

The Family Crag

5 minutes before Pemberton has 10 routes to date. 5.8 to 11.d, 16-25m. Small overhangs, technical face and thin slab is what you will get. May to October climbing season, with the potential of a seasonal creek flooding the access rail in April and early May. Set in a beautiful patch of old-growth forest, and only a couple minute walk from the highway parking area, it will be a worthy addition to the Sea to Sky sport climber.

Parking co-ordinates - Google maps - 50.285334, -122.851290 (heading towards Pemberton from Whistler, just after the train bridge and before going up Suicide Hill on the right)

Crag co-ordinates - Google Maps - 50.286268, -122.853503

Directions to Crag - Once parked, carefully cross the Highway and look for a path leading into the forest viewers left as you are crossing the highway. (50.285297, -122.851636) Follow a flagged trail that winds WNW, a somewhat direct path, to the wall which is at the base of the hill seen from the highway parking area looking west. Enjoy the old-growth Cedars and Douglas Fir along the way. An abandoned squatters shack will be seen a few minutes in on the left and then the walls will become visible to the shacks right.

Two walls, taller left wall (multinational) and shorter right wall (dad bod). Max 9 bolts per route and max 25m. 60m rope ideal, 50m will work with care and knot on end. All anchors have chains and biners. If top roping, please use your own draws.

Multinational Wall (routes from left to right)

1 - Roots run through us - 5.10a/b Bouldery bulge then face left of and including arete. (F.A Polek Rybczynski)

2 - She like shiny rocks - 5.8 Main corner, start right of the low overhang, using corner/crack. extension into Roots and Crawl anchors 5.10a/b. (F.A Polek Rybczynski)

3 - Crawl - 5.10.c Shares first 2 bolts with multinational. same start area as shiny rocks but straight up, using and staying right of crack. high right anchor above slab. (F.A Polek Rybczynski)

4 - Multinational - 5.10c As for Crawl but work towards airy arete. (F.A Polek Rybczynski)

5 - Man cave - 5.10b Start around the corner up dirt gully. Steps to be built. joins the slab of Multinational. (F.A Polek Rybczynski)

Dad Bod Wall

6 - Fit Mum - 5.11c Perma-draw. out of cave in over-hang crack into face laybacks. Bouldery. (F.A Jay Audenart)

7 - Kid Play - 5.11b Shares high first bolt with Dad Bod. left out of corner. (F.A Polek Rybczynski)

8 - Dad Bod - 5.11d High first bolt into a crux reachy sequence. (F.A Jay Audenart)

9 - Honey I'm Late - 5.10b Shares first bolt with workin' the angles. straight up. (F.A Polek Rybczynski)

10 - Workin' the Angles - 5.10b Diagonal up onto bench and up. (F.A Polek Rybczynski)

Quite a few variations/link-ups of routes on both walls have been done due to the many holds. There is a crag stick clip that lives at the Dad Bod Wall. Please leave it there for the next climber if you choose to use it.

As a new crag, helmets are a must and loose rock is possible and should be expected to an extent. There are small thin bands of semi-loose quartz which will constantly exfoliate. A great deal of work and care was taken over 3 years to exfoliate the walls of loose rock, but nature is ever-changing. Take care and be smart. All responsibility is taken upon the climber and belayer for their safety. The route developer takes no responsibility of any injuries or death caused on routes developed. Climb at your own risk and discretion.

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