

TOM'S UTAH CANYONEERING GUIDE

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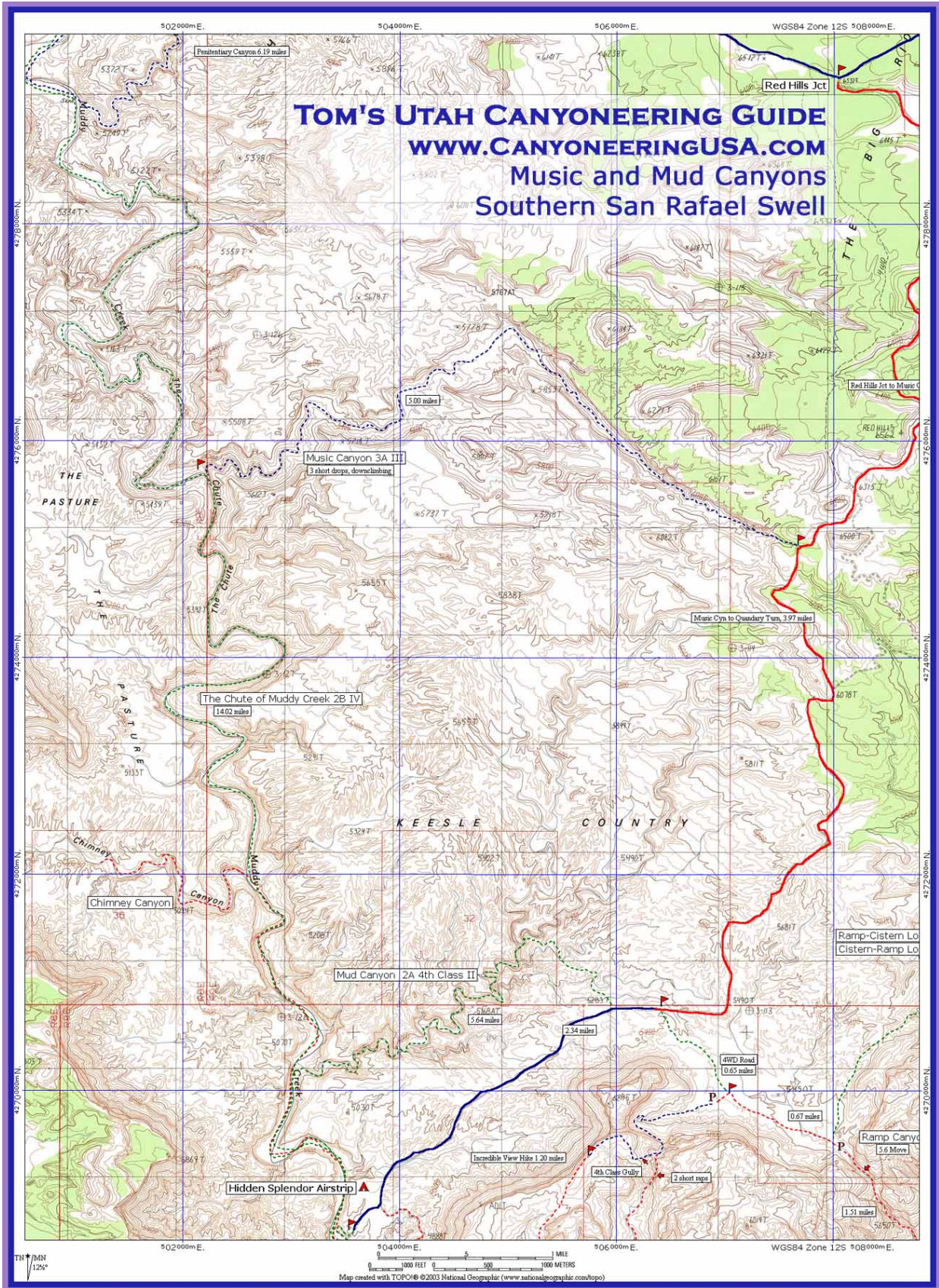
Music Canyon San Rafael Swell, Southern Reef

Rating:	3A III ★★
Best Season:	Spring or fall.
Time:	6 to 8 hours.
Access:	Can descend and fix ropes, then re-ascend. Or use Music Canyon to access Chimney Canyon or the Chute of Muddy Creek, with a carspot at Hidden Splendor.
Permit:	Not required.
Equipment:	3 short ropes are required to fix the canyon for re-ascent.
Map:	USGS 7.5' Tomsich Butte.
Cold Protection:	None required.
Drinking Water:	None, bring plenty.
Flash Flood Risk:	Moderate
Skills Required:	A couple of short rappels and some downclimbing. The raps can be upclimbed at about a 5.8 level, but it is better to fix three ropes. Raps may require building cairns for anchors.

Music is a nice canyon. Not too hard, kinda pretty. It offers a convenient access to the Chute of Muddy Creek and Chimney Canyon, or can be re-ascended for an interesting day. This is a new, short description.

Approach: Park on the Hidden Splendor road 3.9 miles south of Red Hills Junction, or 4.0 miles north of the turn for Quandary Canyon.

Canyon: drop into the canyon heading northwest from the parking spot. Hike for an hour and a half or so. Enter the canyon. Downclimb and do three short rappels, until you arrive at Muddy Creek. Return the way you came, or head down the Chute.



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