

**1      “Roughneck Chimney” VS 4c, 100m Andrew Rutherford, Sarah Potts and Hamish Mathson.**

- i)      20m, 4b. Go straight up (awkward) the chimney. Bit of loose rock at the back of crack. Start so as belayer is off to one side. Belay at the chock stone or carry on if you have the energy left.
- ii)     45m, 4a/b. Go straight up flared chimney at the lower section. Gets easier as you climb up. Belay on flat ledge below below final corner.
- iii)    20m, 4c. Go up the corner, with difficulty at first, then move easily. This is the same pitch as cat on a hot tin roof.

**2      \***“Cat on a hot tin roof” HVS 5a, 4b, 4c 110m. Dan Irving and Martin Kocsis. 13/11/05.****

Approach from behind camp. Scramble to the shelf follow until below the large overhanging roof. Start at the base of a leftward slanting flake. Nb. This is a good way to reach the torture garden.

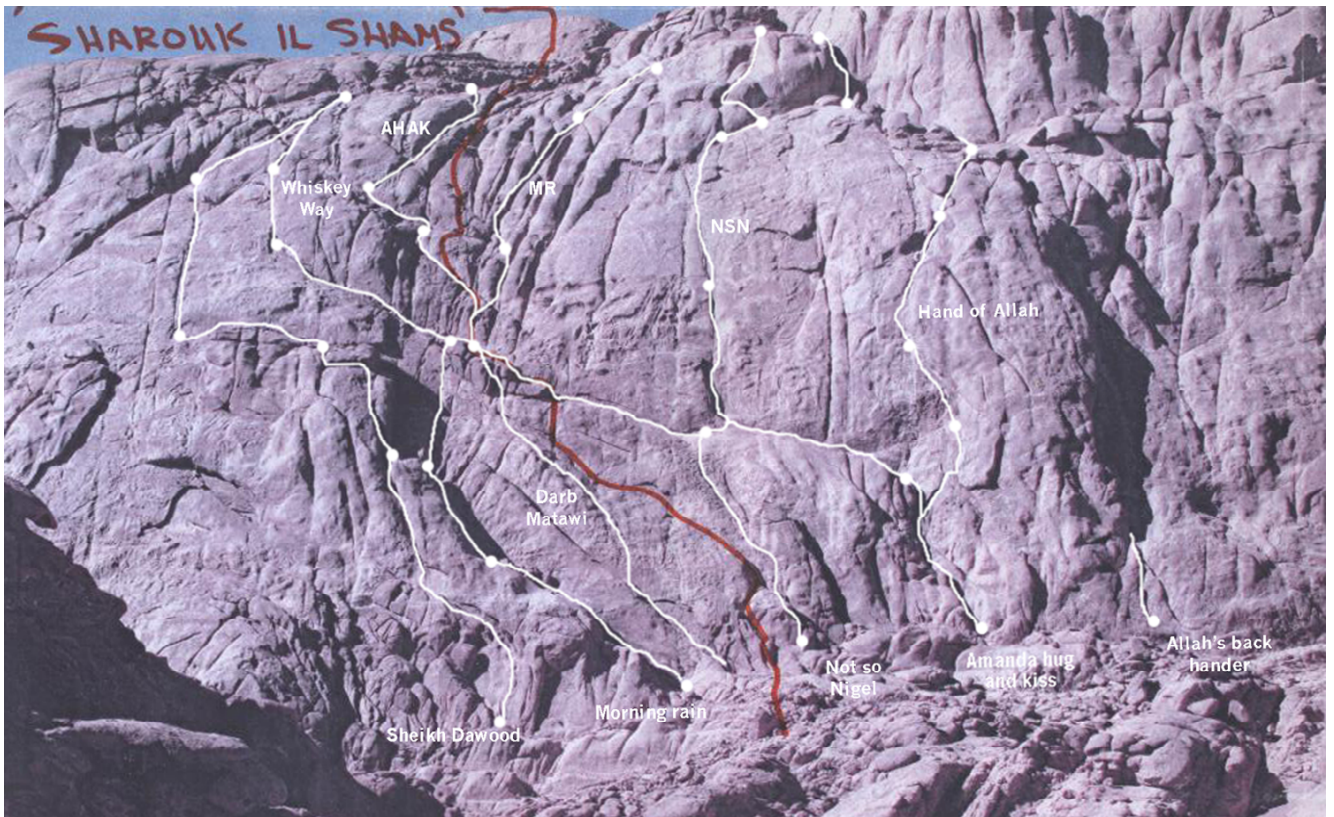
- i)      Follow the flake for 30m at the top step right into a thin crack follow until 10m below the roof take a belay in a scoop.
- ii)     Traverse boldly but easily right across the slabs into a gully. Follow gully take a belay below a flaky bulge.
- iii)    Turn the bulge and follow the crack above to the top.

**3      “Unfinished Sympathy” HVS 5a, 5a/b Dave Lucas and Alex Barrows. 15/04/06**

The route starts at the right hand end of the ledge running along the base of the crag under the main overhang.

- i)      5a Climb flakes and groove to good ledge and belay and exisiting ab point. (55m)
- ii)     5a/b Climb in crack place gear then down climb then traverse right and then climb black dyke. Continue up to possible chance to traverse right. Route continues to overhang and insitu number 4 camalot. Check before lowering off as rock is loose. (28m)

## *East face main section*



### **4 “Sheikh Dawood” Awaiting information.**

### **5 “Morning Rain” VS 4c Andrew Ruthford and Sarah Potts Easter 2005**

- i) Go left up the open easy Chimney past some chockstones to belay. 20m
- ii) Go directly up past via a groove to the bottom of a nasty offwidth. Climb this then go up to belay on the half way ledge. 40m (4b/c)
- iii) Go up the parallel cracks with a bulgew inbetween. Have to climb this like riding a horse. Climb a scoop above then pad up a slab to belay. 30m (4b/c)
- iv) Go left 2m from the belay into the next crack over then go straight up it to the top. 35m (4c)
- v) The might have been a small easy finishing pitch to get to the top.

### **6 “Whiskey way” Andrew Rutherford and Dave Lucas Easter 2006**

Do the first two pitches of morning rain then go leftwards on ledge for 20m

- iii) Go up obvious jamming crack. It has a hard start (5a/b) 25m
- iv) Go up runnels to the top. (4b) 30m

### **7 “Sharouk Il Shams (Sunrise)” HVS 5a 240m Geoff Hornby and Susie Sammut 12/12/07**

- i) Vs 4b, 25m. Climb the left side of the block to reach slanting off-width. Climb this to a good ledge.
- ii) Severe, 40m. Climb the smooth groove above to easy ground. Follow this to belay below the fork in the groove.

- iii) HVS 4c 30m. Move up the upper groove to below 2 black lines. Smear up the left one boldly to the ledge right of the big block.
- iv) V. Diff 30m. Up the groove left as per Darb Matawi but belay 10m past it before obvious off-width crack.
- v) HVS 5a, (climbed before on another route) climb the groove right of the off-width with difficulty to a ledge belay 20m above.
- vi) V. Diff 30m. Follow the ramp leftwards and then up the slab above to belay below a short wall.
- vii) VS 4b, 40m. Move right then up and back left boldly across slabs until overlooking the big chimney. Climb the right arête until a step into the chimney which provides a belay stance.
- viii) VS 4b, 20m. Follow the chimney until it steepens then hand traverse a flake on the left wall to exit onto a ledge.
- ix) Scramble to the top.

**8 “Darb Motawi”. HS 4a, 4a, 4b, 4a, 4b, 3 250m. Ruth Murdie, Melissa Nesbitt, and Jeniffer Pugh.**

- ii) 4a (60m) Up ramp to ledge just before its top (full 60m)
- iii) 4a (25m) Continue to top of ramp climb crack to big chimney, belay on ledge.
- iv) 4b (45m) Move up gully above. Make tricky move into main gully. Continue to 40m belay where rock is good just before gully deepens.
- v) 4a (50m) Step out left (don't continue – loose flaky rock) go over shoulder into corner. Go up corner 5m continue up diagonally left in large groove. Belay in flat bottom of next gully.
- vi) 4b (55m) Make tricky move up left crack line (continue along same diagonal trend don't go up gully). Continue up easy crack to top. Step down 3m to lower crack move along to find belay.
- vii) 3 (15m) Finish up easy ground.

**9 \*\*\*\*“Not so Nigel” HVS 4b, 4c, 4c+, 4a. 215m. Dave Lucas, Melissa Nesbitt, Lianne Harburn.**

- i) 4b (56m) Start under short chimney, climb this and into crack and slab. Climb this, crack turns into offwidth. Leave this and then up groove climb then on short slab. Walk right to under crack (10m)
- ii) 4c (49m) Climb corner and then leave corner by stepping right into crack. Climb this then a few meters on slab to the start of a new crack. Continue to a hanging belay.
- iii) 4c+ (55m) Continue on line with minimal gear on small brass offset nuts. Step right as line steepens to under flake. Climb flake and corner belay on ledge.
- iv) Walk along and up groove past open groove to 5 boulders below crack.
- v) 55m (4a) climb crack then rock over on slab to left. Go left and join off-width and chimney climb this to its end.
- vi) Scramble off left and up then over into gully

**10 “Amanda Hug and Kiss.” VS 4c, 5a, 4a, 4a Dave Lucas, Amanda Rungis and James Whitham. 28/03/05**

- i) 4c 58m Climb past a bush and into a crack leading to a chimney. Belay on top of boulders.

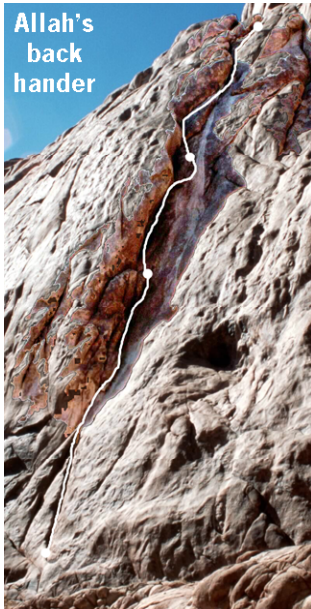
- Scramble 110m along ledge.
- ii) 5a 30m Climb into crack (Crux) and up then traverse left to belay under large boulder.
- iii) 4a 50m Climb up past the boulder on your left. Then traverse left past off width about 15m to an easy crack. Climb to belay.
- iv) 4a 55m Continue up line to large ledge and top of route.

**Desent:** Scramble/walk up to gully and descend this to the right into the main gully leading down left to the secret garden. Go right up this gully to a col and then descend this down to main col and then walk back to camp. 40min needed for this.

**11 \*\*\*\*“Hand of Allah” E3 5c. 210m. Caroline Graham-Brown and Richard Sonnerale. 04/04/05**

- i) Start to left of base of hand in obvious easy right facing crack. Move up this until you can step right into a left facing crack leading towards the hand. (25m) follow the flake until you can make an easy traverse across into the main crack (good Gear). Follow main crack until reaching a belay point where the crack widens out. Belay has good nut placements. (55m E1 5a)
- ii) Follow main crack line up to the left with a difficult start over steep overlap. Follow twin cracks until an overlap. Undercling out to the left and pull a difficult move up the water groove. Once standing in the water groove put up a belay in the main crack. (25m E3 5c)
- iii) Follow the main crack up and over the ‘thumb’ through some difficult off-width moves into a layback just before climbing over the top of the thumb. Follow the wider crack up into stemming groove and easy top out into a nice belay ledge. 45m E2 5c sustained.
- iv) Follow groove with discontinuous hand crack up towards small chimney. Belay just below chimney where rock has some calcite. 15m VS 4c.
- v) Commit to difficult traverse left on crimps and small smears for feet. Little protection, but fairly easy moves for good slab climbers. Get into groove and follow easy angle 20m up to the crack. Protection is limited but climbing easy. (sky hook used). Follow groove with better protection now up to very thorny tree and belay. (55m E1 5a)
- vi) Scramble straight up to chimney/ wide crack to the right of 2 obvious cracks. It has a big chock stone at the top. Climb this awkward but rewarding chimney over the chockstone and belay in blocks. (15m Vs 4c)
- vii) Scramble up and to right (east) for an easy walk off down the gully and back past the base of the route.

**12 \*\*\*\*“Allah’s back hander” E5 5b, 6a, 4c, 4a. 148m Richard Sonnerdale and Dave Lucas**



- i) 58m (E1 5b) Climb crack (hands) to boulders then traverse right into another crack and then climb into a chimney/groove to overhang and choice of cracks straight up is best.
- ii) 35m E5 5c/6a Climb up into short crack (right) then back left to base of chimney. Climb in Chimney good protection. Climb out of chimney at overlap (2.5 quadcam). Bridge and layback up offwidth to the second overlap (unprotected crux) and place camalot 4 and 3 then climb over the overlap traverse to flake. Climb flake (crack/offwidth) past bush to block belay.
- iii) 35m VS 4c. Climb the crack and trend left into crack proper gain break and climb the two cracks to a chimney and belay.
- iv) 20m S,4a. Climb groove /crack to a small chimney climb under/round the boulder to the ledge.
- v) Finish as the pitch 6 of Hand of Allah.

### *East Face Lower Flake*



- 1) \*\*\*"Robbed" E2 6a 55m David Lucas, James Whitham, Jonathan Clark.

Start at the crack between two boulders at the foot of the main crack. Climb this and the crack to pull into the groove. Climb this to top (friend 4-6 belay). Scamble along top to ab point.

2) **\*\*“Mr T” E3 6a 55m. David Lucas and Richard Sonnerdale. 26/03/05**

Start at the top of the boulder climb up the rake going from right to left. Then traverse to bottom of a flared finger crack. Climb this (crux) (micro nuts) then traverse up and right to the foot of another crack. Climb this and continue to a traverse. Start hands then go foot traverse. At end of traverse down climb into crack and climb to ledge and abseil point.

3) **\*\*\*“Sky Pocket Rocket” E2 5c. 50m David Lucas, Rob Sanderson and Amanda Rungis.**

From the top of the boulder, boulder problem start via pocket direct to overlap and base of crack. Climb crack till it finishes, continue up using pockets to then move left into another crack. Climb this to a ledge and abseil point.

***East Face Nun’s Flake Area***



1) **•Blind man’s muff E2 4a, 5b. 60m David Barlow and Dave Lucas 04/12/07**

- i) HS 4a, 45m. Up the corner keeping left and then up next step. Climb a short wide crack onto ledge. Walk left then up a rightward slanting cracked gully to the belay.
- ii) 5b, 15m. Up crack right to ledge. Step back up slab to gain wide crack. Go up to its end and then realize how stupid you have been. Lower off 60m back to the start off insitu 3.5 quadcam.

**2) \*\*\*“Up the backside of the Nun” VS 4c, 4c. 80m. Dave Lucas and David Barlow. 10/12/07**

- i) VS 4c, 55m. Step up into easy crack to widening chimney. Climb past this up the seam to its right to the top of the pillar. Climb up and right across the slab to crack. Climb up and exit over bulge to a shallow gully that leads to slanting ledge.
- ii) VS 4c, 25m. Climb up corner to top of the Nun.

Nb. The descent of the top is one 60m abseil down right to gully. The tat of the top will need replacing and is not perfect and consider leaving gear.

**3) \*\*\*“Kick the Habbit” E1 5b, 4c. 80m. Dave Lucas and David Barlow 12/12/07**

- i) VS 4c, 55m. Follow the first pitch of up the backside till climb up and over bulge section. Then traverse right onto a ledge. Then back up left up a gully. Belay at the base of Nun crack.
- ii) E1 5b, 25m. Climb up crack climbing on the left hand side of the Nun’s hands block to the top.

**4) \*\*\*\*“Gas Attack” E3 6a, 4, 6b+, 6a, 6a+, 6b, 6a. 311m. Dave Lucas and Martin Richards 22/02/08**

Scramble up past the starts of the nun flake routes. 50m.

- i) 6a, 35m Climb up the first chimney then into off-width but climb the wall to the left onto small ledge and pocket. Move up onto ramp and then up steep overlaps.

Traverse 30m right to the base of corner.

- ii) 4, 32m Up the groove to the base of the steep corner.
- iii) 6b+ 24m. Up the corner with gear at first but soon becomes run out. Climb to the good hold and exit up right to steepening crack. Climb over this to belay at the base of the main crack.
- iv) 6a, 28m. Up and belay under steep overlap using thin crack to left of main off-width.
- v) 6a+, 15m. Move up overlap and into a hand crack, which becomes steep. Belay at base of cave.

\*Possible to run pitch 4 and 5 together but be careful not to run out of gear.

- vi) 6b, 24m. Move up width/chimney then make great moves under the overhang and round the nose. Climb more easily up to the end of the crack.
- vii) 6a, 28m. Climb out of crack using the thin seam to the right. Climb past the good bit of gear then run it out further right to a crack and gully follow to large ledge.
- viii) Scramble to the ledge.

**5) \*\*\*\*"Echos from another World" E2 5a, 5b, 5a, 5b, 5b, 5b. 260m. Martin Kocsis and Dan Irving. 10/11/05**

At the right hand end of the main wall the right facing corner system. Big cams to cam 5 are essential. If you find the start (not difficult) therest follows naturally. A grand day out!

- i) 35m, 5a. Climb a blank runnel to slab. Follow the obvious crack to belay at the foot of a capped chimney.
- ii) 50m, 5b. Turn the rapping block carefully. Up to a rounded boss then downclimb its right hand side to reach the first of the wide cracks. Follow this to belay below a bulge.
- iii) 35m, 5a. Overcome the bulge make your way room with a view ledge and have lunch!
- iv) 60m, 5b. Climb the right facing corner – a full 60m! Belay on top of a bulgy flake. Excellent!
- v) 40m, 5b/c. The BIG pitch – in every way! From the belay, step down and across to the base of the off-width. Gurd your loins and commence battle! Belay in a slabby area with a choice of 2 exits. (kneepads advised)
- vi) 40m, 5b. The cleaner right hand exit, slightly run out with exfoiliating rock to content with. Cross a level area to a final awkward crack. Belay above.

**Descent:** Head off right to the gully. Scramble down as far as the bush/tree thing and some fixed gear. Ab down to the path, shake one another's hands heartily.



## *The Gulp area*

### *Two tier crag*



The two tier crag lies to the west behind the Gulp tower itself.

**1)      \*”Crack it if you cam” E1 5a, 5b. 92m. Dave Lucas and Craig Freshwater. 18/03/08**

There is a great looking crack that almost comes to the ground with white/grey streak running to its right. Walk up a further 15m to an easier flake start.

- i)        37m, 5a. Climb flakes to a ledge then up finger crack to a bigger ledge. Walk left along this passing the white/grey streak and then step across the crack to a good ledge and big spike belay.
- ii)      55m, 5b. Climb the crack steep at first and then continue up into the chimney where the crack cuts through a steeper wall.

This pitch finishes at the top of the first tier. It is possible to walk and scramble off left.

### *Gulp*

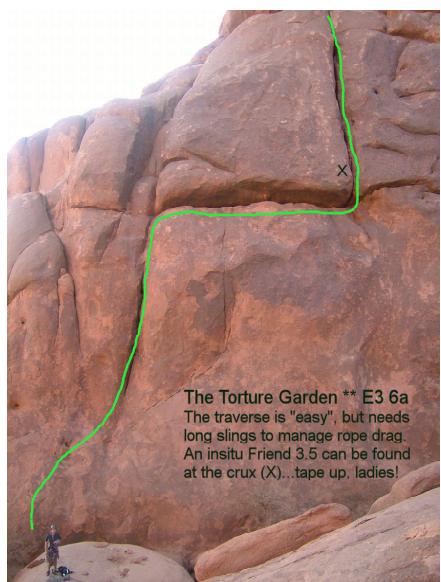
**1)        \*”Call to prayer” VS 4a, 5a, 4b, 5a. 90m. Nic Fleming and Maggie Bass. 04/03/09**

The route takes a left to right system of ledges and cracks on the SW face of Gulp. Start at the top of the high col between two tier crag and gulp itself. At the bottom of the easy ramp of the descent.

- i) 20m, 4a. Chimney up through scalloped block and follow ledge rightwards. The belay just before the obvious crack.
- ii) 25m, 5a. Climb the crack. Follow ledge right to corner and belay.
- iii) 30m, 4b. Follow chimney/crack behind belay to ledge. Climb lovely hand crack above.
- iv) 15m, 5a. Climb into narrow pod. Struggle up this to ledge. Climb short finger crack above to summit.

**2) \*\*\*"Behind the elephant's ear" E1 5a, 4b, 4a, 5b, 3c, 3c, -, 4b, 5a, -, 5a, 4c. 250m. Richard Waltham and Jonathan Prager. 05/03/09**

- i) 35m, 5a. Ascend the chimney with increasing difficulty until some bold bridging enables a flake and crack to the right to be gained. Ascend this, worrying, to a belay ledge (blocks)
- ii) 10m, 4b. Pull into the slanting chimney above and climb more easily to belay on the right.
- iii) 15m, 4a. Pull into the cleft and climb up and leftwards to belay on a large ledge. (easy escape off left )
- iv) 30m, 5b. Initial steep jamming leads to groove/flake (some hollow/friable rock) to a belay back right beneath a crack.
- v) 30m, 3c. Easier climbing up the crack leads to a terrace/ledge.
- vi) 20m, 3c. Climb the flared crack formed by the large blocky flakes. Continue rightwards to the base of the chimneys which lead to the overhang above.
- vii) 20m, -. Spurn the chimneys in favour of the \*\*\* cave – walk through/down to belay on the large chockstone/boulder on the outside edge of the cavern, beneath a scalloped slab.
- viii) 15m, 4b. A bold pitch, protectionless, up the slab leads to a cave belay level with an obvious traverse line.
- ix) 15m, 5a. An intimidating and cramped traverse leads around the arête ( there is a big hidden hold around the arête). Continue until bridging across the chimney is possible. Belay.
- x) 20m, -. Climb out into the rib and up a slabby groove.
- xi) 25m, 5a. Climb corner crack, the right hand crack of three, (jam then layback) to easy scramble leftwards.
- xii) 15m, 4c. Short jam crack and then finger crack leads to final steps to summit.



### ***The Secret Garden***

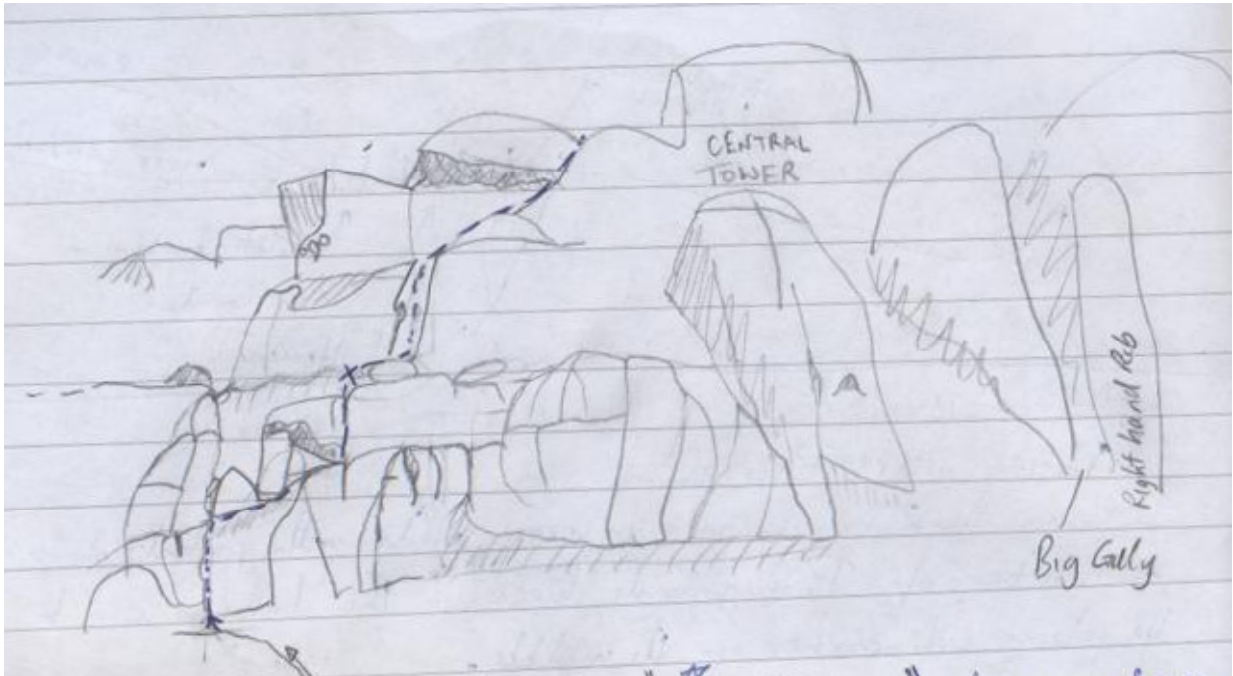
To the left of the overhang on the east face above the camp there is a gully. At the top of this gully is a shady garden area. There's an obvious blob in it about 60m high in the north face there is an obvious line:

**\*\*\*"The torture garden' E3 6a 60m Martin Kocsis, Dan Irving. 13/11/05**

An obvious line with even more obvious difficulties! An unprotected and delicate start leads to a technical crack, easy but exposed traverse and then the mother of all holdless overhanging fist cracks.

There are plenty more lines to go here! Descent is an in situ thread and full 60m ab back to the garden. 3.5 friend in situ.

## *Schnapps*



1) **\*“Pudding Tonight” VS 4b, 4c. 60m. Maggie Bass, Jo Bowen and Dave Ward.  
03/03/09**

- i) 30m, 4b. Start up little right facing corner, past small upward jutting flake. Along ramp rightwards and up at the end of ramp to large belay ledge.
- ii) 30m, 4c. Climb the obvious twin cracks just right of belay and the easier groove above.

## *Mousa*



**1) “Building Castles in the Sky” HVS 4c, 5a, 5a, 4c. \*\* Dave Lucas and Melissa Nesbitt. 183m**

- i) 4c 58m Climb crack/slab into an OW/Chimney climb this to easy ground and then a wide chimney climb to easy ground and to gain the bottom of the groove.
- ii) 5a 55m Climb groove and cracks finishing in a chimney chocked by a large block. Go under this to a belay.
- iii) 5a 40m Climb the cracks and groove to a steeper crack climb this to a ledge and a thin rake to another ledge. Belay in the corner.
- iv) 4c. 30m. Climb crack and avoid loose boulder. Then climb crack to finish.

**Descent:** Walk East and then round south to descend main summit. Then walk east up gully to then a possible walk down back to bottom of route.

**2) \*\*\*“Corner stone” E2 5a, 5b, 4b, 5a 180m. Dave Lucas and David Barlow. 04/12/07**

- i) 5a, 45m. Behind block and climb corners to base of main coner.
- ii) 5b, 55m. Climb up the double crack corner and belay at its top.
- iii) 4b, 20m. Climb up left to under the overhang. Traverse right under the overhang and then out onbto slabs. Belay under shoulder before joining Castles in the sky.
- iv) Climb up boldly onto shoulder to join a basalt seam then continue up on easier angle to break. Climb up and left to corner and climb this to the top.

## *Mohammed*



- 1     **\*“Sound of Silence” HVS 4c, 5a Richard Sonnerdale and Dave Lucas 26/03/05**
  - i)     4c 30m. Climb slab to the base of crack. Climb this to a bulge. Climb over this using feature to right. Continue up groove and crack to a ledge and block belay.
  - ii)    5a 45m Climb up crack and then trend right and then left to steeper, bolder but easier ground. Then rock around right onto head wall (crux) and then up crack to belay.Descend: walk down chimney past tree and then down slabs.
  
- 2     **“Tetris” Tim Pilling VS 4c March 2005.**

Start 4m left of ? at crack with loose looking flake at 5m up. Climb round flake by bridging around it. Follow crack to small roof. Climb through on left on some good positive finger holds and finish as for ?. Use same abseil descent. Beware this route required the removal of a very large loose block to make it safe to climb (hence the name). Therefore there may still be some loose shrapnel on route. The lower flake is relatively solid but is best avoided.
  
- 3     **“?” \*\* HVS 5a Richard Sonnerdale and Caroline Graham-Brown. March 2005.**

Start below 2 parallel cracks at far right of face. Tricky start to reach finger crack. Follow LH crack to boulder with tat on ledge just below summit. Abseil off boulder to right side.
  
- 4     **“The Craic” E1 4c, 5a, 5b \*\*\* Brian Rodgers, Martin Cook 10/11/05**
  - i)     Start in crack line right of SOS. Follow crack line for 25m to belay below leftward trending flake. (4 –5 m below loose looking block on right side) 25m
  - ii)    Follow crack to cave belay. 25m

- iii) Go Straight up from Belay and over bulge. Trend left towards obvious thin crack. Follow crack (crux) to ledge and easier ground. Take Care on easier ground to top.

**5      \*\*\*"The bloody knuckles climbing club" E1 5a. 40m. Mike Hutton and Nick Fleming. 03/03/09**

Enter the base of the crack. Shift right a few feet up when the crack spits you out. Return to the crack when it eases. Continue up into the first larger cave and then clamber up into the second smaller one. Unusual moves and calm head allow progress up open groove until thin thinger jam brings relief and access to a ledge on the right. Lay back the flake on the left to reach under the alien head roof. A delicate tiptoe left brings a finish on the ledge to the right with good belays behind. Look out for friable rock at the top.

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To approach the crag there are two methods:

- i) If coming down the valley from the gulp turn off east before you pass Mohammed. Then once in the side valley keep to its right hand side. Walk up and this will take you to the base of the right hand end of the crag by "Twisted"
- ii) If wanting the left hand end of the crag or coming from camp then take the gulley up right at the immediate start of Mohammed. This steep valley brings you out at the descent gully for the crag.

**LEFT HAND SIDE**



**1)      \*\*\*"Twisted" E1 4b/c, 5b, 4b. 60m. Dave Lucas and Craig Freshwater. 19/03/08.**

Start at the base of the big crack/corner on a ledge at the far left hand end of the crag.

- i) 27m, 4b/c. Climb up on hand jam to reach a small crack on the wall to the left of the corner. Climb this until it joins a short corner up and left. Climb this wider crack to a ledge and belay.
- ii) 18m, 5b. Climb up crack to a short ledge and exit this by the first crack. This gains a large ledge and block belay.
- iii) 15m, 4b. Climb up behind the ledge and up a flake/crack to a slab that takes you into a cave. Back and foot out of a small hole that pops you onto the top.

**2)      \*\*\*"Out on two limbs" E1 4c, 5b. 51m. Dave Lucas and Craig Freshwater. 19/03/08**

Start at the bottom of the biggest line on the left hand end of the crag.

- i) 23m, 4c. Climb up crack and offwidth to belay on ledge before the main chimney.
- ii) 28m, 5b. Climb up chimney and off-width to finish on the top.