

## **Brewers Butress rappel descent – Castle Mountain**

Note:

- All directions are climber's left or climber's right.
- All stations are Fixe rap anchors.
- 12 rappels with a single 60 m rope.

Access: From the top of Brewers Butress, walk right (East) 50m along the ledge. Look for cairns that show the top of the first rappel, as well as a single ring bolt anchor 25 m back from the lip on a large block that can be used to access the top rappel station.

Rap 1: (27 m) Rap straight down from the anchor at the top of the cliff edge to ledge with an anchor on the left.

Rap 2: (30 m) Straight down, aiming for an anchor that is a few metres to the right of a large, obvious ledge.

Rap 3: (24 m) At first, rappel over loose, lower-angle ground, aiming to stay on the prow of the ridge. Once in the steeper terrain, look for an anchor along a small ledge on the right.

Rap 4: (28 m) Straight down steep terrain to a large ledge system. The anchor is on the prow.

Rap 5: (28 m) Down the left side of a block just below the anchor, then down steep terrain to some ledges. Continue down lower-angle terrain on the right side of the ridge. The anchor is on the left at a good ledge.

Rap 6: (18 m) Down the gully on the right side of the ridge/prow. Anchor on the right at a good ledge.

Rap 7: (20 m) Rap down the gully. When the gully turns right, continue straight onto the prow at the top of a steep face. Anchor is on a ledge at the top of a steep corner.

Rap 8: (30 m) Rope stretcher and committing. Down a steep face to a slanted ledge. Anchor on the left.

Rap 9: (18 m) Down and slightly right to a small ledge on a steep, clean face. Anchor on the right.

Rap 10: (27 m) Straight down a steep, clean face to a good ledge.

Rap 11: (30 m) Rope stretcher. Straight down in the direction of the lowest visible white chockstone to a ledge. Anchor on the right.

Rap 12: (20 m) Rap down chossy terrain into the gully.

Walk and scramble easily down the gully for a couple of minutes to reach the Goat Plateau trail leading back to the Castle Mt Hut.

Brewers descent – 12 raps with single 60m rope - Photo 1



**Brewers descent**  
– 12 raps with  
single 60m rope  
**Photo 2**

Anchor at top of  
steep corner

8) 30m  
Steep rope  
stretcher

9) 18m  
Anchor down and right

10) 27m

11) 30m  
Aim for lowest visible chock  
stone/anchor on right

12) 20m  
Rap into gully

Easy Scramble for 100m down gully

Trail to base of Brewers Butress - 5-10 minutes  
Castle hut 30-40 minutes



