



Strike and dip of limestone layers and the elevation of the water table beneath the ground surface influence the direction, shape, and pattern of cave passages. The sinuous, meandering, pattern of the Winding Way is typical of vadose canyon development in the down dip direction. The linear trend of the main passage initially developed as a phreatic, strike-oriented, conduit graded to a relict level of the Cobleskill Creek. (P. Rubin)