

# Arzino (superiore)

Cascade e pozze turchesi del Torrente Arzino

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<b>País:</b> Italia / Italy <b>Región:</b> Friuli Venezia Giulia <b>Subregión:</b> ente di decentramento regionale di Udine <b>Ciudad:</b> Preone		
<b>Dificultad:</b> un poco difícil	<b>Grado:</b> v3 a4 II	<b>Tiempo total:</b> 3h
<b>Tiempo acceso:</b> 5min	<b>Tiempo tour:</b> 2h30	<b>Tiempo regreso:</b> 25min
<b>Altitud de entrada:</b> 715m	<b>Altitud de salida:</b> 655m	<b>Altitude delta:</b> 60m
<b>Longitud del cañón:</b> 250m	<b>Rapel más alto:</b> 20m	<b>Cantidad rapells:</b> 14
<b>Transporte:</b> A pie	<b>Tipo de roca:</b> dolomite	<b>Zona de entrada:</b> km <sup>2</sup>
<b>Temporada:</b> mayo - octubre	<b>Orientación:</b> Noreste	<b>Mejor época:</b> 11-14 Horas
<b>Clasificación:</b> ★ 4.8 (4)	<b>Información:</b> ★ 1.5 (2)	<b>Belay:</b> ★ 1.7 (3)
<b>Especialidades:</b>		
<b>Equipo:</b> Cuerdas: 2x20m		
<b>Resumen:</b> 'Arzino sup' or -1, touristically known as 'Cascade e pozze turchesi del Torrente Arzino' is a compact and rather aquatic canyoning tour in a remote Dolomite valley of glacier origin. The descent is characterized by leaps, pools, potholes and inviting, colourful water straight from the source. Start of the obstacles are an almost horizontal geyser, a Niagara-pool, followed by a slightly more carved out gorge, but never more than 10m deep. Non-canyoneers can easily follow from the trail. Morning to mid-day for ideal light conditions. No phone reception in the upper parts of this valley.		
<b>Hidrología:</b> Partially karstic, additionally some tributaries.		
<b>Acceso:</b> Drive all the way up the Arzino valley, before the last hairpin turns take the left-hand secondary road that takes us higher into the Arzino valley than Arzino 0 starting point (there is one touristic sign for each of the canyons). Follow this little road which is quite narrow with lots of short turns, up until the P on the left hand side, marked again by a touristic sign.		
<b>Acceso:</b> From the car park walk down to the waterfalls. Start of the obstacles is near the picnic bench and a broken down viewing platform. Left of this viewing platform we can use the tree for abseiling into the first obstacle and find a first bolt left bank, as an intermediate anchor, from which an ideal access is given to the geyser.		

**Recorrido:**

01 - natural anchor on the tourist trail, left bank, 10m from a tree to a ledge (1p. only)

02 - 7m abseil, left bank, from a bolt on the ledge (exposed, 1p. only) into a waterjet-geyser (impressive when source is active)

If the water is overflowing on all sides of this obstacle, the canyon is in high flow/overflowing.

(01 & 02 are avoidable, but recommended to test the strength of the waterflow)

03 - 8m abseil, from a natural anchor, right bank, 8m, into a Niagara-pool, can be partially avoided by abseiling left bank from a natural anchor.

04 - 6m left bank, before the bridge, bolt

05 - 5m right bank, directly under the bridge, bolt.

If high flow, then the rocks in the pool may be easily mistaken for white water, careful in the reception.

06 - 7m right bank, into a turbulent pool, bolt (possible jump, not verified)

07 - 9m left bank, into a pool with water movement, bolt + ring

Hanging pool with tourist viewpoint on the right (possible escape)

First option. Dry line to the left.

08 - downclimb, left bank, to a bolt + ring, followed by a 12m abseil

09 - To a bolt, left bank, 16m abseil

Second option. Aquatic line to the right:

08 - climb up, right bank, to a natural anchor, abseil 18m or 16 + 2m jump (not verified)

09 - 20m abseil, right bank, from a bolt, down the double waterfall

10 - downclimb the sloping right bank, 5m

11 - traverse up a ledge, to a bolt, left bank

(Or jump/slide into a small pool with water movement, not verified)

12 - Mc, from a bolt, to a bolt + ring (far, slightly ascending), left bank to avoid the small pool

13 - 5m abseil, left bank, from a bolt + ring

Possible games in the small pool with water movement

14 - abseil from a bolt + ring, left bank, 15m across 2 small pools

Exit of the canyon, right bank

**Regreso:** (traducción alternativa)

Exit at beach, right bank, hike up to the little bridge and take the trail up, 25' to the car

**Coordenadas:**

Inicio del Cañón [46.3421 12.8914](#)

Aparcamiento Entrada y Salida [46.3409 12.8879](#)

Final del Cañón [46.3434 12.8935](#)

**Informes:**

2026-04-30 | Jeroen Kirchner | ★★★★★ | 📖★★ | 🚣★★ | 🌊 Normal | 👍 Completado

A bit early in the year, but given the fact it had only rained little in April (1cm of snow), the water flow is already at summer level. However, as a measure of precaution, a personal floating device was still useful. Thankful for the feedback of Jason, the aquatic scale was raised, i doubled the first anchor, doubled the big waterfall, added another anchor for the final handline, and doubled its exit (4 bolts for the handline in total). All the anchors are away from the tourist trail. No slings or ropes on the trees.

2025-07-20 | Jason Walker | ★★★★★ | 📖★ | 🚣★ | 🌊 Bajo | 👍 Completado

V3, probably. A3 - very very stiff. More aquatic than most around Friuli. At the flow we had it'd be A4 at least, and if it was higher it'd push into A5... The bolting is sufficient. Singles the whole way down though, not ideal. The canyon itself is actually super nice, and much more interesting than we were expecting. It was certainly very very cold water. Perhaps the coldest in the region at this time of year. Certainly worth a look. If this is A3, the bottom section must be super rowdy!

2025-05-12 | Jeroen Kirchner | ★★★★★ | 📖 | 🚣 | 🌊 Loco | 🚫 No realizada

A bit too much water, but then again, it had rained heavily for days. Water colour and the pools looked really good. Plenty of light penetrating the forest this time of year.

2023-06-07 | Jeroen Kirchner | ★★★★★ | 📖 | 🚣★★ | 🌊 Alto | 👍 Completado

Removed some wood from the canyon and opened a new aquatic line half way through the canyon. Conditions were perfect, a bit lower than the opening year 2021 (but higher than in 2022), it would seem the source depends on melting water (hence: more snow, late in the year = bigger flow, throughout summer) (traducción alternativa)

**Partes:**

Arzino (superiore), v3 a4 II, 5min+2h30+25min

Arzino (inferiore), v3 a5 II, 0min+2h30+0min

Primer descenso: 30.07.2021 en Jeroen Kirchner