Gei (Inferiore)

Val di Gei inferiore,Riale Briee,Gordevio

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Country: Schweiz / Switzerland **Region:** Kanton Tessin / Cantone Ticino **Subregion:** Bezirk Vallemaggia **Town:** Gordevio		
Difficulty: a little difficult	**Grading:** v4 a4 III	**Total time:** 3h35
Approachtime: 1h	**Tourtime:** 2h30	**Returntime:** 5min
Altitude entry: 480m	**Altitude exit:** 340m	**Delta Altitude:** 140m
Canyon length: 400m	**Highest rapell:** 28m	**Amount rapells:** 10
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:** granite	**Drainage area:** 6.75km²
Season: May - September	**Orientation:** South	**Best Time:** 11-16 o'clock
Rating: ☆ 3.9 (34)	**Info:** ★ 2.7 (15)	**Belay:** ★ 2.3 (32)

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 2x 50m

Summary: (machine translated)
Very beautiful canyon; check water level at stone bridge; pleasant length; deep clean pools; access not easy.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
From Locarno --> up to Gordevio --> after the tunnel before the 2nd bridge at the house with the blue roof up on the right --> past the soccer field --> left over the bridge --> right over cobblestones to the church with fountain --> park here.

Approach: (machine translated)
From the parking lot (church) at the stone bridge check the water level --> continue through the small wooden gate --> continue left past the house, up the rock steps --> below the small chapel follow the hiking trail (marked with blue waves and arrow) always to the left --> in a bend follow the hunters path slightly downhill --> over Zulaufbach again steeply uphill to a clearing with rocks on the ground --> at approx. 515Hm follow the path through steep terrain (fixed ropes) to the stream --> get in 480Hm.

Tour: (machine translated)
At the entry there is a slide (right slide!) or C12 --> immediately followed by the next slide with 8m or C13 --> after that there are several pools and many abseiling points which can usually be jumped (depending on the water level) --> in the last third there are the higher abseiling points 20m, 45m, 30m --> the 45m can also be abseiled right. The 45m can also be rappelled over 3 trees or you can rappel in the water until after 45m there is a traverse to the 14m jump (rappeling from the tree is also possible) --> now follow an 8m and 30m rappel --> the last pools can be mastered with the rope or (jumping!).

Return: (machine translated)
Exit right directly at the church (parking lot).

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 46.2302 8.7478
Canyon End 46.2287 8.7455
Parking Entry and Exit 46.2268 8.7468
Waterlevel Checkpoint 46.2289 8.7456

Reports:

2026-10-24 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
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2026-10-24 | Losxy | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
A lot of single anchors but all new in good condition

2026-09-20 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Gei Dc-Équipement ras (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2667/observations.html)

2026-09-20 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Gei Le débit est bien inférieur à ceux du topo Eldorado Ticino mais il reste de l’eau. Aucun arbre dans les vasques contrairement à ma dernière visite... il y a quelques années. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2667/observations.html)

2026-09-20 | Roland Ivenz | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Everything ok (machine translated)

2026-09-17 | Florian Heufler | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Everything is in order. (machine translated)

2026-09-12 | Joey CIA | ☆ ☆ ☆ ½ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Everything's great, but it's very slippery. (machine translated)

2026-09-11 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Gei DC-. Beautiful! Some bolts move a bit, we tightened those that we could. We found the approach without any problems. Go left just before the shrine (there's a blue arrow + waves marking the path, the standard sign), and after a couple of minutes the path climbs up next to/in a dry riverbed. Then, the path goes left for a couple of meters, crossing the riverbed. This is where it disappears for a bit. To find it: a couple of meters above you in the riverbed is a thick and big tree, the biggest one there. Climb up to it. Once you are at the tree, the path becomes visible again (going left), and after a minute or something of walking you get a blue arrow/waves sign again to confirm you are on the right path. Afterwards, you arrive at a small rocky outcrop, and like 10 meters further the path splits in a Y. Take the right side, and after 10 more meters you'll see an orange rope assisting a down climb. Take it and you'll end up on the left branch of the Y. From there, the path is easy to follow, and there's some ropes (green) assisting you for downclimbs and showing you're on track. It's indeed not a path for everyone, but it's also OK for experienced hikers/canyoneers, not particularly dangerous or hard to find or anything, because of the ropes in place, for which many thanks! (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2667/observations.html)

2026-09-10 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
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2026-09-01 | Manfred Danglmaier | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Nice afternoon tour, very sunny, warm water, beaches were okay—some of the old straps were loose (machine translated)

2026-08-29 | Joey CIA | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Cool slides, with just a little more water than in the photo above from the Eldorado Ticino book. Everything was great. (machine translated)

2026-08-23 | Simone & Armin | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Awesome canyon with lots of jumps. Everything was great. We didn't go down the first slide... it was too "bumpy" for us □□ (machine translated)

2026-08-22 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Gei Après les pluies, le niveau avait bien diminué, plutôt froid le matin (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2667/observations.html)

Parts:
Gei (superiore), v4 a4 III, 1h15+2h30+
Gei (Inferiore), v4 a4 III, 1h+2h30+5min