Val D'Ortié

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Country: Italia / Italy **Region:** Veneto **Subregion:** Belluno **Town:** Cortina d'Ampezzo		
Difficulty: a little difficult	**Grading:** v4 a2 IV	**Total time:** 6h
Approachtime: 1h30	**Tourtime:** 4h	**Returntime:** 30min
Altitude entry: 1680m	**Altitude exit:** 1235m	**Delta Altitude:** 445m
Canyon length: m	**Highest rapell:** 35m	**Amount rapells:**
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season: May - October	**Orientation:**	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 3.5 (4)	**Info:** ★ 1 (4)	**Belay:** ★ 1.3 (4)

Specialities:

Gear:

Summary: (machine translated)
A beautiful, long canyon with dolomite cliffs and scenic views. There are many small to medium drops to navigate. Some anchors are still required; bringing a drill is recommended.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
Parking lot: https://maps.app.goo.gl/bRTvjBDiBJpEE8wa8

Approach: (machine translated)
Follow the forest path in a south-easterly direction to the "Stalla dei Ronche".
For the upper entry, take the right-hand path at the crossroads and continue past the "Alpe Rocchetta" to the "Tamarin de Cianpestris", built in 2020. Follow the path to the left to the streambed (approx. 1680m; approx. 1.5h)
For the middle entry, take the left path at the crossroads and follow it to the bridge (= exit), then continue on the orographic right side to a crossroads. Follow the right-hand path down to the stream (approx. 1580m; approx. 1h).
For the lower entry, cross the bridge as for the middle entry and then follow a narrow path down to the stream at approx. 1360m.

Tour: (machine translated)
In the upper section, you'll find the first spots to downclimb (update 2026: secured); then the trail passes under a natural arch, followed by beautiful waterfalls into turquoise, clear pools. There's a slide about 3–4 meters long (possible in 2025 and 2026), as well as some smaller slides.
Between the upper and middle sections, there's a longer river walk. In the middle section, the terrain becomes very narrow (few escape routes!). There are several sections that require downclimbing and a river walk. A highlight is certainly the free-hanging waterfall, approximately 30–35 meters high.
A description of the lower section is currently missing.

Return: (machine translated)
From the bridge back to the parking lot.
The forest trail is on the right for about 1,300 meters.

Coordinates:
Intermediate Canyon Exit 46.4814 12.1441
Canyon End 46.4906 12.1602
Parking Entry and Exit 46.5059 12.1502
Intermediate Canyon Exit 46.4878 12.1538
Canyon Start 46.4808 12.1404

Reports:

2026-08-02 | Jeroen Kirchner | ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
In the upper part alone (1670-1575) today i added 6 Tebylon anchors, overall the sup can be descended safely now, missing though is a handline for the C30 (which is found on the right), for now use the rocks here or be assured by your team while accessing. The middle part is deeper and more adventurous, with old (mix of metal) and newer anchors (not always ideally placed), mostly singles. The last part i did not commit to and exited towards the trail river right at 1300+- because of approaching thunderstorm and missing anchors. For next visit: a handful of quicklinks, rope for trees and an unknown amount of anchors for the lower, for the middle and the handline in the upper part.

2025-08-15 | Andrea Ceolan | ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ | ⚓ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
We descended the beautiful Val d'Ortiè on 15 August 2025. We added bolts in the first part (1670m-1575m) in two places (fix and ring), particularly on the first narrow 30m wet waterfall where we didn't actually see any old bolts (there should actually be an R7+R30). However, there is now an exposed L30 (you may need to secure yourself to reach it, as there is no handrail). Further downstream, we used a tree to overcome a few metres of difficult downclimbing. In the second part (1575m-1350m), after a flat section, the gorge gradually narrows with some very beautiful sections. Here, it is generally better equipped in some places (a few double bolts, but usually single, often new). At 1350m, a clear path (R) emerges. We tried to continue (small toboggan), but we did not find any anchors at the next obstacle, and in any case, the gorge is cluttered with many stuck trees! In general, however, some anchors are single with only a plate in the flow (bring some quick links to leave behind) or supplement with anchors to be positioned better or doubled up!

2025-06-28 | Teun Garos | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ | ⚓ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
There are definitely hooks to be drilled! Beautiful canyon and lots of entry/exit options. Water was present but never gave trouble (machine translated)

2025-05-25 | Clarissa Linder | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ | ⚓ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Went in at the upper entry (highly recommended) and out at the alternative/lower entry. Had to reset 3 anchors. 2 slides possible. Water ice cold, but super water level after rainfall! There would still be a few anchors to set (possible via Felsköpfl for the time being), a belay sling in the upper part would have to be replaced. A special feature: in the upper part after the slide, a rock head is currently absolutely necessary for the high rappel to set up a rope traverse to the stand ortographic. right. Water level picture (upper entry) attached. (machine translated)

