

SULLY'S HANGOUT (a.k.a. the "dARK side"...)

49°21'48.23"N, 123°12'4.18"W

NORTH VANCOUVER, BC

ELEVATION 360m

TOPO VERSION 1.12, RELEASED JULY 2009

Hidden beneath the cool, shady fir trees on the slopes of Lynn Peak in North Vancouver is a unique rock cliff. An amazing discovery, this crag is easily the largest and steepest rock outcropping that is convenient to access on the entire North Shore. A variety of interesting rock features give a complex character to the cliff, while the forest provides a peaceful natural setting.

Rumour has it the crag was stumbled-upon by a young couple looking to find some "privacy" while out hiking one day. Recently developed into a sport climbing area, Sully's Hangout has quickly become a local favourite and is very busy in the summer. At first glance, the routes look moderate and straightforward, but the climbing proves challenging. Difficult cruxy sequences requiring strong technical style are typical of Sully's. In fact, the climbing is on average in the 5.11 grade range, but a number of quality moderates are great for warm-ups and beginners too.

LOCATION and ACCESS

Sully's Hangout is located on the steep west side of Lynn Peak's long southern shoulder, within the boundaries of the LSCR, or Lower Seymour Conservation Reserve (formerly known as the "Demonstration Forest"). Although access is available through the Lynn Headwaters Regional Park, the most reliable access point is the LSCR. From highway #1 northbound take exit 22a and follow Lillooet Road north past Capilano College all the way to the main LSCR parking lot.

Then take the Lynn Headwaters Connector Trail north, passing the Rice Lake area, until you reach the Lynn Loop Trail turnoff on the right. Follow the Lynn Loop Trail steeply upwards. Just a few steps before you reach the junction with the Lynn Peak trail, look for a small cairn on the right. Step over and find a small track leading up the slope. Follow it and shortly the crag will loom above you...

ACCESS ALERT!

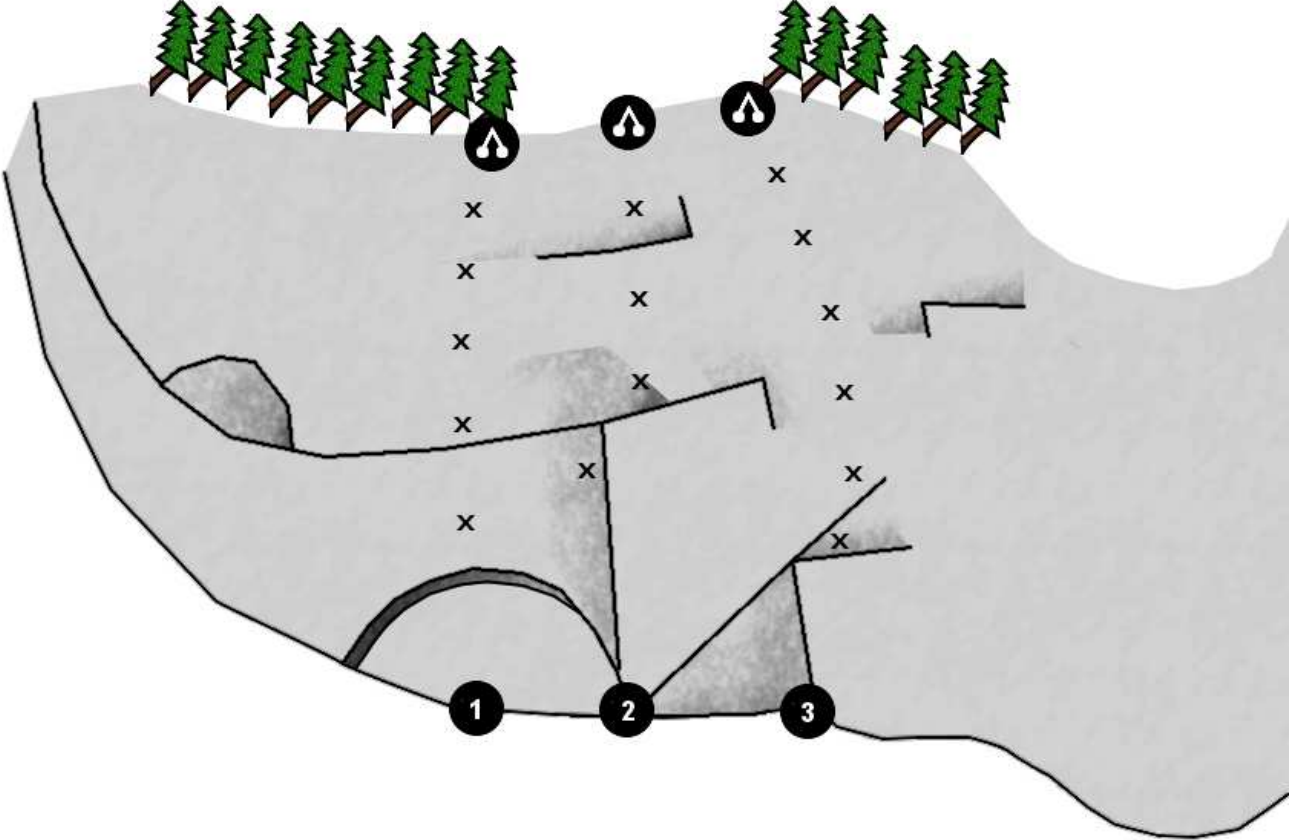
Authorities representing the LSCR have decided not to permit rock climbing in the area. Nor will they be responsible for, or manage, the Sully's Hangout climbing area which lies within its borders. However, at this time LSCR personnel will not specifically prevent persons from climbing within the LSCR. Any person who chooses to rock climb within the LSCR does so absolutely at their own risk.

Keeping the Sully's Hangout climbing area open to climbers will require that climbers obey LSCR rules at all times while present in the LSCR and that they respect without question the wishes of LSCR personnel and/or any signs posted regarding climbing in the LSCR or at the climbing area.

If approached by park rangers, be friendly and polite. Stay on the trail and within the platform areas at the base of the crag. Always use "leave-no-trace" wilderness ethics. Leash your dog (or better yet leave it at home), pack out your trash, and keep the climbing area clean and tidy. This is all very important—we need to keep our impact to a minimum. Also, the area is still being developed. If there is a red tape on the first bolt, the route is a project and is off limits. Please don't interfere with fixed ropes and gear.

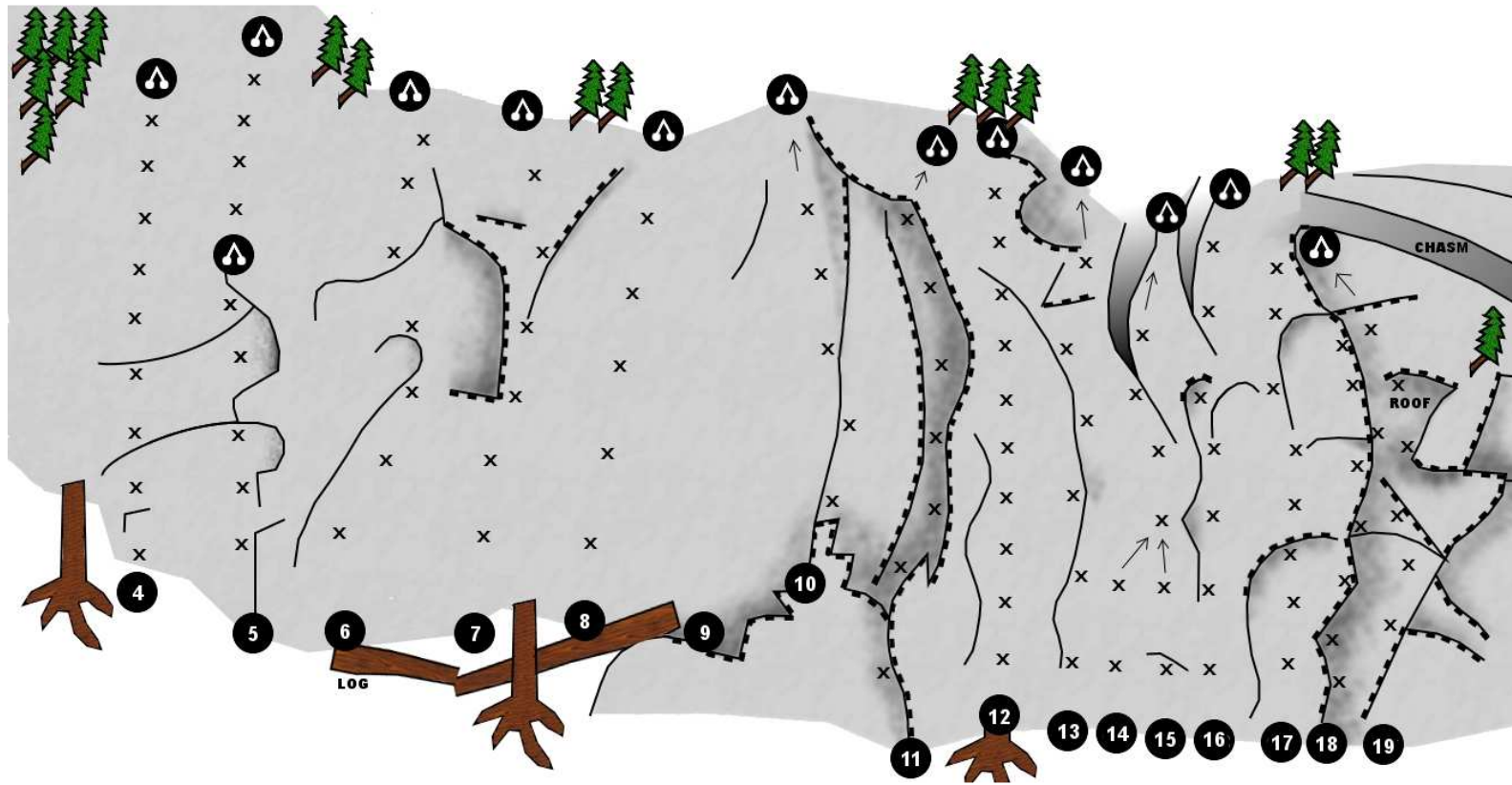
IMPORTANT! Note that the main gates at both major access points are CLOSED and LOCKED in the evening at clearly posted times. You MUST be out before the gates are locked or you will be shut in. Any attempt to tamper with or defeat the gates will result in a POLICE CALL. Either get out of the gated area before closing, or use an alternate, non-gated access point. Do not, for any reason whatsoever, attempt to circumvent the gate closure—you could get the crag permanently closed to climbing!

SULLY'S HANGOUT (NORTH WALL AREA)



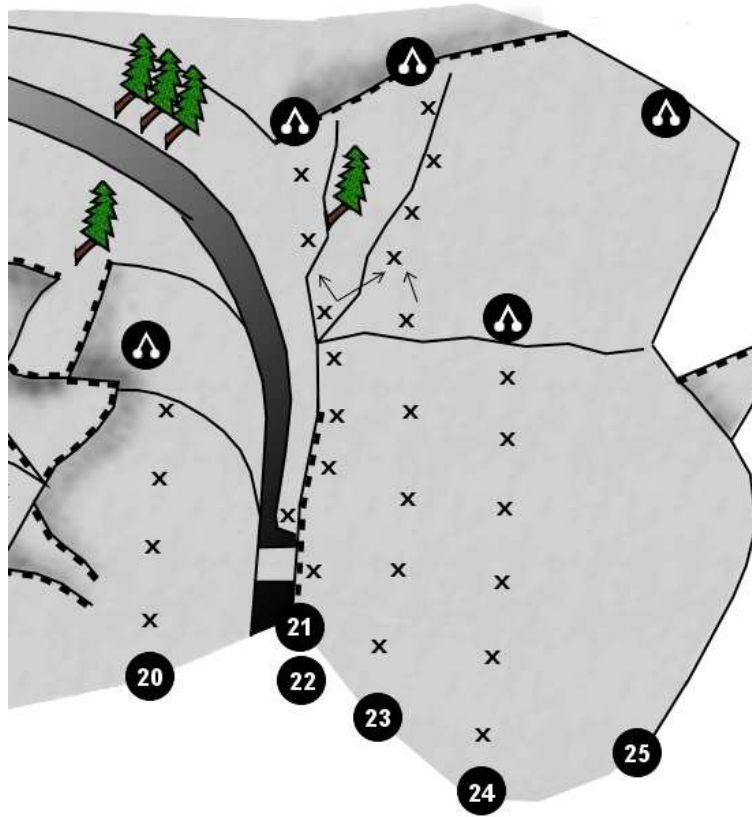
- 1) Lefty 5.10a
- 2) A Bunch of B.S. 5.9
- 3) The Rookie 5.9

SULLY'S HANGOUT (CENTRE)



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| 4) Little Lulu | 5.9/5.10a | 12) Serene | 5.11c/5.12a |
| 5) 3M | 5.8 ~ 5.10a | 13) Special K | 5.11b/c |
| 6) Lubo | 5.11a | 14) Hindu Two Routes Variation | 5.11b |
| 7) Constant Gardener | 5.11b/c | 15) Hindu Two Routes | 5.10d |
| 8) Transmission | PROJECT | 16) My One Muscle | 5.11a |
| 9) A DeeJay Saved My Life | PROJECT | 17) Get Bent! | 5.11c |
| 10) Speed Dial #8 | 5.11a | 18) Wingman | 5.11b |
| 11) Shake Your Lettuce | 5.10d | 19) Back Door Party | 5.12a |

SULLY'S HANGOUT (SOUTH WALL AREA)



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| 20) Moss Pit | 5.9/5.10a |
| 21) Dynamic Duo | 5.10b |
| 22) French Connection | 5.10d |
| 23) Trekking to India | 5.11b |
| 24) In the Bubble | 5.12b/c |
| 25) Killer Bees | PROJECT |

ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS: NORTH WALL AREA

The North Wall is up and climber's left of the main climbing area and features a left-side slabby bulge and a central broken and slabby bay.

- 1) **Lefty 5.10a ★**
(FA Robbie Priestley, May 09) 5 BOLTS
It looks easy but it's actually surprisingly difficult for the grade until you figure out the fingery crimps and slightly awkward stances. Still, what did you expect?
- 2) **A Bunch of B.S.**
(FA Shannon Sullivan, July 09) 4 BOLTS
Climb some chunky stuff right up the middle.
- 3) **The Rookie**
(FA Shaun Bent, July 09) 6 BOLTS
Mantle up, climb some chunky stuff, and then climb some slabby stuff.

ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS: CENTRE

- 4) **Little LuLu 5.9/5.10a ★★**
(FA Monika Csobot, August 08) 9 BOLTS
Climb through the steeper bottom on good holds to a slabby finish.
- 5) **3M 5.8 ~ 5.10a ★**
(FA Monika Csobot, June 08) 9 BOLTS+
Climb fun jugs at 5.8 to the first station—or clip the anchor, keep going, and bust a move all the way to the top with some 5.10a thrown in for good measure.
- 6) **Lubo 5.11a**
(FA Shaun Bent, July 07) 6 BOLTS
Climb the shallow, right-tending groove to a good rest. Thin, reachy moves get you to a good jug. Pull through the overlap to more thin moves and the finish. Fun!

- 7) **Constant Gardener 5.11b/c**
(FA Shaun Bent, July 07) 6 BOLTS
Start on the log. Boulderly and sustained the through first 3 bolts. Great climbing through the arête and to the anchors.
- 8) **Transmission (PROJECT)**
- 9) **A DeeJay Saved My Life (PROJECT)**
- 10) **Speed Dial #8 5.11a ★**
(FA Ann Chan, June 07) 5 BOLTS
Scramble up the mossy pedestal (3rd class), or walk around to the left and start on the small ledge. Climb the fun weathered pinches and jugs to the 4th bolt, then power through the bouldery finish making a tough 5th clip.
- 11) **Shake Your Lettuce 5.10d ★**
(FA Shannon Sullivan, June 07) 7 BOLTS
Climb the broken bottom to the ramp. Scramble up the ramp and into the corner. Stem your way to the crux between the 6th and 7th bolt. Exciting finish.
- 12) **Serene 5.11c/5.12a ★★**
(FA Rolf Rybak, June 09; FA Direct Finish A. Anthonie, June 09) 10 BOLTS
A hand-picked cherry, this is the longest route at the crag. Overbolted to avoid the tree and huggers. 5.11c if you climb left near the top to a big rest or 12a (!) if you climb the last two bolts direct. Sustained.
- 13) **Special K 5.11b/c ★★**
(FA Kay Wong, September 06) 7 BOLTS
Power up to the first bolt (stick clip recommended). Climb the crack to the 4th bolt and get ready for some technical climbing with another exciting finish.
- 14) **Hindu Two Routes Variation 5.11b ★**
(FA Shaun Bent, September 06) 6 BOLTS
Start one metre to the right of Special K. Power through the small scoop and past 2 bolts before joining Hindu Two Routes at the 3rd bolt.

15) Hindu Two Routes 5.10d

(FA Shaun Bent, September 06) 6 BOLTS

Start 2 meters right of Special K. Scramble up to the diagonal ledge and traverse left. Power through the 2nd bolt. Pumpy, with a technical crux at between the 5th and 6th bolt.

16) My One Muscle 5.11a ★★

(FA Shannon Sullivan, June 06) 7 BOLTS

Climb the broken rock to the obvious crack. Power through the crack to a good hold at the 3rd bolt. Then through a small overlap and into the large crack to the top.

17) Get Bent! 5.11c

(FA Shaun Bent, June 06) 7 BOLTS

Tough start to cruxes at and after the roof. Then easy climbing up to a powerful sequence past 6th bolt.

18) Wingman 5.11b ★★★

(FA Shaun Bent, July 06) 7 BOLTS

Just right of Get Bent, climb the obvious arête. Astoundingly good fun with a technical crux past the 5th bolt. Exciting mantle finish on to large ledge. Shares anchor with *Back Door Party*.

19) Back Door Party 5.12a

(FA Gary Kolberg, Summer 08) 7 BOLTS

Another long-standing project that got scooped. Oh well, what can you do??? Formerly known as *The Challenger* this route tackles the BIG ROOF FEATURE, so get ready to grunt. A bit easier if you are tall. Shares an anchor with *Wingman*.

2.1) Dynamic Duo 5.10b ★

(FA Shaun Bent, July 06) 8 BOLTS

Climb through the large alcove up to the 3rd bolt. Power thru on right or find the small feet out left. Fun climbing the rest of the way on either side of the large crack.

2.2) French Connection 5.10d ★

(FA Shaun Bent, August 06) 8 BOLTS

Climb Dynamic Duo to either the 3rd or 5th bolt and then move right and finish up *Trekking to India*. The crux comes as you negotiate the final moves to the chains. Exciting! 11a if you cut right at the 3rd bolt.

2.3) Trekking to India 5.11b ★

(FA Shannon Sullivan, July 08) 9 BOLTS

Climb the steep face just to the right of Dynamic Duo. Sustain to the transition onto the upper slab. Climb slowly to recover before the final sequence. Intense!

2.4) In the Bubble 5.12b/c

(FA Shaun Bent, May 07) 6 BOLTS

Climb the steep face on micro crimps to a big deadpoint at the top. Pumpy and technical. Originally 5.12b, reports of a hold breaking off somewhere have boosted the grade. Good luck!

2.5) Killer Bees (PROJECT)

ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS: SOUTH WALL AREA

The South Wall is climber's right of the main central area and features a massive broken chasm-like chimney and a smooth overhanging face.

2.0) Moss Pit 5.9/5.10a

(FA Shannon Sullivan, August 06) 4 BOLTS

Up right from the Challenger, climb the short slab to the large ledge. Tough 2nd clip.