

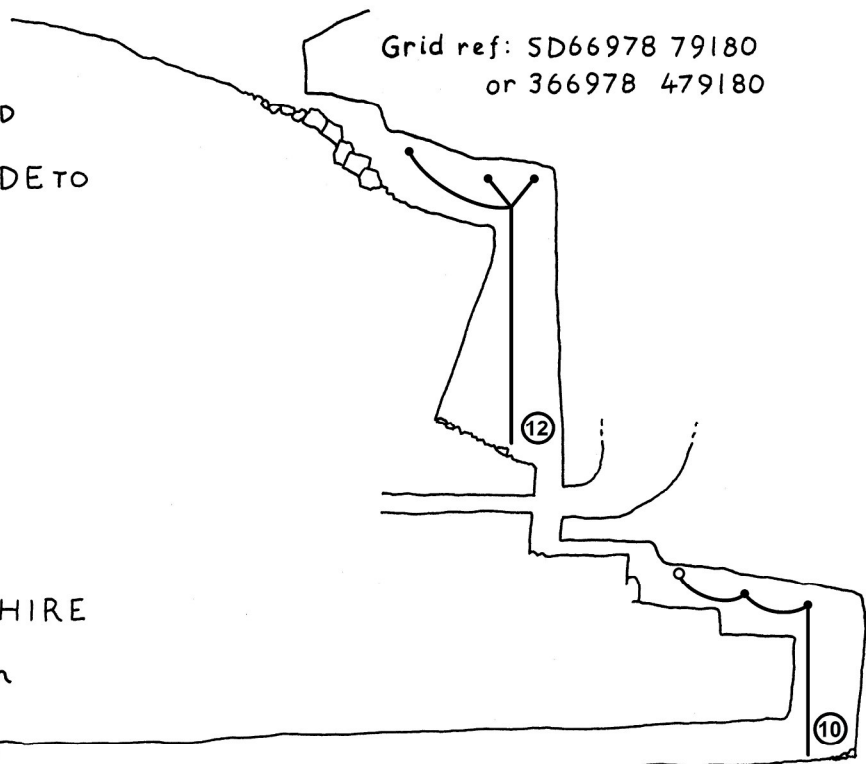
A DESCRIPTIVE AND
TOPOGRAPHICAL GUIDE TO

LONG DROP CAVE

LECK FELL - LANCASHIRE

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A classic Dales pothole at half-scale size. Long Drop is popular as a moderately easy pothole that is safe in all weather. In the strangely prophetic way that Lost Pot was called that long before it was 'lost', Long Drop acquired its name in the nineteenth century before the long drop proper was found.

WALK from the Lost Johns car park diagonally into the field to the North. There is a rather indistinct dry valley near the middle of the field that contains several fenced depressions. Long Drop is at the lower end of the valley in a fenced enclosure with trees. The entrance is under a small cliff.

At the bottom of the first pitch there is a short flat out section dug out by the Gritstone Club in 1965. There is a drilled thread belay close to the roof on the left. Below the second pitch is a meander about 20m long. There is a drilled thread belay at roof level on the right and a slightly constricted pitch head below which the cave opens out into a series of fine spacious drops.

Each user must inspect all
fixed aids and make their
own decision to use them.

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