Cavallizza

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Country: Italia / Italy **Region:** Lombardia **Subregion:** Varese **Town:** Cuasso al Monte		
Difficulty: not as difficult	**Grading:** v3 a3 II	**Total time:** 2h45
Approachtime: 10min	**Tourtime:** 2h30	**Returntime:** 5min
Altitude entry: 580m	**Altitude exit:** 350m	**Delta Altitude:** 230m
Canyon length: 1800m	**Highest rapell:** 25m	**Amount rapells:** 6
Transport: Car optional	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** 6.70km²
Season: January - December	**Orientation:** Southeast	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 2.8 (2)	**Info:** ★ 2.5 (2)	**Belay:** ★ 2.5 (2)

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 2x25m

Summary:
Located in Val Ceresio, northeast of Varese, this creek is great throughout the whole season. Between the waterfalls, we find long stretches of walk where the characteristic red porphyry of Cuasso al Monte stands out. A legend says that the best tobogan of the Prealpi Varesine area is hidden in this canyon...

Hydrology:
A small hydroelectric plant is under construction. No problems seems to be present for canyoners.

Access:
Downstream: in Cuasso al Piano you can park in Via Repubblica 46, in the parking lots on the right side of the road, coming from Bisuschio immediately after the bridge under which the stream flows.
Upstream: drive along the Provincial Road 29 towards Alpe Tedesco. Pass the village of Cuasso al Monte, and arrive in of Cavagnano. Park the car in the spaces in front of the cemetery.

Approach:
From the parking lot of the cemetery take the adjacent Via Campagnola that, after 200 meters ends in a path, then
intersect a country road leading directly to the stream. Always go straight to each branch, be careful not to follow the
signs to the waterfall, because they would take you to the lower part of this. The canyon begins near a beautiful medieval bridge built with the local red porphyry.

Tour:
01- C10 (2 sx)
02- C25 (MC 1 nat + 2 sx)
03- C13-T13 (1 sx)
04- C12 (1 sx)
05- C25 (2 sx)
06- C6 (1 sx)

Return:
After the last descent continue in the riverbed until you get to the houses. The exit remains on the right. You must go up the slope passing next to an old abandoned wash-house, going down between the houses in a street which then leads directly to the cars parked on the provincial road.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 45.9018 8.8591
Canyon End 45.8971 8.8784
Parking at Exit 45.8967 8.8786
Parking at Entry 45.9031 8.8682

Reports:

2025-06-21 | Peter | ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🕮 ★ ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ ★ | Normal | 👍 Completed
Really long initial walking section, recommended to dress light. Final part very nice, dips and slides all doable! Clean water, quite a lot of trash towards the end. (machine translated)

2024-05-12 | Oliver Beatrice | ☆ ☆ ½ | 🕮 ★ ★ | ⚓ ★ ★ | Normal | 👍 Completed
There is a shuttle option by leaving cars downstream at Cuasso al Piano, and going up by shuttle to the municipal cemetery in Cavagnano. The entrance to the stream is reached via a trail, with no signs regarding the gorge; the first hour of the gorge is almost totally flat so with few major rappels. The water is really clean until the confluence with a waterfall of gray water from the sewage treatment plant of the village above, unfortunately the last stretch of the creek, although very interesting and enjoyable, is accompanied by an incessant smell of detergent coming from the sewage treatment plant. For a group of 3 people the run was about 3 hours. All anchorages in excellent condition, only the anchorage of the first rappel is really uncomfortable. The creek comes into the village, when you see the first houses the exit remains on the right, just before an artificial barrage. Escape routes present almost everywhere coming out through the woods. Ps: Halfway down the ravine there is a mega cool toboggan! (machine translated)