

KALYMNOS 2011: NEW ROUTES FROM CLAUDE AND YVES REMY

During 10 days of March-April 2011, we set up new routes at six sectors in Kalymnos. Two sectors are new, Great Canyon and Big Shadow, other good news: there are several nice easy routes.

Anyway take care with this information because some routes need traffic to be cleaned and to confirm or change the grade, but for the quality... it is up to you.

The easiest routes are usually very well-protected. **For routes longer than 35 m take more than 15 quickdraws (QD), some Extensions go to 50 m and need 20 QD.**

Routes are left to right.

Ext = Extension of the route.

B = Belay (Lower-off).

SECTOR STYX, the long cave (Emporios Portal?)

Inside this cave the rock looks broken, but surprise, it is... good. Well-protected routes.

Shadow in the cave til the middle of the afternoon.

7a+ **Circus** overhang/holds, smooth rock then sharp, go out the cave, 17 bolts, 35 m

6b **Ingo** start a bit overhang then wall, 14 bolts, 25 m

6a+ **No Exit** steep wall/holds, 15 bolts, 35 m

6a+ **Metro** slab then steep wall, go out the roof of the cave (to remember the incredible ice route at Breitwang, CH) 17 bolts, 38 m

SECTOR GREAT CANYON (new sector between Arhi right and Sea breeze left side).

Approach: park as to go to Pocket Wall – Sea Breeze and follow the gorge to the entrance of the canyon, go up right, blue marks, to the foot of the grey slab, 8 – 10 minutes. Here are the routes 1 to 9. These routes start by an easy slab, cross a big ledge then go to a vertical wall.

Most of the wall is steep, white/red on the left, grey in the middle and white/red on the right.

For routes 10 to 16, walk up on the right 1 min more, follow the ramp to the big ledge. Routes on the right are in overhang and in shadow most of the time. Often rock is sharp but most of the climbs are well protected.

6c **Melomakaronas** first route on the left, 6b with 2pa, slab, big ledge then wall, 35 m

7a **Mystic Land** same start with the next than from the big ledge go left, one crux, 35 m

7b **Plastic Surgery Disaster** start with Mystic, at the big ledge go up right, 32 m

7a **Art in the Air** slab, ledge then wall, 34 m

6c **Vromikos** slab, ledge then wall, 33 m

6b+ **Boulderhoelle** slab, ledge then wall, 33 m

6b **Xazouli** slab, ledge then wall, left of the cave, 32 m

6c **Xazouli Ext** after the belay, wall then slab with friction crux, 38 m

6c **Me Ponaï** slab, ledge then wall, right of the cave, 32 m, learn greek before this climb

From the big ledge

10 6c **Rock Out** wall to the roof, 20 m

11 6b **Loubis's Angels** wall to the roof, 20 m, good cracks-holds, try in Loubis... it is harder

12 5c+ **Brave a New World** after a slab & short wall/crux, it is a traverse, very well-protected, 16 QD

The next routes are short but very powerful

13 7a **Divine Comedie** a short roof with very good holds, belay to Brave

14 7a **Sex Pistols** a short overhang with very good holds, not rotten as Johnny...

15 7b **Tzatziki kai Sokolate** short overhang with good “killing” holds, try onsight, B to Sex

16 7b+ **Beta Lambda** overhang with desperate short sharp crux, B to Sex pistols

SECTOR GREY ZONE left of Pocket Wall

6a **Fasolada** slab then overhang above the small cave, to remember a nice soup
(*admin's note: Fasoláda is a hearty Greek bean soup*)

6a **In Dubio** slab then a nice overhang and holds, then a slab again

5b+ **Falakro** variation of In Dubio, avoid the overhang by the right

Right of Strats for Heroes

6c **Saphirniac** wall, pockets, cracks, overhang, B above the great roof, 38 m

Right of Kill the Cock

6a **Utopia** slab, wall, crack, pockets, 20 m.

6c **Utopia Ext** wall, try onsight, 36 m

SECTOR ARGINONTA

30 m left of Studio Fatolitis (subsector Holiday) there is a grey slab full up good holds, routes are very well protected.

4c **Bolt-Obsession** slab, flakes, cracks, with a wall and “hard finish”...

5a **BB** crux at the start, thanks to Bernard Bolliger, 20 m

4a Takis rare: the easiest climb is the most beautiful!

4b **No Blabla Do It** slab, corner and holds...

4c **Mammut Step** big steps and big holds

Right of Bouboulina (Infrared Wall)

6b **Koubinos** crux at the start then technical climb, also dedicated to a hero, but he is not the husband of Bouboulina (*admin's note: Bouboulina was a famous 19th century heroine in the Greek revolution*)

Right of Pornokini

6c **Test Under Stress** crux very well-protected in the overhang

Right of No Sleep

6c **Romance of Stone** overhang with tufas and big holds, then wall, 28 m

Extension of Avri

7a **Kolhinet Kafhouille** don't clip the B of Avri but the bolt on the right, crux... and keep going

SECTOR BIG SHADOW

This new sector is the “big wall” above the road between Kasteli – Arginonta, exposure north-east, there is a bit of sun in the morning.

Approach: soon after the big turn of Kasteli/Dolphin Bay sectors, on the right of the road there is a small concrete building, park. Follow the 3 first electric poles and the red marks-cairns, then straight up the left side of the vague ridge, cross a small rock band, then follow small ledges of the left side to the base of Big Shadow, 40 minutes.

Some routes start by a short scrambling section. All routes have been made from the bottom. We will come back to make more routes and extensions, so thanks to wait before making more routes.

6a+ **Metralos** wall, holds, 12 bolts, 30 m
6a+ **Cacou** slab, wall, holds, 10 bolts, 25 m
6a **Vicking** steep slab, 12 bolts, 25 m
6b **Directos** wall then slab, B to Grim, 13 bolts, 30 m
6b **Grim** line of great holds in the center of the wall, 13 bolts, 30 m
6c+ **Grim Ext** overhang with holds again, 20 bolts, 50 m
7a+ **Cosi** wall/overhang with small holds, 15 bolts, 30 m
7b **Taupe the Rop** wall/overhang with small holds, 13 bolts, 28 m
Right, in the orange cave
7a **Ratten** overhang, tufas, 10 bolts, 20 m

SECTOR NORTH CAPE

Right of Hantsch
7a **Reize** wall and overhang, 14 bolts, 25 m
Right of Scanner
6a+ **Leone** super steep slab, 14 bolts, 30 m

CORRECTIONS OF ROUTES 2010

Sector Skalia Pillar

Koutouzis Ext 6b+ is 7a

Sector Arginonta (Infrared Wall)

Bouboulina 6a+ and **Bouboulina Ext** is only one pitch, to the top, and it is 6b
Hard Primal 7a is 6c+

Sector Dolphin Bay

Bang Bang 5b is 4c ***

Sector Olympic Wall

Laetan 7a is 6c
Biloute 7a 25 m is 7a+ 30 m

Sector Stankill

Zack 6c * is 7a **
Plagnolis 6c+ is 7a
Zack and Lyrix climb in one go give a long great 45 m 7b***, 20 QD includes 3 long ones

Sector Kalydna

Extra 6a+ is 6b
New: **Kaly Câlins Extension to Life Style** 6c+, 35 m

Sector North Cape

Seferis 6b+ is 6c **