much deadwood in the canyon.
First part up to the checkpoint bridge is more open and sunny, with good panorama on the lake.
After the checkpint bridge the canyon becomes very narrow and the next exit possibilites are only around the road bridge at 467m.

Return:
Immediately after passing the fourth road bridge, you notice the pedestrain bridge in front with an artificial stone wall modern fountain on the left; from it you can take the path on the right that brings you directly back to the road in fronf of "Centro anziani Casa Rea".

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 46.1903 8.8236
Canyon End 46.1808 8.8248
Parking at Entry 46.1913 8.8233
Parking at Exit 46.1800 8.8227

Reports:

2026-05-17 | Massimo Loriato | ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | ≋ High | 👍 Completed
Flow at checkpoint in medium situation wrt Eldorado Ticino reference picture, quite close to the upper limit (see photo). All the pitches doable, take into account that in many of them the current belays make you end in many cases right under the flow. All the anchor points in order, lot of logs/wood in the canyon after the bridge checkpoint, water in the pool very dark and not clean. The C22 (see photo), right after a road bridge and before the C45 (see photo), we downded from a tree on the right, cause it has a big log in the middle resulting in the risk of rope getting stuck in recovery with high flow if pressed against or below. The final C40 can be divided into C28+C8 cause after the pool there is a belay on the left; suggested to use with high flow to avoid entering the pool with lot of rope (see photo).

2025-09-10 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | ≋ High | 👍 Completed
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2025-09-10 | Pepijn Hoeksema | ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
We did the trip after rain. Lot of trees in the canyon, okey canyon, probably better options available.

2025-09-03 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | |
Automatisch importiert von Schlucht.ch für Canyon Navegna, Wasserstand: "Mittel - hoch" Verankerungen: "Ok" Viel Holz, v.a. im unteren Teil erfordert solide Abziehtechnik, um Seilverklemmer zu vermeiden. Schön dschunglig wie immer. (Quelle: https://schlucht.ch/schluchten-der-schweiz-liste/1101-navegna)

2025-05-30 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | ≋ Normal | 👍 Completed
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2024-03-23 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | |
Automatisch importiert von Schlucht.ch für Canyon Navegna, Wasserstand: "mittel" Verankerungen: "Ok" Nur Superiore gemacht. Standplatz (R13) oben am Einstieg fehlt... kann aber abgeklettert werden. (Quelle: https://schlucht.ch/schluchten-der-schweiz.html?cid=101)

2023-04-05 | Daniel Sturm | |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ | | 👎 Not done
Coordinates and description edited. (machine translated)

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