

## Rio Chiantone

### Description

The Rio Chiantone, in the section above the confluence with the Torrente Vinadia, is a highly encased canyon with many spectacular pitches. Unfortunately, this beautiful route is affected strongly by the presence of waste and garbage that litter the bottom of the canyon; a clear sign of disrespect that sadly occurs here. Despite this drawback, the water that flows within the canyon remains fairly clean, probably due to continuous attrition of the riverbed that accelerate the process of self-cleansing.

It is advised that this route is followed only after a few days of rain that will increase the flow and help to "clean up" the riverbed, mitigating, to some extent, the unsightly effects of the waste. As a tributary of the Torrente Vinadia, it is necessary to continue along the second part of the Torrente Vinadia. See also, therefore, the description for that canyon, as that information is omitted here.

### Zone

Friuli Venezia Giulia - Lauco (UD)

### Elevation and length

Entrance	800 m
Exit	350 m
Height difference	450 m
Length	3700 m
Highest pitch	52 m

### Advised decent period

From June to September

### Exposure

South-west

### Timings

Approach	5 mins
Descent	4 h 30 mins
Return	See description of the Torrente Vinadia

### Shuttle

12 km

### Anchors

Excellent ProCanyon

### Advised ropes

2 of 60 m + emergency rope

### Gear

Complete wetsuit, bolting kit

### Escapes

No escapes along the route of Rio Chiantone, but see description for exits in the latter Torrente Vinadia

### Map

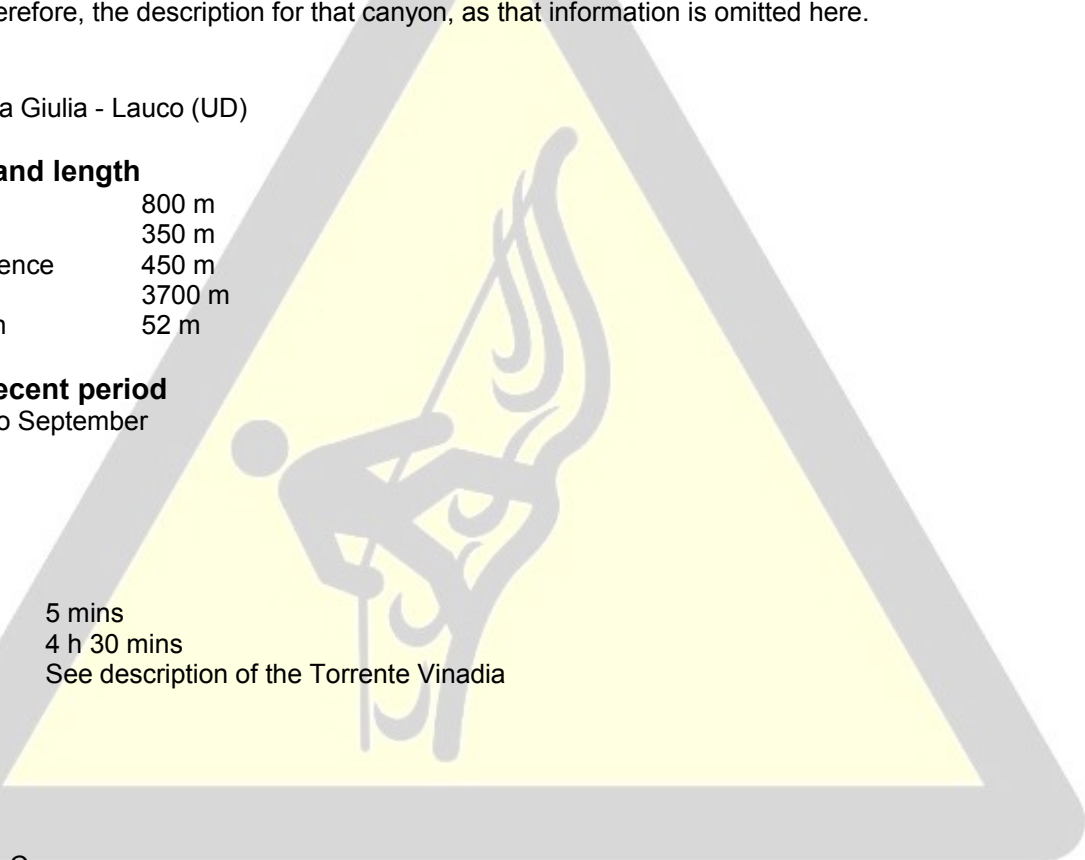
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### Interest

National

### Difficulty

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### **Coordinates (WGS84) for downstream (valley) parking**

46° 24' 37,4" N            12° 58' 1" E

### **Coordinates (WGS84) for upstream (mountain) parking**

46° 26' 24" N            12° 58' 24" E

### **Approach to the valley (lower car park)**

See description for Torrente Vinadia

### **Approach to the mountain (upper car park)**

From the lower car park, go back, staying on the SP125 and follow it for about 3 km. Just before the bridge over the River But, turn left and continue along the provincial road SP21 to Casanova. Here, turn left and take the road that leads uphill to the town of Fusea. Continue on this road towards Buttea, however, before reaching Buttea, after a stretch of downhill road, you will cross the bridge over the Rio Chiantone (about 8 km).

Park in the small open space just after the bridge (space for up to 2 cars).

### **Approach to the canyon (walking)**

To reach the riverbed, walk uphill from the bridge on the road for about 10 metres. Then enter the forest in the direction of the stream, following a path marked with the ProCanyon signs (white and blue).

### **Description and technical notes**

01 - NA 13 R

02 - MC + 2 RB + P 20 R

03 - P 3 R

04 - P 9 R

05 - MC + P 25 L

06 - P 10 L

07 - J 2

08 - T 3

Continue for 400 m with various small descents that can be downclimbed or possibly jumped

09 - MC + P 52 R

10 - MC + P 7 L

11 - MC + P 5 L

12 - MC + P 12 + DEV L

13 - J 2

14 - D 2

15 - MC + P 7 R

16 - MC + P 10 R

Confluence with Torrente Vinadia. To continue, please see the description of Torrente Vinadia

### **Exit**

See the description of Torrente Vinadia.

### **Notes**

The first descent was made by L. Panicucci and M. Sivelli in August 1986.

