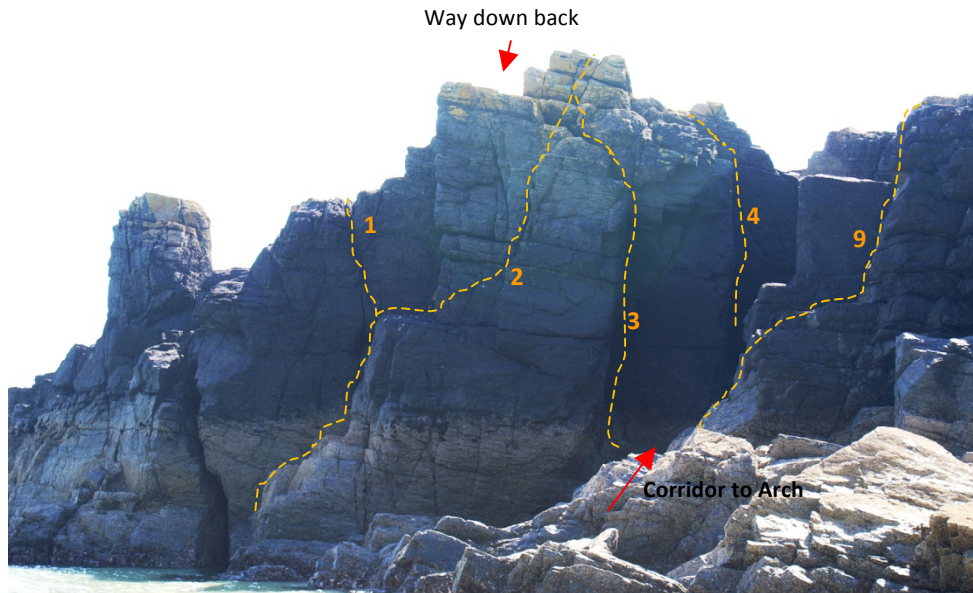


Housel Bay Outcrops : On the right hand side of the beach is a number of routes, some more worthwhile than others, but good fun in such a stunning location.



1. **Pretention Sev 8m**4a. From the boulders and ledges, head up the large crack in the corner to make an awkward move onto the ledge. Step left onto the wall to follow the crack with large holds.
2. **Ron's Catch Sev 9m**
As for *Pretention*, on reaching the large ledge step right onto the face, following the L-R rib to the top.
3. **Gate Keeper HS 8m**
4b. Scramble up the ledges into the intimidating corner. Utilising the crack in the left wall until it's possible to bridge out. Good holds and gear, even through the steeper top section.
4. **Escape to Housel VS 8m**
4c. From the flat ledge at the back of the corner, make a couple of hard moves to good holds and easy gear. Rock could be fragile near top of crack.

10. Dog VDiff 6m

Step across the gap to the small shelf, shuffle left to the end and go direct passing over the horizontal break and small flake.

11. Cat Diff 6m

Cross the gap to the shelf and head up the crack.

12. Mouse Mod 6m

The R-L slanting crack at the bottom of the down gully.

5. Young Raffian VS 7m

Head into the niche and continue up the larger, more direct R-L slanting crack. Be cautious of friable holds near the top.

Opposite is a split slab:

6. Lightning VDiff Along leftward trending crack that meets a flake and the top corner:.

7. Inside Lane Sev. The direct of *Lightning*, up the thinner vertical crack to the flake.

The buttress opposite *Gate Keeper* has the following two climbs on it:

8. Two Shoes Sev 6m

To the left of the starting crack of *Cascadia* head up this and the broken wall above stepping left at half height

9. Cascadia VDiff 7m

On the end of the buttress is a crack, follow this up the ledges and easy groove to the top.



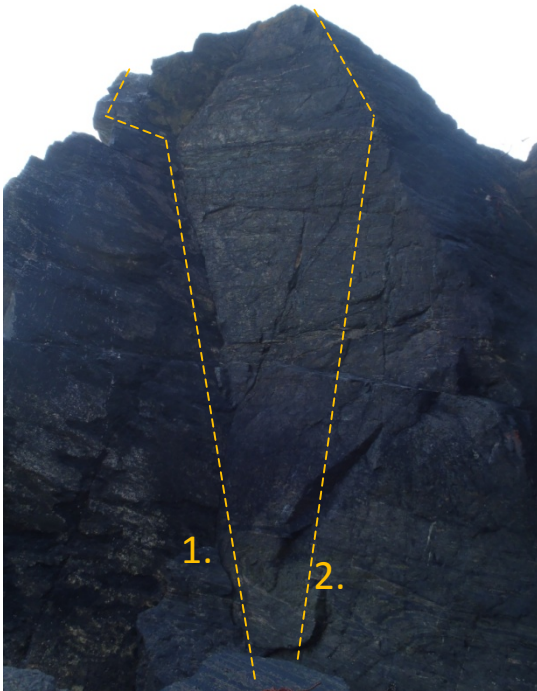
Accessible 2-3 hours either side of low tide. Some of the climbs are accessible after that, but access to the steps at the back of the beach may become cut off. The rocks are obvious on arrival at the beach, although the routes are small, some good climbing on solid rock can be had.

All route done solo by Tim Exley on 27 July 2012, except **Young Raffian, Escape to Housel, and Gate Keeper**, climbed by Tim Exley and Will Feather on the same date.



Housel Bay – Dog Fight Buttress

Approach from the Lizard village car park, head towards Most Southerly Point, 300m after leaving the village, a public footpath leads left down to Housel Bay. On reaching the beach head left along the rocks, passing Housel Bay Buttress, where **Raffles HVS 4c** can be found, continue to the next zawn on your left where a large open book corner can be found.



1. Dog Fight 15m VS 4b
Climb the obvious corner, on reaching the small overhang, step left to gain the ledge. Finish up the groove above.

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2. Star-Gayzer 15m E2 5b
Bold climbing on friable rock. Gain the ledge direct on small edges, where gear can be arranged. Utilising both cracks to head straight up until possible to move onto the slab, following the left side of this to the top.
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