Enfers

Ravin des Enfers,Le ravin des Enfers

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Country: France **Region:** Provence-Alpes-Côte-d'Azur / Provence-Alpes-Cote d'Azur **Subregion:** Alpes-de-Haute-Provence **Town:** Le Lauzet Ubaye		
Difficulty: a little difficult	**Grading:** v4 a2 IV	**Total time:** 5h45
Approachtime: 1h30	**Tourtime:** 4h	**Returntime:** 15min
Altitude entry: 1420m	**Altitude exit:** 905m	**Delta Altitude:** 515m
Canyon length: 2050m	**Highest rapell:** 32m	**Amount rapells:** 35
Transport: Car required	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season:	**Orientation:** Southwest	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 3.8 (3)	**Info:** ★ 2.5 (2)	**Belay:** ★ 3 (1)
Specialities:		
Gear:		
Summary: (machine translated) Attractive rappel canyon		
Hydrology:		
Access: (machine translated) Drive to Le Lauzet-Ubaye. Aval with Ubaye crossing: Drive past the village, continue on the D900 and at the exit of the two-lane road turn left and park at the turn-off to Champanastais. Down the valley without crossing: On leaving Le Lauzet, take the small road on the left to the Roman bridge (the same as for Sauze/Blache). After the bridge, turn right, then park in a sharp hairpin bend in front of a block of houses on the right (1.3 km after the bridge). 12.7 km long shuttle bus. Uphill: Follow the D900 uphill, drive 1.6 km over the bridge over the Ubaye and take the small road on the left towards Chaudon-Grande Blache. At the exit of the paved road, take the right-hand path to the edge of Les Cluots (large meadows).		
Approach: (machine translated) Take the Ludwigskopf path, which leads north after circling the meadow and bypasses a large rock formation. After the last hairpin bends, the path joins a right-hand needle at the edge of a meadow dominated by two buildings (Schäferei, Alt. 1753). At this point, leave the path and follow a path that is barely visible in the tall grass and leads horizontally under the buildings. At the exit of the meadow, the path continues through the trees and soon you will see a single house on the left below the path. At this point, descend almost to this house and continue horizontally on the path, which is now easier to see. About 130 m later, on a very vague crest and at an altitude of 1700 m, a steep descent begins (on a fairly visible path) through the forest. After 5 minutes you reach the first obstacle. The part between the path of the head of Louis XVI, which you leave at a right-hand pin, and the "plunge" into the forest at altitude 1700 is marked with a dashed line on the 1:25,000 scale IGN map. Note that after the isolated house, if you continue along the path (which gradually improves) too far to the right, you will cross a canyon (ravin du Vallon, altitude 1648), which you can descend first via the flank on the G bank (steep), and then at best a 10 m abseil towards the exit.		

Tour: (machine translated)
A variety of abseils between 4 and 30 m, some of which are a little watery under normal conditions. No swims, no jumps, but magnificent indentations. The time for the descent will quickly depend on your knowledge of rappel, so you won't waste any time. Some waterfalls are equipped out of the water. There is very new and less new equipment, several handrails that you should use wisely to combine speed and safety.

Commitment
Certainly. The extent of the route is identical to the Sauze/Blache route, but cut deeper, with no obvious passing places, even less road or intermediate parking.... However, on the cross-section of Henri Vincens' topos, a loophole is indicated on the left bank at the exit of the first third, then two more further down (not tested).

Historical overview
M André, July 1983.

Notes
Without shuttle bus: parking lot in Les Cluots. At the confluence, ascend about 200 m on the right bank of the Ubaye, the path begins to climb. In a few hairpin bends, you reach the hamlet of Les Herbez at altitude 1225, then slightly uphill to the right, cross the canyon of the same name (it is the well-marked canyon at the beginning of the approach), then cross again to the right until you reach La Grande Blache. With a cut you reach Les Cluots. 1h20.

Return: (machine translated)
Cross the Ubaye and continue to the car. If there is too much water in the Ubaye for a safe crossing, we take the path on the right bank downstream to the next bridge.

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 44.4271 6.4678
Parking at Exit 44.4112 6.4536
Parking at Entry 44.4113 6.4698
Canyon End 44.4139 6.4535

Reports:

2026-09-12 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Enfers RAS, des Enfers toujours au top !Une super journée, on a fait la partie canyon en 6h15 a 5 pause déj compris, ne pas sous-estimer le temps qu'on y passe avec le grand nombre de rappel et les impondérables possibles, c'est quand même un beau morceau ! + D'infos Nico 0618522515 (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/284/observations.html)

2026-08-16 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Enfers DC, superbe enchaînement, quelques relais meriteraient une réfection (broches écrasées suite aux crues ou arrachées...)L'Ubaye se traverse malgré les orages mais il faut bien choisir l'endroit.Fait l'intégralité, 2h50 à 2 sans traîner (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/284/observations.html)

2026-08-12 | Kanyon Kerke | ★★★½ |🕮 ★★★ |⚓ ★★★ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
A very long canyon. If you want to practice abseiling against the clock, this is the right canyon. However, some abseil points are only accessible via rope traverses and are exposed. Therefore, it’s more like a V4. Our time together. Hiking time to entry: 1:30 hrs. Canyon: 6:15 hrs. Return trip: approx. 1:50 hrs. (machine translated)

2026-07-30 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Enfers Une journée paradisiaque aux Enfers ????Quelques points abîmés, d'autres mal placés mais dans l'ensemble ça permet de descendre...Traversée de l'Ubaye OK. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/284/observations.html)

2026-07-25 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Enfers La note d'interet ne reflete pas l'esthetique de ce canyon, dommage que certains se soient amusés à mettre des 0. Canyon vraiment très joli en débit correct. Equipement ok sauf un relai totalement écrasé par la crue (un peu après l'étroiture) mais un point en haut ou possibilité de desescalader en RG.Canyon parcouru à 2h30 à 2 et encore en ne s'arrêtant pas vraiment. On a plutôt sous estimé sa longueur. Option sans navette, 50 minutes de remontée pendant que l'un des deux attendait de l'autre côté de l'Ubaye.Très bon chemin d'approche, très bien décrit et indiqué. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/284/observations.html)

2026-07-21 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Enfers Fait à deux en 5h30 de voiture à voiture avec navettes, ubaye OK (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/284/observations.html)

2026-07-14 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Enfers Belles conditions, équipements OK, traversée de l ubaye OK (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/284/observations.html)

2026-04-06 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Crazy | 👎 Not done
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Enfers Canyon interdit actuellement voir réglementation attention (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/284/observations.html)

2026-04-05 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Crazy | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Enfers Merci géronimo pour le commentaire, oui dans le 04 l arrêté ouvre les canyons au 1 mai , pas besoin de mettre des commentaires de se type merci .Mon tel si tu veux en discuter 06 77 65 37 07 (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/284/observations.html)

2026-04-05 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Crazy | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Enfers Gros débit au début, et la fonte des neiges nous a beaucoup augmenter le débit, jusqu’à très gros débit. Une belle couleur marron de crue, le débit été limité pour que ce sois praticable. Merci aux nombreux relais hors actif. La fonte est un élément important à prendre en compte lors de la descente en cet période. Soyez sûre de vos compétences et de votre forme pour cet période encore bien en enneiger! (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/284/observations.html)