



**Patrick Whitmore  
Stone Jerks V4  
The Schwingus**

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### **Rocky Butte, Top**

Before rock gyms the stone fortress at the top of Rocky Butte was once the social center of Portland climbing. Now it's a rare day to see a single climber. It does however still offer good thin edge problems and technical, pumpy traverses.

### **The Schwingus**

Far from the main quarry, the Schwingus is a small secluded bouldering cliff. Most of the problems are the work of Chris Hill and are generally quite good, the blocky nature of the cliff makes eliminate problems popular. I have tried to detail what holds are on. However, locating a knowledgeable local to make sense of the sometimes confusing routes could be of help.

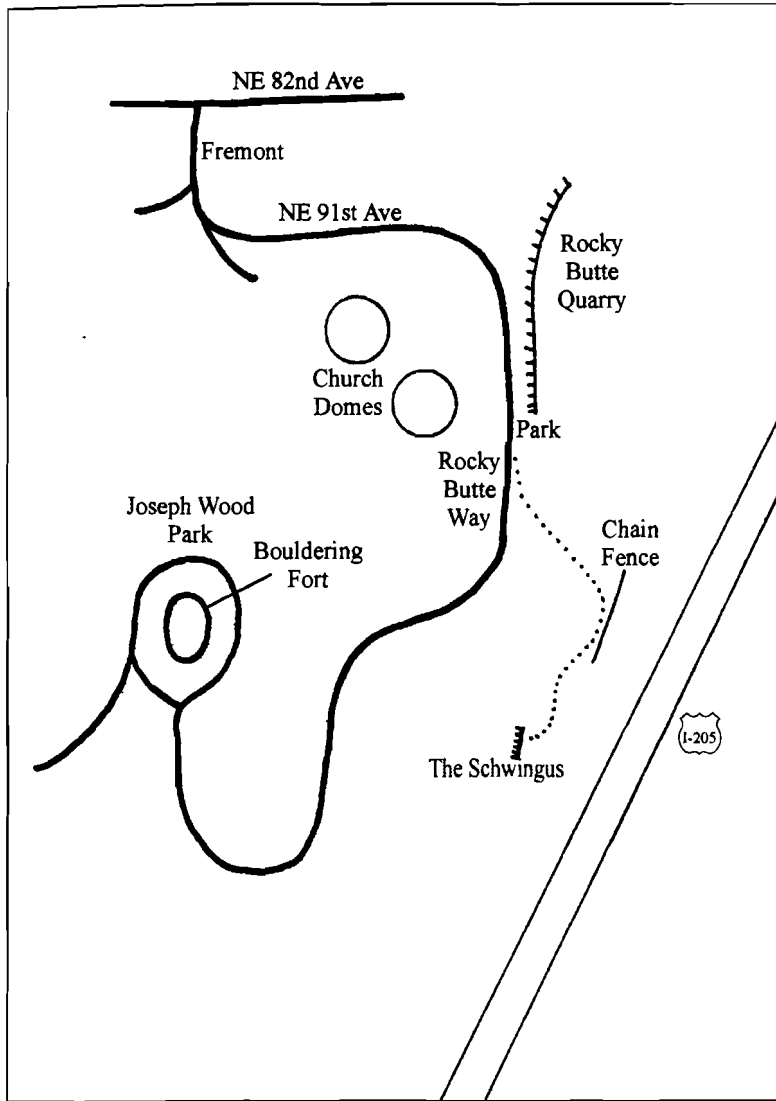
Be aware that a number of problems have bad landings and some of the blocks including some large ones seem suspect.  
Be Careful!

### **Rocky Butte Directions**

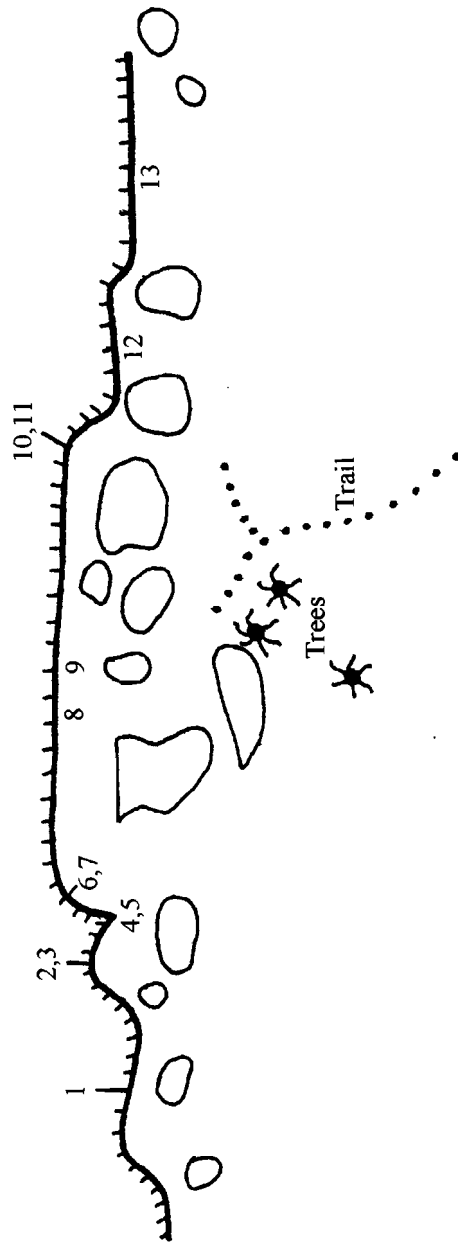
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Drive North on NE 82<sup>nd</sup> Ave. to the intersection of Fremont and 82<sup>nd</sup> Ave. Turn East. In approximately ½ mile the road curves North to become 91<sup>st</sup> Ave and then East to become NE Rocky Butte Way. To reach the Schwingus, park by a stone wall on the East side of the road across from the South entrance to the bible school. Follow the trail that parallels this wall, eventually dropping down to the freeway. When the trail splits, follow the right fork down the hill paralleling a chain link fence. Eventually the trail heads right, back into the woods and in a couple of hundred yards the small cliff will be apparent.

To reach the bouldering wall at the top of Rocky Butte, continue on Rocky Butte Way to Joseph Wood Hill Park.



### Rocky Butte, The Schwingus



## The Schwingus

- 1 **Left Side** V0, V3  
Many variations are possible.
- 2 **Death Row Christians** V7 ✦  
Start on the undercling under the roof. Climb straight up on slopers and edges to an offset lieback ending on a pointed jug.
- 3 **Tooth and Nail** V8  
This starts on Death Row Christians and ends on Incisor.
- 4 **Incisor** V7 ✦  
Start sitting at the prominent tooth, head up to the crimps in the horizontal seam. Reach up to the undercling under the roof. End on the jug 3 feet up and right. All holds in the dihedral are off.
- 5 **Molar** V5  
This is identical to the Incisor except from the horizontal crimp go to a gaston with the right hand before grabbing the undercling.
- 6 **Warm Up** V2  
Start right of the Incisor sitting at a low jug. Climb the corner ending on the incisor jug.
- 7 **Jungle Bunnies** V6 ✦  
The classic of the cliff. Start at the warm up routes flat brick-like hold. Traverse right using the prominent sloper to another brick like hold. Dyno up to the finishing jug. No other holds are on.
- 8 **Traverse** V4  
Traverse the entire cliff band in either direction.
- 9 **Low Traverse** V5  
Traverse low, passing a small movable block.

- 10 **Stone Jerks** V4 ✦  
The other classic of the cliff. Start in the pit of rocks on a large block that looks like it could tear off. Climb straight up until the difficulties force you right a couple of feet before climbing up and onto a ledge. Traverse right to climb down.
- 11 **Congo** V8  
Climb Stone Jerks to where it breaks right. Climb up and slightly left using a fin of rock.
- 12 **Face** V3 ✦  
Start at the low roof, climb straight up using the edges and ledges.
- 13 **Right Face** V1  
A nice warm up just left of the down climb.



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**Virgil Morrisette**  
**Magma Man V2**  
**The Zone**

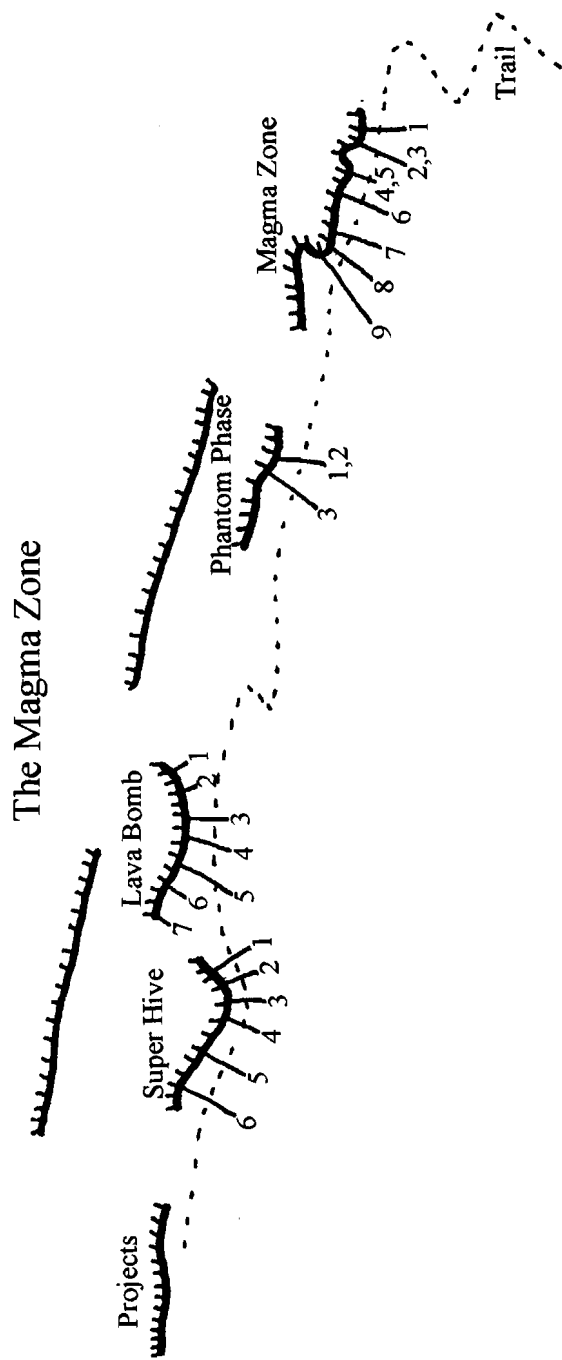
## **Broughton Bluff**

### **The Zone**

Exclusively developed by Mike Pajunas this obscure cliff line offers great moderate bouldering on clean, solid rock. It's a pleasant area that, with its north facing orientation makes a cool retreat on hot summer days.

### **Directions**

Drive east on I-84 to exit 18. Drive south and park at Lewis and Clark State Park. Walk to the eastern edge of the park and follow a trail east that parallels the railroad tracks. Walk approximately one mile to a huge fallen tree that you must pass under. Continue a few hundred yards to a deep drainage. A few hundred feet past this you will come to a smaller drainage. Walk approximately 100 steps further and you will come to a smaller, yet defined, trail heading up and right. This trail will switch back up hill to the cliffband.



## Broughton Bluff - The Zone

### Magma Zone

- 1 **Kindle** V1  
Start on the horizontal crack.
- 2 **Chaos Lace** V1  
Climb center of face on small crimps.
- 3 **Chaos Left** V1  
Use left arête only.
- 4 **Morphing** V1  
Right edge of face. Stem across chimney.
- 5 **In the Zone** V3 ✦  
Climb the nice shallow arête.
- 6 **Ribbon of Axis** V1  
Discontinuous crack system.
- 7 **Eye of the Cobra** V1 ✦  
The appealing face right of the prow.
- 8 **Steam Escape** V0  
Start in pockets on the left. Pull up and around onto right face.
- 9 **Magma Man** V2 ✦  
Classic overhanging prow.

### Phantom Phase Boulder

- 1 **Phantom Phase** V3  
Low start in center. Head right before topping out on the left.
- 2 **The Phantom** V4 ✦  
Start on Phantom Phase but exit left at the crimper and mono, avoiding the diagonal jug on the right.

- 3 **Tiger Tightly** V2  
Start on the left edge. Climb up and head right to the large pocket before topping off.

### Lava Bomb Boulder

- 1 **Pure Bomb** V2  
Climb up a seam on the right, starting low on two good edges.
- 2 **Lava Burst** V2 ✦  
Sitting start. Climb straight up on pockets.
- 3 **The Ramp** V0
- 4 **Lava Blast** V0  
Go straight up the tallest spot. Traverse right to finish.
- 5 **Lava Bomb** V3  
Start left of the prow on mono's.
- 6 **Unnamed** V0  
Climb straight up through large gas pocket.
- 7 **Guided By Voices** V2  
Climb straight up left face.

### Super Hive

- 1 **Sticky Stinger** V1  
Climb up the slab without the crack on the right.
- 2 **Super Hive** V4 ✦  
Traverse the lip from right to left ending on the ledge.
- 3 **Hive** V5 ✦  
Start at the lowest point. Climb straight up on slopers.
- 4 **Buzz Diver** V2  
Start left of Hive climbing up and left to the ledge.

- 5 **Pinch Face** V2  
Climb the face to slab over the steps.

- 6 **The Mangler** V2  
The left face starting on two low pockets.