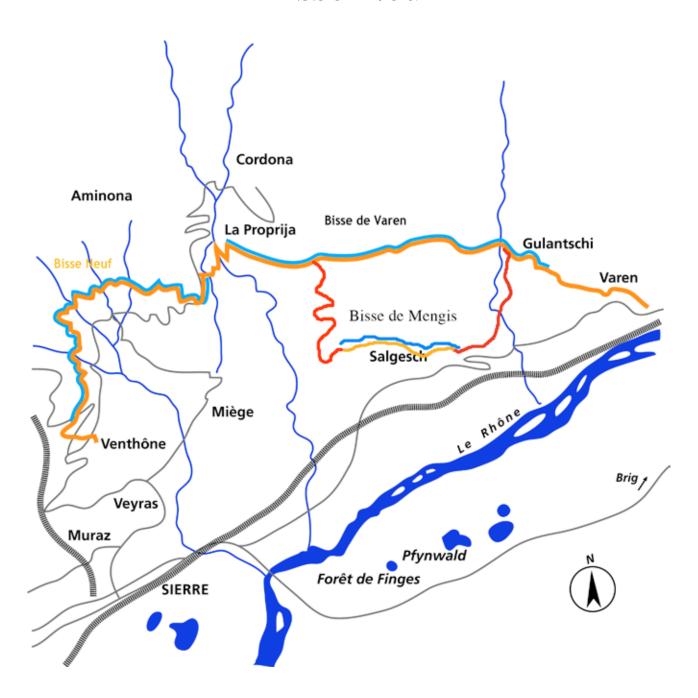




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The end of the Bisse Neuf and the beginning of the Bisse de Varen are found on the linguistic border of Valais, a border marked geographically by the Raspille. This trail takes place in a beautiful landscape of pines and leafy hardwoods. The bisse can be walked along with the Bisses de Varen and Mengis

Total length: Approximately 3 km.

Altitude: Between 950 and 1000 metres.

Route time: 1 hour, 4 hours with the Bisse de Varen, 6 hours with the Bisse de Mengis.

Location: Venthône, above Sierre to the right of the Rhône.

Difficulty: There are no particular difficulties.

Ordinance Survey map 1: 50'000 no. 282 T Martigny.

Best period: May to October.

This bisse contains water from 1 June to 15 September.

Departure

Take the bus from Sierre to Venthône. From Venthône there are two possibilities. The first is to take the Chemin des Ziettes which you will find on the main road to Montana on leaving the village in the first hairpin bend. Here you will find a sign-post for «Bisse Neuf, Bénou». To the left of the sign-post is a forest track (not very visible, at first) which takes you up through the forest (about 5 minutes walk) to where the Bisse Neuf begins. The second possibility, from the middle of the village of Venthône, turn east onto the Route de Cordona. Continue until you reach a car-park(about 15 minutes walk) where you will find the sign-post for the «Bisse du Bénou». To the left of the car-park you will find a sign-post for the «Bisse Neuf». Follow the sign-posts up a steep forest track for about 15 minutes until you reach the start of the Bisse Neuf.

Itinerary

At the end of the Bisse Neuf you will find yourself above Planige and you can continue onto the trail for the Bisse de Varen (or Varone). To do so, follow the marked trail towards Propija. Cross the Raspille bridge and climb a further 40 metres to join the Bisse de Varen (or Varone). To continue onto the Bisse de Mengis, when you reach the Torrent de Brand Waterfall, follow the path downhill towards Varen and then Salquenen (Salgesh). This joins a tarmac road which you descend as far as the Bisse de Mengis. Where the Bisse de Mengis takes water, follow the forest track towards Salgesh and follow the sign-posts for the Bisse de Varen. There is a steep climb of 45 minutes before you retrace your steps.

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