

The Garden Boulders: Local Boulders Guidebook Builder Proof of Concept v0.6

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Introduction

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The Garden Main

The Garden Main bouldering area is true to its name. A lush green space features moss covered boulders situated under a dense canopy. The area is visible from the road, though weirdly easy to miss at first pass, look for the boulders on the left (uphill) side about 3.5 miles down queartzville road.

Entrance Area

Turtle Shell Boulder

A short boulder with a low angle offwidth crack.

1 Raphael Crack V?

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Toilet Bowl

If approaching via the main trail this is the first boulder you will encounter just of the road.

2 Toilet Bowl V?

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3 Scrubbing Bubbles V?

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Boys In the Woods

A low boulder with an identifiable scoop on the downhill side is located right on the main trail.

4 Boys in the Woods V4 ★ ★ ★

Start on a low jug just before the scoop at the lowest part of the boulder. Climb up the left arete of the scoop until you can flop in. Some may consider this an eliminate since, with difficulty, you could also just mantle directly into the scoop.

5 Cuba Gooding V?

Start as for Boys in the Woods but climb right along the lip of the scoop until you can reach the holds at the top of Ice Cubes Shiny Jerry Curl

6 Ice Cubes Shiny Jerry Curl V?

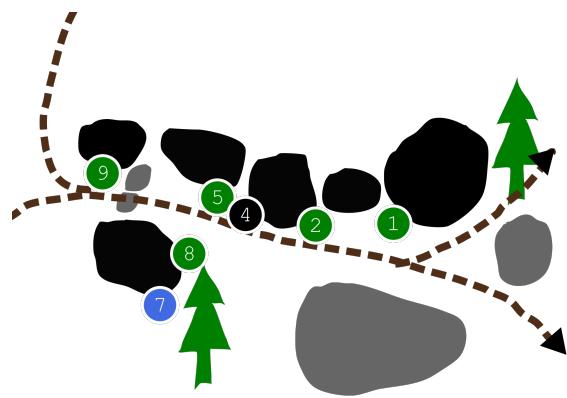
Start on a low sloping edge and pull some sneaky moves to gain a knife edge crimp at eye level. Continue straight up.

Tree Slab

A narrow slab just uphill and to the right of the Boys in the Woods boulder.

7 Tree Slab V1 ★ ★ ★

Climb the center of the slab.



Fight Club

Located in the southwest corner of the Garden main, The Fight Club zone is home to the namesake V8 test piece as well as several other quality lines. Flat landings and easy access make this a nice spot to spend some time

The Office

A tall not quite vertical boulder is immediately on your right as you enter the Fight Club Area

1 Daryl Philbin V1 ★ ★ ★ ★ ▲

Starting at the Center of the block climb left on good holds to the arete. Climb up the arete until you can reach good face holds up right and continue through a, thankfully, juggy top out. Mind the rock at the base of the climb. Left and right alternative starts add a little variety but do not change the grade.

Fight Club

The obvious overhanging boulder with an interesting bubbly texture.

2 The Ear V2 ★ ★ ★ ★

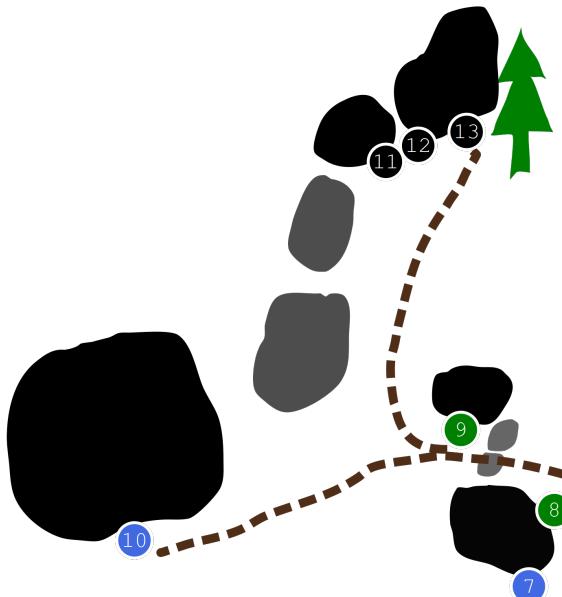
Start on the arete at the far right end of the boulder. Climb straight up through tricky holds to a heady top out.

3 Fight Club V8 ★ ★ ★ ★

Area classic, this rig is a feather in any would be crushers cap. Start on the far right arete as for Ear. Traverse across the angle change and top out above a bubbly crimp rail on the overhanging face.

4 Fight Club Left V?

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**Undertow area map**

Tyler Durten

Just to the left of the fight club boulder is a tall wall with few features other than a distinctive crimp rail at eye level.

5 Tyler Durten V3 ★

Start on a heinous crimp rail and punch out left to much better holds.

Variations:

5a *Tyler Durten Dyno V?*

It has been speculated that the dyno from the starting hold straight to the lip will go.

Mini Me

A short pointy boulder with a flat landing is nearly freestanding on the downhill side of the Fight Club zone

6 Mini Me V3 ☆

start on blunt corner. Make tricky moves to a blocky jug to the lip and traverse left to an easy top over a rocky landing

7 Austin Powers V5 ★★

Start as for Mini Me but move right into top of Dr. Evil

8 Dr. Evil V3 ★★

sit start on lowest holds of a compression arete with left foot over a small rock. Pull some tricky moves to gain better holds either rolling onto the right hand slab early or staying on the arete the whole way.

Variations:

8a *Mr. Bigglesworth V1 ★*

Start on good crimps right of the arete just before the angle change, continue straight up or move left onto the arete. Authors note: other guides identify several other variations on this route, I am of the opinion that further variations are overly restrictive

Trust

The Trust boulder sits on an elevated platform behind Mini Me and to the Left of Tyler Durten

**Michael near the top of Fight Club.**

9 Trust V2 ★★★★

Sit start in compression on a hanging refrigerator block. Climb straight up through a slopeing ledge to the top. Look for the juggy crack 1ft inset from the lip.

Variations:

9a *Iron Cross V2 ★*

Avoid the committing moves at the lip by traversing left early.

E's Dirty B

Following a faint trail west traveling past the trust boulder brings you to a Large boulder which almost immediately gives way to low angle slab.

10 E's Dirty B V5 ★★★

Start on a lumpy flake in the back of a small cave. Using slopeing edges out right and a difficult undercling navigate out of the cave trending right at the lip to a jug. The final slab quest is an enjoyable and easy top out.

Silly Steep

Thin overhanging block left of the Undertow boulder.

11 Silly Steep Mantle V?

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Undertow

Relatively off the beaten path as far as classic garden boulders goes. Follow a faint trail uphill past the trust boulder.

12 Undertow V?

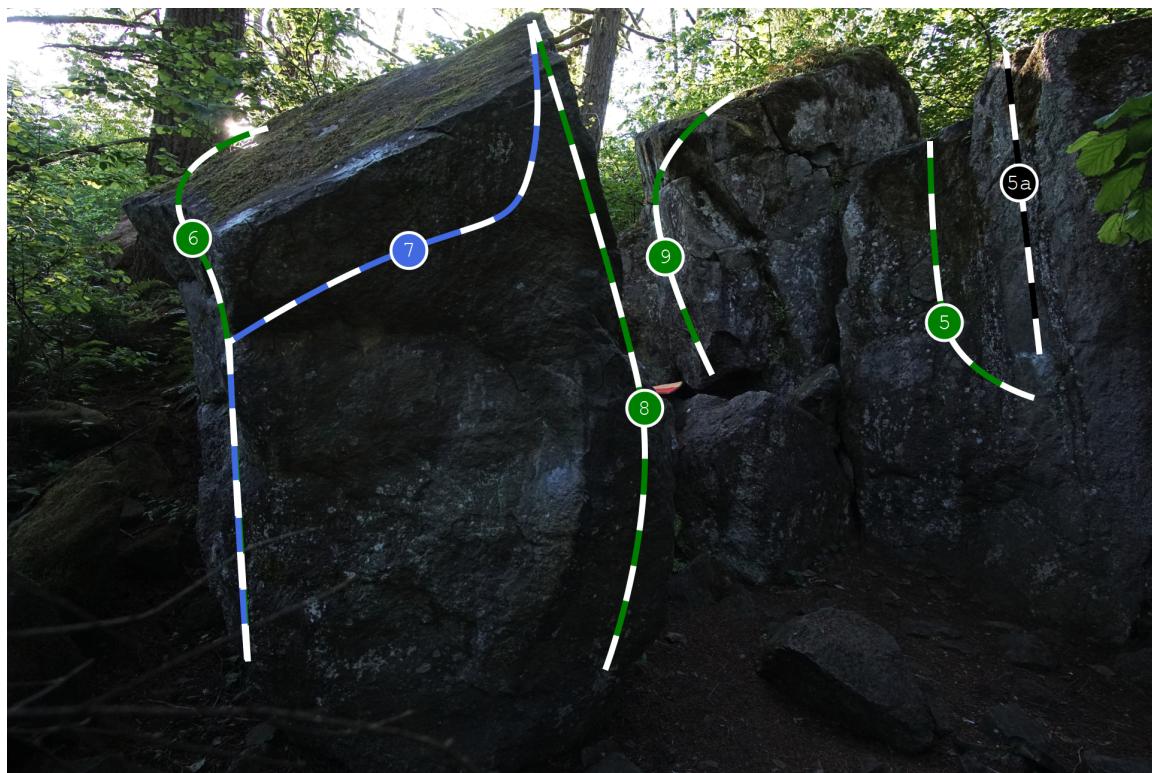
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13 Tide Pool V?

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Meth Lab

Easily the most recognizable feature at the Garden, the Meth Lab boulder towers over all other stones in the main area. Most climbs for this zone are located in a secluded natural amphitheater on the uphill side of the boulder.



Routes on Mini Me, Trust, and Tyler Durten



Carson cranking across the face on Austin Powers.

Meth Lab

1 Meth Lab Project V? ΔΔΔ

The obvious prow on the front of the Meth Lab boulder has top rope anchors but a route up it has likely never been free'ed even on TR. The ethics of climbing this behemoth are contentious but in my opion it is fair game to bolt as a sport route. If you have the desire to do so consider working it out on TR first before placing new equipment.

2 Don't Blow the Jug V2

Start at the base of the wide crack. Climb the offwidth until you can make use of a jug to squeeze into the crack. Walk through the crack to the far side of the boulder.

3 Trust Issues V? ΔΔ

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4 Leave It to Jesus V?

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Variations:

4a Leave it to Jesus Sit V?

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5 Smackdown V7 ★★★★

Start standing with left hand gaston and right hand jug sidepull. Crank some powerful moves on bad feet and follow the line of crimps to a top out left

Variations:

5a Harbor Freight V8

Sit down start at the lowest available holds and climb into Smackdown. This was literally unearthed when a local climber yarded a large rock out from the landing of Smackdown using a chain and come along. The device broke in the process inspiring the name of the route.

6 Heisenburg V?

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7 Learys Lunge V?

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8 Guillotine V4 ★★★

Start underclinging on the hanging "Guillotine blade" flake left of Octurnal. Climb straight up.

9 Octurnal V7 ★★★★

For many this is THE local test piece in the area. Start sitting with left hand on a sloping triangular rib and right hand on a slopey cripn at the arete. Crank a few hard moves to gain the lip then traverse left through the lightning bolt hold to a pumpy top out. Originally known as "Tom's phsychedelic trip".

Variations:

9a Direct Exit V7 ★★★★★

Of all the Octurnal exits this one has the most interesting moves. Climb Octurnal to the ledge then pull some tricky moves to round the right arete. Continue on through a heads up top out.



Rob on Undertow

9b Center Exit V7 ★ ★ ★ ★

The easiest top option for this boulder involves pulling through a surprisingly good side pull above the left end of the ledge. For years this variation lived in moss covered obscurity climbing it will make you wonder why the awkward pumpfest traverse exit is the default line

10 Two Blows One Stroke V?

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Swollen Member

A small prow just out of the hill side above the Meth Lab boulder at a provocative angle.

11 Swollen Member V3

E's Boulder

A large boulder directly to the right of Octurnal holds a few notable routes.

12 Slam Dunk V?

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13 E's V7 V?

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14 Enchilada V9 ★ ★ ★

Start matched on a good flat rail low to the ground with some awkward feet options. Cross into a comfortable crimp and fire up left before coming back right to a flat jug. Pretty classic as far as low balls go!

The Bubbler

A small unassuming block sits just downhill of E's boulder.



Carson landing the big throw on Octurnal. Classic!

Roadside Area

Bitchin Corners

1 Bitchin Corners V?

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Variations:

1a Bitchin Corners Sit V6

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Roadside

Azain

The Good

1 The Good V3 ★ ★ ★

Start matched on a juggy flake on the right side of the boulder's downhill face.

2 Another V3 ★ ★ ▲

start with opposing sidepulls on the center of the boulder's downhill face. Traverse to the left arete and ascend using delicate feet and unideal hands. Mind the boulder at the bottom

Next to The Good

3 Next To the Good V? ▲

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Night Crawler

4 Night Crawler V10

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Azain Front Side

5 Ground Up Blowie V5 ★ ★ ★

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6 Into the Light V?

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Andrew posting up at the start of Smackdown

7 **Azain Crack V?**

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Azain Back Side

8 **Locksmith V4 ★★★★ ΔΔ**

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9 **Brain Haemorrhage V?**

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10 **Philanthropy V?**

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11 **Full Stokes V?**

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12 **Garden Project V?**

Project. Sit start at the base of the low roof and climb into garden variety or Full Stokes. Once climbed this will be one of the hardest routes in Oregon

13 **Garden Variety V?**

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16 **The Siren V5 ★★★★**

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17 **Bag of Tricks V?**

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18 **Gumby Slab V1 ★★★★**

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Chockstone Highball

19 **Chockstone Highball V?**

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Upper Garden

Just up the road from the main area lays a talus field. Lack of shade, blackberries, poison oak, and a 3 minute approach all make this area less desireable and less traveled then the Main

Entrance Area

Intro Boulder

The Bread Loaves

Lower Bread Loaf

Upper Bread Loaf

Dr. Strangelove Area

Dr. Strange Love

Pink Tag Boulders

Just across the road from the main area lay a few boulders on the banks of the River

Tecnu Boulder

Jonah's Dab Rig

Farley Prep

Quartzville Creek

About an hour further down the road from the main area there are a few interesting boulders in a creek. Generally lower temperatures, free camping, and pleasant swimming holes make this a nice mid summer spot

Redneck Riviera

Pony Boy

Monorail

Yo Mamma Boulder

Moss Boss

The 4.5

Old Miner's Camp

The Dab Rig

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| V1 | Daryl Philbin | ★★★★★△ | 2 |
| V1 | Gumby Slab | ★★★★★ | 6 |
| V1 | Tree Slab | ★★★★ | 2 |
| V1 | Mr. Bigglesworth | ★ | 3 |
| V2 | The Ear | ★★★★★ | 2 |
| V2 | Trust | ★★★★★ | 3 |
| V2 | Iron Cross | ★ | 3 |
| V2 | Don't Blow the Jug | | 4 |
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| V3 | Dr. Evil | ★★ | 3 |
| V3 | Another | ★★★△ | 5 |
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| V3 | Swollen Member | | 5 |
| V4 | Locksmith | ★★★★★★△△ | 6 |
| V4 | Boys in the Woods | ★★★ | 2 |
| V4 | Guillotine | ★★★ | 4 |
| V5 | The Siren | ★★★★★★ | 6 |
| V5 | E's Dirty B | ★★★ | 3 |
| V5 | Ground Up Blowie | ★★★ | 5 |
| V5 | Austin Powers | ★★ | 3 |
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| V10 | Night Crawler | | 5 |
| V11 | The Arboretum | | 6 |
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