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Underground Book 1991

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## Route Descriptions

### Camp to Postman Pat

From camp, a short pitch with an awkward top leads to a short low traverse. The way splits ahead. (6) leads to a series of muddy passages. The way on is (R) ~~where a series~~ with a series of roped traverses above the streamway. After a bit, the way splits. Down leads to Choke Drucilla. Up the way on is up, where a series of pitches leads to a small chamber with a cairn (survey station). Climbing up to the (L) enters Postman Pat, a large boulder chamber, sloping steeply up. The Pat way up on the (6), a hole in the floor is the start of Black and White Cat, a series of pitches leading to the start of Drucilla. The chamber slope splits in two: At the top of the (L) branch is a drop into a rift.

## Bood and Soup Dragon

About twenty yards up Postman Pat, on the (R), a passage leads off. This crosses a bold step, and opens out into Bood, a large boulder passage. The original route followed the (R) wall, to a muddy pitch down to Pimperell Streamway. The present route crosses to the (L) wall at the top of the first ridge. From here a descending traverse / sloping pitch reaches Soup Dragon - a large ledge above Bood. A cained route leads to a short pitch (clanger) back into Bood.



## Pimperell Streamway

From the base of Pimperell Pitch, clamber over boulders, following first the (R) wall, then the (L), down to a beach. The deep water ahead can be avoided by a tension traverse on the (L) wall. ~~At the~~ At the end of this, cross the right bank, at the foot of Colostomy Pitch. Returning to the (L) bank, our semi-tensioned traverse continues. At the end is a beach. From here a mud bank ascends ahead to a choke. The water cuts right into a phreatic passage, leading to Choke Egbert.

Colostomy Pitch: an unpleasant short pitch (re-rig needed) leads to a ledge, with a daunting choke ("Not Colostomy Choke"). Continuing up the pitch leads to a platform of boulders. Traversing round leads to a further climb up (doesn't go) or a diggable choke.

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