

# Mallaley

Torrent Mallaley

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**Country:** Italia / Italy **Region:** Valle d'Aosta / Regione Autonoma Valle d'Aosta **Subregion:** Saint-Nicolas / Saint-Nicolas, Aosta Valley **Town:** Saint-Nicolas

**Difficulty:** not as difficult

**Grading:** v3 a1 II

**Total time:** 2h45

**Approachtime:** 10min

**Tourtime:** 2h30

**Returntime:** 5min

**Altitude entry:** 1100m

**Altitude exit:** 700m

**Delta Altitude:** 400m

**Canyon length:** 800m

**Highest rapell:** 30m

**Amount rapells:**

**Transport:** Car required

**Rock type:**

**Drainage area:** km<sup>2</sup>

**Season:**

**Orientation:**

**Best Time:**

**Rating:** ★ 2.3 (1)

**Info:** ★ 0 ()

**Belay:** ★ 0 ()

**Specialities:**

**Gear:**

Ropes: 2x 35m

**Summary:** (machine translated)

A series of tufa waterfalls in a wooded setting.

**Hydrology:** (machine translated)

There is no designated escape route through the canyon, but you can leave the riverbed at any time and get to safety outside the flood zone.

The current is not very strong, but is sufficient at times when the water level is low.

The descent is possible from May to September.

**Access:** (machine translated)

In Aosta, take the national road in the direction of the Mont Blanc tunnel. After Villeneuve and 1.2 km after the turn-off to Introd, turn right onto a small road that leads to the hamlet of Mécosse. Park in the parking lot at the entrance to the village (car going downhill).

For the car going uphill, turn around and take the national road towards Aosta. At the entrance to St. Pierre, take a first left, then a second left after the cooperative to head towards Fossaz, St. Nicolas. Follow the main road up the slope. 600 m before Fossaz, there is a huge parking lot on the right where you can park.

**Approach:** (machine translated)

From the parking lot, take the road towards St. Pierre and walk about a hundred meters to the start of a well-signposted hiking trail on the right. The path very quickly joins a tractor track where you must turn left towards Lyveroulaz. After 200 meters, turn right towards Chiséraz, a new path that quickly crosses the stream.

**Tour:** (machine translated)

A series of tufa waterfalls in a wooded setting. The small waterfalls are easy to climb down. Those that require a rope can all be attached to natural anchors (trees). In several places, the torrent undercuts the left wall, forming a kind of rock shelter.

The torrent is often overgrown with vegetation. A machete can be useful.

Unique canyon that is clearly different from the other canyons in the Aosta Valley.

Suitable for beginners.

**Return:** (machine translated)

Mallaley flows into the Dora Baltée. At the confluence, take the path that leads downstream along the Dora. After 200 m, a footbridge takes you to Mécosse on the opposite bank.

It is possible to skip the shuttle bus. In Mécosse, take the return path that starts below the parking lot, cross the footbridge and immediately begin the ascent on path no. 15, which passes a small chapel, leads to the vineyards and takes you to Livéroulaz. In the village, turn left towards La Cure (signpost no. 15), the tarmac road becomes a tractor track. After about twenty minutes, turn left towards Chiséraz to find the start of the canyon. All in all, allow just under an hour.

**Coordinates:**

Canyon Start [45.7130 7.1746](#)

Canyon End [45.7075 7.1798](#)

Parking at Entry [45.7147 7.1736](#)

Parking at Exit [45.7063 7.1800](#)

**Reports:**

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