

Mount Arapiles-Tooan State Park - Dyurrite cultural landscape

Access Changes Summary

October 2026





Acknowledgement of Country

The land we know today as Victoria is a land of extraordinary contrast, from vast deserts to alpine snowfields, ancient rainforests to dormant volcanoes, rugged coastlines and inland waterways. This remarkable diversity is more than scenery; it is a living record of culture, connection, and care that stretches back thousands of generations.

Across the parks and reserves in Victoria lie cultural landscapes shaped by Aboriginal peoples through millennia of knowledge, stewardship, and deep relationship with Country. These places tell stories of resilience, ingenuity, and belonging, stories written not only in books, but in the land itself.

Parks Victoria respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Owners of these lands and waters. We honour their enduring connection to Country and their continuing role as custodians. Together, we commit to protecting and celebrating these landscapes so they remain vibrant for generations to come.

About this Access Changes Summary

This Access Changes Summary is intended as a practical guide of where recreation can and cannot occur within the Dyurrite Landscape from October 2026.

These access arrangements strengthen the protection of Aboriginal cultural heritage while supporting appropriate recreation opportunities within the park. They have been informed by Aboriginal cultural heritage considerations, park management requirements and community feedback received during consultation on the draft Addendum to the Mount Arapiles-Tooan State Park Management Plan in July/August 2026.

This document provides maps and location information to help visitors understand the new access arrangements that apply across the Dyurrite landscape.

Dyurrite is the Wotjobaluk Nations' name for Mount Arapiles and is used throughout the document to describe the landscape.

What visitor needs to know

- From October 2026, opportunities for recreation will continue across many parts of the Dyurrite landscape with access arrangements in place to strengthen the protection of Aboriginal cultural heritage.
- Current voluntary closure areas will be removed and replaced with the new access arrangements.
- The maps and location information in this document show where access is prohibited (including walking, climbing and bouldering).
- Visitors and Licensed Tour Operators are responsible for ensuring they do not enter prohibited areas.
- Temporary or seasonal closures may also occur for reasons such as wildlife protection (i.e. Peregrine Falcon nesting), fire management, park operations, maintenance works or emergency events. These temporary closures operate in addition to the access arrangements outlined in this document.
- Visitors should check current conditions and closures on the [Parks Victoria website](#) before visiting the park.

Why access arrangements are in place

Parks Victoria is required to protect Dyurrite's unique cultural and natural heritage for current and future generations while supporting opportunities for access to recreational and other activities in the park.

Under the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006*, avoiding harm to Aboriginal cultural heritage is the preferred management outcome. To support this, Parks Victoria has implemented access arrangements through Set Aside Determinations made under the *National Parks Regulations 2024*, which operate alongside the *National Parks Act 1975*, the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006* and relevant park management plans.

These access arrangements are intended to:

- reduce the risk of harm to Aboriginal cultural heritage
- provide visitors with clear information about where access is and is not permitted
- support compliance with access requirements through signage, maps and visitor information.

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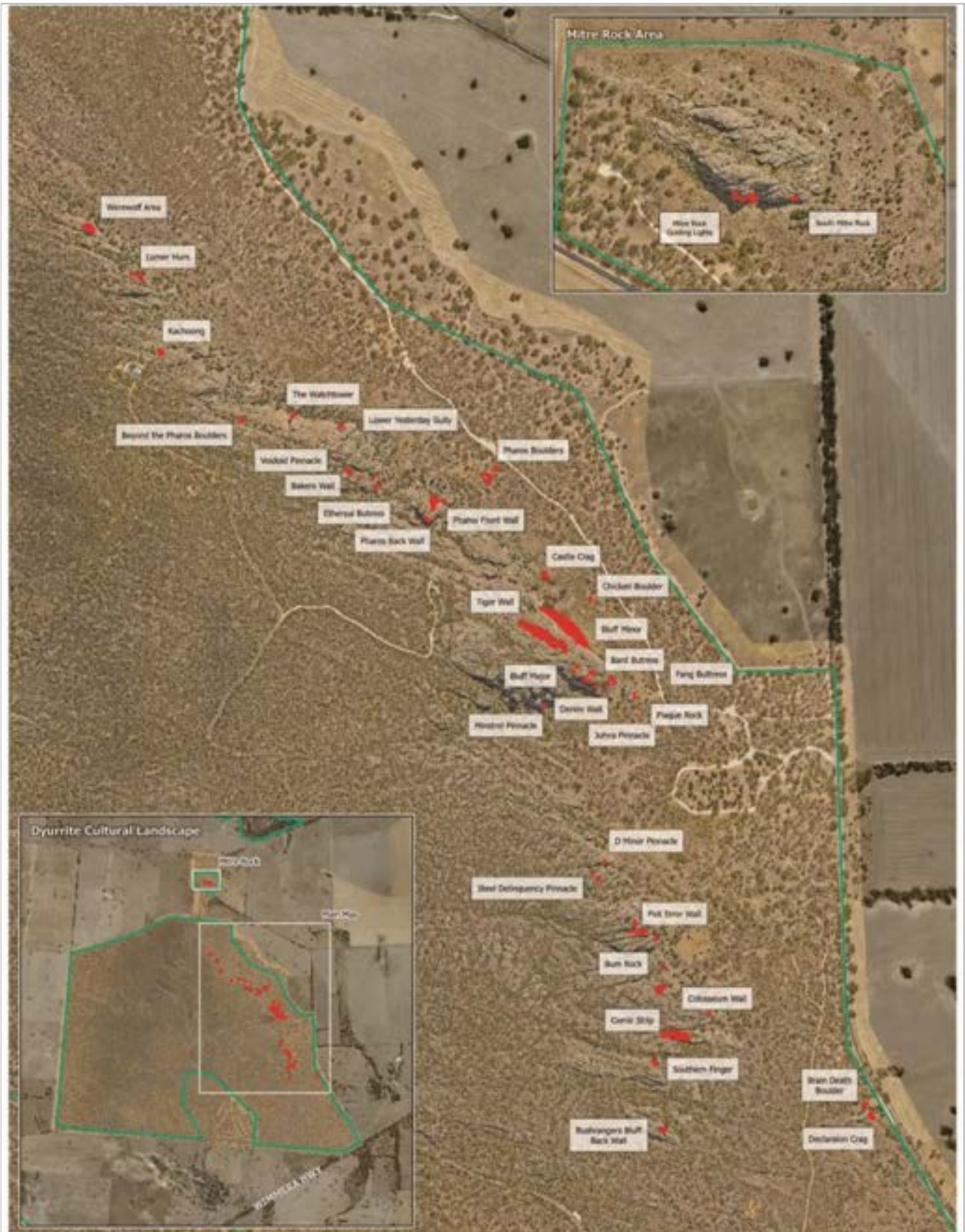
Nothing in this document authorises harm to Aboriginal cultural heritage. Any activity that will, or is likely to, cause harm remains subject to the applicable requirements of the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 2006*, including Cultural Heritage Permit requirements where relevant.

Maps of Prohibited Areas

This section shows the prohibited access areas that apply across the Dyurrite landscape from October 2026. Maps, coordinates and polygon boundaries identify the areas where access is prohibited.

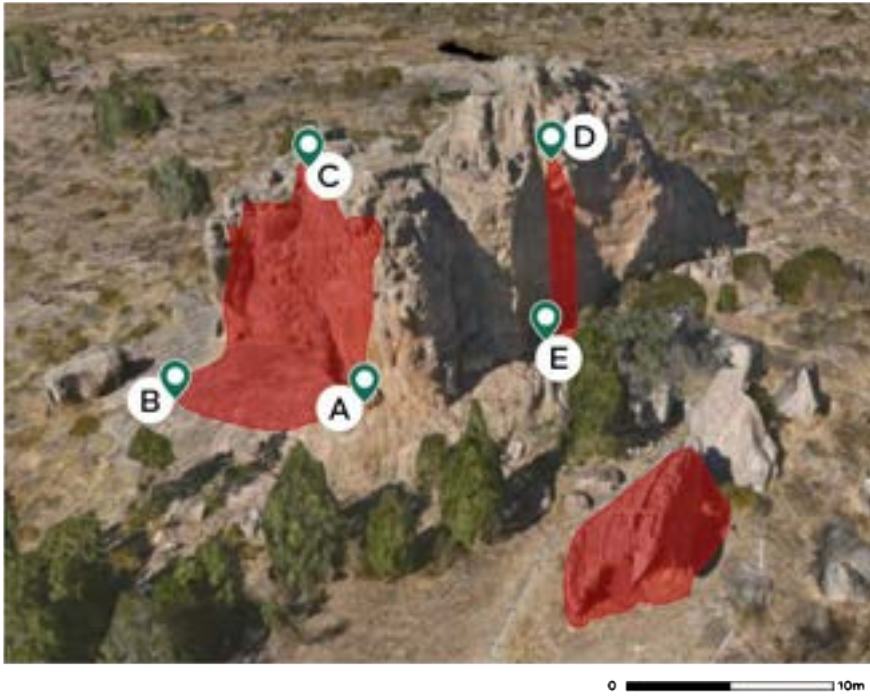
While every effort has been made to identify affected climbing areas and routes, climb names are provided as a guide only and may not be exhaustive. The mapped boundaries and coordinates are the definitive reference for prohibited access areas.

The red polygons represent prohibited access areas within the park. Reference points on the boundaries of these areas are shown with X, Y and Z coordinates. While the X and Y coordinates show the position of each point, the Z coordinate captures its height. This allows the prohibited access areas to be accurately mapped in three dimensions, reflecting the true shape and elevation of the surrounding rock formations.



Mount Arapiles-Tooan State Park (Dyurrite Cultural Landscape) Protection Areas

- Proposed Protection Area
- Park Boundary



Brain Death Boulder & Declaration Crag

Brain Death Boulder

All climbing routes closed

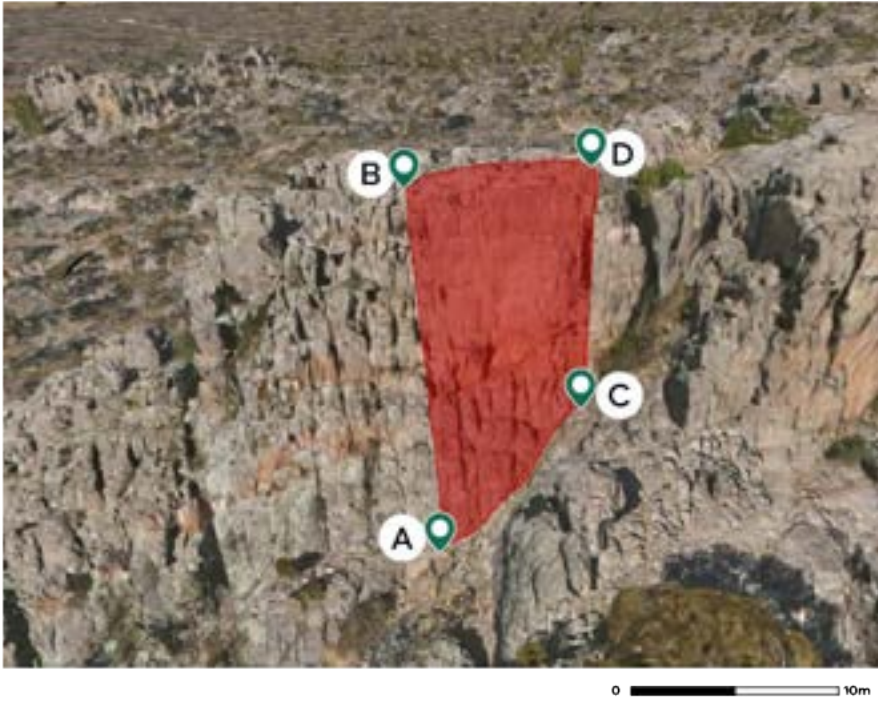
Declaration Crag

Closed climbs include:

- Craddock Crack
- Marshmallow Sea x2
- Sunny Gully
- All Decked Out
- Deck Games
- Steps Ahead

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	576031m	5930678m	160
B	576041m	5930666m	156
C	576030m	5930668m	174
D	576013m	5930674m	175
E	576015m	5930675m	158

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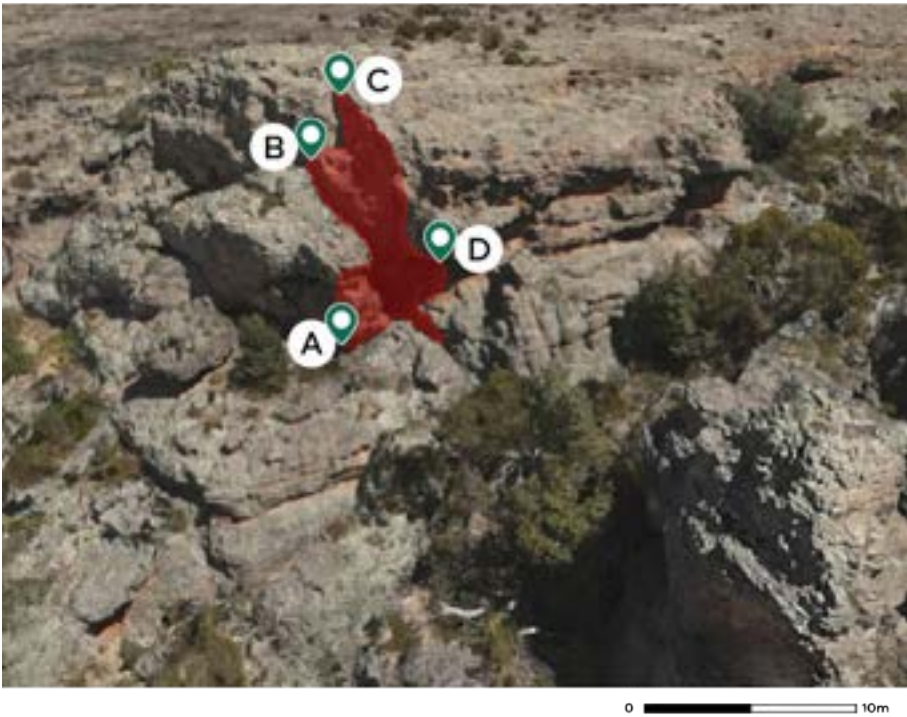


Bushrangers Bluff Back Wall

Closed climbs include:

- Troopers 0, 1, 2, 3

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575548m	5930658m	219m
B	575545m	5930653m	234m
C	575539m	5930659m	223m
D	575538m	5930658m	234m

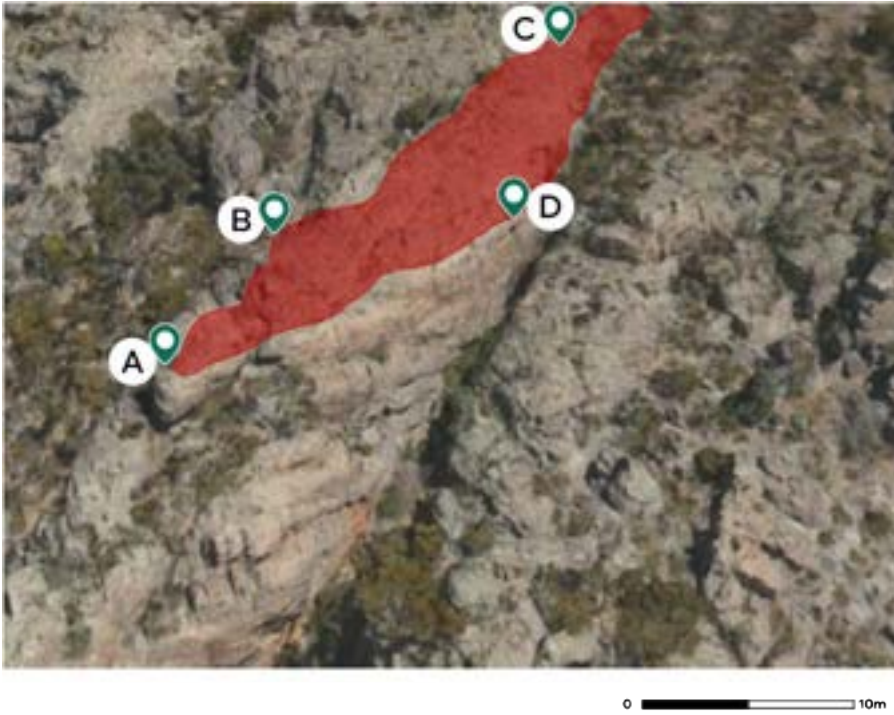


Southern Finger

Cultural heritage better protected without closure of known climbing routes.

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575534m	5930813m	246m
B	575532m	5930807m	259m
C	575530m	5930808m	264m
D	575527m	5930817m	253m

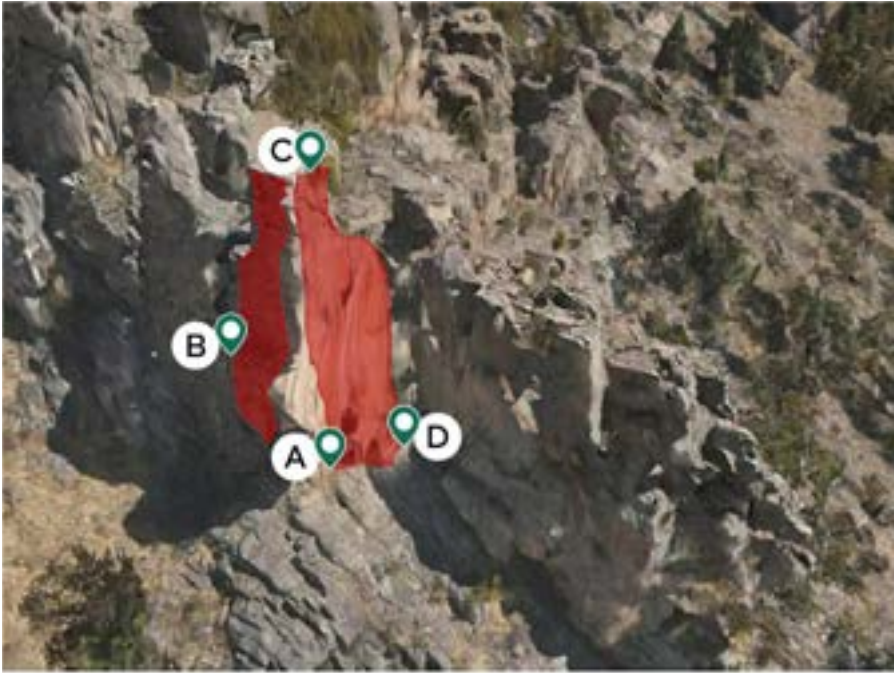
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Comic Strip Wall

Lower off only (no walk off)

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575626m	5930860m	235m
B	575589m	5930583m	229m
C	575549m	5930873m	243m
D	575585m	5930884m	238m

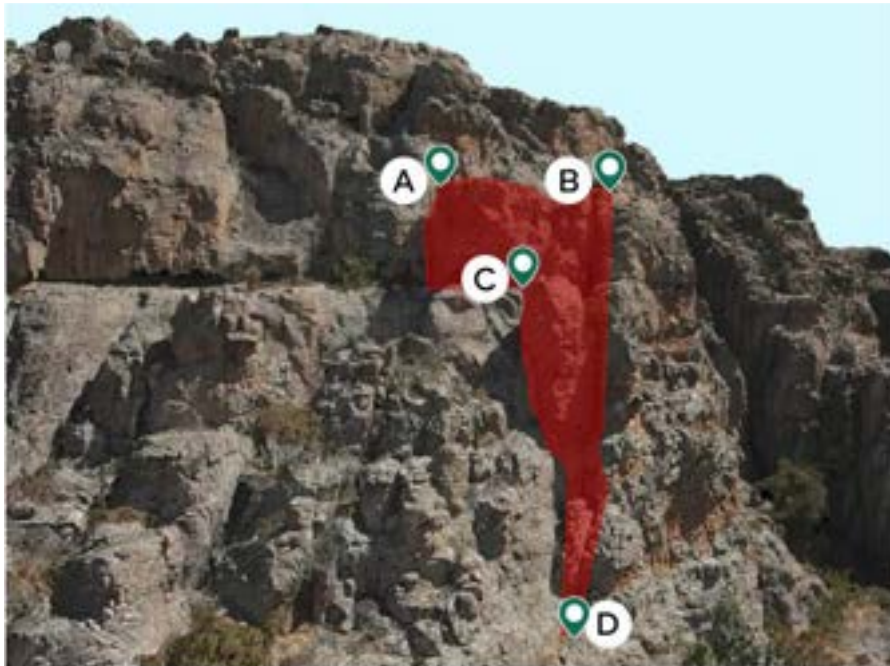


The Colosseum

Closed climbs include:

- The Rack
- Christian Crack
- Crucifixion

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575663m	5930920m	202m
B	575662m	5930917m	208m
C	575657m	5930923m	214m
D	575663m	5930924m	202m

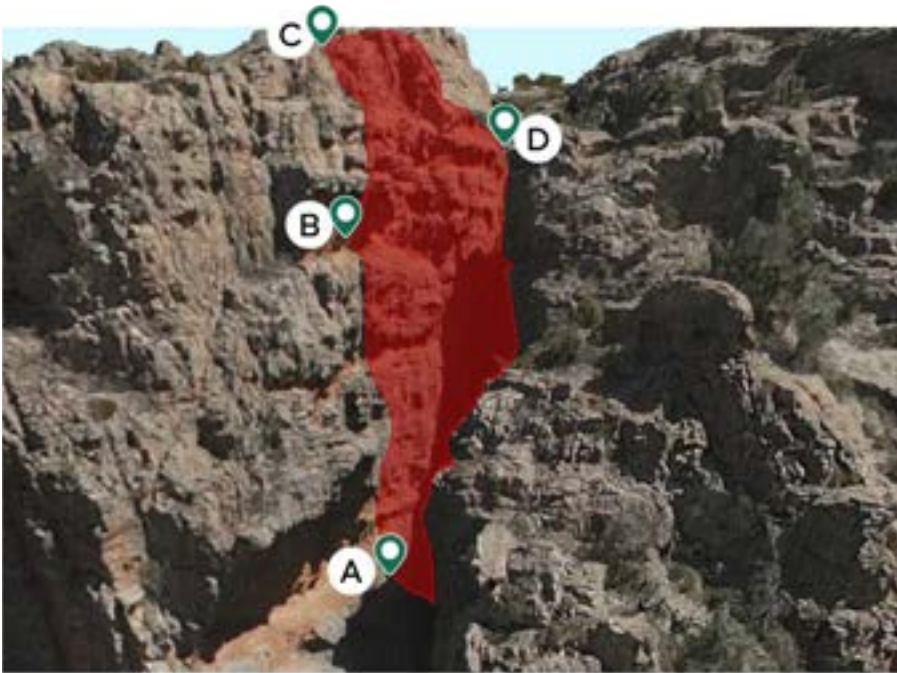


White Mice Walls

Closed climbs include:

- Left Hand Variant
- Right Hand Variant

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575551m	5930973m	241m
B	575546m	5930986m	242m
C	575550m	5930980m	232m
D	575560m	5930984m	208m

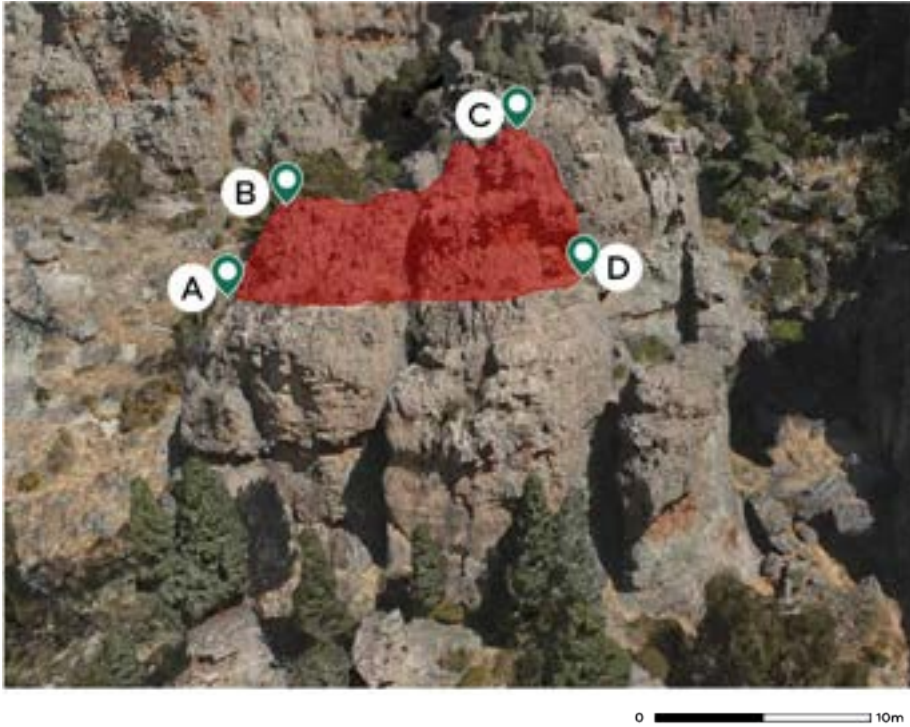


Upper Hunger

Cultural heritage better protected without closure of known climbing routes.

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575493m	5931001m	239m
B	575494m	5930999m	256m
C	575492m	5930996m	264m
D	575468m	5930996m	259m

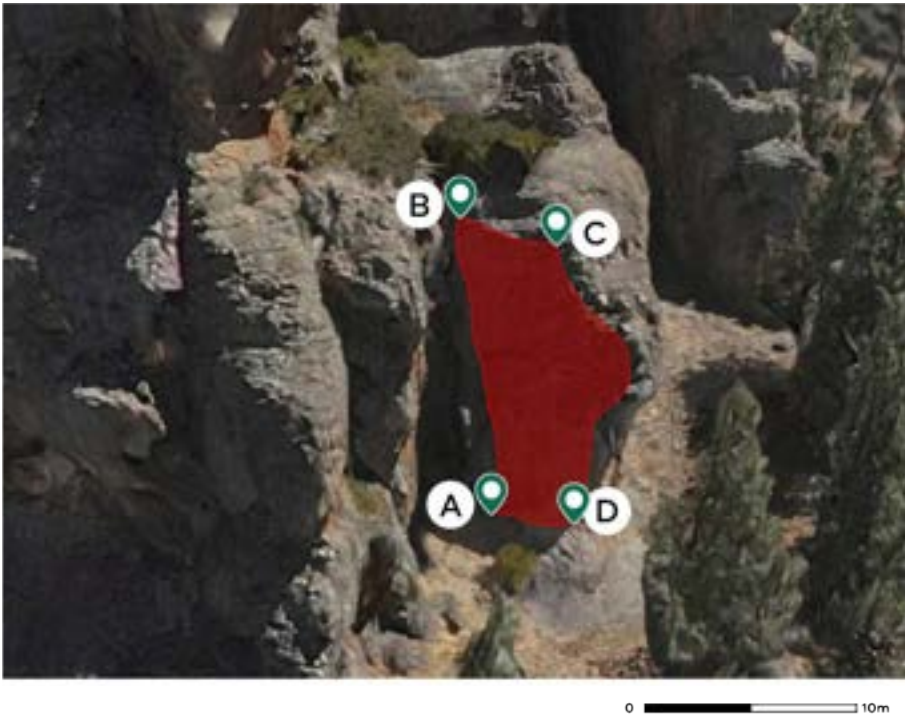
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Bum Rock

Lower off only (no walk off)

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575567m	5931032m	197m
B	575553m	5931028m	197m
C	575550m	5931047m	208m
D	575549m	5931054m	199m



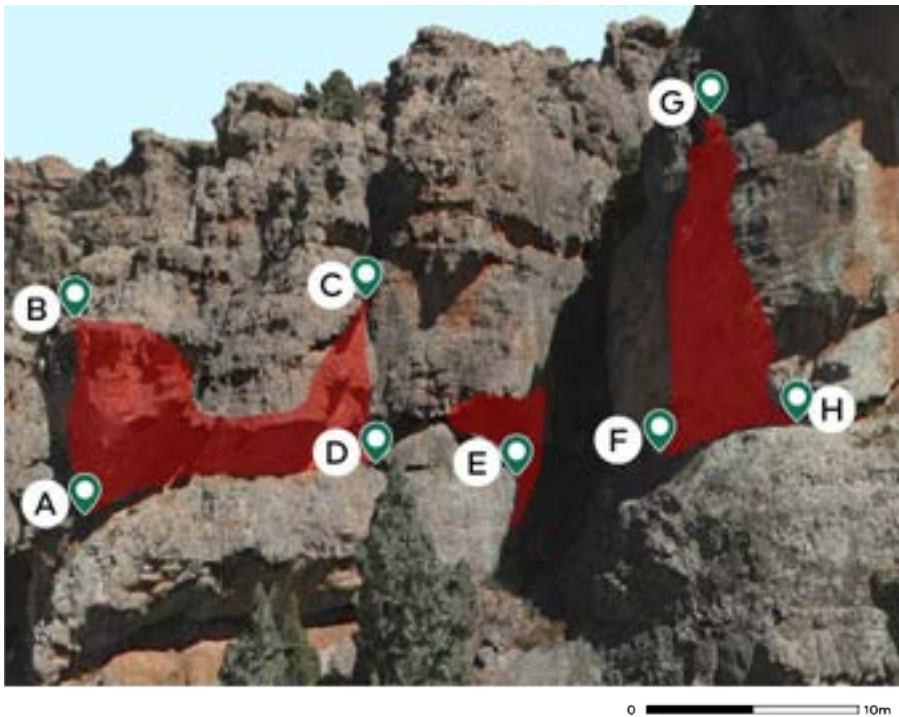
Baby Buttress

Closed climbs include:

- Tendril
- Metronome
- Falsetto
- A Cappella

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575543m	5931097m	186m
B	575542m	5931096m	197m
C	575545m	5931098m	196m
D	575546m	5931099m	187m

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Pilot Error Wall

Closed climbs include:

- Fixed Smile
- Togrul Khan
- Tarzan
- Pilot Error
- Predator

5 climbs re-routed:

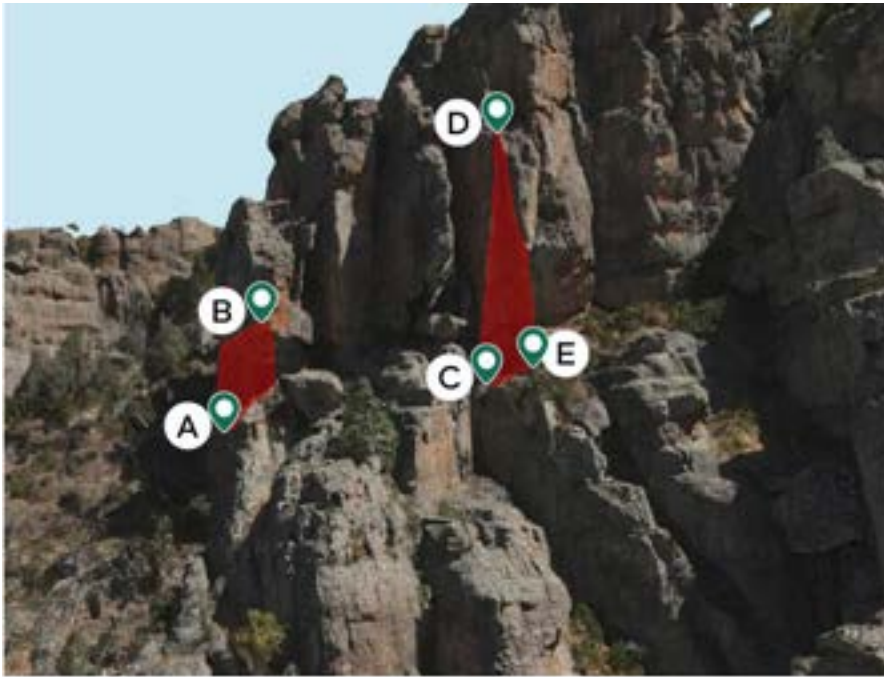
- Gilt Edged
- Entangled
- Kryptonite Crack
- Meta
- Nesa

Lois Lane Wall

Closed climbs include:

- Reunion
- Calypso
- Contraction
- Beasley Street

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575526m	5931115m	212m
B	575525m	5931115m	223m
C	575507m	5931113m	225m
D	575503m	5931112m	214m
E	575495m	5931117m	214m
F	575499m	5931132m	217m
G	575495m	5931131m	235m
H	575499m	5931139m	217m



Steel Delinquency Pinnacle (Organ Pipes)

Closed climbs include:

- Frenzy
- Trench Rawfare

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575414m	5931233m	242m
B	575419m	5931240m	250m
C	575407m	5931254m	245m
D	575404m	5931254m	267m
E	575404m	5931258m	248m



D Minor Pinnacle

- 1 climb re-routed:
- Aardvark

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575435m	5931280m	217m
B	575434m	5931280m	224m
C	575433m	5931278m	225m
D	545433m	5931280m	219m

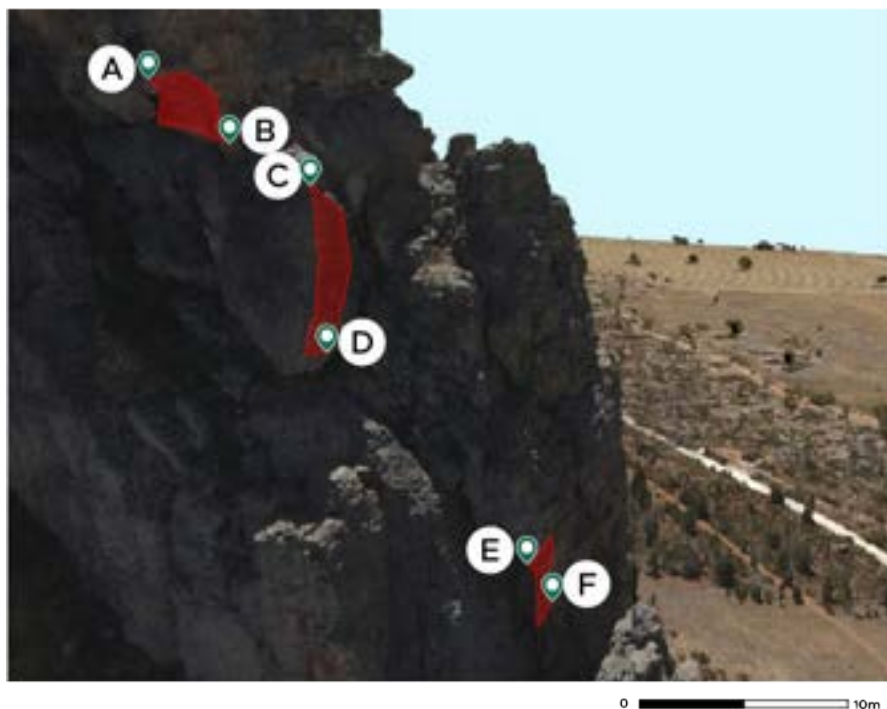


Minstrel Pinnacle

2 climbs re-routed:

- Pestilence
- Chancre

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575308m	5931643m	254m
B	575307m	5931644m	229m
C	575303m	5931644m	236m



Denim Wall

Closed climbs include:

- Vixen

3 climbs re-routed:

- Raison d'Etrier
- Dead and Buried
- Stretch Faberge

Johns Pinnacle and below

Closed climbs include:

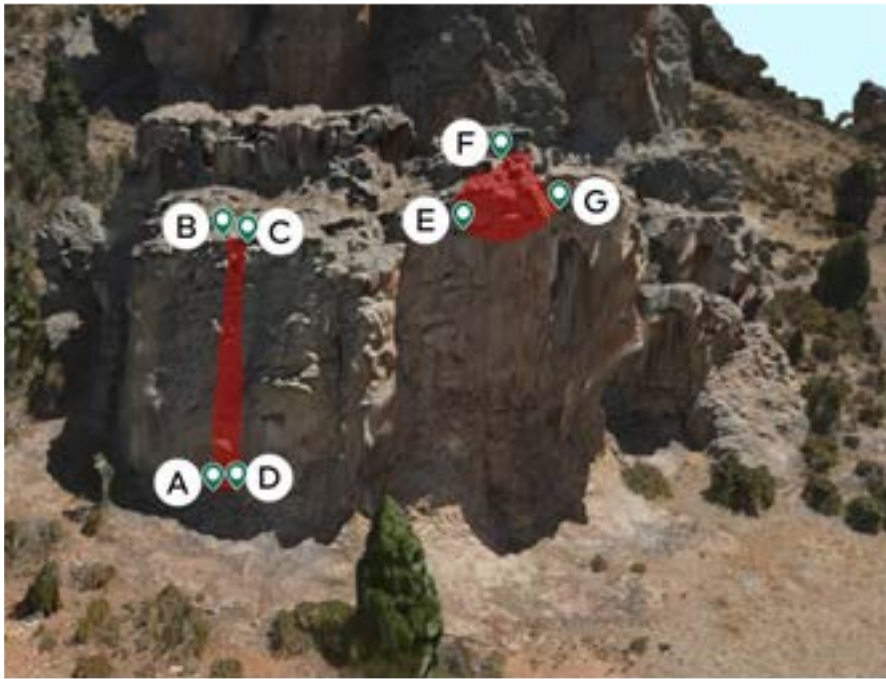
- Allez

2 climbs re-routed:

- Nursery Rhymes
- The Dude Abides

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575410m	5931700m	275m
B	575420m	5931698m	268m
C	575433m	5931684m	264m
D	575434m	5931686m	247m
E	574553m	5931682m	226m
F	575457m	5931684m	218m

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Plaque Rock

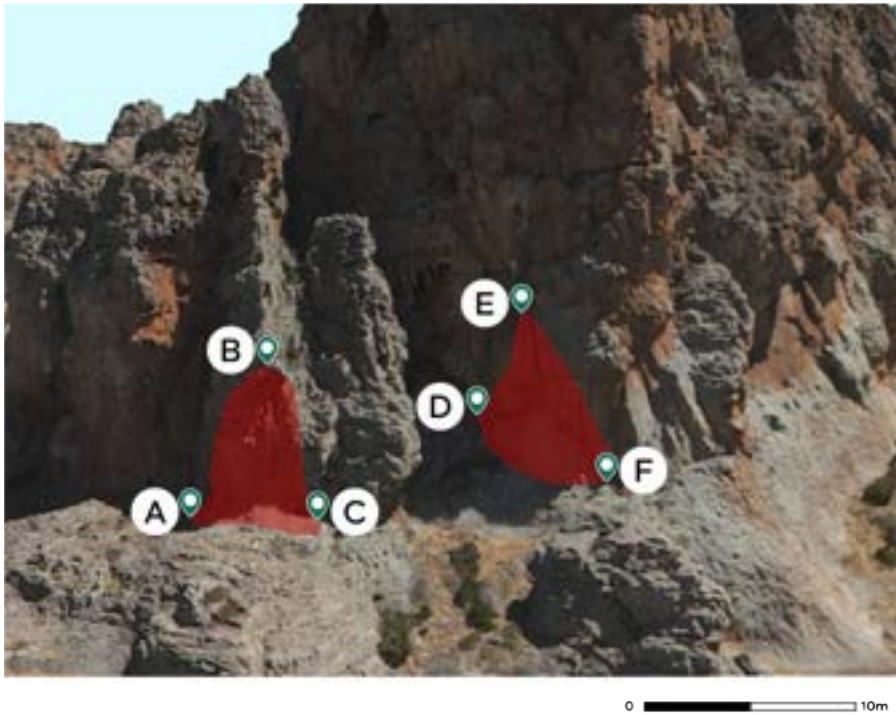
Closed climbs include:

- Age of Reason

2 climbs re-routed:

- Cumelittle
- Everest Without Oxygen

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575519m	5931653m	168m
B	575518m	5931654m	178m
C	575518m	5931655m	178m
D	575520m	5931654m	168m
E	575520m	5931664m	178m
F	575519.46909m	5931667.06680m	181m
G	575520.35630m	5931669.18481m	179m



Fang Buttress

1 climb re-routed:

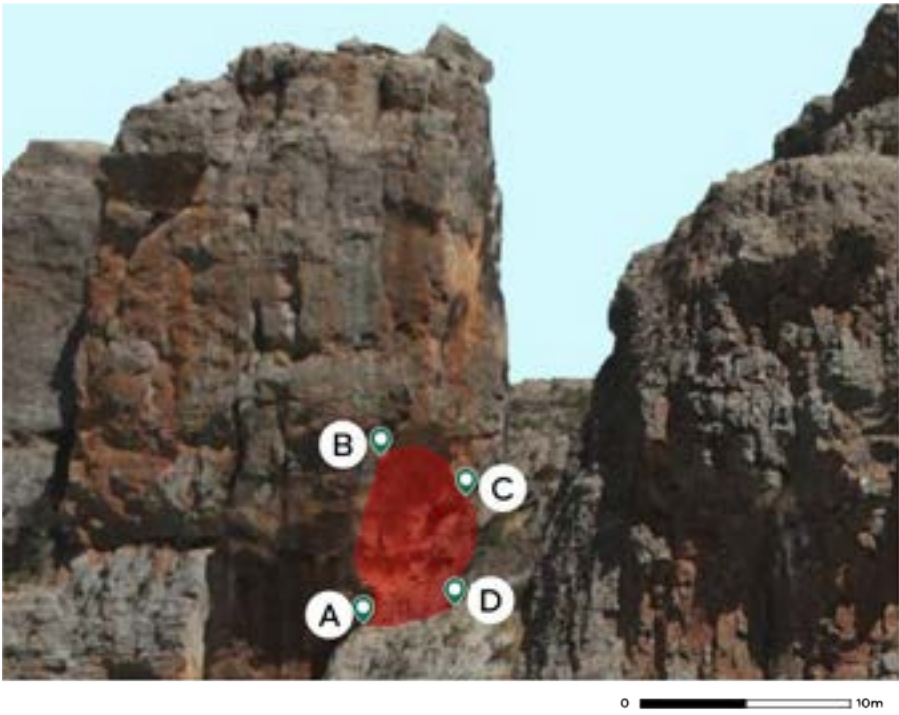
- Downward Bound

Bard Buttress

2 climbs re-routed:

- The Desired
- Orpheus

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575474m	5931680m	181m
B	575477m	5931688m	193m
C	575476m	5931691m	181m
D	575465m	5931703m	187m
E	575466m	5931707m	197m
F	575469.51719m	5931715.42818m	182m



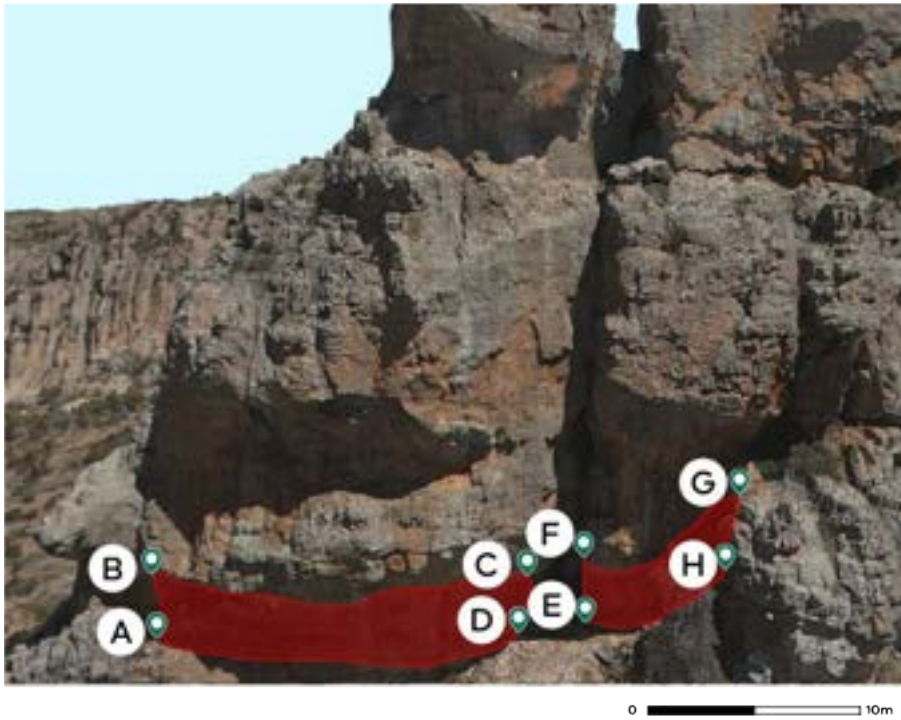
Bluff Major North Face (Anxiety Area)

3 climbs re-routed:

- Karma Sutra
- The Mule
- Holey Moses

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575387m	5931733m	289m
B	575387m	5931735m	297m
C	575381m	5931732m	296m
D	575384m	5931737m	291m

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Bluff Minor (Flinders Lane Area)

Closed climbs include:

- Inquisition
- The Last Laugh
- Jerry Project

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575435m	5931708m	276m
B	575435m	5931707m	273m
C	575422m	5931717m	275m
D	575421m	5931717m	271m
E	575419m	5931717m	272m
F	575419m	5931718m	275m
G	575415m	5931722m	268m
H	575418m	5931725m	275m



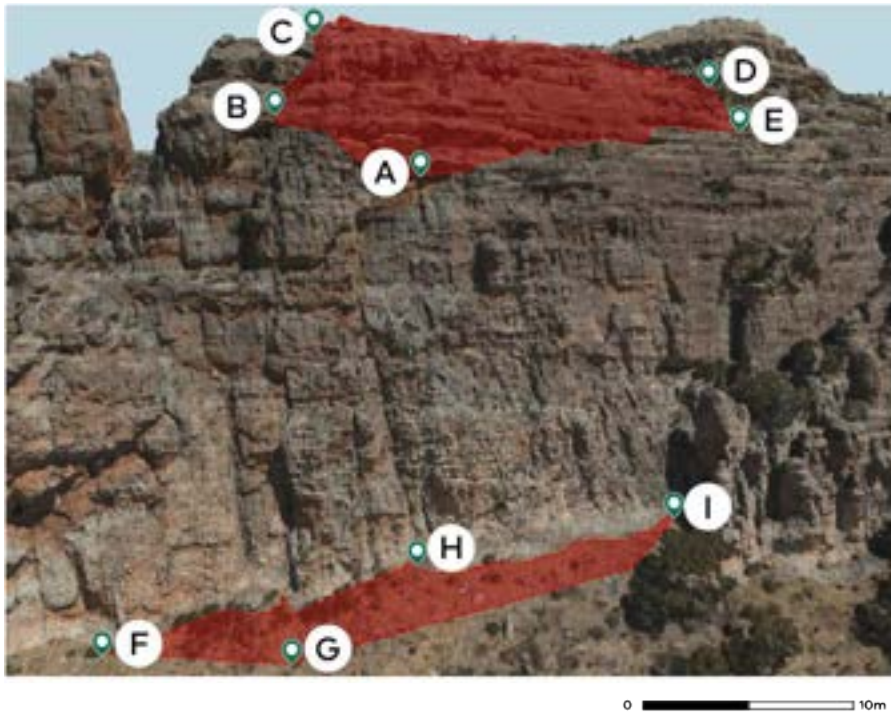
Bluff Major (Thundercrack Area)

3 climbs re-routed:

- Final Departure
- Station to Station
- The Prow

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575379m	5931723m	296m
B	575379m	5931719m	300m
C	575380m	5931721m	296m

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Tiger Wall

Islamabad Bouldering area closed

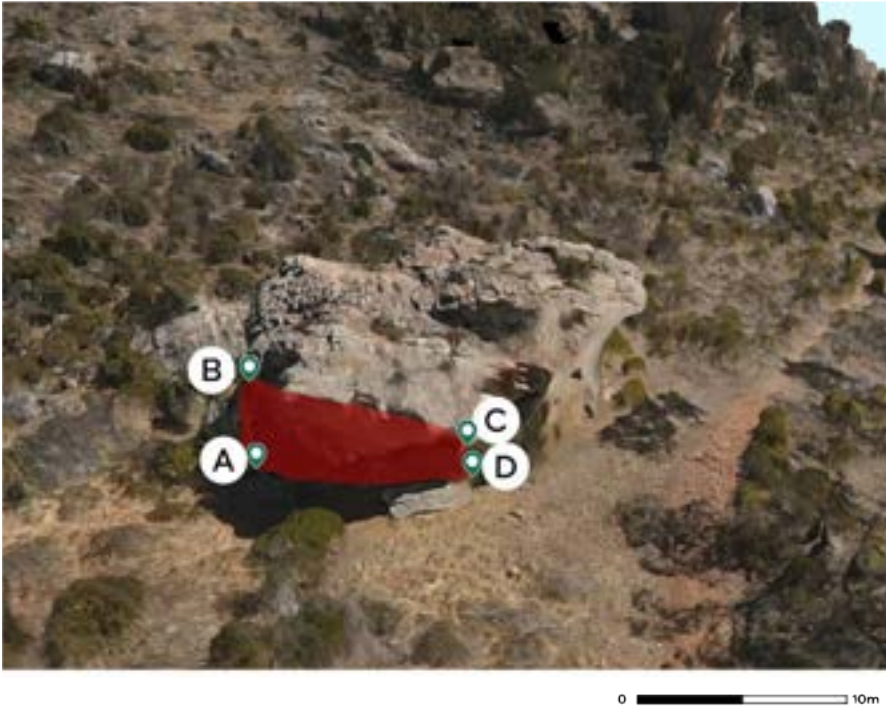
Closed climbs include:

- Seneca
- Headbanger
- The Eighth Extension

10 climbs re-routed:

- No Future
- Tiger Wall
- Syrinx
- Syrinx Direct
- Boy Racer
- Sunday Best
- Deathwatch Beetle
- Radish
- Shaggy's Route
- The Dribble

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575334m	5931797m	294m
B	575324m	5931769m	308m
C	575358m	5931755m	335m
D	575213m	5931806m	330m
E	575239m	5931844m	308m
F	575421m	5931776m	182m
G	575397m	5931816m	186m
H	575359m	5931823m	198m
I	575310m	5931869m	208m



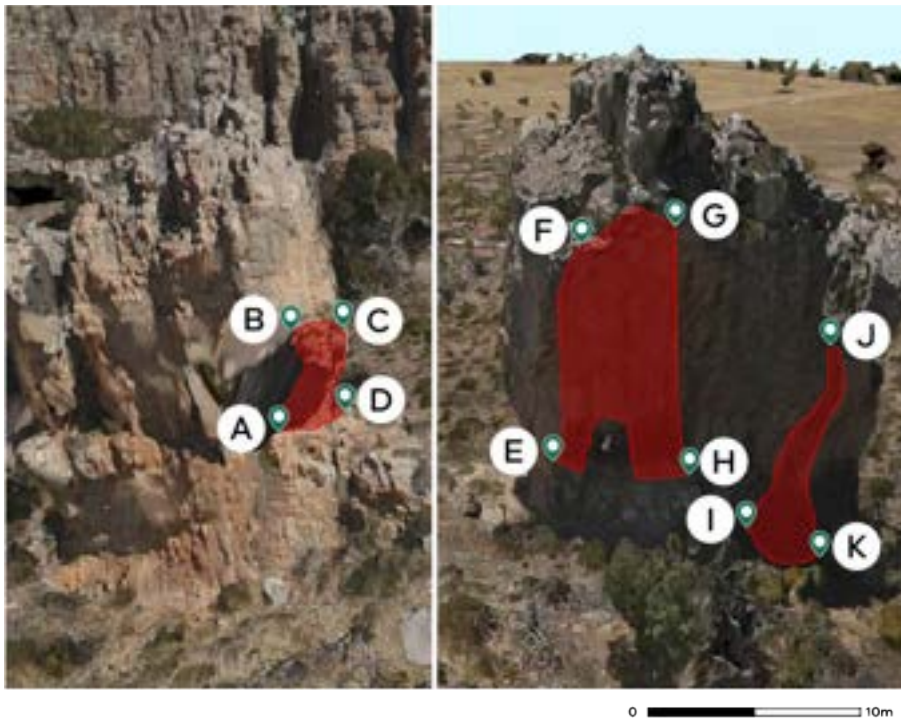
Chicken Boulder

Climbs closed include:

- Between Fear and Desire
- Pete's Problem aka TLC
- V9

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575425.31237m	5931882.56322m	168m
B	575418.00065m	5931883.78413m	169m
C	575426.28011m	5931891.03549m	166m
D	575425.69063m	5931890.87798m	164m

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Castle Crag

2 climbs re-routed:

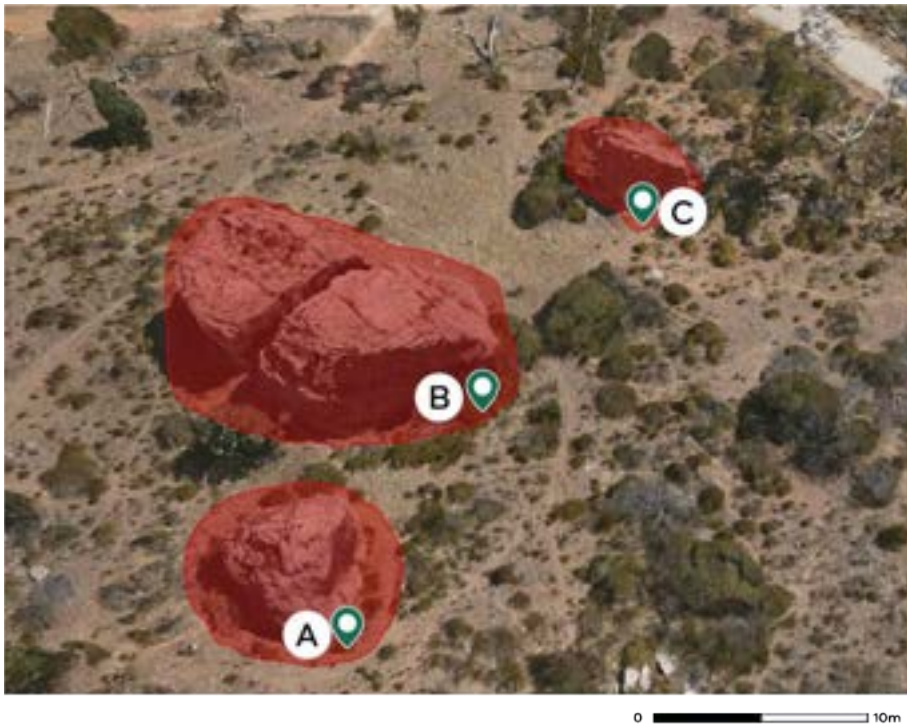
- Nati Dread
- Procol Harum

Castle Crag Shady Side

Closed climbs include:

- Siva
- The Overtaker
- The Caretaker
- The Undertaker
- Blow Up
- Cunrack

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
Castle Crag			
A	575322m	5931950m	188m
B	575321m	5931954m	196m
C	575318m	5931953m	196m
D	575317m	5931950m	189m
Castle Crag Shady Side			
E	575317m	5931947m	192m
F	575318m	5931944m	203m
G	575321m	5931942m	204m
H	575323m	5931943m	191m
I	575325m	5931941m	189m
J	575329m	5931940m	196m
K	575329m	5931940m	185m



The Pharos Boulders

All routes closed on the following boulders:

- Around the World
- Monkey Puzzle
- Superman Boulder
- Finalgon Boulder

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575199m	5932156m	172m
B	575205m	5932173m	169m
C	575217m	5932191m	164m



Pharos Front Wall

Closed climbs include:

- Prevarication
- Sport Climb This

2 climbs re-routed:

- Horus
- Five Fingered Mary

Ministry Wall

Closed climbs include:

- Undercover Agent

X		Y	Z (Elevation)
Pharos Front Wall			
A	575075m	5932127m	199m
B	575064m	5932117m	220m
C	575065m	5932129m	199m
D	575089m	5932108m	236m
E	575082m	5932098m	248m
Ministry Wall			
F	575098m	5932036m	241m
G	575096m	5932035m	249m

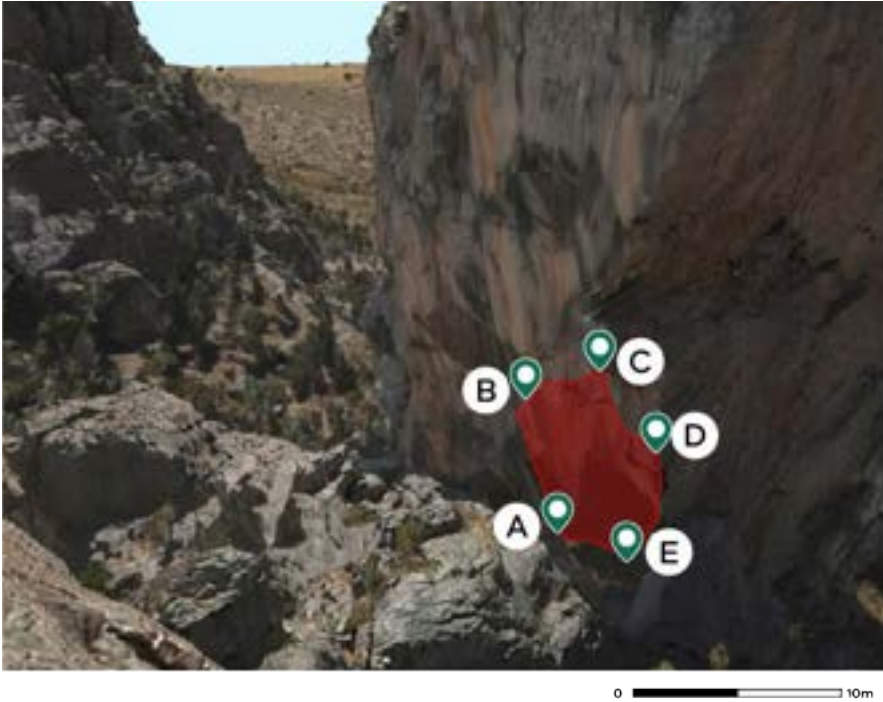


Pharos (entry to Spasm Chasm)

Closed climbs include:

- Project

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575091m	5932128m	208m
B	575092m	5932126m	219m
C	575093m	5932124m	218m
D	575093m	5932126m	208m



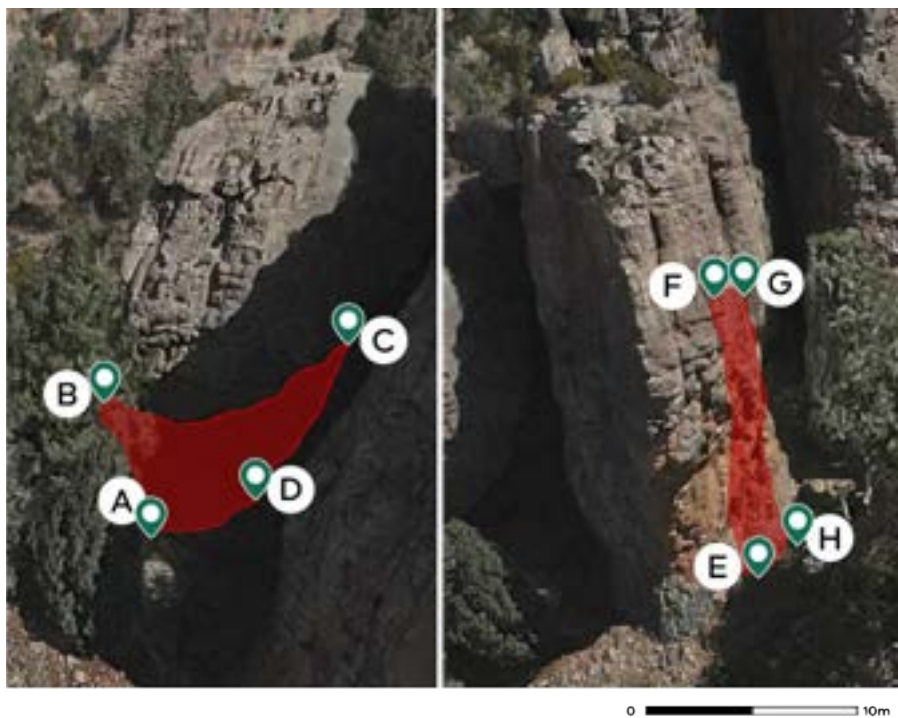
Pharos Back Wall

Closed climbs include:

- Masada
- Trojan

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	575055m	5932088m	245m
B	575052m	5932086m	260m
C	575057m	5932082m	264m
D	575060m	5932082m	260m
E	575060m	5932086m	248m

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Ethereal Buttress

Closed climbs include:

- Ministry of Fig Pluckers
- Zub
- Cyclops

Yesterday Gully

Closed climbs include:

- Elongate

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
Ethereal Buttress			
A	574939m	5932175m	214m
B	574941m	5932166m	220m
C	574931m	5932168m	222m
D	574935m	5932172m	216m
Yesterday Gully			
E	574930m	5932187m	218m
F	574930m	5932187m	234m
G	574927m	5932185m	233m
H	574928m	5932188m	219m

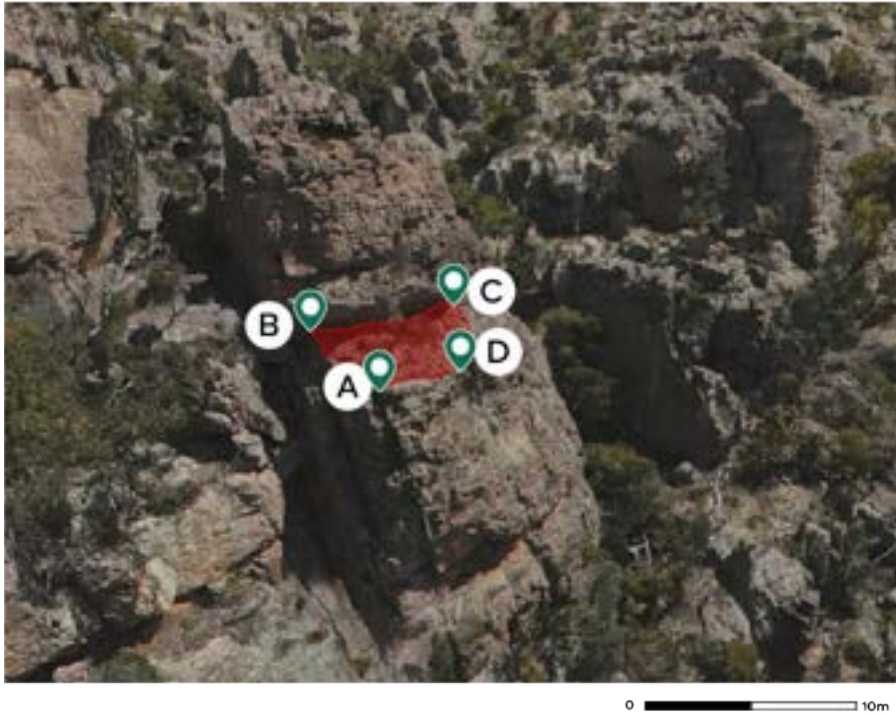


Bakers Wall

Closed climbs include:

- Load Shooter

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	574912m	5932062m	272m
B	574909m	5932063m	281m
C	574906m	5932063m	272m

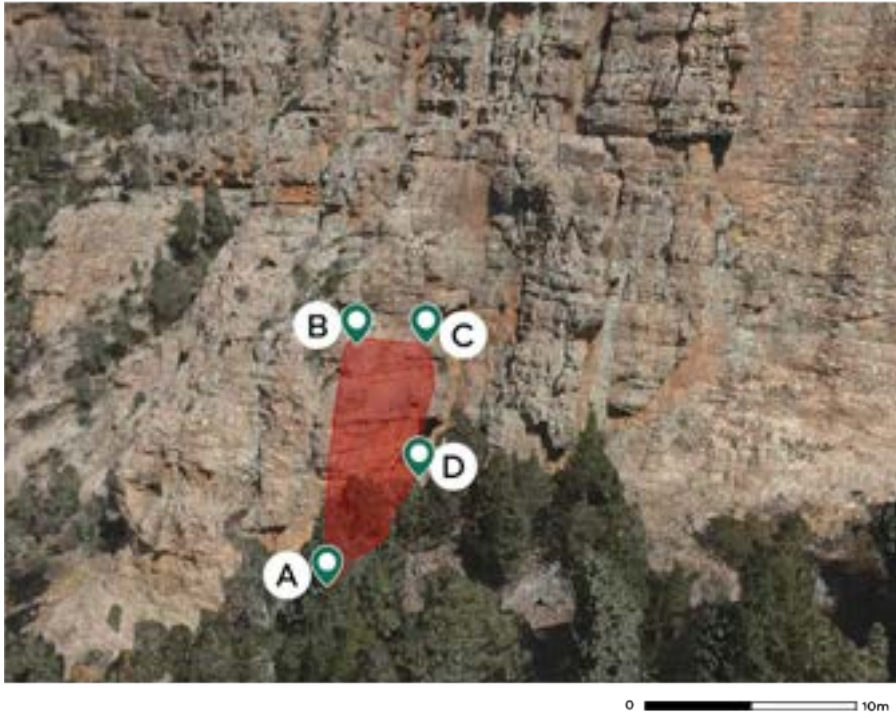


Voidoid Pinnacle

2 climbs re-routed:

- Jack Ass Crack
- Last New Route (lower off only)

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	574880m	5932069m	281m
B	574878m	5932064m	282m
C	574868m	5932073m	282m
D	574873m	5932075m	280m

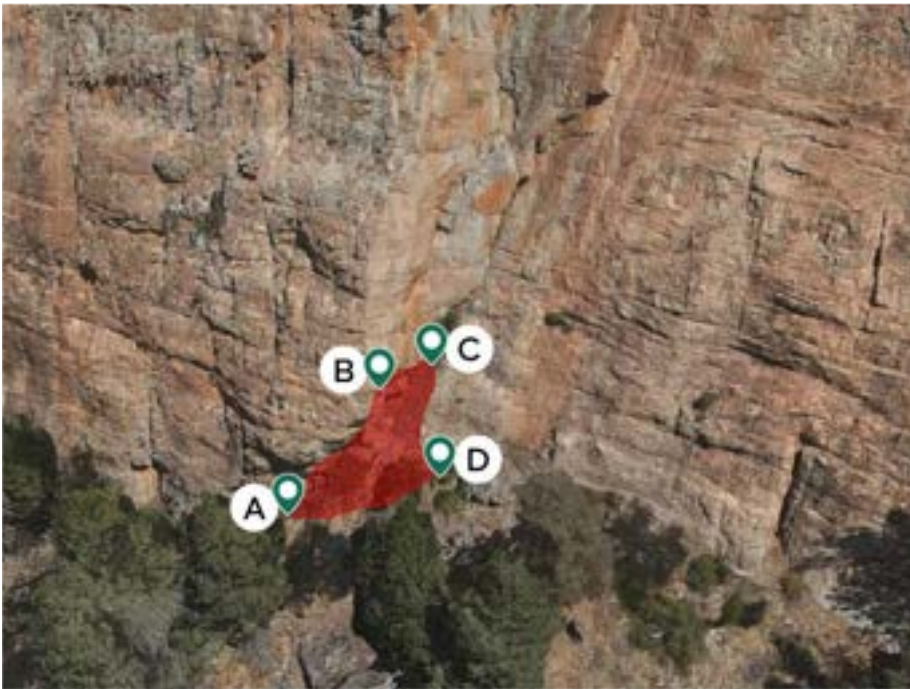


The Pinnacle Face

Closed climbs include:

- Just out of Habit
- Cruella de Ville

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	574867m	5932317m	198m
B	574864m	5932312m	216m
C	574859m	5932311m	215m
D	574860m	5932312m	203m



The Watchtower

Closed climbs include:

- Pumping
- Project Route

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	574757m	5932339m	222m
B	574749m	5932341m	235m
C	574745m	5932335m	233m
D	574747m	5932339m	227m



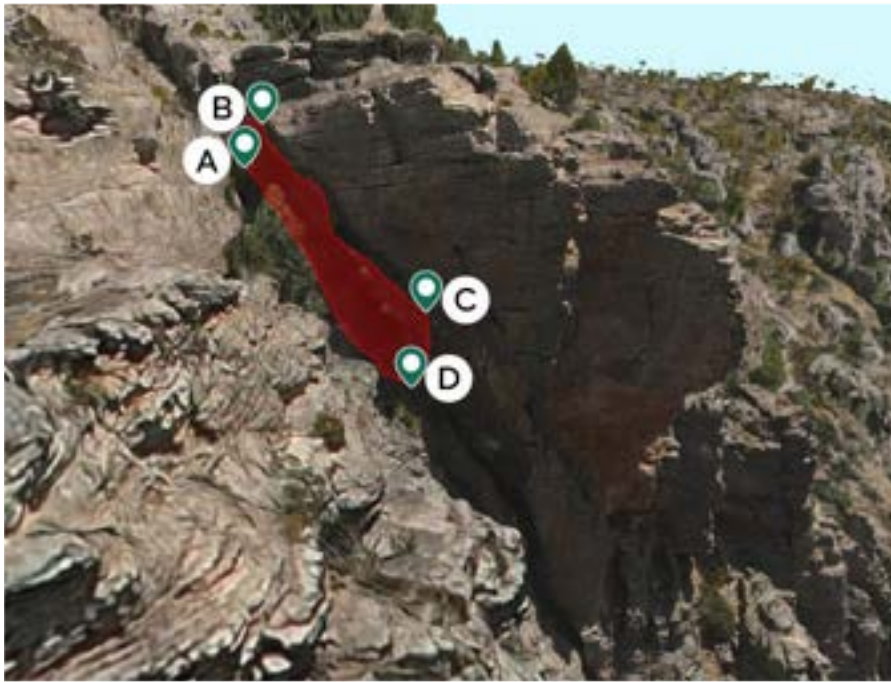
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Beyond the Pharos Boulders

Closed climbs include:

- Beware of the Slee Stacks
- Hokey Pokey

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	574637m	5932330m	315m
B	574623m	5932334m	314m



Kachoong

1 climb re-routed:

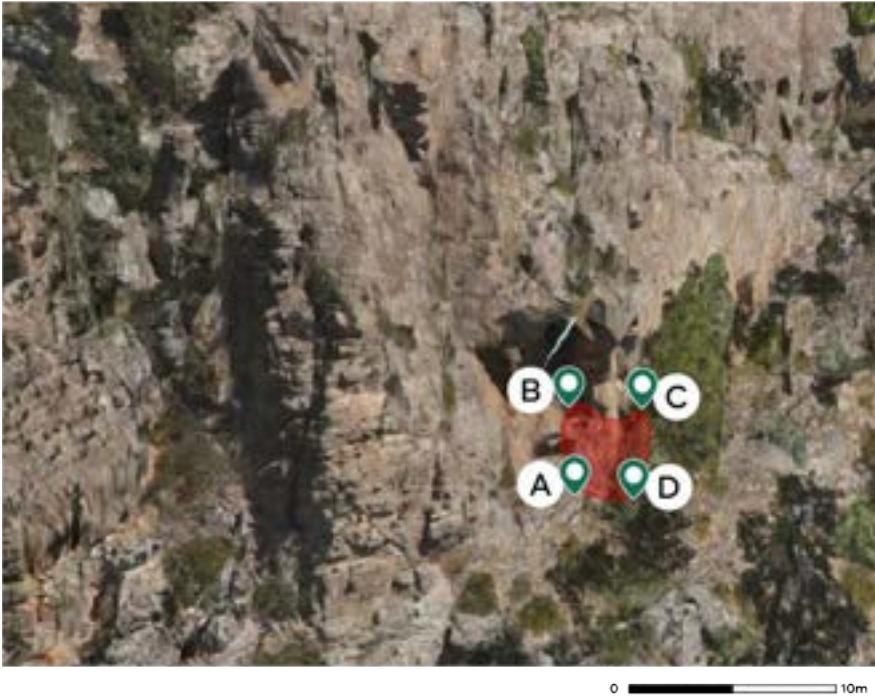
- High Dive

Closed climbs include:

- Power Lies and Corruption
- Cellular Destruction
- Cellular Banana

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	574445m	5932492m	332m
B	574445m	5932495m	334m
C	574446m	5932502m	326m
D	574446m	5932502m	317m

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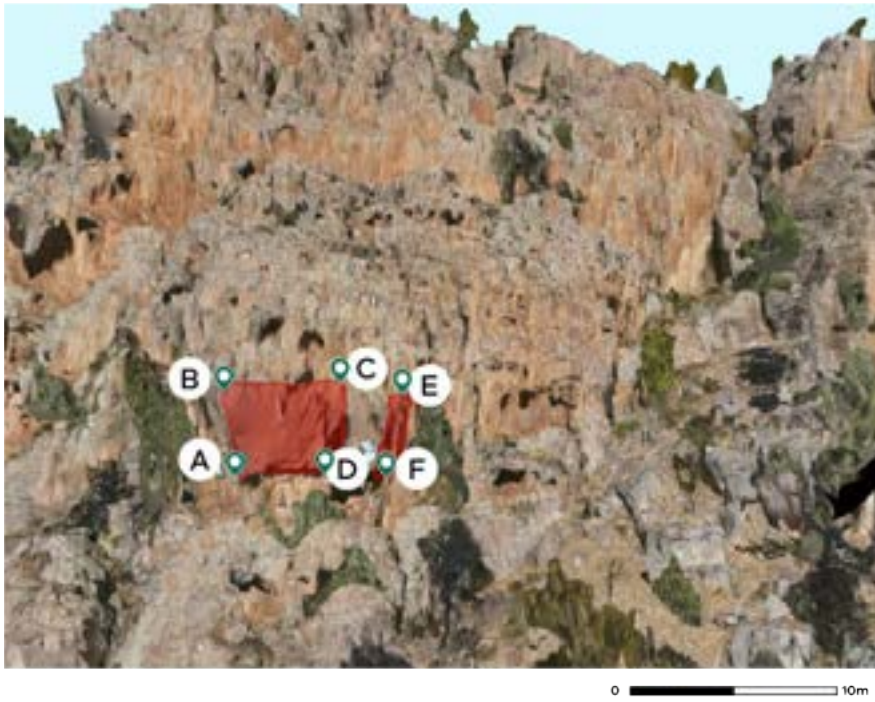
Evelyn and Lou

1 climb re-routed:

- The Foxhole Explorer

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	574395m	5932562m	287m
B	574396m	5932563m	283m
C	574392m	5932565m	288m
D	574395m	5932565m	283m

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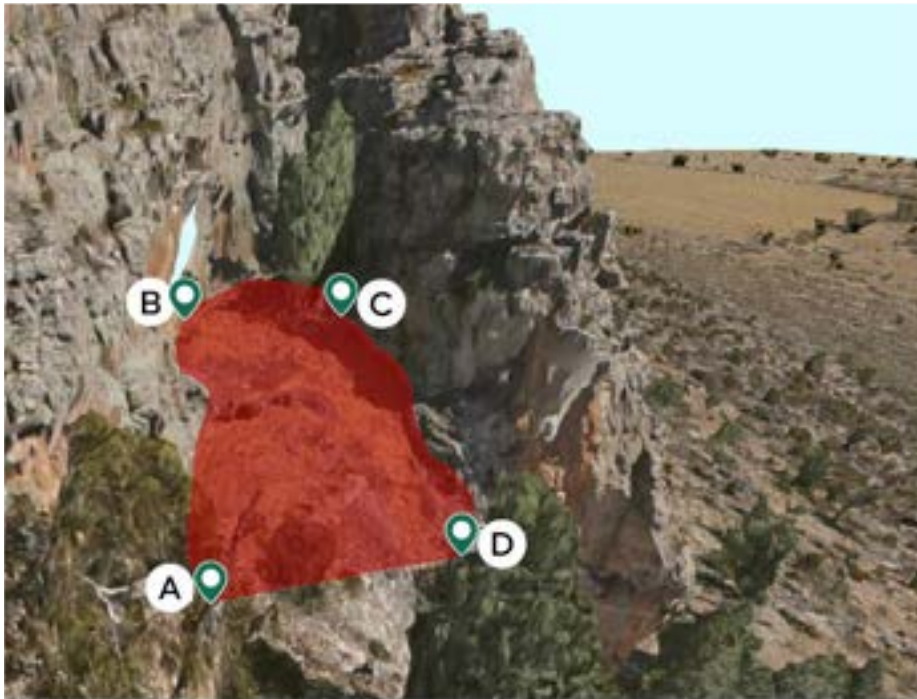
Lower Hum

Closed climbs include:

- Bitter Blue
- Fretwork
- Anchorman's Delight
- Womens Weekly
World Discovery Tour
- Fade Out
- All in Vein

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	574408m	5932669m	247m
B	574410m	5932669m	254m
C	574403m	5932675m	256m
D	574403m	5932675m	256m
E	574397m	5932677m	255m
F	574339m	5932676m	247m

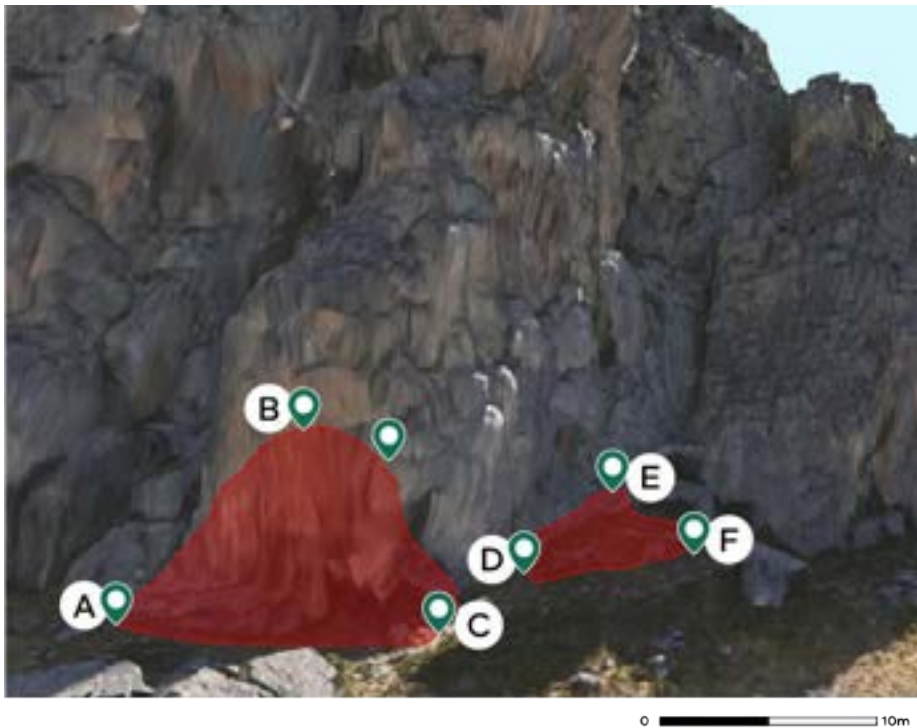
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Werewolf Area

Lower off (no walk out)

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	574299m	5932751m	269m
B	574280m	5932767m	272m
C	574284m	5932777m	272m
D	574301m	5932770m	260m



Mitre Rock Guiding Light Area

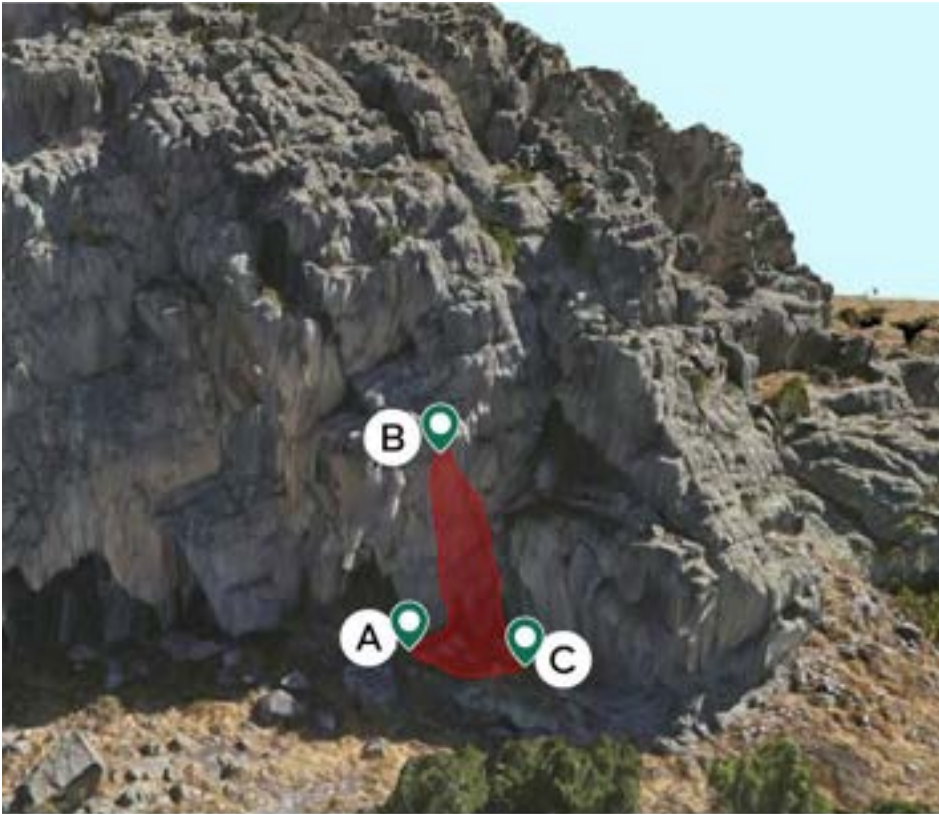
4 climbs re-routed:

- Behemoth
- Guiding Light
- He Certainly Is
- The Emperor Strikes Back

Closed climbs include:

- Seamy Side

	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	574253m	5933988m	180m
B	574258m	5933984m	187m
C	574262m	5933981m	179m
D	574267m	5933984m	181m
E	574276m	5933987m	186m
F	574275m	5933981m	182m



South Mitre Right Side

Closed climbs include:

- Cooking for Beginners



	X	Y	Z (Elevation)
A	574319m	5933981m	183m
B	574320m	5933981m	194m
C	574325m	5933981m	183m

