Zarqa Ma'in lower

Wadi Zarqa Ma'in Lower,Wadi Zerqa Ma’in

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Country: الأردن / Jordan **Region:** مادبا / Muḥafazat Madaba **Subregion:** قصبة مادبا الأولى / Qaṣabah Ma'daba
Town: Madaba

Difficulty: not as difficult	**Grading:** v2 a3 III	**Total time:** 4h30
Approachtime: 15min	**Tourtime:** 4h10	**Returntime:** 5min
Altitude entry: 5m	**Altitude exit:** -375m	**Delta Altitude:** 380m
Canyon length: 6500m	**Highest rapell:** m	**Amount rapells:** 0
Transport: Car required	**Rock type:** sandstone	**Drainage area:** km²
Season:	**Orientation:** West	**Best Time:**
Rating: ☆ 2.9 (1)	**Info:** ★ 0 ()	**Belay:** ★ 0 ()

Specialities:

Gear:
Ropes: Notseil - 10m

Summary: (machine translated)
Hiking in a watery canyon with thermal water, some delicate spots for downclimbing

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)
From Madaba we take the road down to the Dead Sea. After 26 km (from the start of this road in the center of Madaba) we pass the road branching off to the left, which leads down to the Hammamat Ma'in thermal baths. However, we continue straight ahead for the time being and descend to the Dead Sea, where we meet road "65" 11.3 km after the turn-off to the thermal baths. After a little more than 4 km, we turn left (south) and reach the bridge over "our" wadi. Here we park the car for the exit.
If we want to traverse the right-hand slope above the thermal baths to the entry - see "Access" - the upper car should be parked at the side of the road.
With the second car we drive back again, first the 4 km to the junction of the road to Madaba, then on this again 11.3 km up into the mountains, to now turn right onto the road to Hammamat Ma'in and - past the entrance to the thermal bath - drive down to the wadi. We park our second car at the bridge.

Approach: (machine translated)
Orograf. On the left, we descend the slope down to the stream, cross 2 bridge culverts there, see the thermal waterfalls on the right on the slope and take care not to get scalded in the hot water. Finally, we leave the thermal baths behind us and dive into the canyon.
During our hike in 2016, a man approached us, first from the thermal baths above on the right and later from the two bridges that cross the stream in the hotel area. He shouted after us and apparently wanted to make us pay the entrance fee to the thermal baths, which we did not enter. Finally, he threw a stone at us. Apparently, this behavior was not an isolated incident, because in our hotel in Madaba, a local guide asked us specifically about incidents in the area of the thermal baths and said after our report that he would therefore avoid this area on the right-hand slope above the thermal baths. Based on our experience, I would also recommend this.

Tour: (machine translated)
We follow the stream as it meanders downhill over a number of small steps. In some places, you have to check carefully which way is best to negotiate the steps (see in detail: https://climbing7.wordpress.com/2014/07/09/wadi-zerqa-main-moab/). Finally, we walk relaxed out to the car at the road bridge.

Return: (machine translated)
We come out of the canyon directly at the lower car,

Coordinates:
Canyon Start 31.6089 35.6032
Parking at Entry 31.6083 35.6153
Parking at Exit 31.6180 35.5671
Canyon End 31.6179 35.5678

Reports:

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