

Upper Papoose Wall

This large wall capped by a big roof is right on the descent trail from the multi-pitch climbs on the Papoose, just 1 minute past the fork to the “Corner Unit” area climbs and The Backside. A good way to get in a couple more pitches after finishing a longer climb, or in addition to the other routes in the area. A 60m rope and standard rack works well here.

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Approach is via the Papoose descent trail. From the main Shannon Falls intersection with Highway 99, a good trail heads up to an immediate fork. Stay left (right goes to the main Papoose climbing area) and hike for 5 minutes. An obvious fork goes to the left (Corner Unit and Backside) but continue straight for 1 more minute. 8 minute approach.

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The Apprentice 5.9 ***

Climb the interesting, fully bolted water grooves up the steep face. Cool movement!

Bolts (18m) FA Kathleen Sullivan, John Howe 2015

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Red Seal 5.10b ****

Start up “The Apprentice”. At the third bolt, move left across face features (crux) to reach an awesome undercling finger traverse along the roof. Clip a bolt (don’t extend, or suffer rope drag!) and mantle through the overlaps, where easier cracks lead to the anchor. Clean on TR.¹

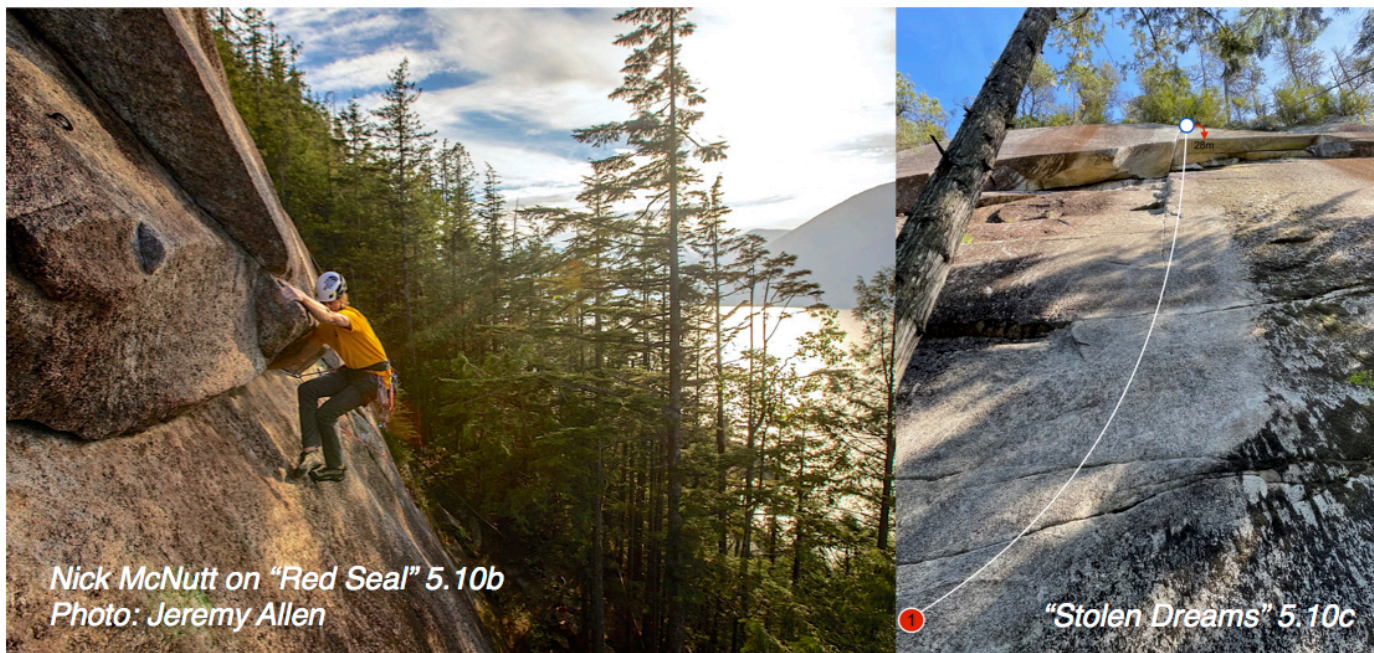
6 bolts, SR to #1 (26m) FA Nick McNutt, John Howe 2021

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Stolen Dreams 5.10c ***

Tackle a cruxy face to reach the obvious plumb line splitting the easier-than-it-looks roof. Bring a good selection of finger sized gear for the lower half. John had his fixed rope stolen from this project years ago, and it had been looked at but never completed by others.

2 bolts, SR to #3 (28m) FA Nick McNutt, John Howe 2021



Nick McNutt on “Red Seal” 5.10b
Photo: Jeremy Allen

“Stolen Dreams” 5.10c

