

Nala (Inferiore)

Val d'Osogna inferiore, Nala inferiore

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Country: Schweiz / Switzerland Region: Kanton Tessin / Cantone Ticino Subregion: Bezirk Riviera Town: Osogna		
Difficulty: difficult	Grading: v5 a4 III	Total time: 3h10
Approachtime: 35min	Tourtime: 2h30	Returntime: 5min
Altitude entry: 460m	Altitude exit: 280m	Delta Altitude: 180m
Canyon length: 450m	Highest rapell: 50m	Amount rapells: 11
Transport: on Foot	Rock type: granite	Drainage area: 14.00km ²
Season: May - October	Orientation: West	Best Time: 10-16 o'clock
Rating: ★ 4.3 (29)	Info: ★ 2.8 (19)	Belay: ★ 2.9 (27)
Specialities: Dam (inform operator), Dam (autom. flushing),		
Gear: Ropes: 2x60m		
Summary: (machine translated) Clean emerald green water; some sharp edges; twisty and narrow aquatic rappels; very nice grain in the granite rock; highly recommended canyon; stands often exposed; carry emergency gear, from 12h ideal sun exposure.		
Hydrology: (machine translated) If necessary, water supply from the interconnected reservoir canal leading to the power plant (automatic opening of the sluice in case of problems in the canal or in the power plant, as in the case of the accident in 2001: https://www.nzz.ch/article7KF2C-ld.179745).		
Access: (machine translated) From the highway junction north of Bellinzona, take the N2 towards Biasca. Via Claro and Cresciano you come to Osogna (11.4 km from the highway to the bridge over the Nala). After the Nala bridge, drive to the cemetery and park your car there. Please do not park in the town center, there have already been many complaints and the locals have agreed with the administration that only the parking lot at the cemetery will be used for canyoning. If this parking lot is full, there is a long parking strip 350 meters further on which is also designated as a public parking area. GPS 46.3159720, 8.9831842		
Approach: (machine translated) From the parking lot, take the road above the cemetery to the right to the church (Santa Maria del Castello) --> behind the church, a steep pilgrims' path leads up next to the already visible canyon --> follow the steep path and pass the houses on the right (parallel to the canyon) --> after the last impassable steep section, there is a slightly sloping path (sloping terrain, here you can save yourself the first rappel by slipping and get a helicopter flight to the hospital) up to the entry at approx. 460 m above sea level. The last few dozen meters are equipped with a rope traverse, the quality of which is not always the best.		

Tour: (machine translated)

Arriving at the first pool at approx. 450m, you immediately start rappelling in the water --> via a traversese rope that can be pulled off you reach the first rappel point of approx. 30m with a sharp edge --> after this point the canyon immediately becomes narrower --> 2 approx. 15m rappels follow, the 2nd of which leads through a narrow channel (problematic when there is a lot of water) --> this is followed by 25m and 20m rappels into a large pool --> now the canyon opens up. The second leads through a narrow chute (problematic when there is a lot of water) --> followed by a 25m and 20m rappel into a large pool --> now the canyon opens up --> here you have the possibility to get out on the right (small swimming pools) --> via a traversese rope that can be pulled off you reach the chain anchor --> from there you have a view of the beginning of the narrow C50 waterfall (slippery, high water pressure and small pool!!!!, not visible from above!) --> the next part is again narrow and unclear, the water shoots down in zig zag 25m into a small hollow (very nice) --> the canyon opens up again and you could already get out here --> there is another slide or jump of up to 20m (but the big pool is only deep enough on the right side --> the next parts are unproblematic --> at the end you jump about 8m into the swimming pool at about 280Hm.

Return: (machine translated)

From the last basin at 280Hm it goes right the way into the place --> here immediately right back to the parking lot.

Coordinates:

Canyon Start [46.3157 8.9919](#)

Parking Entry and Exit [46.3145 8.9862](#)

Canyon End [46.3137 8.9884](#)

Waterlevel Checkpoint [46.3135 8.9883](#)

Parking at Entry [46.3160 8.9832](#)

Reports:

2026-06-13 | System User | |📖|📌|🌊 Normal | 🍀 Completed

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Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Osogna (inférieur) Supers conditions, fait inter+inf après Pontirone inf. Sans navette, attaqué à 14h (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2676/observations.html>)

2026-06-12 | Stephan Gehringer | ⭐⭐⭐⭐ |📖⭐⭐⭐|📌⭐⭐⭐|🌊 Normal | 🍀 Completed

Everything OK. (machine translated)

2026-06-04 | Simone & Armin | ⭐⭐⭐⭐ |📖⭐⭐⭐|📌⭐⭐⭐|🌊 Normal | 🍀 Completed

There are two animal carcasses at the entrance to the canyon that smell absolutely awful. The horrible smell follows you almost all the way to the exit 📖📖📖 Otherwise, it's a very beautiful canyon—a bit slippery, but no problem 📖 Everything else is fine. (machine translated)

2026-05-26 | System User | |📖|📌| |

Automatisch importiert von Schlucht.ch für Canyon Nala / Osogna, Wasserstand: "Tief. " Verankerungen: "Sehr gut. " Nur Teil inf. begangen. Am Einstieg inf. liegen 2 Tierkadaver. Bei gutem Wind wird man von ihnen bis in den Dorfteil begleitet... (Quelle: <https://schlucht.ch/schluchten-der-schweiz-liste/1082-nala-osogna>)

2026-04-30 | System User | |📖|📌|🌊 Normal | 🍀 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Osogna (inférieur) Super Canyon, all works well! (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2676/observations.html>)

2026-04-25 | System User | |📖|📌|🌊 Normal | 🍀 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Osogna (inférieur) DC-Très glissant (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2676/observations.html>)

2026-03-30 | Lieke Smulders | ⭐⭐⭐⭐ |📖⭐⭐⭐|📌⭐⭐⭐|🌊 Normal | 🍀 Completed

anchoring in perfect conditions! a little sticks and leaves in the canyon because of the winter but nothing to worry about. A bit cold but for the rest tip top!

2025-10-06 | System User | |📖|📌|🌊 Normal | 🍀 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Osogna (inférieur) Équipement haut de gamme, à quelques exceptions près. C'est toujours une expérience inoubliable de faire cette superbe descente dans le Tessin. Un sanglier mort dans le canal de drainage du bassin devant la haute cascade, dans un état encore acceptable. (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2676/observations.html>)

2025-10-06 | Christian Balla | ⭐⭐⭐⭐ |📖|📌⭐⭐⭐|🌊 Low | 🍀 Completed

Followed up with the helicopter and then climbed the middle and lower parts. Anchoring in the middle part is insufficient, in the lower part mostly excellent (with a few parts). Dead wild boar in the lower part. Approx. 6 hours in the canyon (both parts) with three of us, approx. 8 hours incl. reparking, flight, changing clothes. Sun in the lower parts. (machine translated)

2025-10-04 | Ivan Rieder | ⭐⭐⭐⭐ |📖⭐⭐⭐|📌⭐⭐⭐|🌊 Normal | 🍀 Completed

Everything in perfect order. Very nice and worthwhile tour! (machine translated)

2025-09-20 | Joey CIA | ⭐⭐⭐⭐ |📖|📌⭐⭐⭐|🌊 Normal | 🍀 Completed

It's all a mountain pass. (machine translated)

2025-09-16 | System User | |📖|📌|🌊 Normal | 🍀 Completed

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Parts:

Nala (Superiore), v4 a3 III, 2h15+3h+1h

Nala (Intermedio), v4 a4 IV, 1h30+5h30+20min

Nala (Inferiore), v5 a4 III, 35min+2h30+5min