

Torrent du Fournel

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| Country: France Region: Provence-Alpes-Côte-d'Azur / Provence-Alpes-Cote d'Azur Subregion: Hautes-Alpes Town: L'Argentière-la-Bessée | | |
| Difficulty: not as difficult | Grading: v2 a3 II | Total time: 1h40 |
| Approachtime: 10min | Tourtime: 1h20 | Returtime: 10min |
| Altitude entry: 1250m | Altitude exit: 1210m | Delta Altitude: 40m |
| Canyon length: 750m | Highest rapell: 5m | Amount rapells: |
| Transport: Car optional | Rock type: limestone | drainage area: 45.00km ² |
| Season: July - September | Orientation: East | Best Time: |
| Rating: ★ 4 (1) | Info: ★ 2 (1) | Belay: ★ 1 (1) |
| Specialities: Dam (autom. flushing), | | |
| Gear: Ropes: 1x 20m | | |
| Summary: (machine translated) The descent is a series of small ledges and slides. | | |
| Hydrology: | | |
| Access: (machine translated) In L'Argentière, take the road that leads to the Fournel valley and the silver mines of the same name. Follow the road to the parking lot of the mine, which is the lower parking lot (small wooden hut with telephone booth). | | |
| Approach: (machine translated) From the parking lot, follow the asphalt road uphill to the beginning of the canyon (signposted). | | |
| Tour: (machine translated) The descent consists of a series of small jumps, slides, etc. During the walk down, there are 3 or 4 passages under blocks or siphons that break up the descent. One of the siphons is remarkable in the middle of the canyon. The blocks form a floor with a siphon in the middle. Despite the feeling of confinement, it goes very well and you end up in the pool below in a fraction of a second. Everything can be done without ropes, without having to worry. The level can change quickly. The canyon has a number of via ferratas, which are equipped like climbing routes and, above all, are well marked. There is also a scale at the entrance indicating the water level. Allowed only if:- uniquement si le niveau est inférieur à 0 sur l'échelle de niveau située à l'entrée du canyon. July to September seems to be the best time for this canyon, which is heavily frequented by tour guides. It is the most frequented canyon in the Haut Val-Durance, as it is one of the easiest and suitable for a first discovery of the area, in a beautiful natural setting. If you know how to use the terrain, it even offers good opportunities for jumps, slides and unexpected passages. | | |
| Return: (machine translated) At the mine, exit on the left bank via the path | | |

Coordinates:

Parking at Entry [44.7905 6.5220](#)

Parking at Exit [44.7872 6.5339](#)

Parking Entry and Exit [44.7890 6.5268](#)

Canyon Start [44.7899 6.5236](#)

Canyon End [44.7860 6.5339](#)

Reports:

2024-08-04 | Canyon Dave     |   |   |  Normal |  Completed

Normal water flow. No special remarks. Please note, enter the canyon after 9:00 and exit before 18:00. At the upper start point next to the bridge there is a waterpoint to fill up your water bottle.