

# Val Zemola

Val Zemola, Torrente Zemola

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<b>Country:</b> Italia / Italy <b>Region:</b> Friuli Venezia Giulia <b>Subregion:</b> Pordenone <b>Town:</b> Erto e Casso		
<b>Difficulty:</b> difficult	<b>Grading:</b> v4 a5 IV	<b>Total time:</b> 3h25
<b>Approachtime:</b> 25min	<b>Tourtime:</b> 2h45	<b>Returntime:</b> 15min
<b>Altitude entry:</b> 850m	<b>Altitude exit:</b> 680m	<b>Delta Altitude:</b> 170m
<b>Canyon length:</b> 2000m	<b>Highest rapell:</b> 25m	<b>Amount rapells:</b> 15
<b>Transport:</b> Car optional	<b>Rock type:</b> limestone	<b>drainage area:</b> km <sup>2</sup>
<b>Season:</b>	<b>Orientation:</b> South	<b>Best Time:</b>
<b>Rating:</b> ★ 4.5 (18)	<b>Info:</b> ★ 2.4 (10)	<b>Belay:</b> ★ 2.9 (14)
<b>Specialities:</b>		
<b>Gear:</b> Ropes: 2x40m		
<b>Summary:</b> (machine translated) Very nice recommended aquatic canyon; shorter rappels in strong water; exposed belays; turbulent pools; narrows with little light; large catchment; no exit for long stretches.		
<b>Hydrology:</b>		
<b>Access:</b> (machine translated) From Tolmezzo take the SS512 in the direction of Gemona-Udine (alternatively, take the A23 freeway in the direction of Udine and exit at Gemona-Osoppo) --> pass the lake (Lago di Cavazzo) --> follow the road --> turn right towards Forgaria --> after approx. 100m turn left towards Peonis --> in Peonis keep left towards Forgaria (road SP41) --> at Forgaria keep left towards Flagogna (road SP22) --> at the fork in the road without signs go straight on --> turn right towards Pinzano (road SP1)-->long over the bridge --> after the bridge turn left onto the SP1 --> then turn right towards Maniago onto the SS454 --> from Maniago turn right onto the SS454 --> from Maniago turn right onto the SS454 --> from Maniago take the SS251 in the main direction of Langorone (this road runs along the beautiful Torrente Celina) --> from the village of Cimolais the road goes uphill to Erto --> just after entering the village cross Valle Zemola (in the bend on the left) --> on the right by the small chapel there is a small parking area. 50m further on the left opposite the fountain.		
<b>Approach:</b> (machine translated) Right by the bridge that crosses the Zemola, there is a small chapel. Behind the chapel, a narrow sloping path leads briefly up and then directly next to the canyon, without much difference in altitude, to a concreted wall. From these, a short downclimb takes you to the stream/entry of the lower part at about 810Hm. For the upper entry, stay on the path for another 10-15min until the canyon becomes more open and you see a mess of boulders. Here is the entry of the upper part (860 Hm)		
<b>Tour:</b> (machine translated) Without much distance, it starts immediately with downclimb and rappel passages in turbulent pools. The water level should be checked before the tour, because the already turbulent pools can form very strong currents / backflows. The belay stations are very well placed. However, rappelling in the water is unavoidable. Some exposed belay stations are reached via traversed rope to be built. At midday the most sun comes to the very nice narrow cut middle section. A short section at the end of the cut part is almost completely dark (possibly take a lamp). After the dark part, the canyon opens up again. There follows a very beautiful place with a washed out rock arch in which the water flows through. The piton is located in the middle at the back of the rock arch. The rappel leads into a large pool with a strong current. After this point there are 3 more spectacular rappels in the most beautiful surroundings. Rope traverses to be built help to get safely to the belay blocks or over the rappels. At the end, where the canyon opens up, the rock turns red. After a short stretch in the stream, you will find a blue dot on a rock to the right, which marks the exit at about 670Hm.		

**Return:** (machine translated)

From the marker, go steeply uphill on the right along the narrow gravel road. With a rapid gain in altitude, it goes into the wooded part before returning to the road / parking lot.

**Coordinates:**

Canyon Start [46.2895 12.3713](#)

Alternative Canyon Start [46.2853 12.3749](#)

Parking at Entry [46.2916 12.3682](#)

Parking at Exit [46.2776 12.3810](#)

Canyon End [46.2773 12.3788](#)

## Reports:

2024-10-16 | System User | |📖|📍|🌊 Crazy | 🟢 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Val Zemola Parcouru jusqu'à l'échappatoire, la suite était toute blanche et très étroite, nous avons préféré sortir. À refaire, je ne referais pas cette première partie .. (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2529/observations.html>)

2024-10-09 | System User | |📖|📍|🌊 Crazy | 🟡 Not done

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Val Zemola Vu en passant, tout le corridor est blanc. (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2529/observations.html>)

2024-09-10 | Rick Paapy | ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ |📖⭐⭐⭐|📍⭐⭐⭐|🌊 Low | 🟢 Completed  
Zemola beeing zemola beauty! Low waterlevel

2024-08-26 | System User | |📖|📍|🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed

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2024-08-26 | Jason Walker | ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ |📖⭐⭐⭐|📍⭐⭐⭐|🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed

Would say today was the low side of medium. Some tricky to access abseil stations - but enough bolts for sure. It gets a 5/5 if you walk up the river right side from the church to the top. The car shuttle option seems kinda dumb - it's a cool walk up, and probably safer and faster.

2024-08-24 | Barbora Kohout | ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ |📖|📍⭐⭐⭐|🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed

Perfect ♥ We didn't see a dead animal, but for a while there was a stench, but nothing terrible. Some pools have a completely different depth than last year. For example, the turbulent pool under the "unique magic window" is deep. Last year I had water up to my ankles. But no problem. Everything is OK ♥

2024-08-22 | System User | |📖|📍|🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed

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2024-08-14 | Jeroen Kirchner | ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ |📖|📍⭐⭐⭐|🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed

Cool place with cold waters for hot days. Fyi dead animal was removed from pool, but still smells.

2024-07-31 | System User | |📖|📍|🌊 High | 🟢 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Val Zemola Méfiance, l'eau est vraiment froide... (Quelle: <https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2529/observations.html>)

2024-07-31 | Bina | ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ |📖|📍⭐⭐⭐|🌊 High | 🟢 Completed

If you know the canyon, it's easily doable. (machine translated)

2024-07-15 | System User | |📖|📍|🌊 High | 🟢 Completed

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2024-07-06 | Clarissa Linder | ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ |📖⭐⭐⭐|📍⭐⭐⭐|🌊 High | 🟢 Completed

All stands ok. Most pools are no problem even when the water level is high, you can often stand again quickly (gravel), but it still makes sense to take a floating anchor with you. (machine translated)

2024-06-24 | Jason Walker | ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ |📖⭐⭐⭐|📍⭐⭐⭐|🌊 Normal | 🟢 Completed

The photos on here are all dog low. Very low water. 3 of our group completed the descent with the crux being the final abseil. See photos of the flow attached. We would recommend walking in, rather than the shuttle and SKI down the scree slope. The walk in is beautiful and easy. The photo of the person with a pink rucksack rapping under the rock, is now blocked by rock.

2024-06-07 | Madie Ga | ⭐⭐⭐⭐⭐ |📖⭐⭐⭐|📍⭐⭐⭐|🌊 High | 🟢 Completed

Beautiful varied canyon, entered via the tributary. Levels were higher than all pics on web at the time. The first 4 drops were the easiest section of the canyon water wise when we descended, however if rubble gets pushed from pools and makes them deeper, they would be much more challenging. Pictures show higher levels however the water levels can look similar in the top section and double in the lower section (confirmed with another party) so the first few drops are not a good indicator of how high the lower canyon will be. The canyon is very technical at