

Holtes

Holtit,Holta,Kanioni Holtë,Holtës

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Country: Shqipëria / Albania Region: Shqipëria e Mesme Subregion: Qarku i Elbasanit Town: Gramshi / Gramsh		
Difficulty: not as difficult	Grading: v3 a3 IV	Total time: 4h20
Approachtime: 10min	Tourtime: 4h	Returtime: 10min
Altitude entry: 450m	Altitude exit: 270m	Delta Altitude: 180m
Canyon length: 3100m	Highest rapell: 17m	Amount rapells: 13
Transport: Car required	Rock type:	drainage area: km ²
Season:	Orientation: West	Best Time:
Rating: ★ 4.3 (5)	Info: ★ 2.7 (3)	Belay: ★ 2.2 (5)
Specialities: Dam (inform operator),		
Gear: Ropes: 2x20m		
Summary: (machine translated) Long great canyon, probably the most impressive canyon in Albania with sunshine and clear water Permission from HEC required.		
Hydrology:		
Access: (machine translated) from Elbasan to the parking lot exit see map section google maps under links, there also the transfer route to the P entry		
Approach: (machine translated) Over the water catchment/dam to the western side of the stream. Rappel into the streambed from the left via the natural stone ramp.		
Tour: (machine translated) see photo album and video under Links		
Return: (machine translated) out of the bottleneck to the right onto the slope and to the car.		
Coordinates: Canyon End 40.9261 20.2238 Parking at Exit 40.9261 20.2218 Parking at Entry 40.9277 20.2579 Canyon Start 40.9270 20.2570		

Reports:

2024-10-21 | Luis Pulkrab | ★★★★★ | 📖 | 📍 ★★ | 🌊 Low | 🟢 Completed

Very beautiful landscape, not very challenging with our low water level. The road to the entry is not particularly good. We managed it with our small, low rental car, but something bigger would certainly be more comfortable. Contact the HEC operator. Our contact couldn't speak English, it's best to contact them by text so they can translate. He may also be able to organize a shuttle. The drill hooks are often very high so that they last longer, so look up when searching:) (machine translated)

2024-10-10 | Rachael Brock | ★★★★★ | 📖 ★★ | 📍 ★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed

Great canyon. Some of the anchors were high/involved some polished scrambling to get to - recommend good shoes or confidence. Canyon is very straightforward from start to finish. We contacted Lindor from HEC and he registered us/made sure no hydro operations were taking place and gave us a lift to the canyon start (approx 1hr) for 50€ (2 people) - well worth it. Otherwise you'd probably want a car drop. If you need his contact details please DM me on Instagram @thisistraveling and I'll share his WhatsApp details (he prefers text). He asked to please text him 2 days in advance so he can tell you if HEC are doing operations. Enjoy!

2024-09-24 | Jeanne Picart | ★★★★★ | 📖 ★★ | 📍 ★★ | 🌊 Low | 🟢 Completed

Very nice (machine translated)

2024-06-23 | Bina | ★★★★★ | 📖 | 📍 ★ | 🌊 Low | 🟢 Completed

Many thanks to Lindor Carciu for the cab service. Once at the top, we were even allowed to use the Hec toilet. We were escorted to the stream, where no water was flowing. A little later, a little water came in from the right of the overflow. Great tour, all the stalls were there. (machine translated)

2023-04-11 | Canyon Dave | 📖 ★★★★★ | 📍 ★★ | 📍 ★★ | 🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed

We made contact with Mr. Carciu of the Tervolit HEC before our descent as suggested by Pascal in the guidebook. At the hydro dam all water was taken into another capture so we started completely dry. There is a local man living next to the dam, he is also very concerned about your safety and reminds you if there is permission of the HEC to enter the canyon. The canyon was easy, climbing and sliding and some descents. One bolt was missing so we had to make an extra long descent at one of the stations. The original bolt was cut off by debris, this happened already several times according to Pascal. The last part of the canyon was an easy walk out, there are some (hot) springs along the high canyon wall. This canyon is highly recommended. And if you have energy and time enough it could be combined with the Gjërzejë canyon next to the entrance of the Holtit.