

## **Topo Definitions**



An unusual anchor which is clarified on the topo map



A permanent feature is present that can be used to build a temporary, retrievable system



The best entrance and exit point of the canyon



An emergency escape point which isn't exposed or perceived as obviously risky.



The advised parking location, closer parking may be available but deemed unsuitable.



For reference to water levels in the canyon, use your own judgment and use this as a rough guide.



Area that should be avoided, often used when complaints have been made about canyoneers.



A pool which most adults can touch the base of when standing up.



A pool which most adults can't touch the base of when standing up.



A pool which is strong enough to hold a canyoneer in moderate flow



A pool which flows under rock, with the potential to cause a hazard to canyoneers.



An object which is causing flow to go on an obscure path with the potential to cause a hazard to canyoneers.



A pool that has the potential to trap a canyoneer, usually a large eddy.



A pool that has enough force to potentially wash a canyoneer over the edge.



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Topo Continuation

Displays where the joins match up on the topo.



No significant elements are present in this section.



A specific hazard that is worth mentioning, described on the topo.



A man made bridge that may vary in size.

Inescapable walls

A deep section of the canyon that cannot be escaped.



Show a rough guide as to the gradient of the decent.



A significant bolder that is wedged to form a choke stone.



A dam of some form, which may or may not release high levels of water down the river.



Rock fall

An area which is at higher than usual risk of rock fall.



Formed of at least one wedged log that is of significant size to cause some difficulty to cross.



A high risk area of entrapment.



A significant body of water that flows into the canyon



A cave formation, which is deeper than 1m



A natural arch formed in the rock.



## **Topo Definitions**

TR True Right

The right hand side of the canyon when looking down stream.

**TL** True Left

The left hand side of the canyon when looking down stream.

**A** Abseil

A section which can be descended with rope.

**J** Jump A section which can be jumped at normal flow, check pool depth first.

**S** Slide

A section which can be slid, \*may require a rope.

DC Down Climb

A section that can be descended without a rope.

**m** Height

The hight of a drop in metres.

(A/J/S) 3 Sequence

The order of abseils (1st abseil is A1, 2nd is A2).

**HL** Hand Line Used to aid difficult down climbing however the group don't abseil on or clip in to it.

**SL** Safety Line

A safety line is required when an exposed traverse is necessary to reach an anchor or safer terrain.

**GL** Guide Line A tensioned rope that keeps the canyoneers away from hazard on a decent.

**DEV**Deviation

An anchor that deviates the abseil away from a hazard mid decent.

ZL Zip Line A tensioned rope that can be descended without a descender, landing area is usually a deep pool.

**FL** Fixed Line

A rope/wire/chain that is left in place to assist with a descent.

Abbreviations with △ mean potentially hazardous I.E. DC△