# **Torrent Fondo 'Mortitx'**

Mortitx, Torrent Fondo, Torrent Fondo de Mortitx

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**Create:** 2023-03-09 20:49:53 **Update:** 2024-03-29 19:34:15 **Print:** 2024-05-09 05:05:42 **Country:** España / Spain **Region:** Islas Baleares / Balearic Islands **Subregion:** Islas Baleares / Balearic Islands **Town:** Escorca Difficulty: not as difficult **Grading:** v3 a2 III **Total time:** 5h30 **Approachtime:** 1h30 Tourtime: 1h Returntime: 3h **Altitude entry:** 280mm **Altitude exit:** 5mm **Delta Altitude:** 275m Canyon length: 400m **Highest rapell:** 20m **Amount rapells:** 8 **Transport:** on Foot Intake area: **Rock type:** Season: **Orientation:** Northwest **Best Time:** 

Belay:

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**Specialities:** 

Rating:

Gear:

Ropes: 1x30m + 1x20m

**Summary:** (machine translated)

Access leads through a nature park (vulture closed season from....to...)! Best time is in spring (and after rain); 2 exit options; beautiful washouts, sinter curtains and holes; grippy rock; some climbing passages; canyon opens into the sea; scenic very beautiful but long access / return; in the high grass, the path is not always easy to recognize.

Pieces of rope for resumption, if fixed ropes are not available or in poor access.

Info:

# **Hydrology:**

**Access:** (machine translated)

From Port de Soller, take the C711 in the direction of Soller. After the tunnel there is a traffic circle where you turn left towards Pollenca. From here you follow the long winding mountain road C710 at 1000Hm, where a tunnel leads to the 1st reservoir "Embassament de Cuber" and after a short distance to the 2nd reservoir "Embassament des Gorge Blau", After another tunnel follows the turnoff to "Sa Calobra", with a kiosk and large parking lot in front. Here you continue in the direction of Pollenca. After passing the restaurant "Escora", you will come to a crossroads. Here you drive down to the left to Pollenca. After about 10min or shortly after the post (Km 11) comes the sign "Mortix". The possibly open iron gate tempts to drive in, but exactly this should not be done, because it can be that it is closed later. A limited parking possibility can be found on the left side in front of the gate or 50m further down on the right side of the road (high road edge!!!).

### **Approach:** (machine translated)

Through the gate, past a transformer and tennis court always stay on the main path until another gate in front of a stone hut (possibly locked) marked as a refugio. After crossing the gate, follow the road. Soon after crossing a dry streambed, a path marked with cairns and red dots branches off to the right (March 2009: branch marked by green sign on olive tree)\n\nThis path leads across a plateau overgrown with diss grass (Ses Comes) in the direction of NE to a prominent notch - from here on the path can no longer be missed, it goes continuously down through the canyon to the entry. If there is a lot of water, you can put on the wetsuit already at the mouth of the Torrent de s'Hort des Moli coming from the left (upper entry in the topographic view), otherwise climb around the first basin (Gorg Larg) on the right, pass the following basin (Gorg del Bec d'Oca) then on the left and past a prominent rock tower, the Duck's Beak (Bec d'Oca) at the beginning of the final canyon entry - from here on the stream is called Torrent Fondo. If you want to spice up the long access with some canyoning action, you can take the Torrent de s'Hort des Moli about 150m after the turnoff from the road to the left into the mostly dry streambed. After a bit of block hopping, a low but narrow gorge soon begins with two rappels (4m and 15m) and an entertaining passage. Hike briefly in a valley extension (the canyon coming from the left should also be walkable) before a second, deeper canyon begins which leads to the standard descent with 4 rappels and some pools of water. Anchors are trees and thin hourglass slings.

#### **Tour:** (machine translated)

1h

The short but impressive and varied canyon compensates for the long access and return. However, there should be enough running water in the pools. At lunchtime you have the most sun in the canyon. If you decide to climb back up in the canyons, you should check at each step whether it is possible to climb back up. Especially the last steps before the sea are very beautiful. Here is also the highest rappelling point of about 20m. After that, you can decide whether to exit to the right over the rock face or to climb back up the canyon.

## **Return:** (machine translated)

approx. 1,5h ascent again + 1,5-2h way back.

There are 2 possibilities to get out of the canyon. 1st possibility (recommended!): You climb over the fixed ropes back in the canyon to the entry. 2nd possibility: At the end of the canyon (near the sea) you have the possibility to climb over the steep craggy rock walls right out of the canyons (3rd degree!). Glued anchors are available for belaying. Arrived at the edge of the cliffs, a very unclear cart field must be crossed (cairns and clear climbing tracks). Back on level ground, briefly climb eastwards into a saddle.

Here again you have two options:

Variant 1: through the wide basin above the cliff or back down into the valley and return the Mortitx as for the access.

Variant 2: Via the path close to the witches' caves.

Variant 1: If you go down into the valley, you follow the path/streambed back to the starting point (parking lot) at the entry of the Mortix.

Alternative 2: Soon you meet the path marked with cairns to the witch caves located in the northeast, which you follow briefly ascending in a southwesterly direction to an abandoned farm (brick well on the path). Through the open valley back to the streambed and via the access path back to the parking lot.\nA (worthwhile) alternative access or return route across the plateau is described in the Rother hiking guide Mallorca. It is well worthwhile to explore the access and return route in the course of a hike to the witches' caves.

#### **Coordinates:**

Canyon Start 39.89300000 2.91337000

Parking Entry and Exit 39.86790000 2.92460000

Canyon End <u>39.89610000 2.91170000</u> Waypoint 39.87870000 2.91973000

Waypoint 39.88740000 2.91846000

Alternative Canyon Start 39.88080000 2.91580000

## Reports:

2024-05-07 | System User | | | | **≅** Low | **d** Completed

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2024-05-03 | System User | | | | **≡** Low | **d** Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Mortitx Mon dieu tous ces vélos sur la route!Sauts dans la mer bien douce extra au final.Manque une petite longueur de 3m de corde sur la via ferrata du retour à replacer. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2836/observations.html)

2024-05-02 | System User | | | | **≅** Low | **๘** Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Mortitx canyon superbe, sortie par la via, pas possible d'approcher de la mer à cause de la houle (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2836/observations.html)

2024-04-24 | System User | | | | **≡** Low | **d** Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Mortitx Descente effectuée à 10 en 2h30. La mer était déchaînée, impossible de sauter après la dernière vasque. Remonté par la via, toujours aussi impressionnante mais quelle vue!! (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2836/observations.html)

2024-04-02 | Joey CIA | ☆ ☆ ☆ | | ₺ ₺ | ജ Low | • Completed

Superiore tour in great scenic surroundings! Access through the dry ditch then a few pools that you can climb around until the canyon starts. One part of the group was picked up by the boat after the jump into the Meef, the other part hiked up the "via ferrata" on the steep coast and then back... (machine translated)

2024-03-31 | System User | | | | **≅** Low | **๘** Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Mortitx très petit filet d'eau, vasques ok, nombreuses cordes fixes, via ferrata difficile avec beaucoup d'escalade libre (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2836/observations.html)

2024-03-25 | Klara Skopal | ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🎞 🎞 | 🗘 🕹 | | 🖒 Completed

Water quite cold, super slippery in many places. Superiore protection, fixed ropes available almost everywhere, we only needed our rope twice (20m rappel and at the end the optional "downclimb" into the sea). Exit not for the faint-hearted, climbing ascent at lofty heights partly without protection or quite exposed, in between very thin wire rope, but at least something hihi I would not necessarily recommend for beginners/sensitive to heights. Very sharp rock -> definitely take gloves! All in all, mega beautiful, especially the view of the sea from the via ferrata:) (machine translated)

2024-03-24 | System User | | | | \equiv Low | 

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Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Mortitx L'incontournable Mortitx a encore un petit filet d'eau qui coule et ses belles vasques pleines. Mer bien agitée. Sortie par VF sans problème, mais ne pas compter sur la solidité du câble. MR on a opté pour le Mas Rafael. C'est plus long et un peu paumatoire mais la vue sur les lapiaz vaut largement le détour. 3h de « marche retour » depuis la fin du canyon. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2836/observations.html)

2024-03-15 | System User | | | | ≡ Normal | Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Mortitx Magnifique descente.Entre filet d'eau et débit correct.Sa coule du début à la fin, descente super ludique tout se saute sauf le plus grand ressaut.Retour par la via ferrata qui est plus psychologique que difficile. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2836/observations.html)

2023-05-02 | System User | | | |

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https://canyon.carto.net/cwiki/bin/view/Canyons/MortitxCanyon.html zusammengeführt.