

## **Black Dragon Canyon**

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BLACK DRAGON CANYON (Emery County) originates on the Jackass and Rattlesnake benches of the Sinbad country of San Rafael Swell. It drains east, cutting through the San Rafael Reef, to empty into the San Rafael River at the Tidwell Bottoms. An Indian pictograph resembling a dragon-like figure on the canyon wall led to the canyon name.

>S6,7,T22S,R13E,SLM to S32,T21S,R14E,SLM.

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### EXPLANATION OF SYMBOLS...

1. An asterisk (\*) following a place name indicates past or present inhabitation.
2. When a series of letters and numbers are present towards the end of an entry after the ">" symbol, the first group indicates section/township/range as closely as can be pinpointed (i.e., S12,T3S,R4W,SLM, or USM). A section equals approximately one square mile, reflecting U.S. Geological Survey topographic map sections. Because Utah is not completely mapped, some entries are incomplete. In this case, whatever information is available will be provided. The second group, when present, is altitude in feet followed by meters in parentheses [i.e., 6,000' (1,829m)]. Altitude is not included with canyons or deserts with varying altitudes.

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