

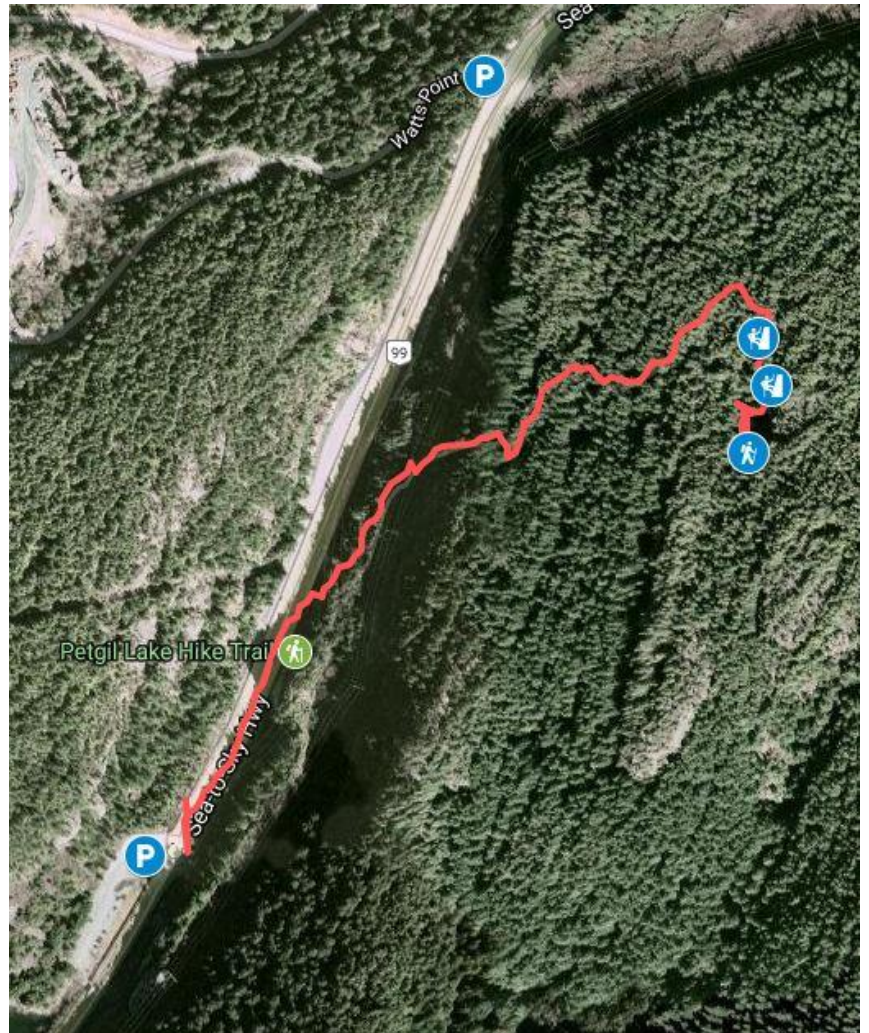
New Sectors Splitsville - Murrin Park

Topo by Chris Small (2020)

Splitsville is new trad crag located in a bucolic gully of old growth cedars, Sitka Spruce, and Douglas Fir, is about 20 minutes up the Petgill Lake Trail from the Murrin Park parking lot, or alternatively from the Watts Point road. As the name suggests, Splitsville has plenty of splitter cracks of varying widths, from tiny to off-width. The route names touch on the common clichés and themes involved with Relationships and “Splitting up”.

This topo covers 15 new routes developed in 2020 located left of Friends without Benefits and between the routes Plutonic Relationship (route 47) and Stitch and Bitch (route 49) in Bourdon’s Squamish Select (pg. 109, 2020).

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Caveats: At press time, these routes had seen only one or two ascents and thus consensus grades and quality rankings have not been established taking into account on-sight conditions, variability in human morphology, etc. Take this into consideration when climbing these routes. Grade feedback is welcomed



These first six routes are located left of Friends without Benefits

1. Once in a Lifetime. 5.9. Gear to 0.75", one bolt. FA Chris Small 2020. Describes my probability of finding another cliff of this quality. Work through starting overhanging bulge to gain thin crack. Follow crack to anchors. 3 stars.

2. The Ugly Duckling. 5.8. Gear to 1". FA. Chris Small, 2020. 17m. Unexpectedly easy climbing up a thin crack.. 4 stars

3. Cheaters Never Prosper. 5.6. Gear to 4". FA. Chris Small, 2020 18m. Climb incut flakes on ramp to shallow right facing corner with seam to right. Finish up corner and move left to anchor. Nice novice lead.

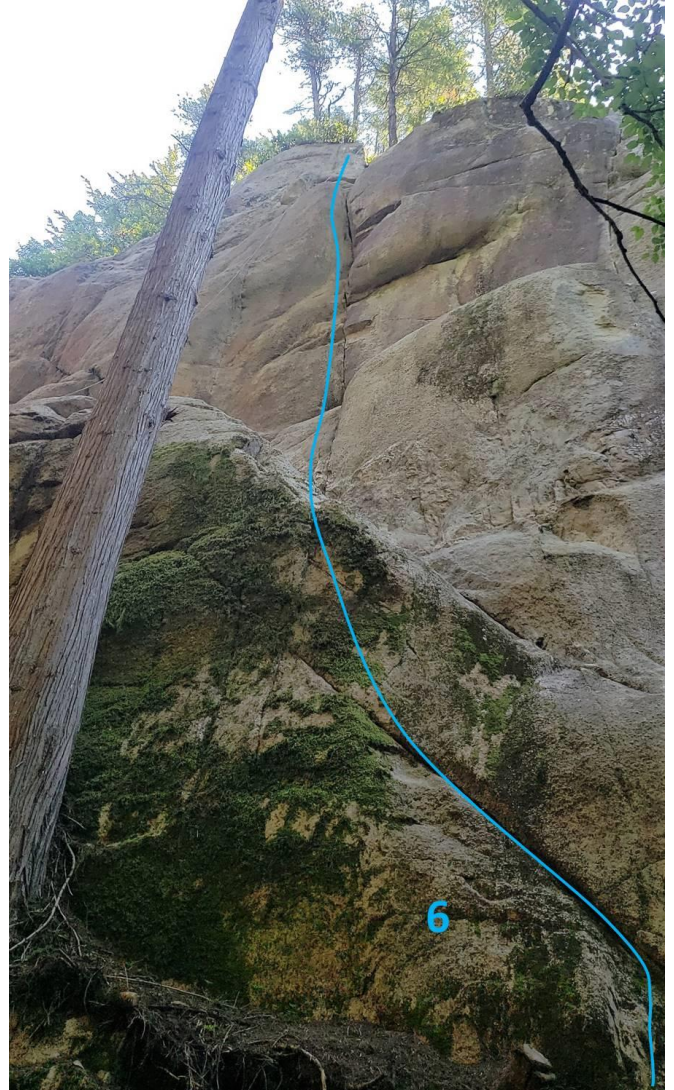
4. Fear of Rejection. 10d. single rack Gear to 1", 3 bolts. PR. Chris Small FA. Nick McNutt. Climb ramp to gain blocky ledge and shallow right facing corner. Face climb straight up through to awkward bulge where rejection potentially awaits.

The next two climbs have a shared connection (anchor)

5. Hey, what's that Rash? 10b. Double rack to 0.4" 3 bolts. Prep C Small FA. Nick McNutt, 2020. Definitely, not the question one wants to be asking their special "Swipe Right" date. Climb ramp to gain blocky ledge and climb prominent left facing corner to second ledge. Depart ledge via large pocket and zig-zag crack. At end of the zig zag crack, technical slab climbing on highly textured rock takes you to the anchor. 3 stars

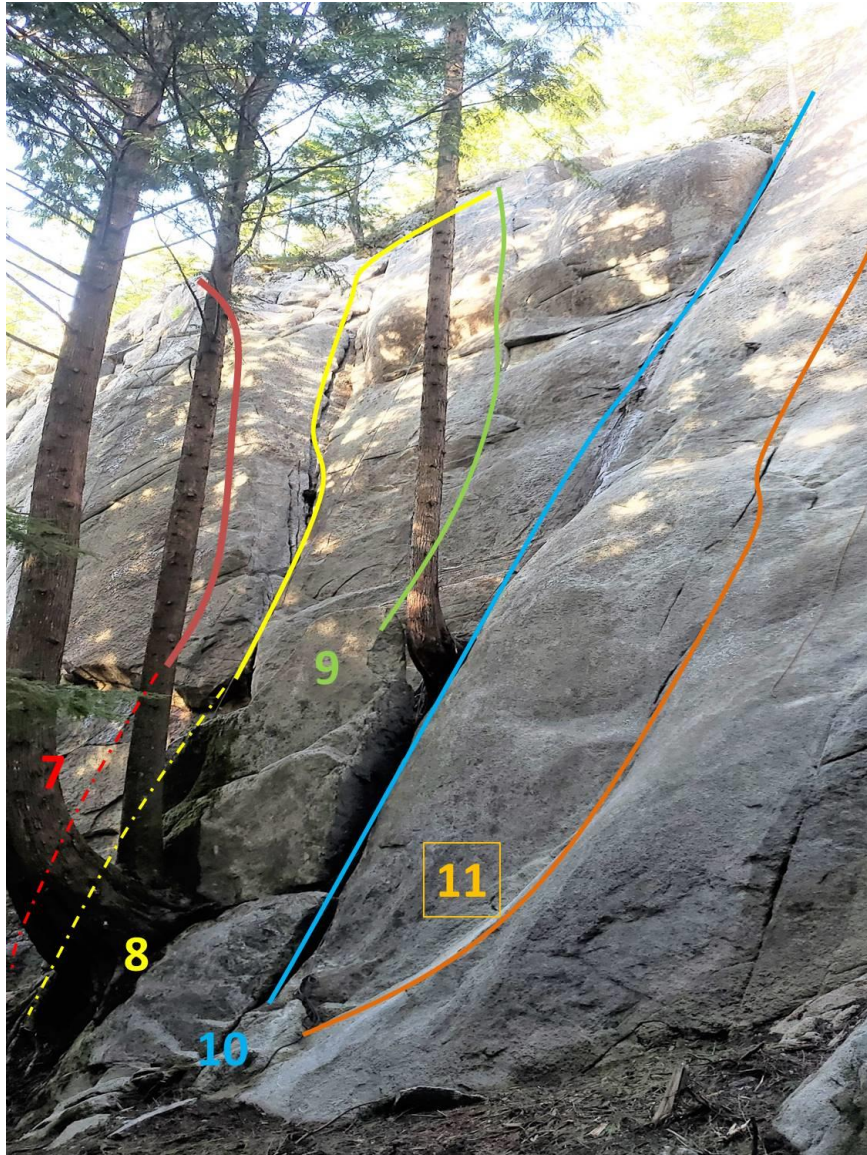


6. Why Does It Hurt When I Pee? 10a. Gear to 2 ". FA. Chris Small. 2020. Start adjacent to Friends without Benefit and climb left up trending crack until you can get on the large ramp. Climb ramp to discontinuous thin finger crack and into V groove above. 4 stars



The Next series of routes are located between Plutonic Relationship and Stitch and Bitch.

7. Taking the High Road. 10b. Sport. 7 bolts. Prep. C Small, N. McNutt. FA. Nick McNutt, 2020. Climbs easy ground to small roof which leads to excellent face climbing along the blunt arête of prominent left facing corner. Pretty high quality.



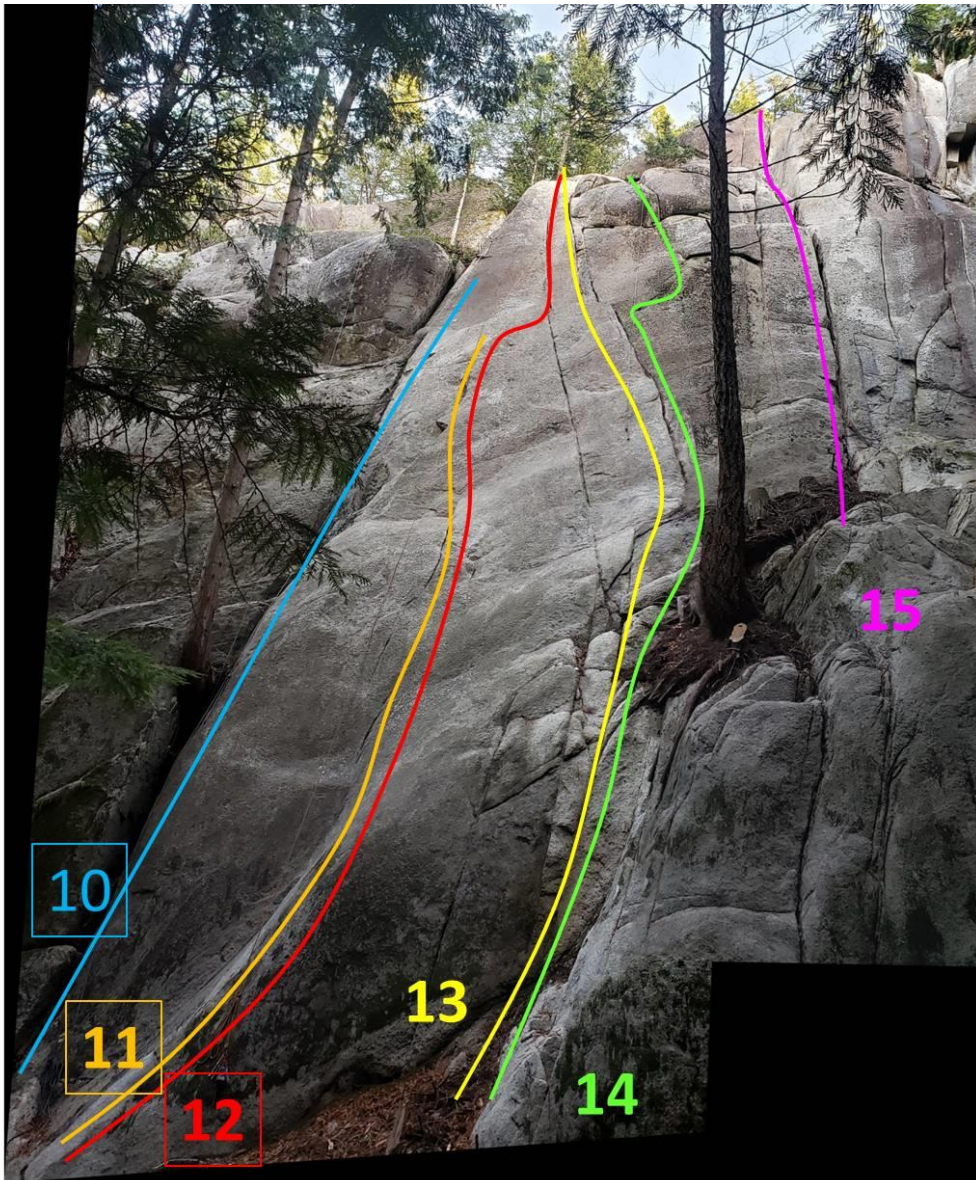
8. On the Down Low. 5.6. Trad. Gear to 4". FA. Chris Small (2020). The obvious right facing corner. Like an illicit affair, sometimes route development involves a great deal of secrecy. Great novice lead.

The next route starts in the large alcove slightly above and right of On the Low Down accessed by a fixed line

9. Commitment Issues. 10c., Trad. Gear to 0.5, 5bolts". Prep C Small. FA. Todd Gerhart, 2020. Surprisingly technical and devious moves requiring trust and commitment characterize the crux of this route. Quite unlike any other route at Splitzville. Shared anchor with On the Down Low.

10. The Closest Thing to Intimacy I am Going to Get.. 5.8. Trad. Gear to 4" with one very long sling. One bolt. FA. Chris Small, 2020. Scramble up wide chimney and face to cedar then follow the obvious blocky groove to the squeeze chimney. Often wet but that just makes it more fun.

11. The Cold Shoulder. 10b. Gear to 1". 4 bolts. 20 m FA. Chris Small, 2020. Very high quality technical face climbing following a small rock shoulder climbing on amazingly textured rock. Starts in the large scoop at the base. 4 stars.



12. . Cold Silence. 10b. Gear to 4". 5 bolts. FA. Chris Small. 2020. **35m!!!** Linking The Cold Shoulder with the upper half of "The Silent Treatment" gives a long route with multiple thoughtful cruxes requiring numerous climbing styles and techniques. This route is a full on rope stretcher with a 70m rope. 2 Raps are required with a 60m. 5 stars.

13. The Silent Treatment 10b. Gear to 4". One bolt. FA. Chris Small. 2020. **35m!!!** The initial left facing easy corner leads into the highly esthetic, gently narrowing, left leaning twin crack system. 4stars.

14. The Bum's Rush. 10b. Gear to 4". PR. C Small. FA. Nick McNutt. 2020. 25m. The Bum's Rush: def. Forcible ejection from an establishment. Climb The Silent Treatment to a right trending seam (bolt) leading to a massive flake. Trend along the flake's left edge to the crack splitting the smooth

cheeks of the bum like roof. Forcible ejection is possible in a couple locations. Another 4 star route.

15. That's What She Said. 5.9. Gear to 9". FA. Chris Small. 2020. 30m. This thing is long, wide, and definitely harder when conditions are wet, which is often the case as it often seeps. And while a 6 incher with proper technique is sufficient, having a 9 incher makes life certainly more fun. Well, that's what she said....