Froda (Intermedio)

Froda, Biasca, Valle Santa Petronilla medior,Ri della Froda

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Country: Schweiz / Switzerland **Region:** Kanton Tessin / Cantone Ticino **Subregion:** Bezirk Riviera **Town:** Biasca		
Difficulty: very difficult	**Grading:** v6 a4 V	**Total time:** 7h
Approachtime: 2h	**Tourtime:** 4h	**Returntime:** 1h
Altitude entry: 1260m	**Altitude exit:** 760m	**Delta Altitude:** 500m
Canyon length: 650m	**Highest rapell:** 120m	**Amount rapells:** 24
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:** gneiss	**Drainage area:** 4.00km²
Season: June - October	**Orientation:** West	**Best Time:** 11-15 o'clock
Rating: ☆ 3.9 (7)	**Info:** ★ 1.8 (5)	**Belay:** ★ 2 (5)

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 2x120m

Summary: (machine translated)
Vertical rappel canyon with a challenging narrow section in the upper part.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
From the Biasca highway exit, drive to the center of Biasca and park a car behind the train station (see coordinates)
Take the 2nd car to the church in the village (Ciesa Pietro e Paolo). (Also possible on foot approx. 15min)

Approach: (machine translated)
From the parking lot, follow the path towards Riva, then the path towards Bédra del Vent (853m), then Nadro (alt.1240m); there follow the path towards the bridge (1260m).

Tour: (machine translated)
You start with C60, followed by C50, then comes a longer narrow section (be careful when the water level is high!!!! After the C120 (possibly divisible 70/50) there are some small abseils until the start of the lower part.
>> Attention: the water level picture in the book Eldorado Ticino by Nizzola is only valid for the inferior part. For the narrow section in the Intermedio part, there is noticeably less water than the "max picture" in the book shows !!! <<

Return:

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 46.3544 8.9914
Parking Entry and Exit 46.3564 8.9736
Parking at Entry 46.3601 8.9737

Reports:

2026-09-28 | Alfredcanyon | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ⯪ |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Technical canyon with some stunning big drops... The narrow section with this water level is not challenging, but the water is cold

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2026-09-19 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Froda (Intermédiaire) Did with inferiore. Very nice bit no sun at this season (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22709/observations.html)

2026-09-19 | Bina | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Great hike—unfortunately, the sun didn't come out until we got to the lower part. (machine translated)

2026-09-17 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Froda (Intermédiaire) Fait a partir du supérieur, pas mal de frottement à gérer mais sympa, DC (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22709/observations.html)

2026-07-09 | Bubtore | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ ⯪ |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
From a distance, it looks like there's very little water, but once you're in the narrows, you're glad there isn't more. A cool mix of narrows and high rappels. (machine translated)

2026-07-04 | rob | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ ★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
2 hours and 40 minutes to the summit, 6 hours down, 1 hour walk back very beautiful and wild (machine translated)

2026-06-27 | Jeanne Picart | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
We hiked through the canyon from Alpe di Lago all the way to the bottom. Six people, 1,800 meters of elevation gain. The anchors for the upper section are in place, but there’s a lot of walking in the river. The anchors in the upper section leave something to be desired, whether they’re tree belays or fixed points. A good re-equipping wouldn’t hurt. Nothing to report on the middle section (DC+ for the narrow part but no risk) or the lower section. Absolutely beautiful! (machine translated)

2025-07-15 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Froda (Intermédiaire) Eau plutôt froide jusqu'à la première 120m puis bien plus douce pour la suite. Nous avons dû rajouter une sangle sur un tronc bloqué au milieu d'une cascade pour ne pas avoir de problème lors du rappel de la corde. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22709/observations.html)

2024-09-10 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 High | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Froda (Intermédiaire) Team international brams Wolfgang fait intermédiaire et inférieure... (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22709/observations.html)

2024-09-10 | Pepijn Hoeksema | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ | 〰 High | 👍 Completed
High water at the moment. Only the anchor of the first c70 was hard to reach, becease you need to cross the flow. After that all quite easy. The lower part was nice and sunny.

2024-08-13 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Froda (Intermédiaire) DC-. Mais c'est parfait pour ses grande longueur. Un peu des algues sur les 3 dernières cascades. C'était parfait avec les risques d'orage il y a pleins d'échapatoire. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/22709/observations.html)

2023-04-03 | Daniel Sturm | |🕮 ★ ★ |⚓ | | 👎 Not done
Description and coordinates adjusted. (machine translated)

2023-03-09 | System User | ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ | |
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Parts:
Froda (Superiore), v4 a3 IV, 4h+3h+2h
Froda (Intermedio), v6 a4 V, 2h+4h+1h
Froda (Inferiore), v6 a3 IV, 1h15+4h30+5min