

Noekie Creek

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Country: New Zealand Region: Otago Subregion: Queenstown-Lakes District Town: Greenstone valley		
Difficulty: not as difficult	Grading: v3 a1 II	Total time: 4h30
Approachtime: 1h45	Tourtime: 1h45	Returntime: 1h
Altitude entry: 650m	Altitude exit: 410m	Delta Altitude: 240m
Canyon length: m	Highest rapell: 60m	Amount rapells: 6
Transport: Car required	Rock type:	Drainage area: 0.60km ²
Season: October - March	Orientation:	Best Time:
Rating: ★ 1.5 (1)	Info: ★ 3 (1)	Belay: ★ 1 (1)
Specialities:		
Gear: Ropes: 2x60		
Summary: Sunny canyon with 6 easy abseils up to 60m.		
Hydrology: Canyon with a small catchment area. Low flow, good after rain and in the start of the season.		
Access: 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: 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.		
Tour: Beautiful approach, 6 easy abseils in low flow, good canyon for beginners. Sharpe edge on abseil 4.		
Return: From the bridge, walk back to the carpark using the same trail you came from (Greenstone Trail).		
Coordinates: Parking Entry and Exit -44.9341 168.3450 Canyon Start -44.9413 168.3048 Canyon End -44.9447 168.3041		
Reports:		
2026-01-18 Pepijn Hoeksema ★ 📖 ★★ ★ ⚓ ★ 🌊 Normal 👍 Completed 18/01/2026 we opened Noekie Creek with Jaap, Pepijn, Anouk and Britt. Low flow canyon with 6 abseils.		

First descent: 18.01.2026 by Pepijn Hoeksema, Jaap Sikkema, Britt Joosten, Anouk Verstraaten



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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

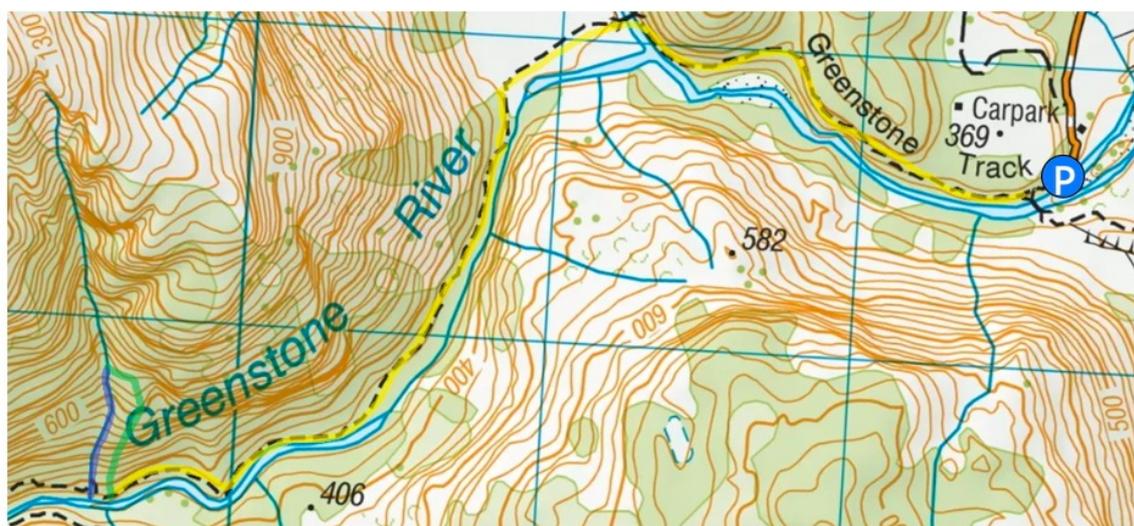
Total time: 4h 30min

Notes

First descent 18/01/2026

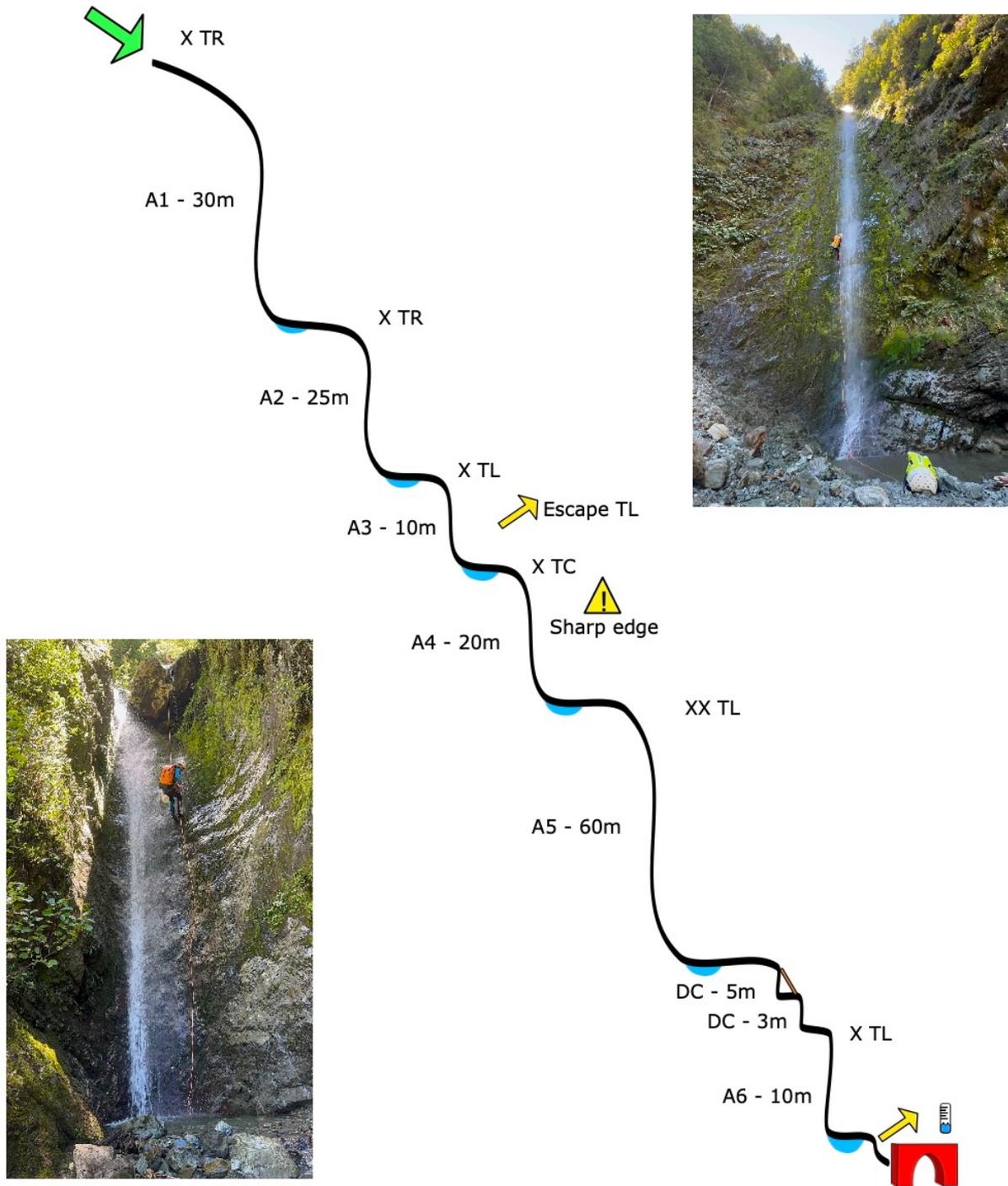
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The canyon is named after Anouk to celebrate her first first descent.

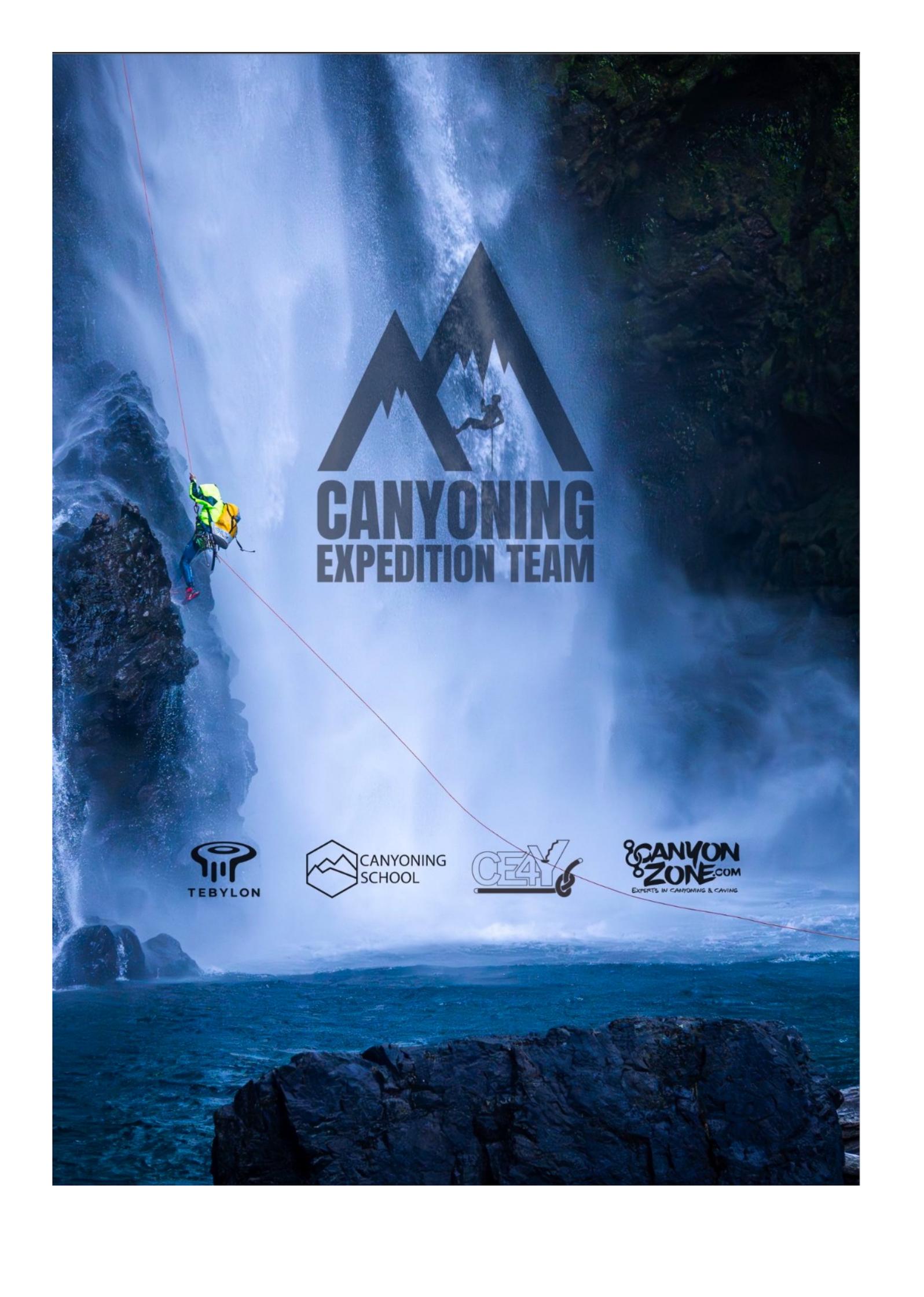




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