

WASOOTCH TOWER COL – KANANASKIS

Some information about the routes located from Wasootch col. This information previously was available on the Rockies / Kan obscure site that is no longer accessible. Shared to Tabvar as it has a good route database, to record this old info for folks to reference.

Standard Ascent route from Col 5.5 (Red line) Some nuts and cams to #2. People often make the mistake of thinking the standard route starts farther left and this finds them climbing up some terrible rock and unenjoyable climbing.

P1. 5.3 25 meters, climb a gully just left of the sport route then swing right to the bolted belay

P2. 5.5 20 meters, traverse right on a foot ledge 25 feet' then angle up right 5.5 passing two pitons that can be backed up with 0.5 or 0.75 cams. At the second piton move horizontally right to a ledge and bolt belay. There is a good photo opportunity to capture the second following this pitch.

P 3. 5.1 15 meters go up a gully right of the belay to gain the top of the tower.

Descent is located 30 meters to the left over the summit 50-meter rappel that has you finish about 15 meters left of the ascent routes. There is also a mid-25-meter rap station.

Sport Route ** 10A/B 25 meters (Blue line)

1999 Jackson G, Smith G (8 bolts)

Climb past some bolts into a white rock scar. Exit the rock scar on the right making use of a small under cling. Just when you think you are going to fall backwards your right hand will find a beautiful runnel scooped jug. Good holds continue to the bolted belay. Not sure what Jackson, G, wanted to call it (His route)

SNAKES SLAB 5.7 25 meters

2002 Jackson G, Rewcastle I, Smith G (7 bolts)

100 meters to the left of the col and sport route you will find a straightforward 5.7 bolted slab on good clean rock.



