Nala (Inferiore)

Val d'Osogna inferiore, Nala inferiore

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Country: Schweiz / Switzerland Region: Kanton Tessin / Cantone Ticino Subregion: Bezirk Riviera Town: Osogna		
Difficulty: difficult	Grading: v5 a4 III	Total time: 3h10
Approachtime: 35min	Tourtime: 2h30	Returntime: 5min
Altitude entry: 460m	Altitude exit: 280m	Delta Altitude: 180m
Canyon length: 450m	Highest rapell: 50m	Amount rapells: 11
Transport: on Foot	Rock type: granite	Drainage area: 14.00km²
Season: May - October	Orientation: West	Best Time: 10-16 o'clock
Rating: 🖈 4.4 (26)	Info: ★ 2.8 (16)	Belay: ★ 2.9 (24)

Warnings:

inactive: Avoid disturbance through mass canyoning (11.08.25 - 31.08.25)

After RIC 2025 big groups have been reported that caused litter at the parking sites, occupied private property, partied loud after canyoning and parked without considering access by local inhabitants. Local communities are already pissed! In order to avoid negative consequences and regulations please make sure that you act considering the environment and local communities. Please us every car completey to avoid congestions at the parkings, use alternative parking, be quiet, restict whistle use in the canyon to a minimum, respect local catholic culture by not undressing visibly and use clothing for ascent. Do not party after canyoning in the parking spots and remove your litter please!

Specialities:

Dam (inform operator), Dam (autom. flushing),

Gear:

Ropes: 2x60m

Summary: (machine translated)

Clean emerald green water; some sharp edges; twisty and narrow aquatic rappels; very nice grain in the granite rock; highly recommended canyon; stands often exposed; carry emergency gear, from 12h ideal sun exposure.

Hydrology: (machine translated)

If necessary, water supply from the interconnected reservoir canal leading to the power plant (automatic opening of the sluice in case of problems in the canal or in the power plant, as in the case of the accident in 2001: https://www.nzz.ch/article7KF2C-ld.179745).

Access: (machine translated)

From the freeway junction north of Bellinzona take the N2 towards Biasca. Passing through Claro and Cresciano we reach Osogna (11.4 km from the highway to the bridge over the Nala). After the bridge over the Nala, drive up to the cemetery and leave the car there.

Approach: (machine translated)

From the parking lot take the road above the cemetery to the right until the church (Santa Maria del Castello) --> behind the church a steep pilgrim path leads up next to the already visible canyon --> follow the steep path and pass the houses on the right (parallel to the canyon) --> after the last impassable steep part there is a slightly sloping path (sloping terrain) to the entry at about 460Hm.

Tour: (machine translated)

Arrived at the first pool at approx. 450Hm it starts immediately with the rappel in the water --> over a removable traverese rope one comes to the first rappel point of approx. 30m with a sharp edge --> after this point the canyon becomes immediately narrower --> 2 approx. 15m rappel points follow whereby the 2. The second one leads through a narrow chute (problematic with a lot of water) --> a 25m and 20m rappel into a big basin --> now the canyon opens --> here you have the possibility to get out on the right side (small swimming pools) --> via a removable traverese rope you reach the chain anchor --> from there you have a super view into the C50 narrow waterfall (big water pressure and small basin!!!) --> the next place is again narrow and unclear, the water shoots in zig zag 25m down into a small hollow (very nice) -->

the canyon opens again and you could get out here re already --> there follows another slide or jump from up to 20m (however, the big pool is only on the right side deep enough --> the next places are unproblematic ---> finally you jump about 8m into the pool at about 280Hm.

Return: (machine translated)

From the last basin at 280Hm it goes right the way into the place --> here immediately right back to the parking lot.

Coordinates:

Canyon Start 46.3157 8.9919

Parking Entry and Exit 46.3145 8.9862

Canyon End 46.3137 8.9884

Waterlevel Checkpoint 46.3135 8.9883

Reports:

2025-10-06 | System User | | □ | 🗘 | 🏯 Normal | 🖒 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Osogna (inférieur) Équipement haut de gamme, à quelques exceptions près. C'est toujours une expérience inoubliable de faire cette superbe descente dans le Tessin. Un sanglier mort dans le canal de drainage du bassin devant la haute cascade, dans un état encore acceptable. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2676/observations.html)

2025-10-06 | Christian Balla | ☆ ☆ ☆ ☆ | 🏳 | 🕁 ★ ★ | 🏯 Low | 🧀 Completed

Followed up with the helicopter and then climbed the middle and lower parts. Anchoring in the middle part is insufficient, in the lower part mostly excellent (with a few parts). Dead wild boar in the lower part. Approx. 6 hours in the canyon (both parts) with three of us, approx. 8 hours incl. reparking, flight, changing clothes. Sun in the lower parts. (machine translated)

2025-09-20 | Joey CIA | $\stackrel{\wedge}{\Omega} \stackrel{\wedge}{\Omega} \stackrel{\wedge}{\Omega} | \stackrel{\square}{\square} | \stackrel{\bullet}{U} \stackrel{\bullet}{\Lambda} \stackrel{\bullet}{\Lambda} \stackrel{\bullet}{\Lambda} | \stackrel{\ggg}{\Longrightarrow} \text{Normal} | \stackrel{\bullet}{\omega} \text{Completed}$ It's all a mountain pass. (machine translated)

2025-09-16 | System User | |□ |♣ | ≋ Normal | ♣ Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Osogna (inférieur) DC+tout passe au top comme d'hab (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2676/observations.html)

2025-09-12 | System User | |□ |♣ | ≋ Normal | ♠ Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Osogna (inférieur) DC -Toujours aussi bien Amarrages RAS (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2676/observations.html)

2025-09-12 | System User | | □ | 🗘 | 🏯 Normal | 🧀 Completed

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Automatisch importiert von Schlucht.ch für Canyon Nala / Osogna, Wasserstand: "Mittel - " Verankerungen: "Top. " (Quelle: https://schlucht.ch/schluchten-der-schweiz-liste/1082-nala-osogna)

2025-09-04 | System User | |□ | 🖒 | 🧮 Normal | 👍 Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Osogna (inférieur) Fait l'intégrale, peu d'eau dans le sup mais vasques pleines, DC+ dans l'inter et l'inf. Magnifique. Beaucoup de monopoints... (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2676/observations.html)

2025-09-04 | System User | |□ |♣ | ≅ Normal | ♣ Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Osogna (inférieur) Equipment OK, DC+ I'd say. (you can descend through the water but it's intense, especially in the c50). We took the T15 close to the end. One was fine, but the other had quite the shock from the impact (dizzy, nausea, ...), to the extent that we couldn't continue to canyon and had to take the échap. So: in theory the T15 passes from up high, but hanging a rope for the first few meters significantly lowers the risk of stuff like this happening. Make your own risk assessment and be safe! Before this incident we had a great time, the canyon is stunningly beautiful. (Quelle: https://www.descentecanyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2676/observations.html)

2025-08-25 | System User | | 🎞 | 🗘 | |

Automatisch importiert von Schlucht.ch für Canyon Nala / Osogna, Wasserstand: "Mittel - " Verankerungen: "Top. " Schöne Bedingungen. (Quelle: https://schlucht.ch/schluchten-der-schweiz-liste/1082-nala-osogna)

2025-08-24 | System User | |□ |♣ | ≋ Normal | ♠ Completed

Automatisch importiert von Descente-Canyon.com für Canyon Osogna (inférieur) Très bel encaissement qui se termine par un toboggan magique et un joli saut dans la vasque finale. Bien sonder! Le saut passait dans l'écume dimanche. (Quelle: https://www.descente-canyon.com/canyoning/canyon-debit/2676/observations.html)

2025-08-24 | System User | | □ | 🖒 | |

Automatisch importiert von Schlucht.ch für Canyon Nala / Osogna, Wasserstand: "Mittel " Verankerungen: "Alle

Parts:

Nala (Superiore), v4 a3 III, 2h15+3h+1h Nala (Intermedio), v4 a4 IV, 1h30+5h30+20min Nala (Inferiore), v5 a4 III, 35min+2h30+5min