



Noekie creek

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Location

Greenstone valley, Glenorchy, Otago, New Zealand.

Character

Sunny canyon with 6 easy abseils up to 60m.

Approach by car

Drive from Queenstown to Glenorchy, go to Kinloch and follow the dirt road to the Greenstone carpark. You will have to pass some fords.

Approach on foot

Follow the Greenstone Track to the creek and look for the blue triangle marked with number 126. From there, go up and follow the animal tracks to the 650m contour. It's steep in some places but not dangerous. From the 650m contour, try to find your way into the canyon.

Water

Low flow, good after rain

Map

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Catchment

0.6 km²

Anchors

Mostly single bolts - Tebylon exp3 and Tebylon ring 10mm 316L

Gear

Minimum of 2x60 meter rope

Route description

Beautiful approach, 6 easy abseils in low flow, good canyon for beginners. Sharpe edge on abseil 4.

Time

Car park to canyon: 1h (4.8km)

Canyon to start point 45min

Time in the canyon: 1h 45min

Bridge to car park: 1h

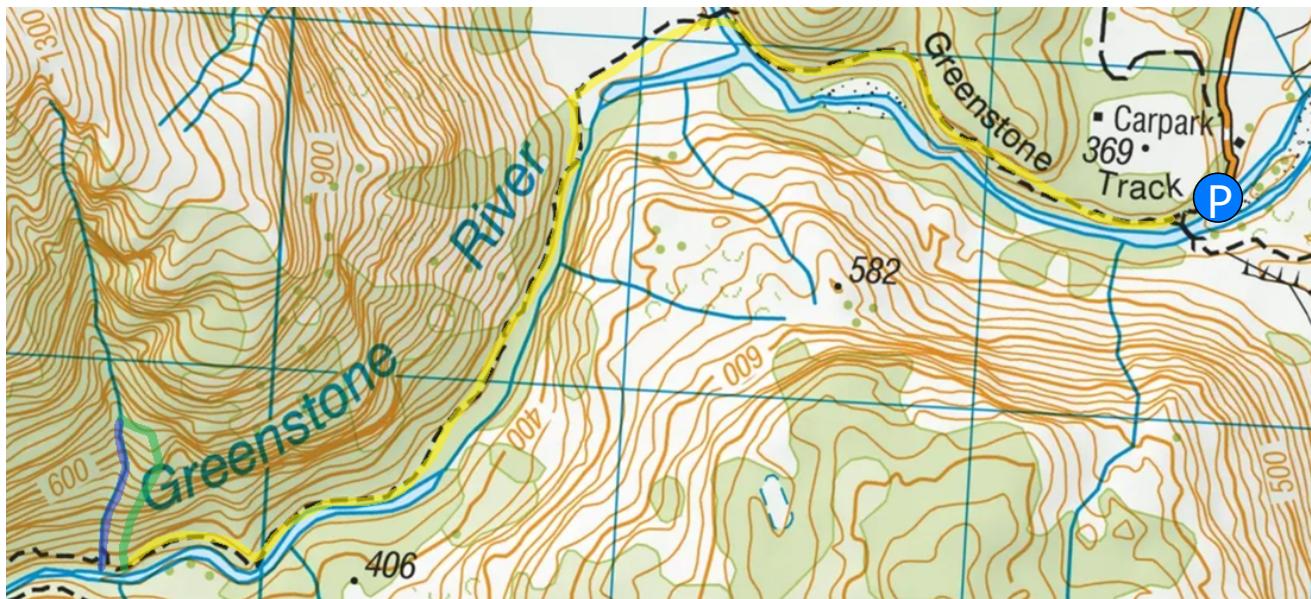
Total time: 4h 30min

Notes

First descent 18/01/2026

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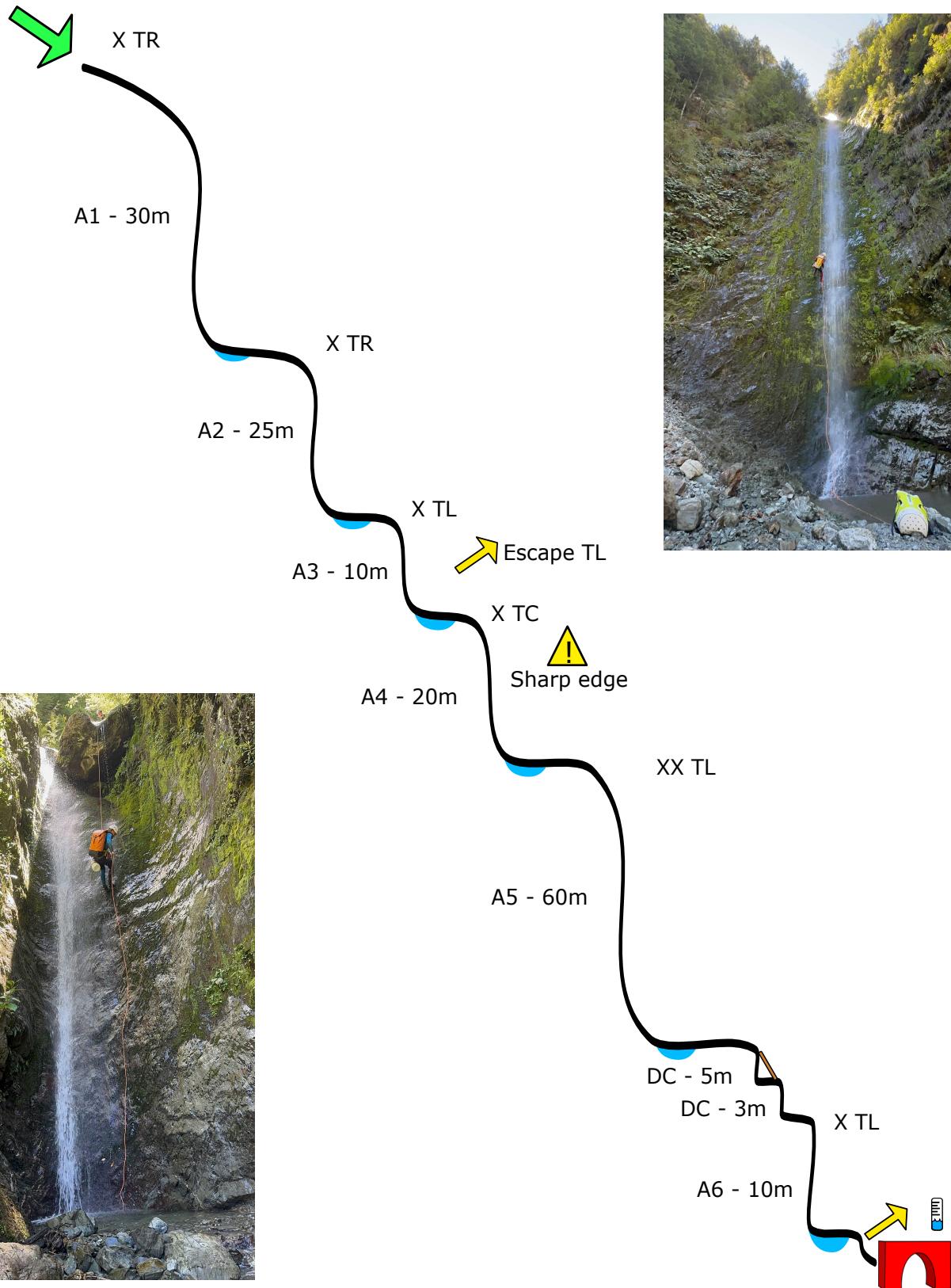
The canyon is named after Anouk to celebrate her first first descent.





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A climber in a yellow and blue harness rappels down a massive waterfall. The water cascades down the dark, rocky cliff face, creating a misty spray. In the foreground, a large, dark rock formation juts out into a turbulent, blue-grey river. The background shows more of the waterfall and the surrounding lush green forest.

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