Belle Inconnue

Cascades de la Belle Inconnue,Nant du Cruet

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Country: France **Region:** Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes **Subregion:** Haute-Savoie **Town:** Thônes		
Difficulty: a little difficult	**Grading:** v4 a2 III	**Total time:** 3h
Approachtime: 45min	**Tourtime:** 2h	**Returntime:** 15min
Altitude entry: 830m	**Altitude exit:** 630m	**Delta Altitude:** 200m
Canyon length: 750m	**Highest rapell:** 32m	**Amount rapells:** 11
Transport: on Foot	**Rock type:**	**Drainage area:** km²
Season:	**Orientation:** North	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 3.5 (7)	**Info:** ★ 2.3 (3)	**Belay:** ★ 2.8 (4)

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: 2x35m
Headlamp,

Summary: (machine translated)
Rappel canyon with a (optional) cave passage

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
From Annecy on the western shore of the lake of the same name on the D 909 (from the highway it is better to drive around Annecy on the D 16) in the direction of Thônes or La Clusaz. Before you cross the river Fier (after about 14 km), you will see the war cemetery "Cimitière militaire de Morette" with the "Musée de la resistance" on the right of the long straight road. Park the car here in a suitable place.

Approach: (machine translated)
From the southern exit of Kriegerfriedhos we take the GR 96 to the right and climb relatively steeply on a path in a westerly direction. The track makes first a left, later a right serpentine. About 200 m later, after a slight bend to the left, a forest path branches off from this track and leads to a larger house in a clearing. We initially follow this path, but then cross below this property through a spruce pole forest to the west and come to the streambed.

Tour: (machine translated)
After 3 smaller rappels, an underground passage gives the "Beautiful Unknown" its special charm. Alternatively, you can also rappel outside the cave. This is followed by two attractive longer rappels.
A combination with the Morette on the opposite side of the valley is a good idea.

Return: (machine translated)
If you don't want to check off the last two rappels in open terrain (and therefore of little interest) as well (C 25 and C 10), climb out of the streambed to the left after C 32 (below the natural arch) and look for a path down to the road (D 909).

Coordinates:
Canyon End 45.8954 6.2792
Canyon Start 45.8932 6.2809
Parking Entry and Exit 45.8985 6.2857

Reports:

2026-10-28 | Tristan | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 High | 👍 Completed
It was a great little canyon. Because there was so much water, we didn't go through the cave but took the drier path instead. (machine translated)

2026-10-15 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Belle Inconnue L'équipement inox est parfait.Pour la partie souterraine, prendre une frontale étanche, nous sommes passés par l'extérieur. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2900/observations.html)

2026-09-20 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Belle Inconnue RAS, vraiment très peu d'eau. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2900/observations.html)

2026-08-29 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
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2026-06-28 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Dry | 👎 Not done
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2026-06-14 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Low | 👍 Completed
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2026-06-13 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
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2026-06-13 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
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2026-06-06 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 High | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Belle Inconnue Entre GD et DC + Très glissant (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2900/observations.html)

2026-05-31 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Belle Inconnue RAS sur le parcours. Le canyon reste froid autour de la grotte malgré les températures estivales ! (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2900/observations.html)

2026-05-26 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
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2026-05-25 | System User | |🕮 |⚓ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Belle Inconnue Début vraiment inintéressant. À shunter si possible à travers bois (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2900/observations.html)

2026-05-25 | Jeanne Picart | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ |🕮 ★ |⚓ ★ ★ ★ | 〰 Normal | 👍 Completed
The beginning is not very interesting, as there are a lot of woods. You can bypass it by going lower down (hut), but be careful not to go onto the path and private property (so go through the woods). There are no logs left in the final cascade! (machine translated)

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