



Squamish Big Walls

Aid Climbs on the Squamish Chief

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Climbs by Difficulty

Unfortunately, there aren't many 'easy' aid routes on The Chief. This is mainly because the old easier aid routes are now commonly free climbed. To keep with the free and clean ethics of the modern climbing era, these free routes have been omitted from this guide.

Some intermediate routes can be climbed clean, assuming fixed gear is still in place. You should have a basic knowledge of piton craft and be prepared to replace fixed gear if it is missing. Harder routes require dealing with expanding and loose rock, difficult route-finding and long stretches of marginal gear, often with serious consequences. The climbs are listed here in a rough order of difficulty.

Beginner Routes

University Wall
Cannabis Wall

Intermediate Routes

Strange Brew
Wrist Twister
Blade Runner

Intermediate Routes (cont.)

Uncle Ben's
Ten Years After
Breakfast Run
Cowboys and Indians
Humpty Dumpty
The Sheriff's Badge
Negro Lesbian
Zorro's Last Ride
The Promised Land
Zodiac Wall

Expert Routes

Lost at Sea
Pandemonium
Pan Granitic Frogman
Pantera
The Raven
Under the Gun
Bald Egos
Doug Fir
Up From the Skies
I Shot the Sheriff
Pan's Labyrinth
Skull Fuck
Shoulders of Giants
Son of Pan
The Temptation of St. Anthony



Bald Egos

V 5.9 A4

First Ascent

2000

Cornelius Amelunxen

Adam Diamond

Tactics

Approach as for *University Wall*. Belays 2, 3, 4 and 10 offer free-hanging bivys and belay 9 has the only good bivy ledge.

Escape

Rappelling the route is convoluted and difficult. It is possible to rappel straight down through trees and anchors on the *Wall of Attrition* from pitch 4 and above. To escape from the *Vulcan's Artery*, scramble up fixed lines and follow an obvious trail to the First Summit.

Rack

20 Beaks

8 Blades

20 Arrows

2 Angles (1/2")

Nuts and micros: 2 sets

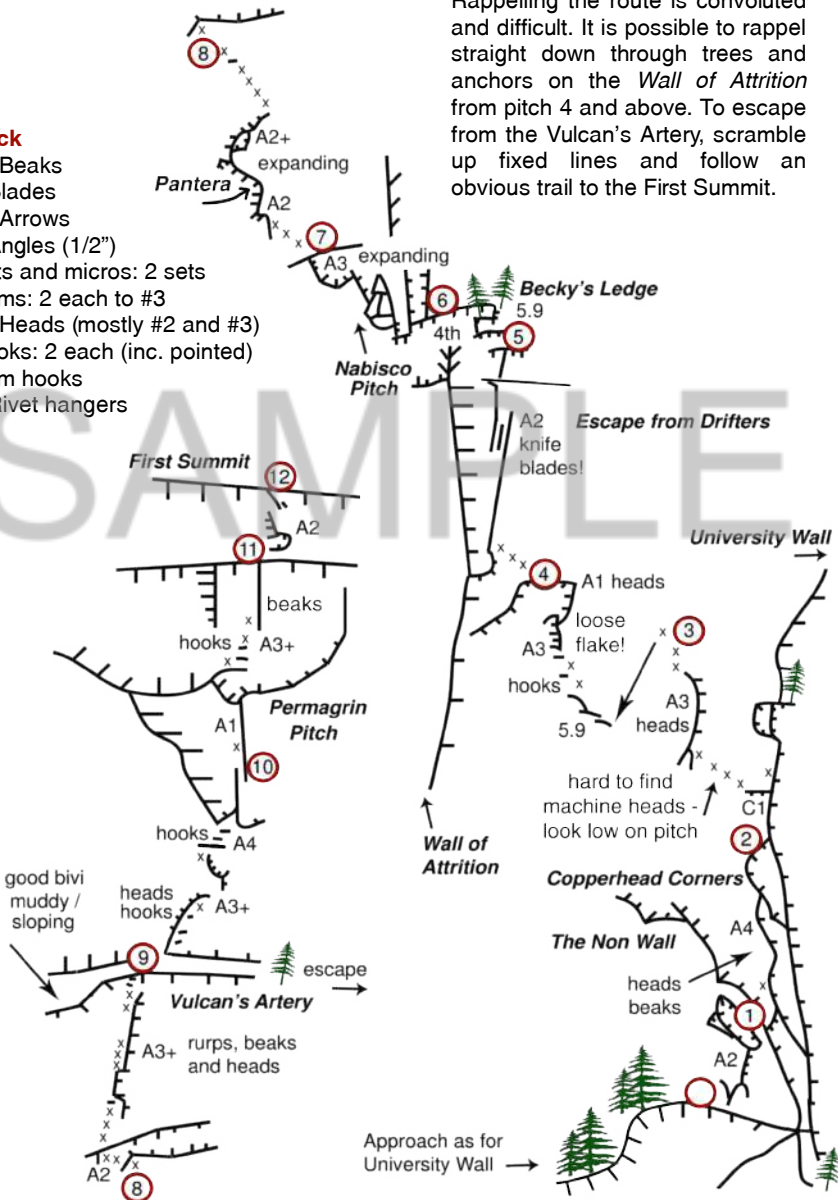
Cams: 2 each to #3

30 Heads (mostly #2 and #3)

Hooks: 2 each (inc. pointed)

Cam hooks

8 Rivet hangers



SAMPLE



The Pan Wall

SAMPLE

The Pan Wall



Pantera

V 5.10 A3+

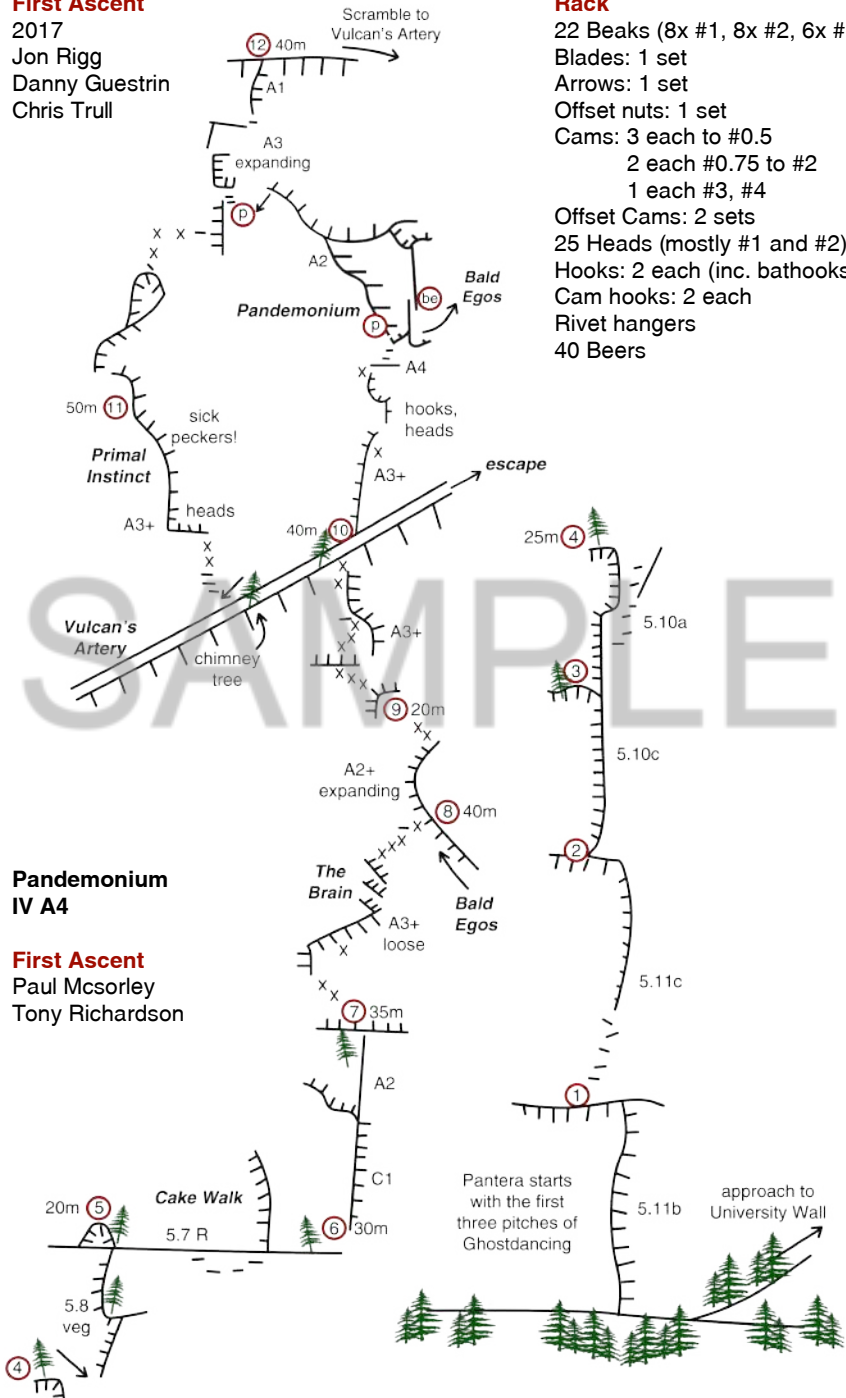
First Ascent

2017

Jon Rigg

Danny Guestrin

Chris Trull



Pandemonium IV A4

First Ascent

Paul Mcsorley

Tony Richardson

Son of Pan

V 5.8 A4+

First Ascent

1982

Daryl Hatton

Greg Foweraker

One of the most dramatic walls on the Chief, Son of Pan is a hard route with exceptional thin nailing. Most critical bolts have been replaced but expect some original machine heads to still be lurking.

Rack

24 Beaks (12x #1, 6x #2, 6x #3)

5 Blades

5 Arrows

Nuts and micros: 2 sets

Cams: 2 each to #3

10 Heads

Hooks: 2 each

Rivet hangers

Escape

Rappelling is straightforward.

