

Jose Fraga (inferior)

José de Fraga inferior, Ribeira José de Fraga

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Country: Portugal **Region:** Região Autónoma dos Açores / Azores **Subregion:** **Town:** Ponta da Fajã

Difficulty: a little difficult

Grading: v4 a4 III

Total time: 3h25

Approachtime: 45min

Tourtime: 2h30

Returntime: 10min

Altitude entry: 310m

Altitude exit: 60m

Delta Altitude: 250m

Canyon length: 300m

Highest rapell: 45m

Amount rapells: 8

Transport: on Foot

Rock type:

drainage area: km²

Season:

Orientation: West

Best Time:

Rating: ★ 3.6 (1)

Info: ★ 0 ()

Belay: ★ 0 ()

Specialities:

Gear:

Ropes: 2x50m

Summary: (machine translated)

Rappel canyon with magnificent views of the sea and the coast.

Hydrology:

Access: (machine translated)

From Fajã Grande in the west of the island we drive about 2 km to the street village Ponta da Fajã. About 60 m before reaching the church, immediately north of a bridge over an inconspicuous stream, there is a free area on the left where we can park our car.

Approach: (machine translated)

We go back on the road 50 m in the direction of Fajã Grande. Here a larger gap opens up between the houses. We turn left and follow the path that initially goes along the left edge of the field bordered with rough stones towards the slope (anno 2016 here wooden signpost "Canyon J. Fraga inferiore/Cao inferiore/Casas inferiore"). The trail enters the coppice forest and moves only slightly uphill at the beginning. After about 10 min and about 20 m, before the trail exits the coppice to the north, a side trail turns left uphill (2016 also trail sign "Canyon"). Now it goes steeply uphill. At elevation 138 a.s.l. we cross the Fraga River at the ruins of a mill. We continue, often over steps, until at 320 a.s.l. a path leaves the main path on the left (2016 signs to the left to Fraga inferiore, to the right up to Cao and Casas, both inferiore). After a few meters we are in the stream (entry).

Tour: (machine translated)

In quick succession, 8 rappels are lined up, usually with handrails to the anchor (40m - 30m - 16m - 8m - 45m - 7m - 30m - 18m). The stands are comfortable. Permanently you can enjoy the view.

Return: (machine translated)

After the last rappel first in the stream downhill, then at a house with a round apse out to the right and to the road. On this then to the right a few meters to the car.

Coordinates:

Canyon Start [39.4701 -31.2510](#)

Canyon End [39.4688 -31.2546](#)

Reports:

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