

Nutty Putty Cave

Utah County, Utah

Total Surveyed Length: 1355 feet
Total Surveyed Depth: 145 feet

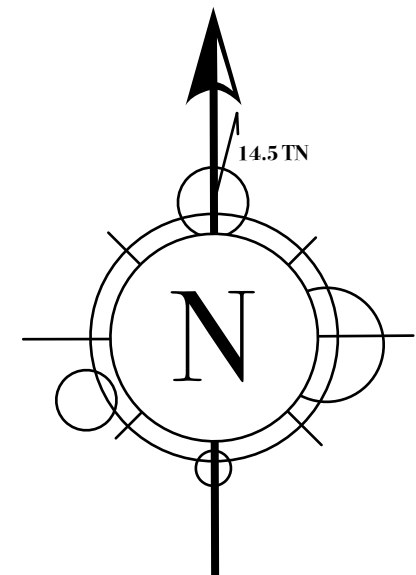
Surveyed December 2003 by Jon Jasper,
Brandon Kowallis, Spencer Christian, and
Chuck Acklin.

Nutty Putty Cave is hydrothermal by nature. Formed hundreds of thousands, or even millions of years ago, Nutty Putty is one of Utah's premier west desert caves. Its formation is primarily phreatic (formed beneath the water table), however there are a handful of features that point to minor vadose action (solution activity after the water table has dropped). Every year thousands of people enter Nutty Putty's mazy passages. For this reason it is important that those who visit the cave take a hand in caring for this unique resource by minimizing their impact.

Because this cave is located on public lands (State Trust land), and could be closed if any serious injury, or a fatality were to occur, visitor safety is of great concern. In order to assure that your group has a comfortable and enjoyable trip, each group leader should take the following precautions:

1. Be familiar with all of the hazards and know how well each individual will handle these hazards.
2. Each person in your group should have a well-fitting helmet, a head-mounted light, boots with rigid soles, and clothing for humid 60 F temperatures. The #1 cause for caving fatalities in the state is head or neck injuries created by falls.
3. Leave no trace, carry out all trash, including wrappers, food, spent batteries, human waste, containers, and clothing.
4. Do not squeeze into anything that you might not be able to squeeze out of. There have been several rescues and call outs to the cave because of people getting stuck in tight passages.
5. All scout groups should be sure that they are abiding by the Boy Scout of America caving guidelines. Some of this information is available at <http://www.caves.org/preserves/scoutpolicy.html>. Tour permits must be acquired through your local scout office. Without the proper, signed permits and training scouts will not be covered under BSA insurance or Church insurance. Should an injury or death occur the scout leaders will be held fully responsible.

This map is registered with the U.S. Copyright office. Unauthorized duplication in any form is unlawful, and may be enforced by law.



LEGEND	
Bedrock	
Ceiling Dome	
Pits	
Pebbles & Gravel	
Slope	
Ledges	
Sand	
Rocks	
Ceiling Ledges	

