First Trip to 0-9 Well

Aggie Grotto

Congrats, you have enough vertical skillz

now!

Friday

- Meet at Walmart off Brother's Blvd
- Stop for dinner and groceries on the way
- Arrive at 0-9 well
- Set up camp

Saturday

- Wake up
- Breakfast
- Gear Prep/Getting Ready
- Enter Cave
- Reach Sump
- Have snack at 2nd to bottom chamber due to mud
- Out of cave
- Dinner & Camp OR pack up & drive to Amazing Maze

Sunday (0-9 Well)

- Wake up
- Breakfast
- Pack up
- Arrive in College Station

What to Expect in Cave

- 1. Repel from windmill into cave
- 2. Cross redirect
- 3. Reach bottom of first drop (first chamber)
- 4. Reach rimstone dam pools
 - a. Some of them are deep enough that your head will be under water
- 5. Traverse line
- 6. First waterfall drop (second chamber)
- Second water fall drop (third chamber)
- 8. Third waterfall/flowstone drop (fourth chamber)
 - a. Series of three smaller drops
- 9. Sump chamber/mud room (fourth chamber)
- 10. Ascend into third chamber & eat cave snack
- Ascend to surface

What to Expect in Cave

- 0-9 Well has bad air sometimes. If you start feeling unwell alert the group!
- The wetsuit will add weight coming out of the cave, making it harder to ascend.
 Especially coupled with bad air.
- The waterfalls can make it very loud in the chamber and hard to hear each other.
- Snakes can be found at the well pad. Double and triple check for them.
- The first person in will rig the cave. The people directly behind them should help them carry rope in!
- The last person out will de-rig the cave. The people directly in front of them should help them carry rope out!
- Microracks can act different on wet versus dry rope. Make sure to pay extra attention to your grip on the break hand, repelling speeds, and general surroundings.
- All of your headlamps will need to be *waterproof*. You will be getting drenched in this cave. It is also really annoying when your light goes out on rope.
- You will need a water proof bag for the cave. Your batteries, extra headlamps, and food need to stay dry.

Packing List - In Cave

- 3 waterproof headlamps
- Extra batteries
- Waterproof bag
- Piss bottle/biffy bag
- Neoprene socks optional
- Wetsuit
 - Can be checked out through the Grotto; must be fitted for one ahead of time
- Helmet
- Kneepads
- Elbow pads
- Cave shoes
- Something to go under wetsuit
 - o Swimsuit, underwear, etc.
- Cave snack
 - High calories, high energy, easy to eat -> you will be in water while eating
- Waterproof camera optional
- Vertical kit
- Hiking boots or wellies

Packing List - General

- Tent
- Sleeping bag
- Sleeping pad
- Pillow
- Weather appropriate clothing
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Under wetsuit clothes
- Towel
- Sleeping clothes
- Clothes for the car
- Snacks
- Socks
- Underwear
- Camping chair
- Deodorant
- Brush
- Camping chair
- Bug spray
- Prescription medication
- 2 gallons of water
- Cave shoes