Lockdown Buttress - Standing Crag

OS Ref: NY 298 136 Alt: 550m

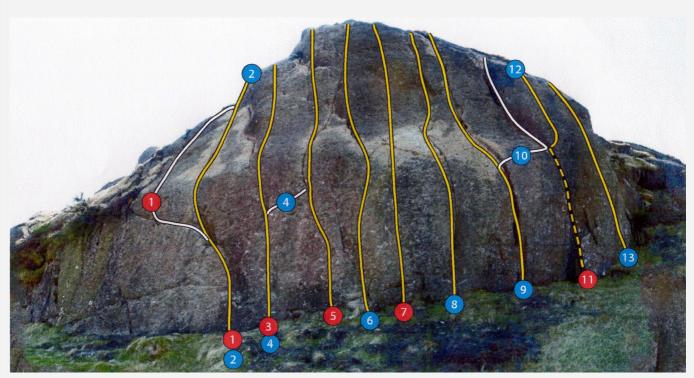


Idyllically situated with sublime views, this crag offers excellent climbing on superb rough bubbly pocketed rock. Well worth the pleasant walk. It is situated just east of Standing Crag. Routes are 20 metres long. There are good nut belays at the top of the crag. A good selection of nuts and cams should be taken.

Approach

From the Dobgill Bridge car park follow the path up the hill to Harrop Tarn. Follow the bridleway on the right of the tarn for another 200m then bear left through the trees and above the bog to the deer fence. From the stile over the deer fence, continue up the bridleway until 100 metres beyond a ruined sheep pen where an obvious trod leaves leftwards and over a stile to the crag ahead. Climbs are described from left to right.

TRADITIONAL Uphill 50 mins NORTH facing



1 Dirty Tricksters E2 5b T New 20m

From the niche hand traverse left to good runners. Step up and pull boldly onto the slab above. Follow this (unprotected) to the crack of <u>Captain Tom</u>.

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A skyhook was used by Downer to protect the bulge. This was dispensed with by Fowler and a more direct start added.

2 Captain Tom VS 4c † New 20m

Pull into the niche and follow the crack above. Awkward to start.

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3 The Surge E2 5b T New 20m

Gain the niche (good runners). Using a tiny flake (RP2/3 just above), make a bold pull to a decent hold at the bottom of the crack. Pull up and step right immediately. Follow the fine slab above direct.

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4 Bailout HVS 5a T New 20m

Appropriately named. It provides little independent climbing but allows an ascent of this area for those unable to manage E2. Using the tiny flake on <u>The Surge</u>, reach right to the crack on <u>Second Wave</u>.

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5 Second Wave E1 5b T New 20m

Climb the wall to a good hold and gain the crack above (bold). A slab with a thin crack leads to the bulge and good holds.

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6 Furlough HVS 5a T New 20m The slanting crack and easier crack above.

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8 Waiting for the Bang VS 4c † New 20m

The fine finger-crack leads to the crack splitting the bulge.

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The next three routes share a common start.

9 Lockdown Crack HVS 5a T New 20m

The obvious crack is awkward to start.

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10 Pandemic HVS 5a T New 20m

Traverse right into the corner and follow this. Usually wet.

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11 Pandemic Direct Start E1 5b † New

Harder if wet, which is its usual state. A blow torch was used by the first ascentionists.

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12 Contagion Slab HVS 5a T New 20m

From the ledge on *Pandemic*, step round the rib and climb the pock-marked slab. (Friend 2.5 at 5m).

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13 Save the Pangolin VS 4c T New 20m

Pull onto the ledge and gain the V-groove. Step left and follow the crack.

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