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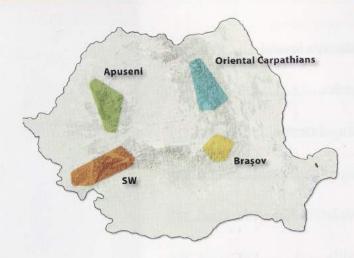
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intro



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# Romania highlights

#### Location

Intro

Romania is located in the South-East part of Central Europe, West of the Black Sea. By its position in the lower Danube basin, almost all the Danube Delta is on the Romanian territory. Also, a big part of the Carpathian Mountains is within the Romanian borders.

#### Climate

Romania's climate is something between a temperate and continental one. The climate conditions are somehow altered by the varied landscape of Romania. The Carpathians create a barrier blocking the Atlantic winds, and so milder winters and more rain. The Carpathians also block the continental influences from the wide plains of the North, which means these lands experience harsher winters and less rain

in the South and the South-East parts of the country.

#### Short history

Historically, Romania's boundaries were inhabited since the ancient times. Throughout the centuries, these territories were invaded by many tribes and nations. As a result, many elements from their culture and civilizations have blended with the local ones. After the Second World War, Romania joined the Eastern Europe Communist Block. After the Revolution in 1989, Romania was reborn. With the adoption of a new Constitution, Romania was declared a republic with a multi-party political system, a market economy and allowed its citizens freedom of opinion, religion and property.

#### Culture

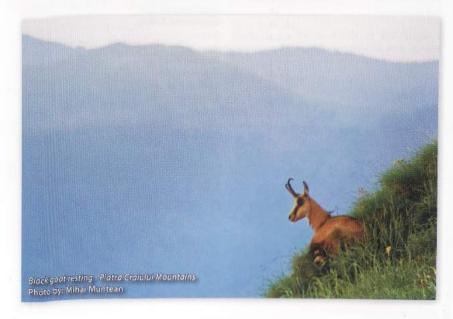
Romania's culture is rich in tradition and folklore inherited from the civilizations that populated this region since the ancient times. In Romania you can witness the traditional lifestyle which is still unaltered by the modern civilization. Wood sculptures, ceramics, woven and other hand-made art objects are just a few of the traditional items that can be admired during many traditional festivals.

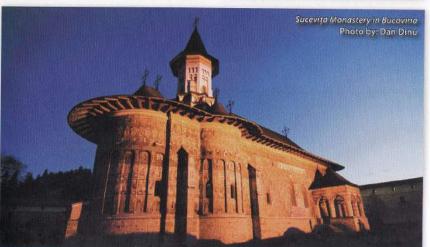
#### What to see

Romania has become one of the preferred Eastern Europe countries to visit, especially for those wishing to experience the traditional way of life of the people living here. There are so many places which worth to be visited, that will be hard to select a must see list for your vacation. Nevertheless, here are the places that you must not miss during your vacation in Romania: the painted monasteries from Bucovina, the wooden monasteries from

Maramureş, the beautiful caves in Apuseni Mountains, the wonderful Danube Delta, the sea-side resorts from the Black Sea, or the impressive Făgăraş Mountains. We'll leave you the pleasure to discover other places that surely will make you to return to Romania again and again.







#### Brasov's location

Latitude: 45°39′ N Longitude: 25°36′ E



#### Braşov highlights

#### Position

Located in the centre of *Romania*, *Braşov's* natural beauty, great landscape and Germanic influenced architecture make it one of the most enchanting towns of *Romania*. Situated at the curvature of the *Carpathian* arch, *Braşov* is the starting point for those seeking out for mountain adventures.

#### How to get here

Romania, is nowadays very easy accessible, mostly because of its geographical location but also because Romania is on the destination lists of most transport companies. The regulations for crossing the Romanian borders allow citizens from the European Union, the United States of America, Canada, Japan, Switzerland, Australia and New Zealand to stay here up to 90 days without a visa. Turkish citizens can stay up to 60 days and the citizens from states from the former Eastern Europe Communist Block can stay up to 30 days.

Despite Braşov not benefiting from an airport, the easiest way to get here is by plane. The closest international airports to Braşov are in Bucharest and Sibiu. The most well known Romanian airline companies are TAROM, Carpatair and Blue Air. There are regular trains to Braşov from Bucharest and Sibiu.

Another option to get here is by train. There are daily international train routes which connect *Braşov* to the biggest towns of the Central Europe (Munich, Prague, Venice, Budapest) or other areas (Sophia, Istanbul, Kiev, Moscow).

The Romanian road network is improving day by day, making it easy to get here by coach, from the biggest towns of Europe.

You can also reach *Romania* by boat. There are daily boats travelling to the *Danube Delta* from Passau and Vienna. From there you can get to *Braşov* by train.

If you wish to enjoy independence and flexibility of travel you can definitely drive to *Romania*.





#### Accommodation

You can find various types of accommodation in *Braşov* such as guest houses, hotels or hostels. You'll find most of the accommodation places located in the old town centre.

The price for a double room at a guest house is about 100 lei (EUR 25).

For those who wish to camp or use a bungalow, the *Dirste* camping is located on the Southern outskirts of *Brasov*.

#### Restaurants

Certainly, the diversity and authenticity of the gastronomic experience of this area will be unforgettable, especially for those who visit *Braşov* for the first time. Here are some of the local specialities: sărmăluțe (meat and rice rolled in boiled cabbage), mici (grilled rolled meat), tochitură (stew from internal organs), ciorbă de burtă (tripe soup) or papanași (cheese doughnuts with cream and jam).

The best restaurants can be found in the old town centre. Some well known ones are: Casa Hirscher, Butoiul Sasului, Sergiana, Bella Musica or Ceasu' Rău but there are many others for you to choose. Vatra Ardealului patisserie is renowned for the most delicious cakes and sweets.

#### What to see

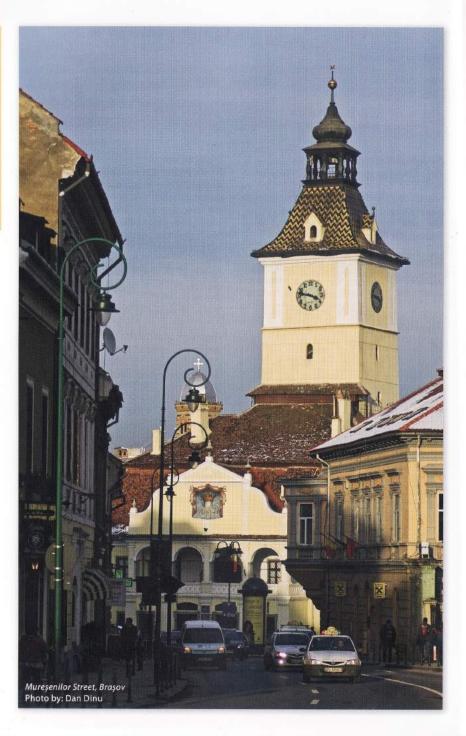
Braşov and its surroundings are an ideal place to learn more about the local traditions of the inhabitants. You can't miss the visit of the old Schei residential area, where you can still admire the old medieval houses that guard the narrow and zigzagging small roads of this old settlement.

The most panoramic view of the town is from the top of the *Tâmpa Mountain*. You can reach the top by cable car, or by walking on the one of the many forest trails. Located 30km South of *Braşov* is *Bran Castle*, one of the most famous medieval castles of *Romania*, and also a popular tourist attraction for those wishing to glimpse *Dracula's Castle*. You can admire here the traditions and the popular customs preserved unaltered throughout the centuries.

If you feel in the mood to have a day-trip farther in the South of *Braşov*, don't miss the *Şapte Scări* canyon in the *Piatra Mare Mountains* or the strangely wind and water shaped rocks *Babele* and *The Sphinx* in the *Buceqi Mountains*.

Those passionate about history must not miss the visit of *Peles Castle* in *Sinaia*.







Grade distribution chart

# Climbing in Brașov area

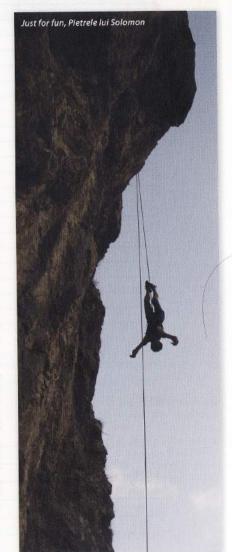
#### Character

Braşov has witnessed a rapid development in establishing climbing areas in recent years. New climbing areas have been opened and old ones have been re-equipped. There is still work to be done but things are progressing in the right direction. The diversity of climbing routes gives Braşov a special charm. You'll find routes with old pitons or hand-made bolts, as well as new routes that have been re-bolted according to international standards. Care should be taken when abseiling from the old routes as often the lower-off is a poor one. The rating system used in Romania is mixed: UIAA and French grades.

There is a total number of roughly 700 sport climbing routes and 40 alpine climbing or dry-tooling routes which are described in this guide. You can see the grade distribution in the chart above.

#### Ideal season

The ideal season for climbing in Braşov and its surroundings is from May until September. Most of the crags have Southern or South-Western exposure with ideal condition for climbing. Early in spring you may find water infiltrations on some of the routes. The average summer temperature is between 22 and 27 degrees Celsius. The rainiest month is June. During winter time, because of the alpine climate specific to the mountain areas, climbing in open air is only possible in a few crags and only if the weather conditions are favourable: dry weather, sun and no wind. One of them is the Tampa crag, where it's possible to climb in winter wearing just a T-shirt.



# Sport climbing grade conversion table

This table shows a rough equivalence between the different rating systems in sport climbing.

UIAA	French	USA
5-	5a	5.5
	5a+	5.6
5+	5b	5.7
5 5+ 6- 6	5b+	5.8
6	5c 1	5.9
6+	5c+	5.10a
6+/7-	6a	5.10b
7- 7	6a+	5.10c
7	6b	5.10d
7+	6b+	5.11a
7+/8-	6c	5.11b
8- 8	6c+	5.11c
8	7a	5.11d
8+	7a+	5.12a
8+/9-	7b	5.12b
9- 9	7b+	5.12c
	7c	5.12d
9+	7c+	5.13a
9+/10-	8a	5.13b
10-	8a+	5.13c
10	8b	5.13d
10+	8b+	5.14a
10+/11-	8c	5.14b
11-	8c+	5.14c
11	9a	5.14d

# Alpine climbing grade conversion table

This table shows a rough equivalence between the different rating systems in the alpine climbing.

Explanation	French	FRTA
Easy	F	1A/1B
Not Very Difficul	PD	2A/2B
Fairly Difficult	AD	3A/3B
Difficult	D	4A/4B
Very Difficult	TD	5A/5B
Extremely Difficult	ED	6A/6B

## Nature protection and ethical climbing code

Climbing is an exhilarating sport that is most enjoyed when practiced in natural surroundings giving the climber the feeling of freedom and being one with nature. After a pleasant and fulfilling climbing day, it is the duty of each climber to leave the rock and the surrounding area as he wishes to find it on his return. The plants and animals in these areas must be treated with the greatest care. Climbers should behave as true guests of the places where they climb and keep a civilized

attitude towards the inhabitants and other climbers.

The central element in climbing ethics is the tradition to consider the rock in its true and natural form, and for this reason, chipping or gluing holds are not tolerated. The old routes must be respected in the same way. When they are re-bolted, the line and the character must be preserved and one must not add more bolts without a reason.

#### How to use this guide

This guide is organized in such a way as to be of maximum help to the climbers. A big part of this guide contains details referring to the location of crags, sectors and routes, because some are placed in less frequented areas and often there are no marks to identify them.

The descriptions of how to access the crags have the premise that the starting point is Brasov and that you have a car to reach them. The driving and walking time to reach the crags is counted as total driving or walking time.

#### Colour codes

easy stuff ... 6a+ sport climbing 1A ... 2B alpine climbing

intermediate level 6b ... 7a sport climbing 3A ... 4B alpine climbing

hard routes 7a+ ... sport climbing 5A ... 6B alpine climbing

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## Icons explained

Here you will find all the icons used in this guidebook that symbolise the angle, the style, the beauty of the routes, best season to climb and other useful information.





Vertical





Roof







Dihedral



























Summer

























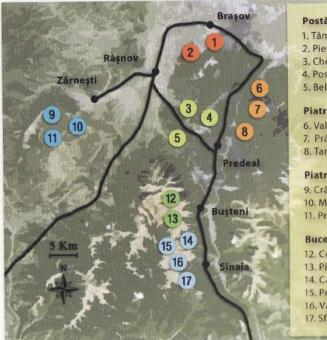








General Brasov area climbing map



#### Postăvaru Massif

- 1. Tâmpa
- 2. Pietrele lui Solomon
- 3. Cheile Râșnoavei
- 4. Postăvaru
- 5. Belvedere

#### **Piatra Mare Massif**

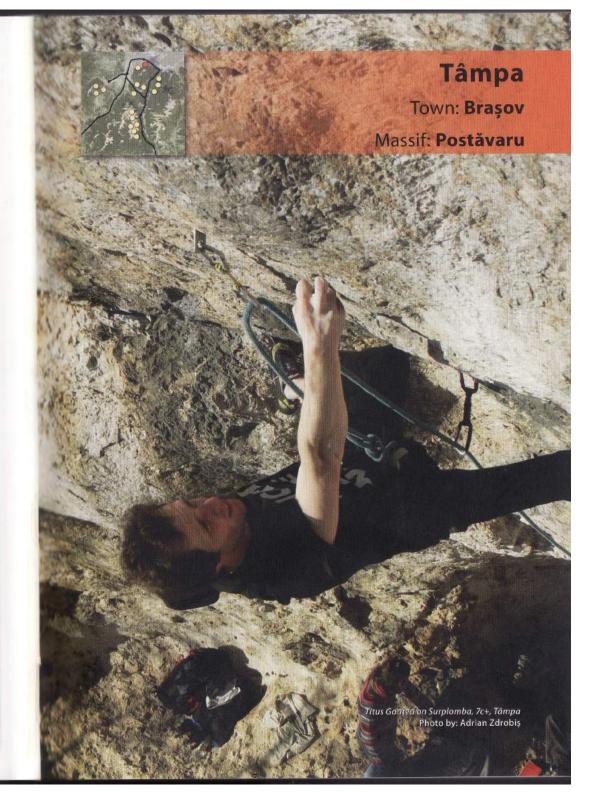
- 6. Valea Chiva
- 7. Prăpastia Ursului
- 8. Tamina

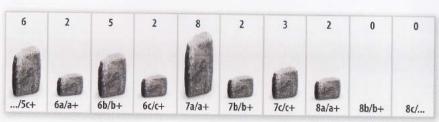
#### Piatra Craiului Massif

- 9. Crângul Ciorii
- 10. Măgura
- 11. Prăpăstiile Zărneștilor

#### **Bucegi Massif**

- 12. Costila
- 13. Piranha
- 14. Cariera din Sinaia
- 15. Poiana Stânii
- 16. Valea Peleşului
- 17. Sfânta Ana





30 sport climbing routes

# Area highlights

Tâmpa Mountain dominates the town of Braşov with its impressive heights. The peak is located nearby the old town of Braşov and is reachable either by cable car or a 45 minute hike up one of the many marked trails. The rock is solid limestone, with a large variety of holds, from one finger pockets to large cracks. The limestone in the slabby area has blue-grayish colour and the grip is excellent.

## **Climbing conditions**

Bolting: Nowadays, the routes are bolted in compliance with the international standards. Most of the routes are equipped with stainless steel expansion bolts and chain lower-offs, except for a few routes that still have old bolts or pitons.

Sun: The crag has a SW orientation and is sunny from noon to sunset.

Rain: On rainy days, the crag can easily become wet but it can dry quickly, especially if the wind is strong.

Seasons: During the summer, when the crag is directly exposed to the sun, we recommend climbing only in the morning or in the evening. In winter, if the sun shines and there is no wind, you can climb wearing only a T-shirt.



## How to get here

To reach the *Tâmpa* crag, start from *Piaţa Sfatului* (the heart of the medieval town of *Braṣov*). From *Piaţa Sfatului* go to *Poarta Schei* along *Bariţiu Street* heading SW direction, then on *Şirul Beethoven Street* heading South (5 minutes walk). Then follow *Tiberiu Brediceanu Alley* heading South, which will take you to *Olimpia* sports base (10 minutes walk). From here, you must head South following the blue stripe marked trail, along the edge of the forest.

Follow the blue stripe trail until you reach a clearing where you turn left into the forest (20 minutes walk). Start going up the gentle slope on the same marked trail, and after a few zigzags you will reach a crossroad (25 minutes walk). Follow the path to the left until you reach another crossroad (30 minutes walk). From this point, don't go either on the left or on the right marked trails, but follow the unmarked trail between the two. You will pass a stony section and then follow the



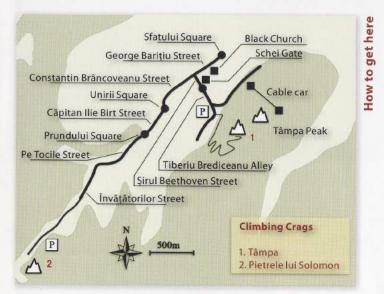
**GPS Piata Sfatului** 

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unmarked trail which wanders through pine and beech trees. Before arriving at the crag, you will go through another small stony section (45 minutes walk).







#### **Climbing sectors**

- 1. Left Sector
- 2. Central Sector
- 3. Right Sector

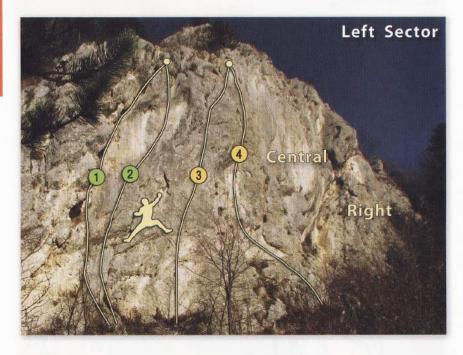






Character: In this sector you can find a few routes ranging from grade 5a to 6c. The routes have short but hard moves. Mostly face climbing with short slightly overhanging sections.

**Bolting:** The routes are equipped with expansion bolts and chain lower-offs. The first two routes on the left (the easiest ones) have no proper lower-offs.





5a+











3 Flash Clasic





The route goes along the chimney from the left end. Bridging technique. Unbolted route. Some nuts or friends may help.

2 Lingura

carabiner.

5b+

Crux just before lower-off. Bridging technique again. The lower-off consists of an old screw gate upwards to the lower-off. 4 Flash Direct

10m

60

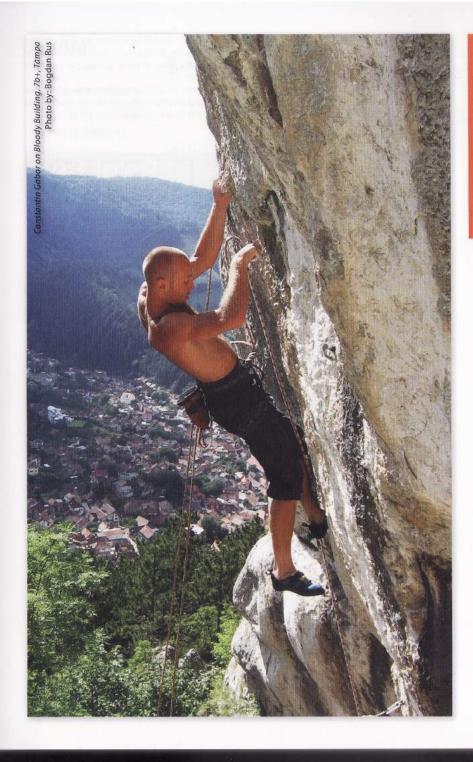


Balance moves on a sustained route. You need well trained fingers to climb this route. Same lower-off as Flash Clasic.

Exposed start. You need good foot technique and

balance moves to climb the first section. Continue

slightly to the right over a small wing and then



Tämpa

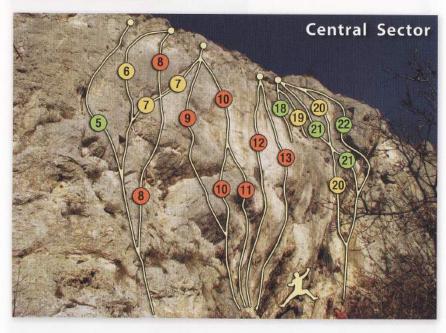
## 2. Central Sector







or two finger pockets. In the right side of this sector there are several airy and long routes of medium



#### Micul Şeptar

10m

reach.

10m

the move.

6 Cupidon

6b+

6a+

This is the reference route for the 6a+ grade in

the area. Very well bolted. If 6a+ is your maximum

grade, try to climb this on-sight! You will find very

good pockets on the route. The crux is a long

Shares the lower part with Micul Septar. The route

is rated 6b+ if you don't pull the pocket from Micul

Septar. Before the wall ends, traverse to the right beneath the small overhang. This final move is very airy and you need good balance to complete



3 3 1









Easy start followed by balance moves. Hard to read the sequence.

8 Cenuşăreasa

10m 7a+





This route intersects with Fisura. Two finger pockets in the first section, then balance moves and friction climbing in the second part. Same lower-off as Cupidon.



Character: Difficult routes with long reaches on one

Bolting: Expansion bolts and chain lower-offs. Keep in mind that some of the lower-offs are shared, so be careful if more than one team is climbing in this sector.



10 m 7a+







12 Paranoid





The main idea in this route is that you are not

First part of the route consists of powerful moves on small foot holds. Then you will find a rest place. The second part has long reaches on friction climbing.

#### **Body Building**

A small overhang at the beginning of this route leads you on a ledge where hard moves start. You

need strong fingers (hence the name of the route) and good foot technique to succeed the climb.

This route is a variation of Body Building. The

difference is that you start climbing directly over

the lower overhang, which makes the route harder.

Enjoy one or two finger pockets on the route!

11) Bloody Building 7b+

allowed to use the crack on your left, hence the

name of the route (tentația means temptation).

7a+ 10m

10m















Sustained and complex route. Powerful moves on one or two good finger pockets but with long reaches. The second slightly overhanging section is climbed using the friction technique.

#### 14 Surplomba

12m 7c+

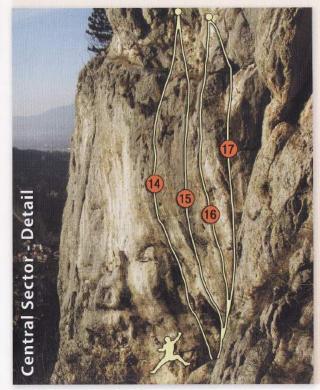






There are two variations of this route. The classic one increases in intensity, with powerful locks on one or two finger pockets towards its end. The start is not difficult at all. The second variation

> which starts a little bit to the left (without making use of the dihedral) is estimated to 8a+ and it was not free-climbed yet.



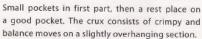
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# 15 Blitzkrieg

7c







#### 0n Sight

12m

Tampa

7a+





Spectacular route featuring lock-offs on good pockets. Good rest position on big pocket shortly after start. Try to climb this route on-sight!

#### 17) Napalm

7b+





The route follows the edge on the right of On Sight. Sustained route, on pockets with finger jams.

#### 18 Cuie Putrede 5b









The route starts from the ledge at half-height of the wall. You reach there by climbing any of the routes which end on that ledge. Steep climbing on first section, then easy terrain.

#### 19 Pasărea Colibri 7a

6m









The route starts from the ledge at half-height of the wall, a little bit to the left from Gauroaie. Fingery route.

#### 20 Nunta Zamfirei 6b+

26m





The route starts with a technical sequence on overhanging chimney and continues on the steep face. Enjoy the jug before the top! Same lower-off as Găuroaie and Diedrul.

#### 21 Găuroaie

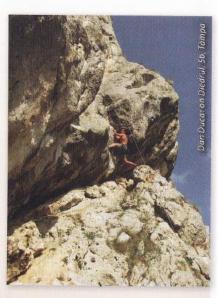
28m

6a





This route is a classic one. Very spectacular for its level of difficulty! The entrance move is not as hard as it looks like, but you need commitment to complete it. The main section features several jugs, but don't forget to keep an eye on your foot technique. Same lower-off as Nunta Zamfirei and Diedrul.

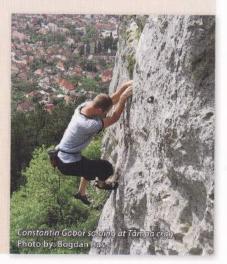


## 22 Diedrul

30m 5b



Start by a large stemming move to the left (you may use a big sling into the hour-glass hole to protect yourself). Further, avoid the overhang by its left side and then follow the large dihedral slightly to the right. There are two options to finish the route: either by continuing to the right, or by going to the left and passing over a small cave, then reaching the lower-off shared with Găuroaie.



## 3. Right Sector







Right Sector

Character: This sector has a handful of routes in which the character varies from slabs to steep face climbing. The routes are long and have only one or two hard

Bolting: The routes are equipped with old but safe expansion bolts. You will find a few pitons as well. The bolts which were not safe or were not optimally placed, have been replaced.

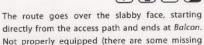
# 23 Traseul Scoală

8m

5a+







## 24 Văleu Mămucă!

7m 7a+

bolt hangers).





The route starts at Balcon. Climb the overhang (crux) and then follow the dihedral corner. Take care, because the route has no lower-off anchor!

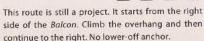
#### 25 Skywalker

7c+?

15m





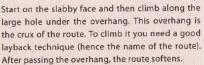


#### 26 Surplomba cu Bavareză

25m







#### 27 Mărtisorul

23m 60+





Delicate climbing on vertical face. The first and the last sections of the route overlap Surplomba cu Bavareză, but this time you'll avoid the overhang by its right side. Precise foot-work is required to climb the vertical face before the overhang.

#### 28 Albăstrele

25m 6b









30 Albă ca Zăpada 25m 5a





Shares the first section with Albästrele, then you go to the right (steel piton as protection). The final section is easy slabby face climbing.

Easy climbing excepting a few moves halfway through the route. Delicate and balance moves are required to pass over the crux, otherwise your fingers will suffer! The blue-grayish colour of the limestone in this area inspired the name of this route.

# 29 Burțile Sodomei

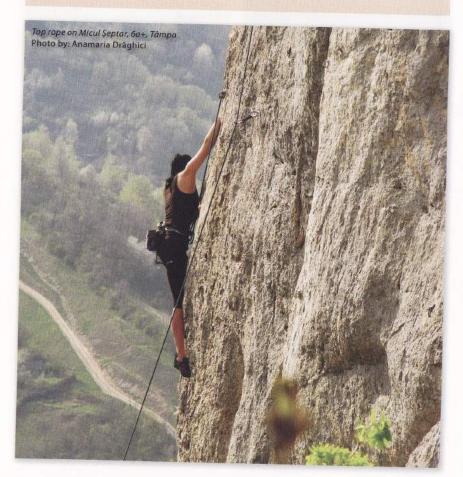
25m 7a

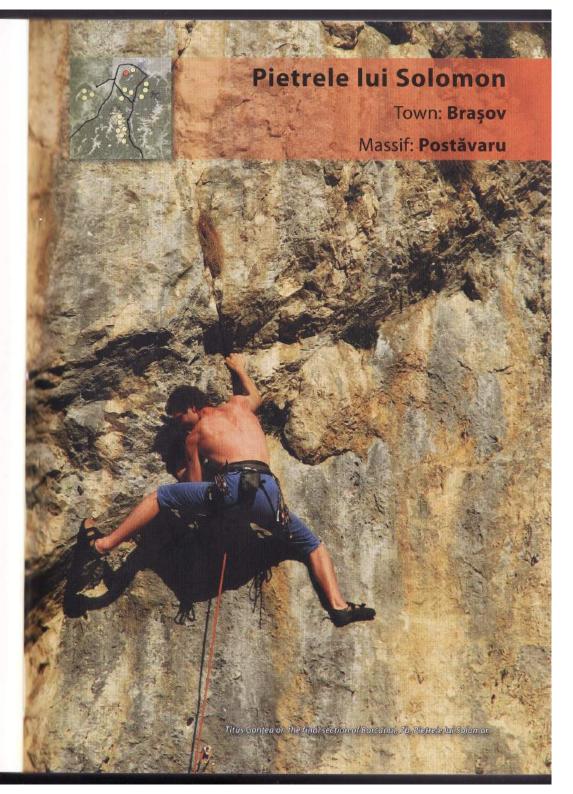






Start by climbing the slabby face until you reach the small overhang. To climb the overhang, you need strong fingers and good foot-work. Then follow the pleasant slab to the lower-off.







64 sport climbing routes

2 alpine climbing routes

#### Area highlights

Pietrele lui Solomon area, located at the outskirts of Braşov town, is one of the preferred places for those who are in search of a pleasant place to spend their weekend. In summer time you can climb in the shade and early in the spring or late in the autumn you can find sunny climbs. There is a small river flowing through the Pietrele lui Solomon area and lots of springs that make it an ideal camping area. You can reach to Pietrele lui Solomon in no more than 45 minutes of walking from the centre of Braşov, or 15 minutes by car. The rock is a good quality limestone, the climbing featuring mostly vertical or overhanging faces. If you don't have a climbing partner, you can boulder at Traverseu sector.

## **Climbing conditions**

Bolting: Most of the routes have been re-bolted with stainless steel expansion bolts (during summer 2008 by Titus Gonțea). You can find old hardware on some sport routes and in the alpine ones there is a mix of expansion bolts and pitons.

Sun: By the nature of the landscape (gorge) you can climb in shade during the summer or in the sun early in the spring or late autumn.

Rain: You can still climb at *Traverseu* or *Brâna* sectors on light rain. After long rainy periods you might need to wait for the infiltrations to dry for some of the routes.

Seasons: You can climb here starting from early spring until late autumn and you can find routes in shade or exposed to sun, as you wish. We don't recommend climbing here during winter, because of the water infiltrations.



#### How to get here

To reach Pietrele lui Solomon start driving from Piaţa Sfatului, the heart of the medieval Braşov. Head to Piaţa Unirii along Bariţiu Street, towards SW. From Piaţa Unirii continue on Căpitan Ilie Birt Street, and then on Vasile Saftu Street until you reach Piaţa Prundului. Continue on Pe Tocile Street and

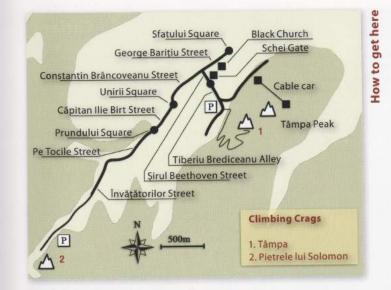
then *Învățătorilor* Street until you reach a country road. Drive along the river (heading SW) on the non-asphalted road to a big parking place where you must park the car (15 minutes drive). From here, follow the road that takes you to *Pietrele lui Solomon* (3 minutes walk).



**GPS Piata Sfatului** 

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#### **Climbing sectors**

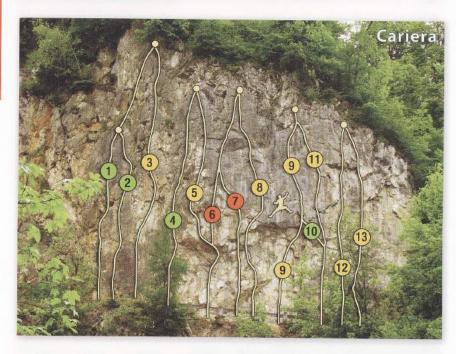
- 1. Cariera
- 2. Grota
- 3. Brâna
- 4. Traverseu
- 5. Merisor
- 6. Hornul Suspendat
- 7. Non Stop
- 8. Gruenwald

1. Cariera



Character: The routes in this sector range from 5c to 7b+. Mostly face climbing, excepting a few routes with short overhanging sections.

Bolting: Routes equipped with expansion bolts. Chain lower-offs.



Darius

15m 6a+

the lower-off.

15m

2 Diedrul

5c+



Start upwards and left on a loose rock section and

then continue upwards on the face. Balance moves

in the middle and upper sections, then you'll reach





3 3 \*







Easy start followed by a steep dihedral (crux). The second half consists of balance moves on a vertical

4 Fata Gri

20m



This is a beautiful line along a crack followed by a small dihedral. Bridging will help you a lot in the second part of the route. Same lower-off as Darius. You can continue climbing to the Fritz lower-off.

Fine vertical face climbing on a grayish rock with excellent adherence. You need good footwork, otherwise your arms will get pumped.

5 Dale

20m









Sustained moves, but you'll find a good rest place

on a ledge after first small overhang. Although

there are several chipped holds, the route is a

beautiful one. Shares the lower-off with Rechinul.

Without using the chipped holds the difficulty

11 Directa Carierei

20m

20m







Superb line. The route starts with an impressive overhang which can be climbed by lay backing. Your arms will be pumped when you'll get over this section, but don't worry, you'll find a good rest place on the small ledge just above the overhang. The second section is characterized by technical climbing on a vertical face.

Project. This is a variation of the Darth Vader

entrance. Easy terrain until you reach under the overhang where hard moves start. Technical

sequence on small sidepulls which will exhaust

your fingers. After this middle section continue

on the line of the Darth Vader route, or you can

# 6 The Emperor

continue on the Dale route.

7b+

7 Darth Vader

8b? 18m





Balance moves in the lower part and then a long reach to pass the first crux (chipped hand-hold). Continue on easy terrain and then climb the small overhang (second crux) just before the top.

#### 13 Dangerous

increases to 6c+.

12 Tăvănelul

6b+

10m 6b



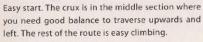




3 3× A



This route is seldom climbed.



8 5

18m

20m



3× 4

This line has two cruxes. The first crux, in the lower section, is a long reach to pass over the small overhang. The second one is just below the top with balance moves. Shares the lower-off with Darth Vader.

9 Rechinul

6b 20m



Start with delicate face climbing and then a small overhang (where there is a bulge resembling a shark head). Continue upwards the face and then traverse to the right to reach the lower-off.

10 Cariera Clasică

20m 6a+





This line is a combination of Directa Carierei and Rechinul routes.



#### 2. Grota



Character: This sector has routes ranging from grade 6a+ to 7a, featuring climbing on a vertical face.

Bolting: Expansion bolts, except for the Traseul Central route which has a few pitons.

# Păianjenul

6b







The climb starts along the inclined ledge. The crux move is to get over the small bulge at halfway through the route. The second half is easy face climbing.

#### 2 Intrare Central - Variation

route on the right) but much harder.

10m





60+ This is an entrance variation of Traseul Central (the





#### Traseul Central

5A

at 6a+ if free climbed.

7a

4 Grota 10m



Beautiful and sustained alpine route over the

central part of the main wall. The first pitch is rated







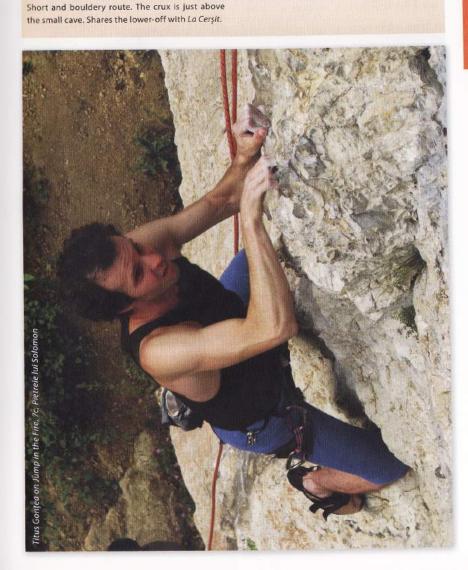
5 La Cerșit





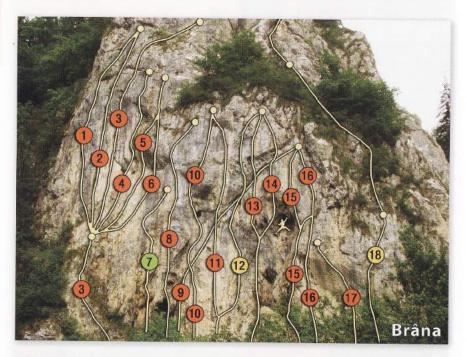


Suitable for beginners. Big hand holds in the first half and then balance moves along a slabby face. It dries slowly after rainy days because of the fungus on the rock.



Character: In this sector you can find routes ranging from grade 6a+ to 8a. The wall is much steeper than it looks like. The rock is of excellent quality limestone. The routes are long and you need to have a superior endurance level to climb here. This is an advanced climbing sector. After long periods of rain you have to wait for some of the routes to dry.

Bolting: Most of the routes have been re-equipped recently with stainless steel expansion bolts. You may find old hardware and pitons. All the routes are equipped with chain lower-offs.





7c+? 25m

Nocturnus

Project.

25m









Two glued holds.







Project. Chipped and glued holds.

8b?

(3) Central - Free Climbing

8b?

Central alpine climb.



Project. Overlaps with the third pitch of Traseul







Warm-Up

easy terrain on big jugs.

Semiluna

before the lower-off.

Traseul Alveolelor

7a+

the right end of the sector.

7b

Orbita

25m

26m

24m

25m

24m

12 ICIM

7b

17m 6a+



Start by climbing upwards and left from the small

cave. The first bolt is a bit too high, but the climb

before clipping is easier than it looks like, then

follows face climbing on jugs. The crux is a traverse

upwards and left. Last section to the lower-off is

The route starts from the small cave. Steep face

climbing on jugs. Then you reach the semiluna

(chipped hold). Balance move to stand up the lip

of the small overhang. Long reaches on the face

Beautiful line that goes diagonally right on big

slopers. It starts from the left cave, traverses the

wall and finishes in the top of Cascadia route, on

Start on the face just right the small cave with

crimpy holds (hardest move on this route). There is

a variation a bit to the left (rated at 7a) that avoids

this first hard section. You'll reach then orbita, ideal rest place where you can relax in sitting position! Continue upwards and left (second hardest move)

and then climb the beautiful line upwards and right. After passing two consecutive ledges (rest place) you reach the final section, where there is

The route has been equipped for the final of ICIM

climbing event. Technical moves upwards the

lower face, followed by consecutives overhanging

sections. By its movement variety, this is one of

variation that goes straight up below the first

one last hard move before the lower-off.

11) Jump in the Fire

7c

7a

suspended cave, rated at 7b.



3+

3+ 4









Project.

25m

14 Borcanul

13 Terapie Intensivă

7c+?

7b





Pietrele lui Solomon

The first bolt is a bit too high, but there are no problems in clipping it. Sustained bridging climbing on big holds. The crux at the half-height is a long reach to a good handle.

15 Cuibul de Cuci

7a+ 22m



Easy start followed by slightly overhanging face climbing on underclings. Technical face climbing upwards final section.

16 Cascadia

22m 7a+



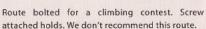


17 Concurs

18m 7b+?







18 Creasta Vestică

3LC 4A

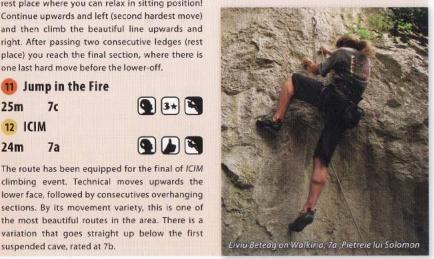








Beautiful alpine climb along the Western ridge of the main wall. The first pitch is rated at 6a+.



Postumia

2+

2\* 4

Beautiful traversing line.

6 Zion





#### 4. Traverseu





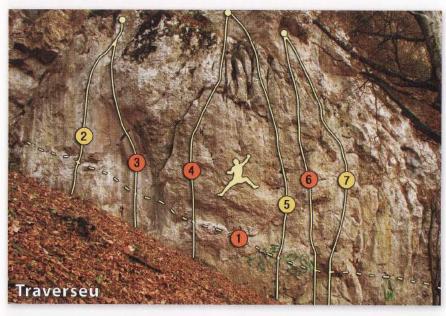




in this shaded sector sheltered by the trees. If it rains, the overhanging routes allow you to climb short, but crimpy lines. If you don't have a climbing partner, you can practice bouldering by traversing at the base of this sector.

Character: During the hot summer days you can climb

Bolting: Stainless steel expansion bolts with chain lower-offs. You will find though old pitons in place.



# 1 Traverseu

2 Walkiria

Sardonis

15m

7m

8m

Project.

7c

overall difficulty of the traverse.

7a



This traverse is a good practicing alternative for

those who love bouldering, during rainy days or

whenever you don't have a belay partner. The

proposed grade (7c) gives an indication of the

Beautiful by its simplicity, with clear moves, this

route is a reference for the 7a in the area.



3× 6

**6** 2★ 🔼







60





Hard move after the second bolt which consists in holding the crack to your left.

#### 5 Şasece

10m



First protection is a piton with ring, then expansion bolts.

#### 6 Static X

10m 7b









Start with a big hole as hand hold and then continue on crimpy holds on a steep face.

#### 5. Merisor







Character: The sector has SE exposure and therefore you can climb here from early spring until late autumn. The routes are in the medium difficulty range, mostly face climbing on pockets with short overhanging sections.

Bolting: Routes equipped with expansion bolts (stainless steel or older ones, but safe). Chain lower-offs.

# Extrema Stångă

15m 7a













Crimpy holds in the lower half, then balance moves upwards the top.

#### 2 Pizda Bunicii

15m 60





Good jugs in the lower part, followed by a long reach. Then you'll find a rest place on a ledge. Technical climbing with balance moves on slopers to reach the lower-off.

#### 3 Stairway to Hell

17m 7a





This is a hard 7a, some might say it is a 7a+. There are two sections with a resting place in-between. The lower section requires strong fingers and good foot-work. The higher one is on technical balance moves. Shares the same lower-off with Extrema Stangă and Pizda Bunicii.

#### Merisor

20m 6a+





This is one of the easiest routes from Merisor sector. His name was inspired by the apple tree grown at the base of the rock. After you climb the starting bulge, continue on sidepulls and underclings (crux). From the ledge above till the top of the route there are no difficult moves.

#### Plăcinta de Mere

20m 6a+





The first part is on good holds, followed by a long reach move (crux). You reach then a ledge that makes a good resting place. Continue along a small crack using layback technique and then straight upwards. The top is shared with Merisor.

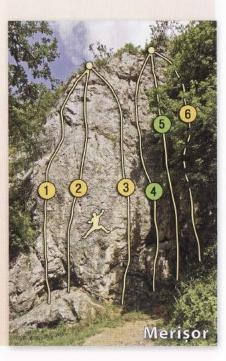
# 6 Surplomba

7a





Start climbing from the cave in the right end of the sector. Bridging and a long reach are required to get over the lip (crux) and then you'll reach a rest place on a comfortable ledge. Continue upwards on the steep face on fingery holds (crux). You must look carefully to find the best hand and foot placements. The sequence looks harder than it actually is. The lower-off is shared with Merisor. Take care just before the top where the rock is a bit loose!



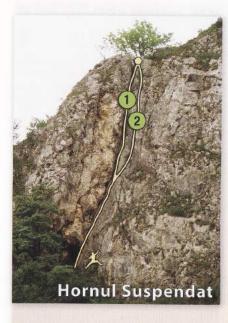
# 6. Hornul Suspendat



Access: Going upstream, just after the waterfall, on your left side you will see a big pillar. From its base, follow the unmarked trail which zigzags to a platform where an obvious chimney starts.

Character: Long and technical routes.

Bolting: Expansion bolts and pitons. There is no proper lower-off, but you can descend from the top of the pillar by following the unmarked trail which takes you over its peak.



#### Hornul Suspendat

25m 5c









This route is recommended for beginners. Even if you are an experienced climber, the route is worthwhile for its beauty (it has the character of an alpine route). The climb starts on a slabby face with big holds. Continue by traversing left to the chimney (crux). Once in the chimney, try not to hide in it!

#### 2 Colorado

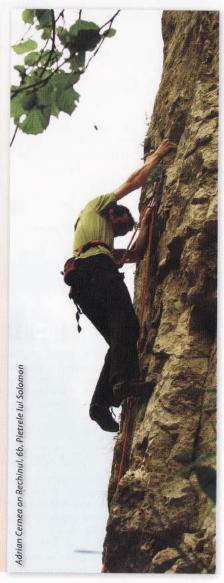
6a+

25m





First section is shared with Hornul Suspendat, then continue straight upwards the bulge (crux). Same lower-off as Hornul Suspendat.



#### 7. Non Stop







Access: This sector is the first one you'll reach as you follow the road to Pietrele lui Solomon. Just before the waterfall, on your left side you will see a small pillar that has been blackened at its base. Here there are three routes.

Character: Sustained routes. The people use to build fires at the base of the rock so the first few meters are blackened from smoke. Nevertheless the first two routes from the left side are worthwhile despite this inconvenience.

Bolting: Old but safe expansion bolts. Chain lower-off.

Merlot





7a+ 15m





After the first section (which is smoked) there are several exhausting movements on big sidepull slopers. The crux is just before the top where you must traverse to the left and then continue

3 Cabernet

upwards the face on small holds.

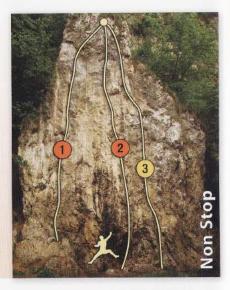
15m 6b+

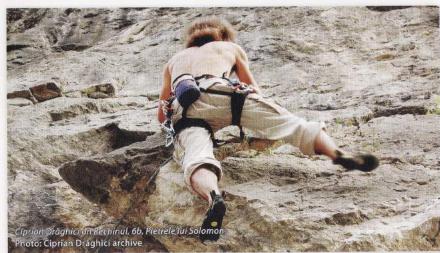






Technical start. In the upper part traverse upward and to the left (take care as the rock on your right is loose).





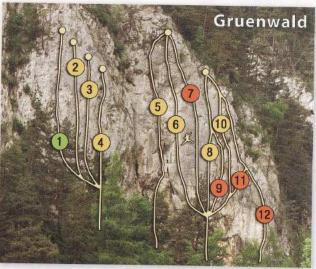
Pietrele lui Solomon

# 8. Gruenwald

Access: From the parking place head West, climbing the steep path which zigzags through the pines. In no more than 5 minutes you'll reach the base of Gruenwald sector. The recommended rope length is 70m, but if you don't have such a rope, you can descent on the other side and to the right of the cliff.

Character: Very beautiful routes, long and sustained which have all: face climbing, cracks, dihedrals and

Bolting: Old but safe expansion bolts (a bit spaced though). Chain lower-offs.



Sârmă Ghimpată

35m 6a+



Camera de Gazare

32m 6b



3 Marşul Mortii

6b+ 30m



4 Plutonul de Executie

28m 60+



5 Holocaust

35m 60



This is a very beautiful technical route. Start climbing the vegetation covered slab at the base and then go up the face along the crack system

until you reach the first overhanging section that you climb directly (crux). Continue along a dihedral that ends in a small overhang (crux). Use the bridging technique to go over this section. Climb the face above on pockets and then traverse to the right (crux) to reach the lower-off.

6 Arbeit Macht Frei

35m 60+



Soluția Finală

35m 7c



8 Gruenwald 35m 6b+



Technical and sustained climbing on big holds. Fantastic route by its variety of moves.

Dr. Mengele

7a+ 32m









We don't recommend this route.

10 Auschwitz

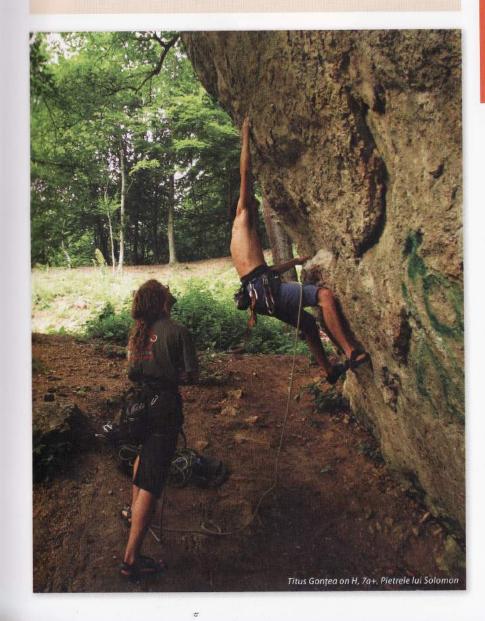
35m 60+



12 Birkenau 25m 7c+



Pietrele lui Solomon



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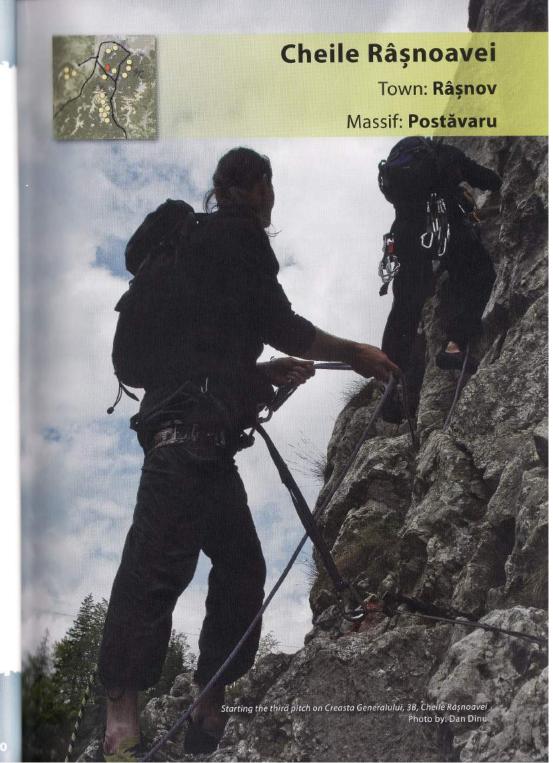


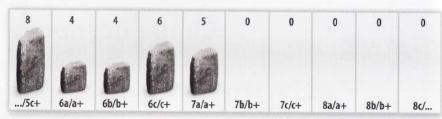
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29 sport climbing routes

17 alpine climbing or dry-tooling routes

#### Area highlights

Cheile Râșnoavei is about 10km far from Râșnov town, on the West of the Postavăru Massif. The landscape is very attractive and lots of tourists visit the area especially during summer. The routes have a character in-between sport and alpine climbing. Most climbs are multi-pitched. We recommend you to wear a helmet as many routes have loose rock. The rock is limestone, featuring face climbing, cracks and overhangs. You can camp in a tent or stay overnight at one of the many chalets in the area. There is a spring on the left side of the river at the base of Creasta Generalului route for drinking water. Besides climbing, you can bungee-jump from one of the highest bungee-jumping facilities in Eastern Europe, of you can enjoy the Tyrolean traverse which stretches between the walls on either side of the gorge.

#### Climbing conditions

Bolting: Mostly on pitons. In the alpine routes some sections are equipped with expansion bolts. Sport climbing routes are equipped with expansion bolts.

Sun: Due to the landscape character you can find routes exposed to the curyou can find routes exposed to the sun or in the shade. Some of the sports climbing routes are sheltered by the trees, so you can climb in the shade even in hot summer days.

Rain: On rainy days, the walls get easily wet, hindering any climbing. After long periods of rain you may find water infiltrations.

Seasons: Summer and autumn are the ideal seasons to climb here. Early in the spring there might be water infiltrations. We don't recommend climbing here in winter.

















yes





















# How to get here

Start driving from Braşov on the national road DN73 in the direction of Pitesti. Head towards Râşnov and cross straight through the town. Several hundred meters after you exit Râșnov, continue on the secondary road DN73A towards Bucharest via Pârâul Rece. After several kilometres, you will see the sign to the Cheile Râșnoavei. Take this

country road (marked with red triangle) until you reach a barrier. Take care because this country road has side-roads, but you must stay on the main road. Before the barrier there is a small parking place where you park the car (45 minutes drive). Continue by foot on the country road that leads you into Cheile Râșnoavei (10 minutes walk).



**GPS Råsnov Centre** 

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GPS Cheile Râsnoavei

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# Towards Râșnov Postăvaru Massif Poiana Inului

#### **Climbing sectors**

- 1. Santinela Cheii
- 2. Bolovanul Prostului
- 3. Metal Expert
- 4. Bouldering



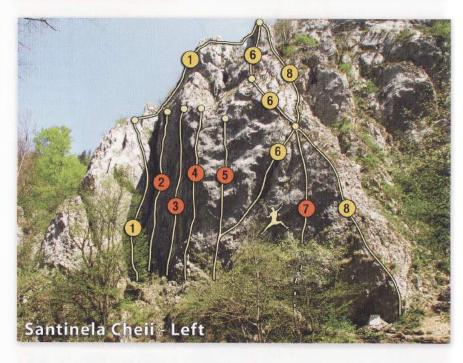
#### 1. Santinela Cheii



Access: This is the first sector you'll reach as you go along the country road from Rasnov.

Character: Mostly alpine routes, but here you can find also a few sport climbing lines.

Bolting: The alpine routes are on pitons. Sport climbing routes have rusty expansion bolts.



#### Creasta Frontală

2LC

unmarked trail.



This is the first route you'll reach. Marked at its

base by the army with figure 1. The pitons are

encircled with red paint. The first pitch of 30m

long follows the face in the left of the easily visible

chimney. Comfortable belay on the top of the

pillar. In the second pitch climb for another 30m

the ridge over several ledges. Keep right to avoid

the vegetation covered area. Descent by abseiling

or down climbing to the left in the forest on the







This route and also the next ones were bolted by George Strole for a dry-tooling contest. It is located three meters to the right of Creasta Frontală route. Easy start up to a big hole, then go upwards and

left on the face. Finish on the ledge above the face.

Ţânţarul

2 Musca

24m ?





2114

Dry-tooling route. Entrance about seven meters at the right of the chimney. Start along the pocket line upwards and left. The first protection piece



is an expansion bolt and then two pitons. After climbing the pocket line, go upwards the face that overhangs in the last section. End on the ledge.



22m







Another dry-tooling route.

#### 5 Fluturele

20m





First five meters are shared with Fisura Verde. Start upwards and right along the holes, then continue on the face, on edges and pockets. You can spot the biggest pocket from the base of the route. In the final section the climb steepens.

#### 6 Fisura Verde

3LC

4B





The first pitch of 25m long follows the line of pockets upwards and to the right. Belay stance on the crest to your right. The second pitch continues slightly under the crest line, upwards and to the left for another 30m. Comfortable belay on a platform with vegetation. In the third pitch climb the face above which ends with a large dihedral. Descent by abseiling or climb down the slope on your left.



#### Bondarul

20m ?



7 I+ 4

Dry-tooling route that ends at the first belay of Pintenul Măgarului.

#### 8 Pintenul Măgarului

40m









Marked at its base with figure 2. The line goes along the right crest of the compact triangle face on the left side of the road as we enter the gorge. The first pitch follows the crest line, being covered with vegetation in its lower part. Belay stance shared with first one from Fisura Verde. The second pitch goes just under the crest line, on the face to your right. The pitons are circled with red paint. After 25m we reach the top. Descent identical with Fisura Verde.

#### 9 Traseul 3

3LC 4A



Alpine route with aid-climbing in first pitch. Marked at its base with figure 3. The first pitch of 25m long goes over a line of sharp pockets upwards and to the right. Closely spaced pitons (you guessed, circled with red paint). Good belay stance on the second ledge. The second pitch goes successively over the small ledges which cross the slabby face. Easy to spot the comfortable belay marked with paint. The third pitch continues up the round crest on easy terrain. You reach the third belay stance from Creasta Generalului route. Descent to the right by following the ledge (steel cable in place), or by abseiling. You have the option to continue climbing on Creasta Generalului.

#### 10 Amor Subtil

10m 60+





Short and bouldery route. Start climbing the steep face and then continue on small edges (closely spaced bolts). Finish on the ledge above.

#### 11 Traseul 4

2LC 3A







Marked at its base with figure 4. The first pitch

goes upwards and to the left along the ascending ledge and then it passes successively over two horizontal ledges. Belay on the second horizontal ledge. In the second pitch climb for 40m the inclined face partially covered with vegetation. Belay shared with the second belay from Creasta Generalului. Descent following the cable steel protected ledge to the right.

#### 12 Creasta Generalului

10LC 3B









Creasta Generalului route, also known as Santinela Cheii is one of the reference routes in the area. The total time for the entire climb is around 2 to 3 hours. Marked at its base with figure 5. Start the first pitch directly from the river bed and climb the chimney equipped with pitons. First belay stance is on the platform just above. In the second pitch climb the steep face on your left (which is very well bolted) and then free-climb on easy terrain until

you reach a comfortable ledge. The third pitch goes over a dihedral with few pitons. Beautiful exit to the ledge above using bridging technique. The fourth pitch starts with face climbing and then follows the ascendant ledge upwards and right. In the fifth pitch climb the inclined chimney. Comfortably belay stance on a big ledge. From here you can descent by following the unmarked path to your left. If you decide to climb the entire route, you still have to climb another five pitches on very easy terrain, but with loose rock until you reach a prominent bulge marked with a cross. Descend on the unmarked path to your left, which zigzags through the forest back to the wall's base.

#### 13 Traseul 6

12m 6a+?





Route on old expansion bolts. You can see figure 6 painted to its left.

#### 14 Traseul 7

12m ?



Dry-tooling route on old expansion bolts. Figure 7 is painted on the route line.

#### 15) Traseul 7 Bis

12m







Dry-tooling route. Old expansion bolts in place.





16 Panda

22m 5c+





20 Traseul 9 60+

belay of Moldoveanu.





Technical face climbing. The route starts just left of Cezar Manea.

Known also as Traseul Jgheabului. Very beautiful

route, airy in its upper part. To reach the route base,

you must cross the river on the small wood bridge

Just after the entrance in Creasta Generalului route.

Walk uphill and to the left until you reach a ledge

with a steel cable. Continue on the ledge to the

left and you'll see the name of the route painted

This is a variation of Cezar Manea. After the second

pitch, the two routes come together. The route

The route starts just right of the entrance in Alpiniada and ends at the first belay of Moldoveanu. Loose rock in the second half. Take care with the rope drag because the line is sinuous. A 50m long

#### 17 Cezar Manea

5LC

on the rock.

5LC

30m

18 Alpiniada

19 Traseul 8

rope will suffice.

starts just right of Cezar Manea.

7a+?

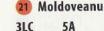






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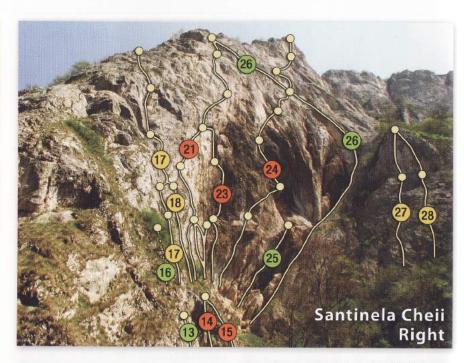




This alpine route is also known as Rapelul Suspendat.

starts just left of Moldoveanu and ends at the first

The first pitch is rather short. Start on a dihedral and then traverse left under a roof. Uncomfortable belay stance. In the second pitch climb for 30m upwards and to the left on solid pitons. The third pitch is short face climbing followed by a chimney. Belay stance shared with the third one from Sulfinelor route. Those two routes share the last three pitches. The fourth pitch 25m long, avoids a smooth face by its left side. In the fifth pitch also 25m long, you must free-climb a face rated at 5c and then follow a loose gully upwards and left. Belay stance at the upper end of the gully. In the last pitch climb by laybacking a crack (piton with sling) followed by a small bulge and then continue upwards and left. Last section until you reach the crest is easy terrain. Descent to the left following the path through the forest.



22) Traseul 10

7a+ 28m



The grade is also considered to be a hard 7a. The first section is shared with Moldoveanu, then the route continues slightly to the right of Moldoveanu, along a dihedral with crack.

23 Sulfinelor

6LC



5B





This is the second alpine route from left to right between Cezar Manea and Surplombele de Aur. Start the first pitch with a traverse to the left (you will see the first piton), then continue along a beautiful crack followed by a small overhang. Uncomfortable belay stance just above the overhang. In the second pitch climb the chimney and the slightly overhanging crack. You'll reach the crux of the route: a large crack without protection pieces. You must free-climb it and then traverse left to the belay stance. The third pitch has an easy start to a piton with a long sling. You'll do a difficult traverse to the left using the ladders (if you don't have ladders, you can use the big sling as aid). After the traverse you'll reach the belay

stance (same as the third one from Moldoveanu) Those two routes share the last three pitches (see details on Moldoveanu route description).

## 24) Surplombele de Aur

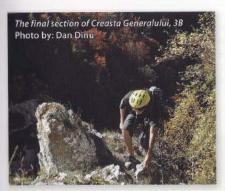
8LC







This is one of the most well-known and climbed routes from Cheile Râșnoavei. The route is 200m long. Loose rock which overhangs almost on its entire length. To reach the base of the route, cross the river on the small wood bridge which can be easily seen, then climb the stony ramp to the amphitheatre base, where the rock has a yellowish color. The color of the rock inspired the name of the route which means The Golden Overhangs. Part of the route has been re-equipped by Mihai Atanasiu. The first pitch of 30m long follows a system of cracks and then continues over a series of overhangs. Belay stance using the ladders. This first pitch is bolted properly, so you can free-climb it. Its difficulty level is 7c. The second pitch starts with a short descent to the right and then follows a crack. Comfortable belay stance. The third pitch is the most difficult one. Start towards right (take care, because to your left side there are several pitons from an abandoned try) and follow a crack



line with loose pitons, then an overhang with expansion bolts (in former times there were used wood nuts to protect the passage). In the fourth pitch continue upwards and right in aid climbing, then free-climbing using layback technique. Comfortable belay stance. The fifth pitch starts to the right, then it continues upwards mostly with aid climbing. Belay stance on the top of a pillar. The sixth pitch has the same character as the previous one. Towards its end you'll climb a vegetation section which finishes on a ledge. This ledge is part of the via ferrata also described in this guide. In the seventh pitch go along a crack line and then traverse to the right until you'll reach a corner. From this point the route becomes less steeper. In the last pitch traverse to the right until you'll reach a chimney and then free-climb to the top crest. Descend towards the left by following the unmarked path which is shared by all the routes ending on the crest.

#### 25 Pătratul Verde

5c 55m



Very old route. We don't recommend it. At its base there is a green painted square.

26 Via Ferrata

200m 5a



This via ferrata was equipped by Mihai Mândreanu. To reach the base of the route, cross the river on the small wood bridge and then climb the stony slope to the base of the Surplombele de Aur route. From here, start climbing upwards and right towards the ridge descending from the pillar to your right. Climb this ridge just under the impressive chimney, and then continue upwards on the face until you reach a ledge. Continue on the ledge, traversing to the left the impressive wall and crossing the Surplombele de Aur route in its sixth belay stance. The via ferrata ends on the crest. Descend to the left by following the path that zigzags through the forest.

27 Cifra Şase

2LC 6b









The route is located on the left side of the pillar right to Surplombele de Aur. Cross the river on the small wood bridge then climb the ledge with vegetation towards the base of the pillar. You will see figure 6 painted at route's base. Slabby face in the lower section, then steep climbing in the upper one.

28 Cifra Sapte

6b+ 2LC









Situated to the right of the previous route. Marked with figure 7 at its base. Same character as the route to its left, a bit harder though.

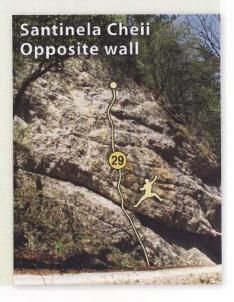
29 Bin Laden

15m 7a





100m after you exit from the gorge going upstream, on the right side of the road there is a small wall with the route called Bin Laden. Easy start, followed by laybacking on a crack, then climb the face on edges. The lower-off is just above a small ledge.



# 2. Bolovanul Prostului





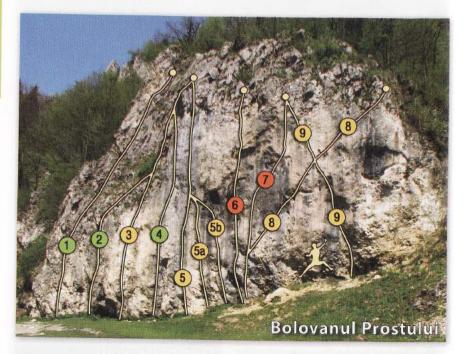




Access: As you exit the gorge going upstream, after 300m on your left side, you will see a small rock.

Character: Short routes. Mostly face climbing with short overhanging sections.

Bolting: Very low quality bolting. You will see a mix of old expansion bolts, pitons and glued bolts.



# Traseul de Inițiere

10m 5a



In the left end of the sector. Not bolted. There are though two pitons with ring as lower-offs.

2 Traseul Scurt 5c

8m

Mixed protection: pitons and expansion bolts. Start where the stone is black at its base.

3 Stamate

8m 60+



The first bolt is a bit too high for its difficulty level. Shares the lower-off with Traseul Scurt.

# Pacientul Englez

5c



The first bolt hangers have been removed. Chipped holds in lower section.

5 Găuri

12m 60+



Climbing on pockets, as the name of the route suggests. Just to the right there are two more variations on pitons (marked on photo-topo with 5a and 5b).

Logan

Glued bolts in place.

7a+

7a+ 12m

off.

11m



1 1 1

First bolt hanger is missing (the alternative is to

use a piton with ring, half a meter lower). Start on

big holds and then continue with long reaches on

pockets. In the second section the climb steepens and then you climb the slabby face to the lower-

This climb shares the entry with Superfinala.

Continue with face climbing upwards and right.



8 Traseul Diagonal 60

60







Starts just to the right of Superfinala. It follows the discontinuous crack upwards and right. Friction climbing on pockets and slopers. Mixed protection pieces: pitons, expansion bolts and glued bolts.

#### 9 Sandero

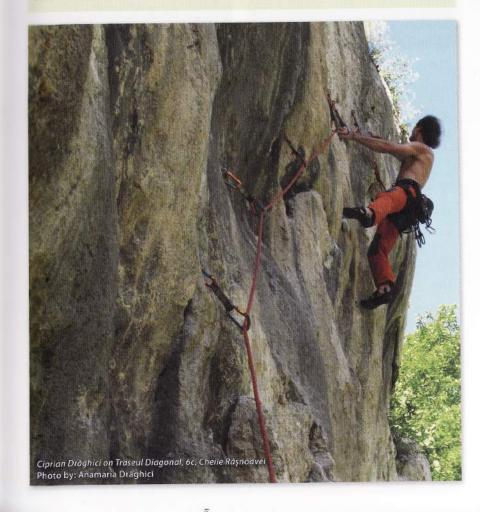
9m





Cheile Râșnoavei

This route has two screw-attached holds. Start from the left end of the rock on a loose section and then continue upwards and left, crossing Traseul Diagonal. Hard finish with long reaches on a smooth face.



#### 3. Metal Expert







Access: In this sector there are two pillars shaded by the forest, just after the Bolovanul Prostului sector. After you pass the Bolovanul Prostului sector going upstream, start ascending into the forest on the slope to your left. After 75m you will see the two pillars. This sector is a great place to climb in the hot summer days.

Character: Short routes in the medium difficulty range. Face and crack climbing.

Bolting: Stainless steel expansion bolts and chain lower-offs.

#### Atenție la Buzunare

5a 20m







The slabby face from the left end of the pillar (vegetation on its left side). There is a variation rated at 6b if you climb directly the smooth middle section of the face.

2 Duda

25m







Follows the obvious crack line from the central part of the pillar.

#### Scara Scarabeului

25m







Easy start, then go upwards and right along the smooth face using friction climbing.

#### 4 Fisura cu Copac

20m 6b





Start on the slabby face just right the dihedral, Continue then on the face to your left.

#### 5 Cangrena

18m



Start on the wide crack with hand jams then continue on the round crest which looses its steepness.

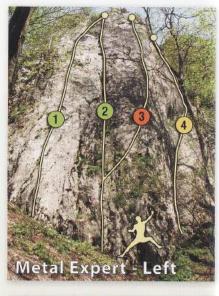
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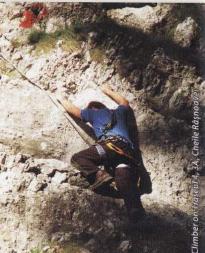
18m 6b





Easy start on a dihedral with crack. Continue on the smooth face (crux) and finish at the same lower-off as Cangrena.





#### 7 Mamatiti

18m 6a+







Start with face climbing on two or three finger pockets and then climb the wide crack.

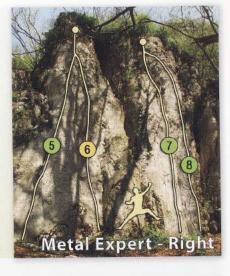
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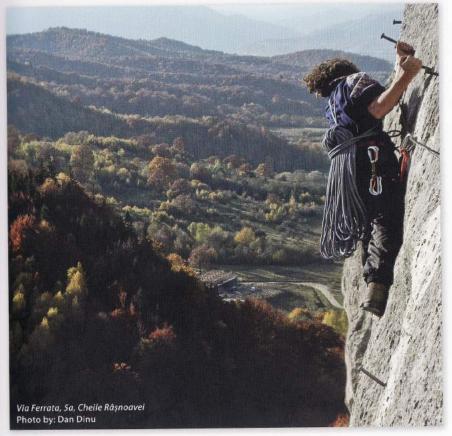
6a+ 18m

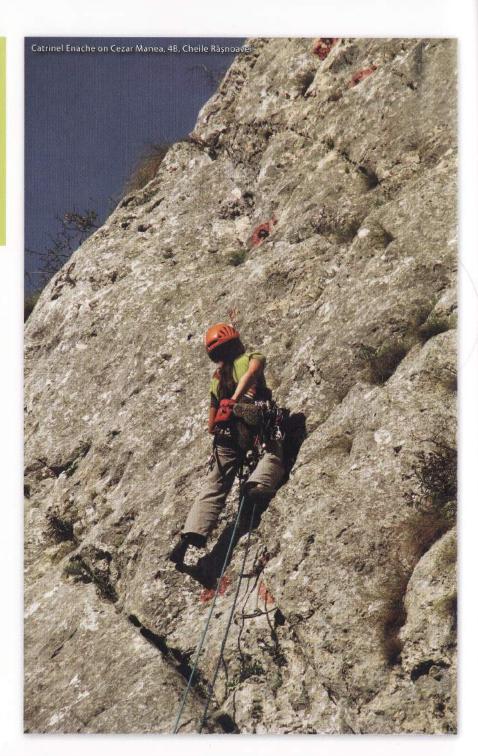




The discontinuous crack. Layback technique.







4. Bouldering in Cheile Râșnoavei

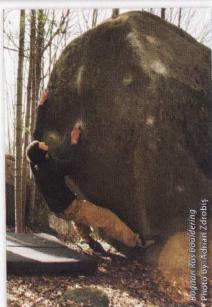


**Access:** From *Bolovanul Prostului* sector, cross the stream and walk uphill along the small valley. Once you reach the top of the hill, on your left side, in the forest, you'll find several boulders where there are some beautiful bouldering routes.

**Character:** Small sandstone boulders (5m height). Overhanging routes on slopers.







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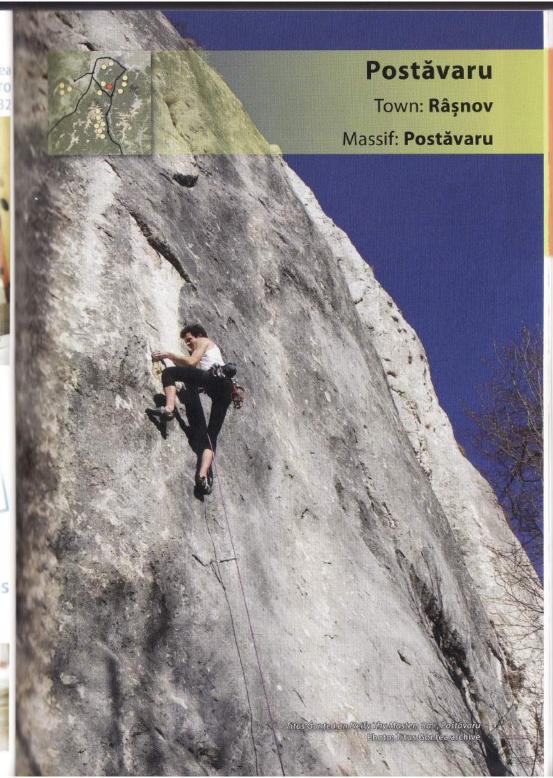
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## Area highlights

Postāvaru crag is located 10km far from Rāṣnov town, to the West end of Postāvaru Massif. The picturesque landscape makes this area weekend treat, especially during hot summer days. The crag is one of the newest climbing areas in Romania. You can camp in a tent or stay overnight at one of the many chalets in the area. You can find drinking water on the left side of the river which flows through the Rāṣnoavei Gorge, at the base of Creasta Generalului route. Besides climbing, you can enjoy the Tyrolean traverse between the two rock walls that guard the Rāṣnoavei Gorge, or you can bungee-jump on one of the highest natural bungee-jumping facilities in eastern Europe.

#### **Climbing conditions**

Bolting: This is one of the newest climbing areas in *Romania*, therefore the bolting is according to the most demanding standards, with stainless steel expansion bolts and chain lower-offs. All the routes have been bolted by *Titus Gontea*.

Sun: The wall is exposed to sun-light all day long. We don't recommend climbing here on hot summer days.

Rain: On rainy days, the rock becomes wet very easily, but dries very quickly after, due to strong winds.

Seasons: During summer we recommend climbing here only in the morning or late in the evening as the rock is exposed to direct sunlight. Spring and autumn are ideal seasons for climbing here. On sunny winter days if there is no wind, you can enjoy a pleasant climbing experience.







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#### How to get here

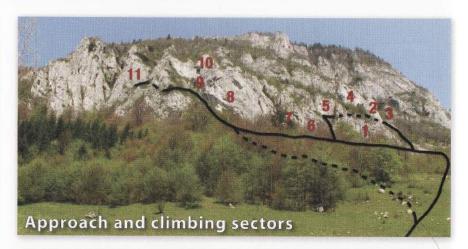
Go by car from Braşov on the national road DN73 following signs for Piteşti. Cross through the town of Rāṣnov and several hundred meters after you exit the town, follow the secondary road DN73A towards Bucharest, via Pārāul Rece. After a few kilometres, you'll see signs to Cheile Rāṣnoavei. Follow this country road (marked with red triangle) until you reach a barrier. Take care because this country road has several junctions and you must keep the main road. Before the barrier there is a small parking place where you can park your car (45 minutes drive). Keep walking on the country road that leads you into Cheile Rāṣnoavei (10 minutes walk).

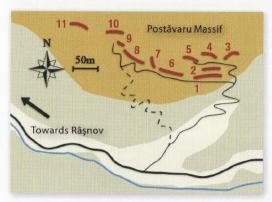
If you continue on this road, you'll see the *Bolovanul Prostului* sector on your left, which is part of the *Cheile Râşnoavei* climbing area (15 minutes walk). Go further and after several hundred meters you will notice an inclined clearing on your left (25 minutes walk). Follow the trail up the slope to your left and you'll reach the South part of the crag (35 minutes walk).



4. Postăvaru

# Postavaru





#### **Climbing sectors**

- 1. Sector D
- 2. Sector D Superior
- 3. Sector E Amfiteatrul
- 4. Sector E Superior Totalitar Wall
- 5. Sector F Peretele Lirei
- 6. Sector C
- 7. Sector B Turnuletul
- 8. Sector A Peretele Aboland
- 9. Sector A Peretele Tancului
- 10. Sector A Peretele Portalului
- 11. Sector A Poligonul Suspendat





Access: This is the first sector you'll reach as you go uphill along the access trail.

Character: The big face on which the character varies from cracks, pockets to friction climbing.

Bolting: Stainless steel expansion bolts and chain lower-offs.



18m 8a+



Technical face climbing.

Wolfgang

6b+ 22m



Beautiful line along a dihedral. Shares the loweroff with Nicidecum.

Nu Pot să Cred

7c+? 24m

1 2× 4

Project.

Apophis

8b? 32m

**③** 3★ **④** 

Project.

5 Thanassis

7a? 32m

**9** 3\* **9** 

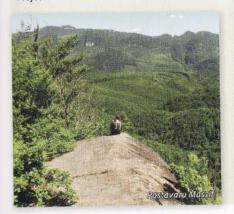
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6 Chrysogonos

8a+? 30m

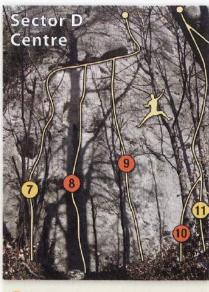
**9** 3+ **4** 

Project.









7 Sarlaac

15m

The grade is also considered to be a soft 6b+. Easy start up to the hole. Continue by laybacking traverse to the right and then climb the crack to the lower-off (crux just before the top).

Death Star

8b? 15m



Project.

Blockstart

8b+?

A 2+ 4

15m Project.

10 Control

22m 7c+? (4) (2+) (4)

Project.

11 Chewbacca

20m 60+

First moves on sharp one finger pockets. Continue then in laybacking along the obvious crack upwards and to the right.

12 R2D2

18m 7a+





50m 8b?





Project. The first pitch is estimated at 7c+ and the second one at 8b.

14 Cald si Bine

12m 5a

Face climbing, Recommended for beginners. Take care because the lower-off is a screw-gate carabiner.

15) Greedo

33m 7b+ 2 2 4

A 2+ 4

16 Bountyhunter

22m 7a

17 Brădut

25m

Start on a small crack with sharp edges and then continue up the face with balance moves.

Braveheart

25m 7a+ 2 × 3

Hard first moves, then continue on the line of Brădut.

19 Tentația

16m 5c







Long reaches on edges on the face to the left of dihedral. Crux just before the lower-off. You are not allowed to make use of the dihedral.

20 Extensor

16m 70



The grade is also considered to be a hard 7b+. Climb the face right to the dihedral.

21 Diedrul

5a

15m









The crux just after the entrance. Balance climbing to the top. Take care at the loose rock before the lower-off.

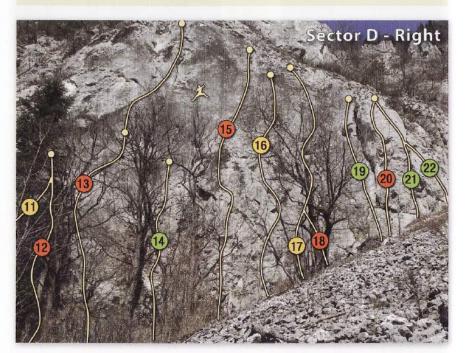
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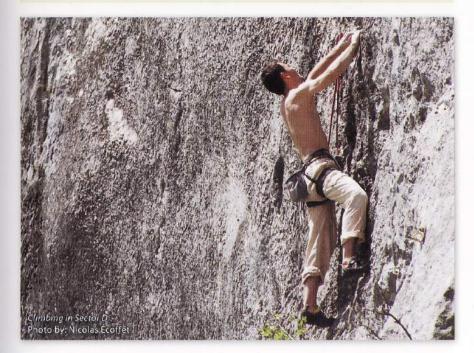
14m





This is a variation of Diedrul with a harder move on the overhanging entry to the right.







Access: From the Sector D, continue walking up the debris slope. In less than 100m, you'll see the Sector E - Amfiteatrul on your left.

The Sector D Superior routes are placed on the pillar to the left of the Sector E - Amfiteatrul. To reach the routes on the South face of the Sector D Superior you need to climb the ascending ledge from the big tree.

Character: Long and beautiful routes, with varying moves and stunning panoramic views of the Rasnoavei Valley. The roof in the upper part of the wall provides a spectacular finish to the routes that go over it.

Bolting: Stainless steel expansion bolts and chain lower-offs. There are placed bolts on the ledge for belayer's to hang.

#### Rest in Pain!

25m 60+ 1 I+ 4

The grade is also considered to be a soft 7a. Technical climbing upwards the face.

Fă Paşi!

Project.

7a+? 25m

1 I+ 4

3 Natural Aggressivity



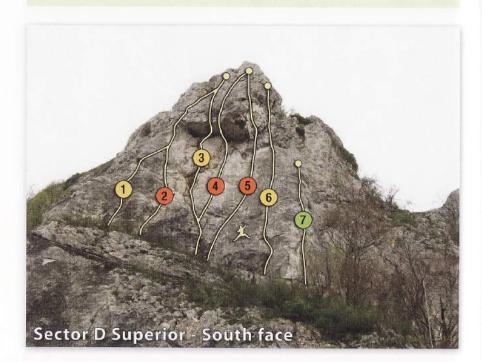
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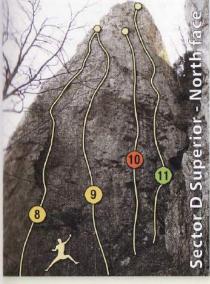
The Flames of the End

25m 8b?



Project. Shares the entry with Natural Aggressivity.





5 Edge of Sanity

7b+? 25m

3 \*

Climb the roof on the upper section through its right side.

6 Appetite for Suffering

27m









Technical moves on the entrance dihedral. Climb up the face on big holds, then continue on balance moves. Spectacular finish on a steep section, but on big holds. Take care at the loose rock just before the lower-off.

7 Creasta Vântului

16m 6a+





Technical and varied climbing. You need intuition to find the right moves.

8 Bătrânu'

17m 6b+ 1 3× 4

9 Jucăria Supremă

60 16m

(1) (3+) (4)

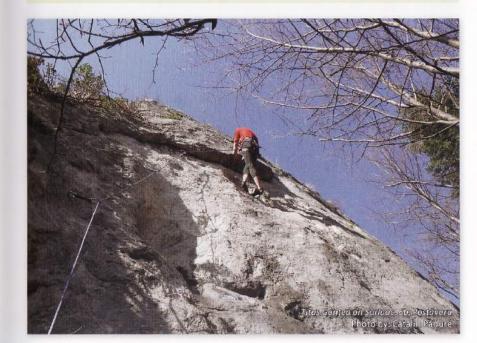
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17m 7b+ 3 3 4

11 Macchiavellic Symphony

27m 6a+





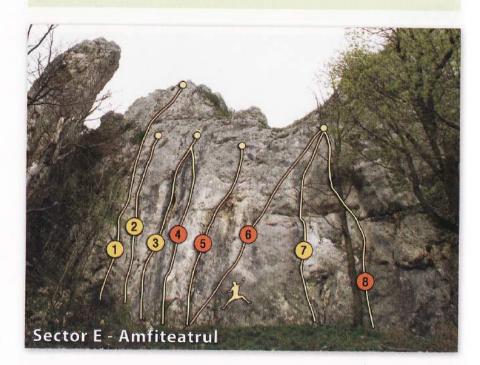
# 3. Sector E - Amfiteatrul -

**Access:** From the Sector D, continue walking up the debris slope. In less than 100m you'll reach the Sector E-Amfiteatrul on your left.

**Character:** Varied climbing. Face climbing on cracks and slightly overhanging dihedrals.

**Bolting:** Stainless steel expansion bolts. Chain lower-offs.

Turnul de Fildes Remus **3**★ **4** 6b+ **3 3 1** 7b+ 17m 6 Anaerobic for Charismatics Beautiful and sustained line. 2 Romulus 3+ 4 15m 7c+? **6** 2★ 20m 6b Project. 3 Castor 7 Cumpăna , **6** 2★ 3× 4 18m 60+ 6b 14m Pollux 8 Cyclop (1) 3+ (1) 7c 1 3± E 18m 8b? 14m Project.

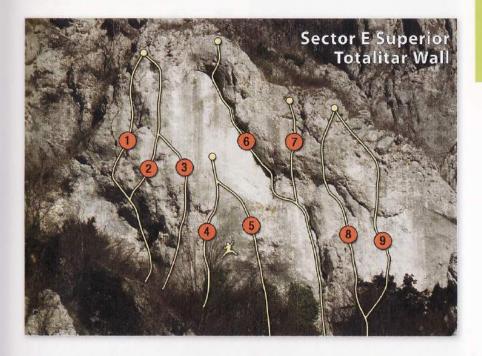




Access: From the Sector D, continue walking up the debris slope. In less than 100m you'll see Sector E - Amfiteatrul on your left. Climb the gully from the left side of the Sector E - Amfiteatrul and you'll reach the base of the Sector E Superior - Totalitar Wall.

**Character:** Long routes. Face and crack climbing with lots of overhanging sections.

**Bolting:** Stainless steel expansion bolts and chain lower-offs.









Project.

8 Absolutist

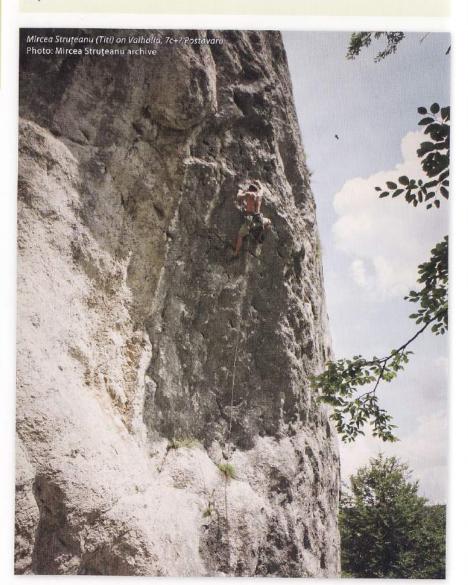
8a?

Project.

Postăvaru

**3** 

Project. Enjoy the one finger pocket which inspired the climb name.









Access: To reach this sector you have to climb the gully directly below its base (between Sector D and Sector C) or you can climb down on the ledge that is East of the base of Sector E Superior - Totalitar Wall.

Character: Long routes where your endurance will be

Bolting: Stainless steel expansion bolts with chain lower-offs.

1 Lira

30m 6c+





Very beautiful climb. Layback on the right branch of the crack which looks like a lyre. The rounded margins of the crack make out of this route a real endurance test.

Dark Ways

7c+? 25m



Project.

Project.

Stardust

7b+? 25m

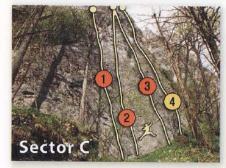








Character: Smooth face climbing. Most of the routes are unclimbed projects and require more cleaning. Bolting: Stainless steel expansion bolts and chain lower-offs.



Catran

27m 7c? 2× 4

Project. Needs more cleaning.

Bitum

7c? 26m

1 2× 4

Project. Needs more cleaning as well.

4 Nicotina

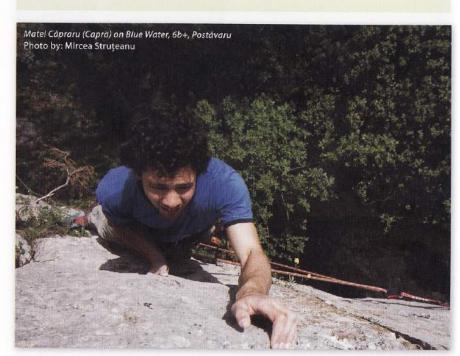
25m 60+

3\*

1 Gudron

27m 7c? J 2+ 4

Project. Needs more cleaning.



Sector B - Turnuletul

Character: The routes in this sector are placed on a small pillar with the base shaded by the trees. Easy to medium difficulty climbs.

Bolting: Stainless steel expansion bolts with chain lower-offs.

> Face climbing on edges in the first part. The upper section is on big holds.

2 Blue Water

6b+ 16m

2 2 4



4. Postăvaru

Crux in the lower section. Finish with crack climbing.

3 Liviu

18m 5c 2 2 4



Crack climbing. Just before the lower-off traverse to the right (crux).

4 Mitză

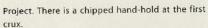
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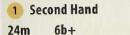
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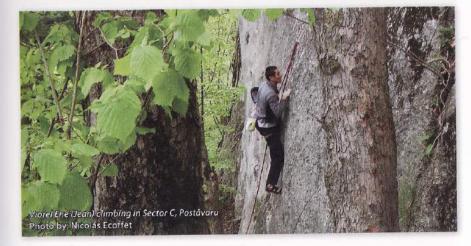
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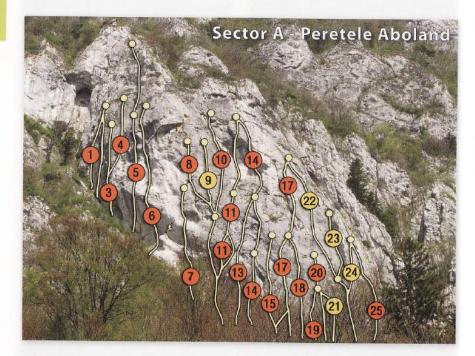
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Postavaru

Acces: From the Sector D, go West by following the path under the wall. You'll pass through the Sector C and then the Sector B - Turnuleful. When the path steepens you'll find yourself in the heart of the Sector A - Peretele Aboland. To reach the base of the routes on the left side of this wall, you must climb the vegetation covered gully.

Character: Long and sustained routes. Face climbing with lots of overhanging sections. Most of the routes are projects.

Bolting: Stainless steel expansion bolts and chain lower-offs.





Project.

Marş Imperial

25m 7b+

Calea Fortei

7b+ 25m



2 2 4

3+

Abolander







Project.

5 Titanium





3+

Absolution

8b? 35m







3× **4** 

Project.

Valhalla

7c+? 25m

3x F



32m Project. 3× 4

Project.

Psihodrama

7b+? 25m



32m Project.

17m

Project.

Project.

3× 4

Project.

9 Mizantropia

7a? 25m

3+

10 Dust in the Wind

8b? 50m



30m

19 Piroman

3+ 4

3 3× 4

Project.

Project.

11 1 Decembrie

50m 8a+?



Project. Two pitches. Intermediary anchor for abseiling.

12 1 Decembrie - Variation

7b+? 27m



Project. In the lower part, avoid the hard section by its right.

13 Dejavoodoo

28m 8b+?



Project.

14 Skylifter

60m 8a?



This route has three pitches. There are intermediary anchors for abseiling. The first part is rated at 7c+. The last two parts are still projects, estimated at 8a.

15 Gradiator

8b? 30m



20 Seniorul Apocalipsei

8b+?

8b+?

7c?

17) Bitum Jacuzzi

7c+?

18 Deify Thy Master

8a+?



Project.

21 Stop Digging

17m 60+ 3 3\*

The grade is also considered to be a soft 7a.

22 Equilibrium

60m 60+ 3 3× K

Project.

23 Old School

37m 6b+



The route needs more cleaning. Start on the face with technical moves, then continue upwards and left along the dihedral. Take care at the loose rock.

24 Spaimele Galbene

30m 6b+



25 Seasons in the Abyss

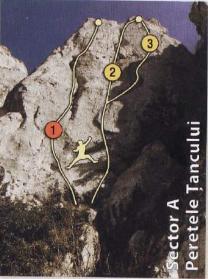
32m 7c+? 3× 4

Project.

Project.

9. Sector A - Peretele Țancului - Access: From the base of the Sector A - Peretele Aboland climb NE on the gully covered with vegetation. In the upper part of the gully, you'll see the Sector A - Peretele Tancului on your right.

Character: Face climbing along two obvious crack lines. Bolting: Stainless steel expansion bolts. Chain loweroffs.



#### Iridium

16m 7a+





Start upwards and left. In the upper part climb along the rounded edges crack.

2 Plutonium

16m 6b+



Start following the small dihedral upwards and right, then continue up the face on its central part.

3 Reinforcement

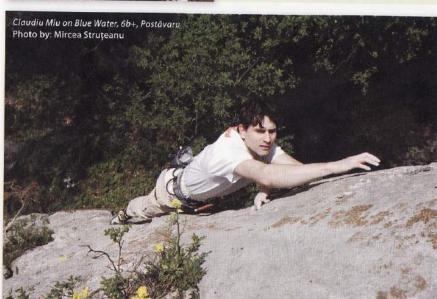
18m 60+







Same entry as Plutonium. Continue then upwards and right using layback climbing technique.



#### 10. Sector A Peretele Portalului







Access: From the base of the Sector A - Peretele Aboland, climb NE on the gully covered with vegetation. In less than 10 minutes you'll see the Sector A - Peretele Portalului on your right.

Character: Long and sustained routes. Face climbing. Bolting: Stainless steel expansion bolts. Chain lower-

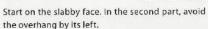


#### 4 Nickel

25m 7b+







5 Cadmium

25m 6a+







Shares the lower section with Nickel. In the upper part continue on the right branch.

#### Diabolus in Vidfernia

35m 7a?





Project. Start from the right side of the arcade and then continue upwards and left.

2 Total Terror

7b+? 35m





Project. Face climbing in the first part. Continue over the consecutive bulges in the upper part.

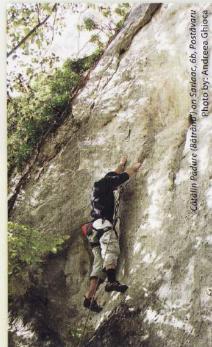
Everlasting Terror

35m 7c?





Project. Shares the entry with Total Terror. In the upper section continue on the right branch.



Character: Long and sustained routes. Beautiful face climbing.

Bolting: Stainless steel expansion bolts. Chain lower-offs.

Access: From the base of the Sector A - Peretele

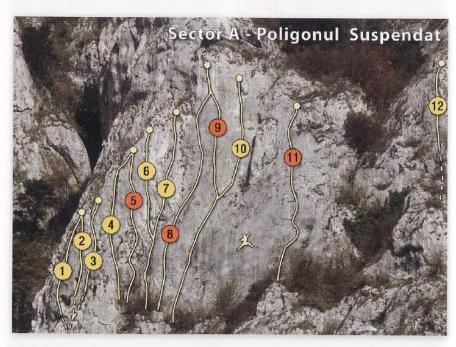
Aboland climb NE on the gully covered with vegetation. In less than 10 minutes you'll see

the Sector A - Peretele Portalului on your right. Don't go up the debris slope, but traverse it

left and then continue on the ledge through a

narrow fracture until you'll reach the base of the

Sector A - Poligonul Suspendat.



Lividus Maxima

6b? 20m



6b+ 23m

3 Alveolist



Project. Left most route from this sector. You need to rappel to the base of the route (there is a rappel anchor on the top of the pillar).

2 Tyrannus

23m 7a?

Project. Rappel to reach the base of the route.

Project. You need to rappel to the base of the route. Shares the entry with Tyrannus, then the line continues to the right.

4 Răcirea Vremii

6b? 20m





Project.

Strongy

8a+? 20m





Project. Incredible small hand holds in the upper section!

6 Cu Moartea pre Moarte Călcând...

60+ 23m





Fantastic climbing on big pockets.

Click Dreapta

25m 6b





The route shares the first part with Cu Moartea pre Moarte Călcând... and then it goes towards right.

8 Kinetic Cibernetic

32m 7c?

Project.









Marmic Abisalyzer

7b+? 32m



Project. Shares the top with Kinetic Cibernetic.

10 Fearification

7a? 28m





Project. Shares the start with Karmic Abisalyzer.

**11** Mezomorfism

22m 7a+





Technical and sinuous line up the face.

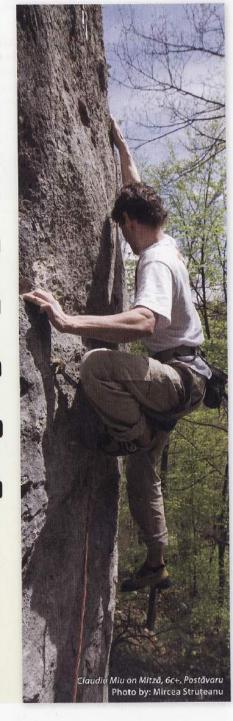
12 Dignitis Minima

23m 7a?

Project.







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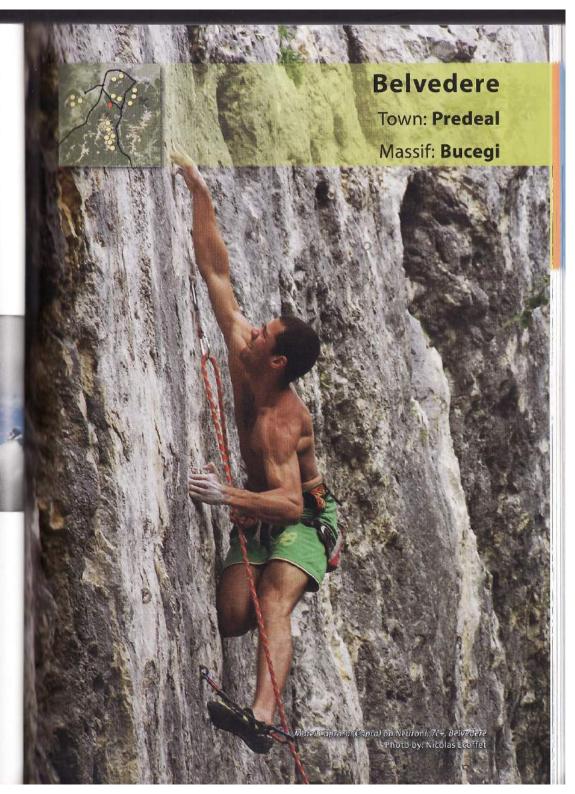
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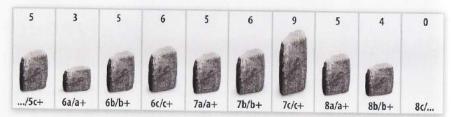


# climb higher climbing gear









55 sport climbing routes

#### Area highlights

Belvedere crag is located between Predeal and Pârâul Rece, in the vicinity of the Belvedere chalet. You can easily reach the chalet by car and a 15 minutes walk from the chalet will take you to the base of the crag. The rock is solid limestone, with wall height between 10 and 60 metres. The left sector is sheltered by trees and ideal for climbing during summer days. The central and left sectors are much higher and directly exposed to the sun.

#### **Climbing conditions**

Bolting: Most of the routes are equipped with glued bolts and expansion bolts. The old protection hardware has been replaced, but there are routes where you can still find rusted bolts or old pitons. Re-bolting is still in progress.

Sun: The sun shines on the wall at noon, so you can climb in the sunlight until sunset. The crag has SW exposure.

Rain: When it rains the wall gets wet, making climbing conditions much harder. After long rainy periods, the left sector dries slowly because it is shaded by trees.

Seasons: You can climb here in excellent conditions starting early in the spring until late autumn. Its location near the *Bucegi Mountains* makes it a comfortable place to climb even during hot summer days.



#### How to get here

To reach the *Belvedere* crag, start from *Braşov* on the national road DN1 driving in the direction of *Bucharest*. Drive until you reach the beautiful town of *Predeal* and continue through the centre. Just after the exit from *Predeal*, turn right towards the *Pârâul Rece* resort, on the secondary road DN73A. Before entering *Pârâul Rece*, turn left on the country road that leads to *Belvedere* chalet.

Park the car in front of the chalet (45 minutes drive). From the parking place, go up the slope behind the chalet on the easy

to spot trail until you cross a country road (5 minutes walk). Continue on this road to the right for 200m until you see a small trail which goes slightly to your left. Walk on this trail following the ridge line. Just before the trail steepens, you will see a clear path descending to the left into the forest (10 minutes walk). Continue on this trail which turns right and then start ascending until you reach the base of the crag (15 minutes walk).

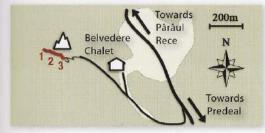


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#### **Climbing sectors**

- 1. In Pădure
- 2. Faleza Mare
- 3. La Bolovan



#### 1. În Pădure

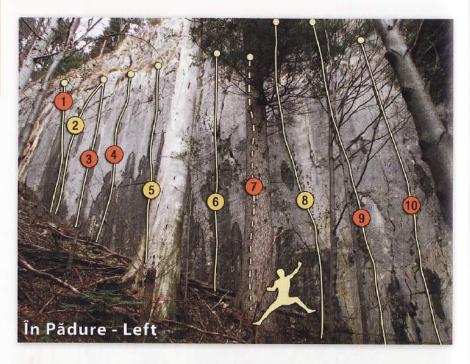






Character: The routes in this sector range from grade 5c to 8a+. The lines are short and feature mostly face climbing on pockets and edges. After rainy days there are water infiltrations that dry slowly. The sector is shaded by the trees.

Bolting: Modern equipped routes with glued bolts and chain lower-offs.



Ice Age

2 Fulg de Nea

3 I Don't Know

60

Short face climbing on pockets.

7b+

7m

8m

9m



Project. Face climbing on pockets. Unbolted yet.





2× 4





Game Over



Short climb with a hard crux (mono-pocket).

5 Fa

10m



Face climbing on sharp cracks.

60

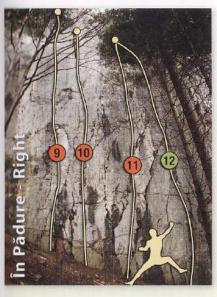
6 Sol

10m



This is a hard 7b+. Short but technical face climbing on edges with dynamic moves.

Start on a pocketed section. Continue on discontinuous small cracks to the lower-off.



## Paranoia Virginului Ionizat

8m

7c



Face climbing on edges. The cracks on the left and right are not allowed, otherwise the route is easier. 8 Diculescu

15m 6b+





Climb on sidepulls. The crux is just before the top, after you reach the ledge.

Minimum

15m 8a+







A hard bouldery move in the middle section. You need to use your imagination to find the solution! Not repeated since its first ascent.

10 lesâți Pulanilor

12m 7b+







Endurance climbing on edges and good pockets.

11 Bebe

7b 12m







Crux just before the lower-off on crimpy holds.

12 Traseul Scoală

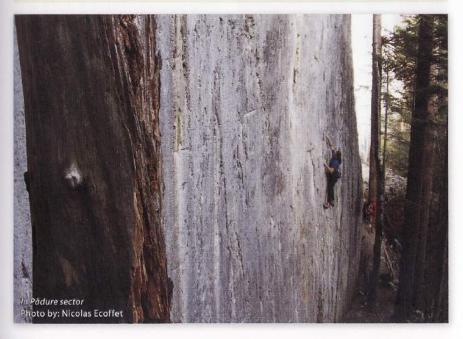
12m 6a+







Start on the vertical face on side-pulls and then cross to the left avoiding the ridge to reach the lower-off. The direct finish is a bit harder (6b).



2. Faleza Mare

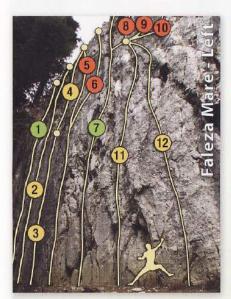






Character: This sector has the most beautiful climbs from this craq. The routes are very diverse, from vertical faces with good holds, to cracks and bulges. Most of the routes are long and sustained and some lines have extensions.

Bolting: The routes on the left are equipped with glued bolts. The ones of the central area are on new expansion bolts. The routes on the right side are on rusted expansion bolts and pitons. Re-bolting here is still in progress. Chain lower-offs.



Vasilică

18m 6a+



Start on a slabby face and then continue on pockets and sidepulls until you reach a ledge (rest spot). Avoid the overhang by its left side and then continue upwards and right on the slabby face to the lower-off.

2 Koko Jumbo

moves are a bit harder.

6b+

25m



Same character as the route on its left, but the

3 Nimat

12m



Start a bit to the left of the first bolt. The direct variation of the entrance is rated at 7a.



25m 60+



Extension over the upper bulge of Nimat,

5 Noroc!

25m



Refference route for the 8a grade in this style. Climb a bulge on poor side-pulls edges with dynamic moves in the lower part, then balance climbing on small holds in the upper section.

6 Nirvana

22m 8a





Legendary route for romanian climbing. Rebolted. Difficult sequence in the upper part: a combination of side-pulls for the hand and poor foot holds.

7 Clasic

37m





Beautiful climb with constant moves along a large crack. From the suspended cave continue upwards and right to the lower-off. There is an extension which continues avoiding the overhang by its left.

8 Rateu

37m 7c





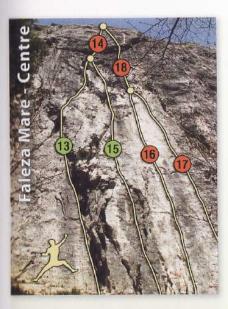
Shares the lower section with Clasic. Belay station on the ledge. Climb directly the overhang and finish in the same lower-off as Clasic.

Rateu - Variation 1

37m



Project. This is a variation a bit to the right of the upper section of Rateu route.



10 Rateu - Variation 2

37m







Project. The right most variation of the upper section of Rateu.

11 Băieți de Băieți

20m 60+



Start climbing the face on edges, then go up the sharp crack. After several easy moves you reach a resting place on a ledge. Long reaches on pockets in the last section.

12 No Job No Problem

20m 7a



The first hard move is just above the ground, then continue on pockets. The upper section is a hard one on shallow pockets, then a balance traverse to the left. Shares the lower-off with Clasic.

13 Nea Caisă

50+ 20m





Climb on a wide crack with big ledges and sidepulls. Start upwards and left and then continue up the vertical crack. When the crack ends, you have to traverse to the right (crux). The rest of the route is on big edges with a few long reaches.



37m 8b?





Project. Extension of Nea Caisă route.

15 Nea Lică

20m 6a+







Face climbing with balance moves on edges in first section, then go upwards and right along good pockets. After one long reach move (crux) you get to a comfortable ledge (rest place). The last part of the route has easy moves on big edges upwards and left, sharing the lower-off with Nea Caisā.

16 Cyborg (Ciporcu')

15m 7b





Face climbing on edges, then long reaches on one or two finger pockets (crux). The route is harder for shorter climbers.

17 Neuron!

7c+ 15m





Hard first section with the crux after the third bolt. Reading the sequence is a test of using your imagination. The final part is endurance climbing on pockets.

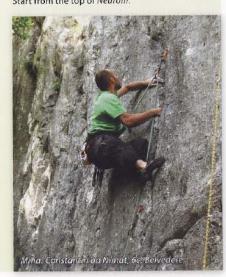
18 Neuron! - Extension







Start from the top of Neuron!.



#### 19 Tancul Retezat

20m 5c







Start on big holds followed by a long reach move and then rest place on a ledge. Continue upwards the dihedral to your left. Some mobile protection may help. Finish on the top of the pillar to your left.

#### 20 Arde-o lonele!

7a+

35m





Project.

#### 21) Bring da Noise

30m 70+



Sustained face climbing on pockets. The grade is also considered a hard 7c.

#### 22 Fete de Fete

20m 60+



Steep pocketed face climbing.

23 King Size

35m 7c+

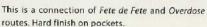


One of the most beautiful routes from Belvedere. Sustained climb with the crux just before the top.

#### 24 Junky Size

35m 8a





#### 25 Overdose

35m 7c+







Loose rock in the first part, then interesting and aerial climbing. The crux is at the finish (sequence on pockets), but there is a rest place just before.

#### 26 Don Tomberone 7c+?

35m



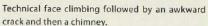


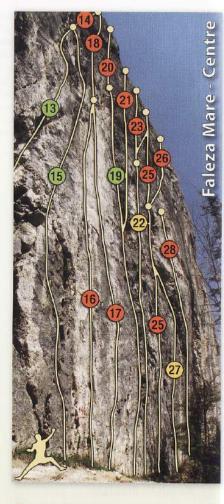
Climb the line of Overdose in the lower part, then go to the right. First crux at the bulge on pockets and the second one before the finish.

#### 27 Intact

18m 6b+







#### 28 Nobody's Perfect

18m 7b+?



Project.

#### 29 Equinox (Simgen) 8b?

18m





Project. Face climbing on very small edges.

#### 30 Anaconda

20m 8b+?





An old project with technical face climbing on edges. Hard second half with the crux at the finish.



#### Super Anaconda

35m 7a+





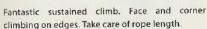
Anaconda extension.

#### Marele Bachus

42m 7a+







#### 33 Dream Team

20m







#### Project.

34 Pestia

7b+





Sustained face climbing. Hard sequence on pockets just before the top

#### 35 Super Pestia

Extension of Pestia route









2\*

2± 4

2\*

39 Gărgărița

6b+

18m

Poptan

37 Libelula

38 Gândacul

More face climbing.

28m

30m

Project.

20m

7c+

8b?

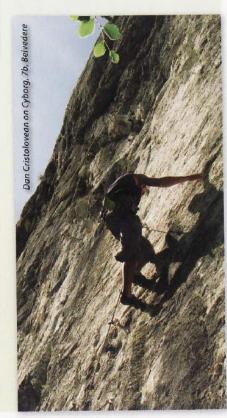




Face climbing again. Situated just above the small cave from the right end. Not represented in the photo-topo.

The route starts from the top of Pestia. Climb

upwards the face to the right of Super Pestia.



3. La Bolovan **\* 1** 1 Access: This is the first sector you'll reach coming from the Belvedere chalet, located at the East part of the wall, at the upper end of the small debris area.

Character: Short routes. Face climbing. Bolting: Glued bolts.



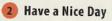


6m









8m

7a+





Face climbing on pockets and edges. The line goes upwards and to the left.

3 Bluto

9m 5a





This is a route for beginners.

4 Olive

9m

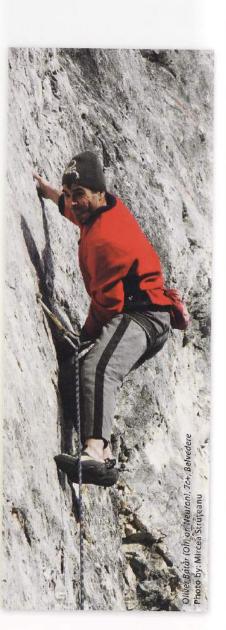
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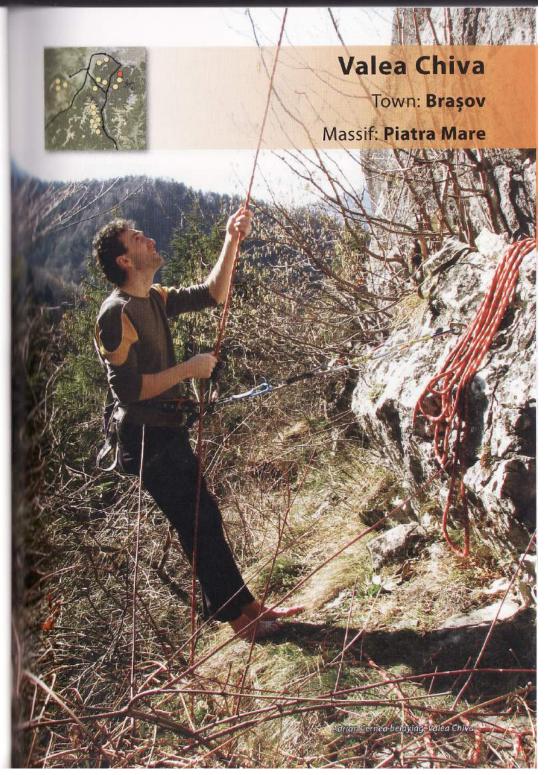






Another beginner's route.







9 sport climbing routes

#### Area highlights

This crag is located in the *Piatra Mare Massif*, in the *Chiva Valley*. There are two sectors of limestone rock: the main sector has several long routes featuring face climbing, while the second sector, shaded by trees has a few short overhanging routes. You can sleep in the small cave behind the pillar which hosts the routes. The river running through the valley provides you with fresh water. The routes have not been climbed much and require more cleaning.

#### **Climbing conditions**

Bolting: Rusted expansion bolts. Linked expansion bolts with screwgate carabiners as lower-offs.

Sun: The main sector is South facing and in the sun all day long. În Pădure sector is shaded by trees.

Rain: On rainy days, the main sector becomes easily wet but dries quickly. *În Pădure* sector takes longer to dry after long periods of rains.

Seasons: You can climb here from spring to autumn. Climbing in the main sector can be a problem during hot days.



#### How to get here

Go by car from Braşov on the national road DN1 in the direction of Bucharest. Several kilometres after the exit from Braşov, on the left side of the road you will see the Dâmbul Morii chalet. Turn left on the small bridge crossing the Timis River and then immediately turn right in the small asphalted parking place (15 minutes drive). From the parking place walk along the road to Piatra Mare Massif. You'll reach to the bridge over the Şipoaia River where there are a few tourist trails signs (5 minutes walk). Don't cross the river, but take the non-

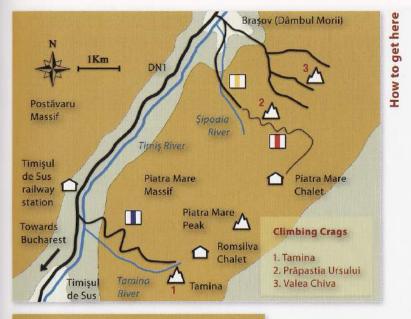
asphalted road towards left. Continue on this road until you pass the last guest houses on your left side and you reach a crossroad. Take the road to the right, crossing the river on a small bridge (10 minutes walk). Walk on the road along the river to your left until you reach a clearing and another road fork (25 minutes walk). Follow the road to the left. After a few hundred meters, before the road ends, up the slope in the forest, on your left side you can glimpse the crag (30 minutes walk). Go up the steep slope and you reach the base of the pillar (35 minutes walk).



GPS Dâmbul Morii

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#### **Climbing sectors**

- 1. Faleza Mare
- 2. La Umbră





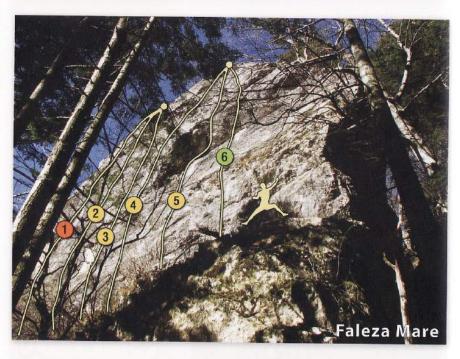




Access: The routes start from the ledge on the Southern face of the pillar. To reach the base of the routes, climb the easy 4m section in the East end of the pillar.

Character: In this sector there are several long and beautiful routes. Mostly face climbing with a short overhanging section in the middle.

Bolting: Rusted expansion bolts. Linked expansion bolts lower-offs.



#### Gemenii

25m 7b



Friction face climbing. Needs more cleaning.

2 Fecioara

25m 7a 2+ 4

Another face climb.

#### Balanţa

25m 60



The face with edges and pockets.

#### 4 Scorpionul

25m 6c+



Face climbing. Long move when avoiding the overhang by its left side.

#### Berbecul

25m



Start up the slabby face on edges. Difficult layback

exit over the lip of the overhang. Finish on big



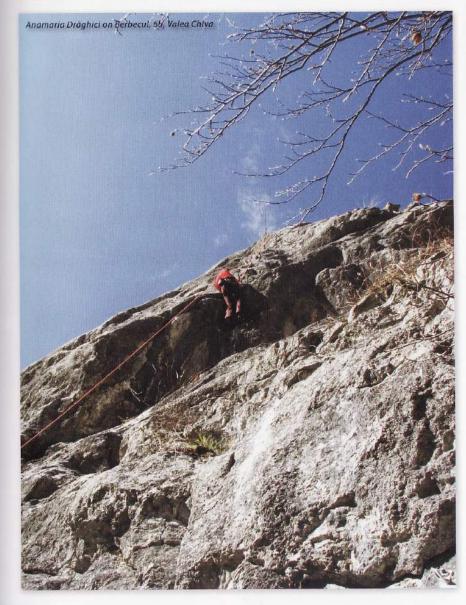
Vărsătorul



6. Valea Chiva

6a+

Easy start followed by balance moves on slopers. Go over the bulge upwards and right, continuing then with technical moves on big holds upwards and slightly to the left to reach the lower-off.



# 2. La Umbră

Character: A few short, bouldery routes.

Bolting: Rusted expansion bolts and pitons. Linked expansion bolts lower-offs.

#### Săgetătorul

15m

7a







Route with mixed protection pieces: expansion bolts and pitons.

2 Taurul

10m









Short but intense climb, bouldery like.

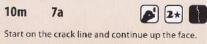
3 Capricornul

10m 7a



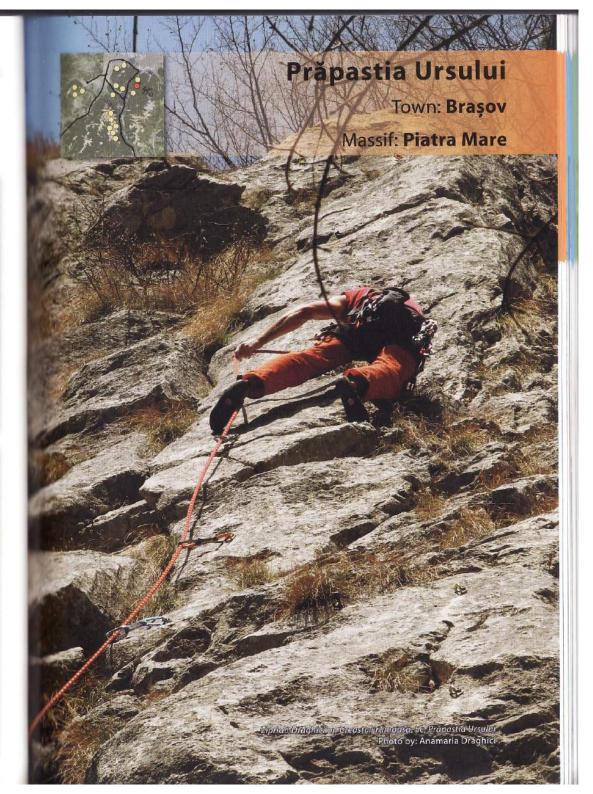


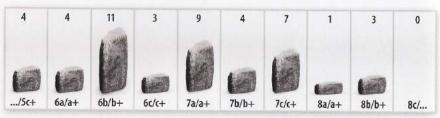




La Umbră







49 sport climbing routes

13 alpine climbing or dry-tooling routes

#### Area highlights

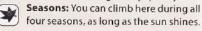
This beautiful crag is one of the oldest and most well-known in the nearby area of Brasov town. Here you'll find sport climbing or alpine routes, as well as dry-tooling lines. The limestone rock hosts a great diversity of features from compact faces, cracks and chimneys to impressive overhangs. The routes are long and most of them have two pitches. You can camp nearby in a tent or bivouac in one of the two caves.

#### Climbing conditions

**Bolting:** Sport climbing routes (along with a lot of alpine routes formerly on pitons) have stainless steel expansion bolts and chain lower-offs.

Sun: The crag is Southern facing and is in the sun all day long, but the alpine climate makes the heat suitable for climbing.

Rain: On rainy days, the slab faces become wet quickly, but you can still climb some of the routes that start from the cave in Creasta Frumoasă sector. After long period of rains the wall gets dry quickly.































yes

#### How to get here

Go by car from Brasov on the national road DN1 in the direction of Bucharest, Several kilometres after the exit from Braşov, on the left side of the road you will see the Dâmbul Morii chalet. Turn left on the small bridge crossing the Timis River and then immediately turn right in the small asphalted parking place, where you can park your car (15 minutes drive). From the parking place walk along the road towards Piatra Mare Massif on the tourist trail marked with yellow stripe which goes through the Şapte Scări canyon. Just before the canyon,

you will see on your left side an abandoned wooden house (40 minutes walk). Immediately after this abandoned wooden house, but before entering the canyon, you need to go left and cross the river onto the small bridge. Continue on the gentle slope on this trail marked with red stripe which leads to the Piatra Mare chalet and peak through Prăpastia Ursului. Just after the trail turns left, the slope gets steeper. Go up this short steep slope until you reach the base of Prăpastia Ursului, an impressive wall by its height (55 minutes walk).



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GPS Prăpastia Ursului

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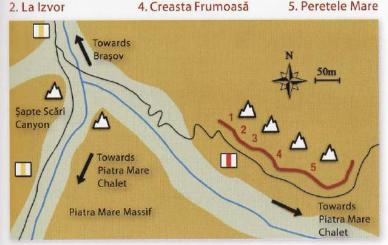


#### Climbing sectors

1. Grota

3. Hornul Crenelat

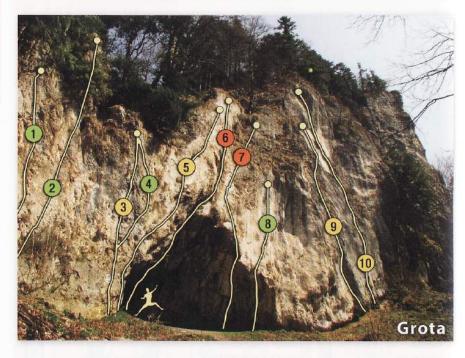
5. Peretele Mare



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Character: Here you can find several sport climbing and three dry-tooling routes.

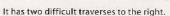
Bolting: Recently equipped routes on stainless steel



#### 1 Puiul de Dihor

15m 6a+





#### 2 Trei Crenguțe 5b

18m



Face climbing with balance moves and long reaches.

#### 3 Puiul de Drac 6b

12m



Start on a loose section then continue on pockets. The crux is a long reach at half-height of the route.

#### 4 Cu Mâinile în Buzunare

12m



6b+



It shares the start and the lower-off with Puiul de Drac. Slabby face.

#### Master Yoda

18m



The lines go upwards and right. Technical start on

an overhanging section (crux). The second crux is just before the lower-off.

M8+





Dry-tooling route. Overhanging start, then face climbing.

#### Apocaliptica

M8







Dry-tooling. Slightly easier that the route to its left.

8 Mini Crux

M5+ 40m





The most accessible dry-tooling route from this

#### 9 The Headless Climber

6b 20m





Crux at the end of the crack. The route continues with long moves on big edges and then a balance traverse to the right.

10 KB2

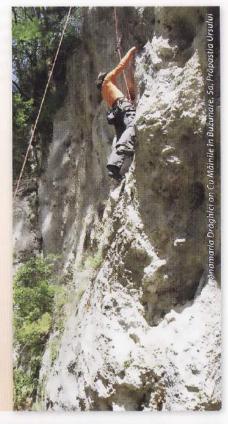
20m







2 2 4 Too many chipped holds on this route.





Prăpastia Ursului

2. La Izvor

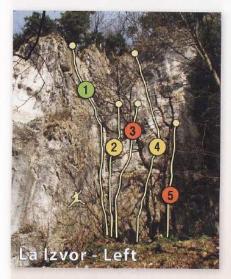






Character: Long and sustained routes with varied climbing on compact faces and dihedrals.

Bolting: Recently equipped routes are on stainless steel expansion bolts with chain lower-offs. The older sport routes have rusted expansion bolts and the classic lines have pitons.



#### 1 Traseul Școală

6a+

33m





The crux is in the lower section, at the entrance on the face. Then you have a rest place on a comfortable ledge. Continue up the face to the top on edges.

#### 2 Paranoid Eyes 6b

23m



2 2 4

The crux is in the middle section. Cross then to the right on one finger pocket and a good sidepull.

#### 3 Necromancer

7c?



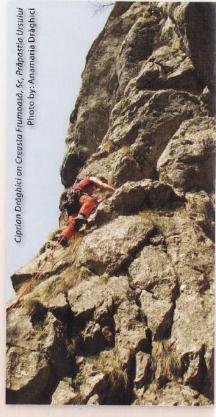
The crux is in the upper section. Rest place just before the crux.

4 Cupa ICIM

35m







Balance climbing in the lower part on successive ledges. The crux is in the middle section and consists of a long reach. In the upper part continue bridging up the dihedral to the top.

#### Crusader

18m 70+?



First crux at the exit from the lower dihedral (long reach to a sidepull). Second crux just before the

#### 6 Fisura de la Izvor

2LC 3B









Alpine route.

7 Gazodrom

6c+? 40m





First expansion bolts are painted with red. Face climbing on slopers. In the upper part there are literally no holds!

#### 8 Creasta de la Izvor

Project. Bolting in progress.

40m











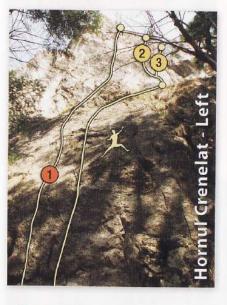


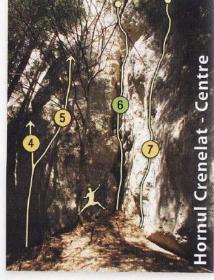
## 3. Hornul Crenelat



Character: The routes on the left are alpine climbing routes. The ones on the right are recently bolted for sport climbing.

Bolting: The new sport climbing routes are equipped with stainless steel expansion bolts. The classic ones have pitons.





#### Long Way

50m 7c?













2LC

5 Roland







Alpine route which can be free-climbed. Two pitches.

Project. Climb the line to the left of Fisurile Gemene.

#### Fisurile Gemene - Variation

2LC

2LC

2 Fisurile Gemene

4A







The variation on the crack to the right of Fisurile Gemene.

4 Raluca

3B

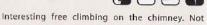










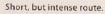


bolted. Enjoy the tunnel at the exit of the route!

#### 7 Cucuta

12m 6b+





8 Mătrăguna







This route has been equipped for a climbing contest.



7a+ 20m



10 Plânsete Agonice

7b 30m

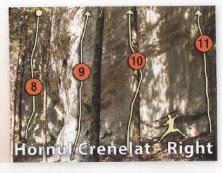


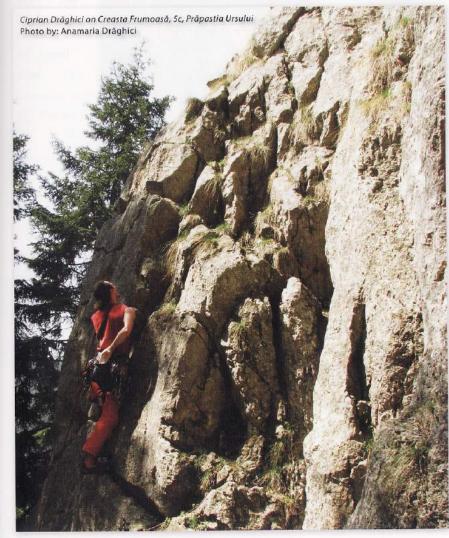
Overhanging start continued by airy face climbing.

Râsete Sardonice

16m 7a+







Ursului

Prăpastia

4. Creasta Frumoasă



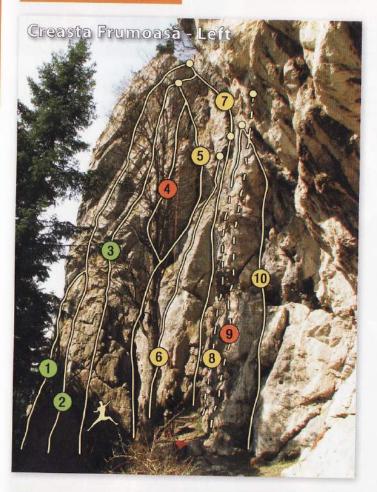






Character: Great diversity: faces, cracks, chimneys and overhangs. Long routes which demand good

Bolting: Most routes in this sector have been rebolted with stainless steel expansion bolts and chain loweroffs. Re-bolting is still in progress.



lepurele

55m 5c



First piece of protection is at 4m height, then pitons with ring on a crack line upwards and left. Shares the last section with the route from its right. Vulpea

55m





The entrance is a bit to the left of the entry in Creasta Frumoasă (inox expansion bolts). Face climbing in the upper part.

3 Creasta Frumoasă

55m 5c

beginners.

2LC

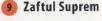


Beautiful slabby face climbing. Suitable for











Project.

10 Traseul cu Bavareză

25m 60

11 Coltul de Urs

12 Finala Concurs

7b+

7c+?

Former contest route. Re-bolted.

23m 7c?

13 Antalya

30m





Prăpastia Ursului

Easy start on slabby face. Climb the bulge above (crux) and then continue to the left along the crack line. The lower-off is on the face just above the

6 Hornul Îngheţat

[ ] [2\*] [2\*]

3B

Puiul de Urs

7b?

2LC







The chimney easy to spot to the right of Creasta Frumoasă.

The overhang from the right of Creasta Frumoasā.

6 Lupul

20m



Friction face climbing with long moves.

7 Hornul Frumos

6b+

2LC 34





Another classic route recommended for beginners. The crux is at the bulge in the middle section.

8 Cerbul

25m

Centre









**3**★ **4** 

**6** 2★ 4

Project, Overhanging section with long reaches in the first half, then rest place. Friction climbing and balance moves along the upper dihedral

14 Păianjenul

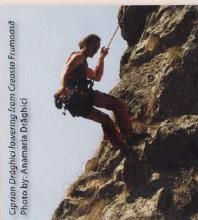
8b+? 17m





Project. First bolt is shared with the route to its right. Bouldery moves on a roof with limited options to use your feet, therefore you need strong muscles to complete the moves. The roof has a negative section at the middle.







20m 8b?







16 Fantoma

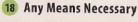
20m 7a

Project.



17 Triunghi Albastru

20m 7c



20m 6a+



3x 4

Chimney climbing.

19 Mic și Rău

25m 6b+



Start on sharp holds and then continue up the chimney which leads to the lower-off.

#### 20 Noaghiic

25m 6c+



There are two hard moves in this route: a long reach and a technical sequence.

21) Semifinale Băieți

25m 7b+





22 Diedrul Suspendat

22m



Start on the crack with sharp holds and then continue upwards and left on the face above.

23 Diedrul Suspendat - Extension

35m 7a+





Overhanging and spectacular extension of Diedrul Suspendat.

#### 24 Indecis

Suspendat.

26 Zero

25m

16m

6b+? 16m

25 Semifinale Fete

8a+?

7a

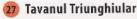
Route on old bolts.



Short route which starts just right of Diedrul







7c? 26m





Ursului

Prăpastia

The entrance overlaps to the entrance in the former alpine route Tisei, along a wide crack. The next section is face climbing, followed by a dihedral which is closed by a beautiful triangled roof. The lower-off anchor is at the lip of this roof.

28 Soloist

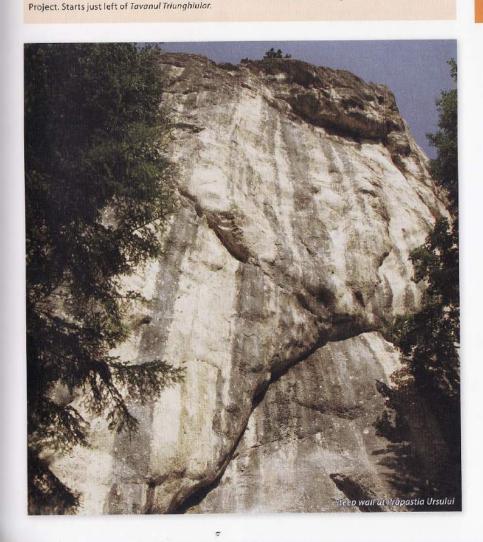
7a? 12m







Starts 8m right of Tavanul Triunghiular. Climb the crack with rounded edges.



#### 5. Peretele Mare







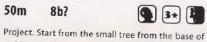


Bolting: The new sport climbing routes are equipped with stainless steel expansion bolts and chain loweroffs. The alpine ones have pitons.

#### Generația de Plastic



8b?

















Alpine route. Start from the left of the small pillar and then continue up the crack upwards and left.



3LC









2 Hornul Închis

6b+ 50m

estimated at 8b.



Recently re-equipped with expansion bolts. The route has two sections. In the lower one climb along the dihedral (stemming) and in the upper one climb along the wide chimney which is blocked by an overhang.

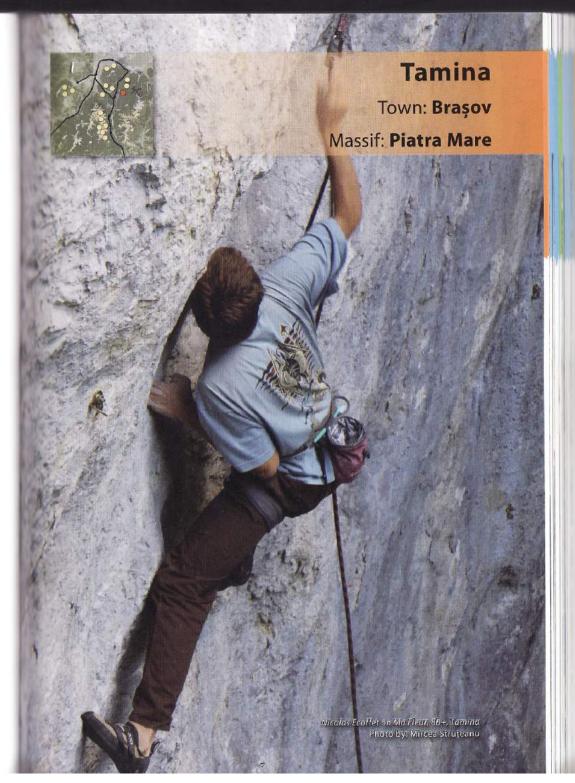
a chimney. The route line is not drawn on photo-

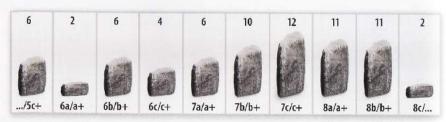
topo. The section until the intermediate anchor has

the proposed grade 7c and the second section is

Alpine route. Start on a loose crack. The rock quality gets better as we climb up the wall.







70 sport climbing routes

#### Area highlights

The Tamina waterfall, located in the Piatra Mare Massif, is one of the newest climbing areas of Romania: the first climb was completed in 2006. The canyon of the Tamina River splits the area in two distinct parts. You can go through the canyon without any special equipment on the pre-laid ladders. There is a nice green camping area just before you descend to the first sector - Cascada - and the water from the Tamina River is safe to drink. It is a 45 minute walk uphill to the Tamina waterfall from the barrier at the bottom (near the road from Timişul de Sus). The limestone rock is mostly face climbing with short overhanging sections. The routes are long and sustained and will amaze you with their variety and beauty.

#### **Climbing conditions**

**Bolting:** The bolting is according to international standards with stainless steel expansion bolts and chain lower-offs on all of the routes.

Sun: Being sheltered by the trees, the base of the crag is in the shade all day long, making this area one of the best to climb in hot weather. The routes that emerge above the tree line are exposed to the sun all day.

Rain: After light rain you can climb on many overhang routes or those sheltered by the trees. Most routes dry quickly after rain.

Seasons: You can climb here from early spring until late autumn. This is the perfect place to climb on hot summer days.



#### How to get here

Drive from *Braşov* on the national road DN1 towards *Bucharest*. After several kilometres you'll reach *Timişul de Sus*. Drive past the *Timişul de Sus* railway station for about 500m. Just before the national road makes a large turn to right, on the left you will see a dirt road blocked by a barrier and a tourist sign with directions the *Tamina* waterfall.

Park the car in the small parking place

before the barrier (25 minutes drive). From here you have 2 options: you can take an easy but longer walk on the forest road (1 hour walk) or you can follow the marked trail uphill through the forest (blue stripe) which is steep but shorter (45 minutes walk). As you exit the forest take left and walk 100m until you see a sign post on your right. After a small steep descent you'll reach the first



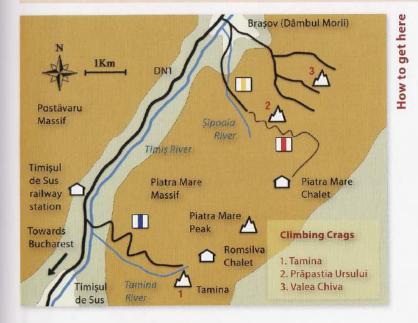
**GPS Tamina Parking** 

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climbing routes from the *Cascada* sector. Continue descending until you reach the river. Cross the river and follow the path to the right. The path will curve to the left and

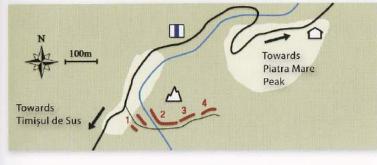
here you have a steep uphill climb through the forest until you see the *Faleza Mare* sector.

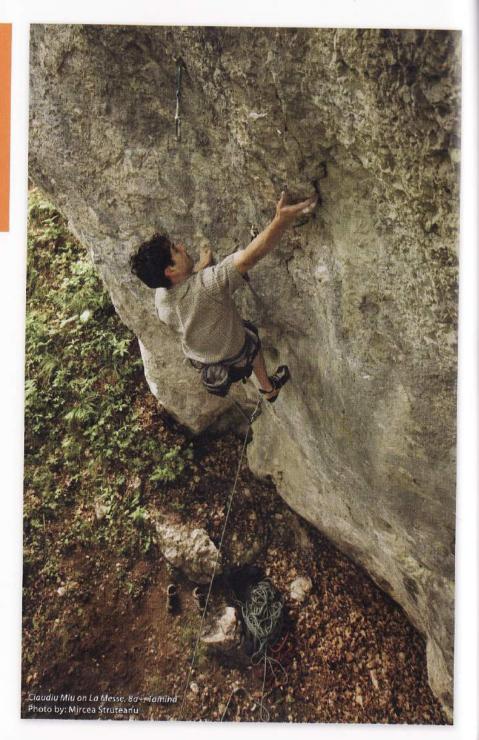


#### Climbing sectors

1. Cascada 2. Faleza Mare 3. El Comandante

4. Neghini Style





1. Cascada



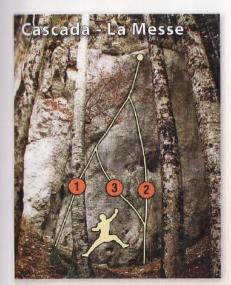




Access: The routes are bolted along the base of the right side of the Tamina canyon. As you descend to the river, you will see a small path and a boulder to your right on which there are bolted La Messe and Prolog.

Character: Short routes with hard moves, except for Fata din Vis which demands superior endurance.

Bolting: Stainless steel expansion bolts and chain lower-offs.



1 La Messe

8m 8a+ 2×

Two bouldery moves with a rest place in-between. Long reach moves.

Prolog

8b+



A bit to the right of La Messe. From the fourth bolt up, those routes share the same line.

La Promesse

8a+

This route is a link of La Messe and Prolog routes.

Like a Virgin

10m







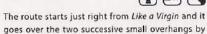
Short but hard route. Crux on small edges at the beginning and the end of the route with no rest in-between.



8b+ 13 m







goes over the two successive small overhangs by their centre. Shares the lower-off with Like a Virgin.

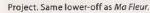
Feed My Imagination

14m 8c?







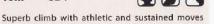


Dancer in the Dark

16m 8b+







on its entire length. 8 Fight Club

8b 16m







Relatively easy start. Crux in the upper section on edges and a mono-pocket with no rest in-between.



13 Fat Boy Slim

11m 6a



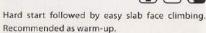
Pocketed face climbing. After several technical moves you have a long reach (crux). Big holds towards the finish. The top is just above the small platform on the top of the pillar.

#### 14 Dirty Dancing

10m 5c







#### 15 Căprioara Caprioasa

10m 5c







Awkward start on sharp holds, then continues on the slab face to the lower-off under the overhang above. Take care in the upper part which is easy, but has some loose rock.



18m 7c







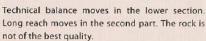
The grade is also considered a soft 7c+. The crux is just before the lower-off with a good rest place just before.

#### 10 Sunday Walk

15m 7b+







#### **Hot Shots**

15m 7c+







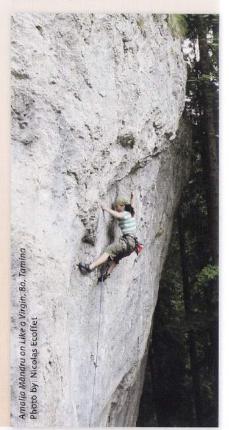
Technical climbing on pockets on the face just right to the arcade (without using the arcade). Shares the lower-off with Sunday Walk.

#### 12 Veverita Polară 7b+

16m



One meter right to the Hot Shots. Bouldery route. Easy lower section and a few hard moves towards the finish. The grade may be 7b, depending on the approach you choose.





16 La Casse Couille

5c 10m







17 Fata din Vis

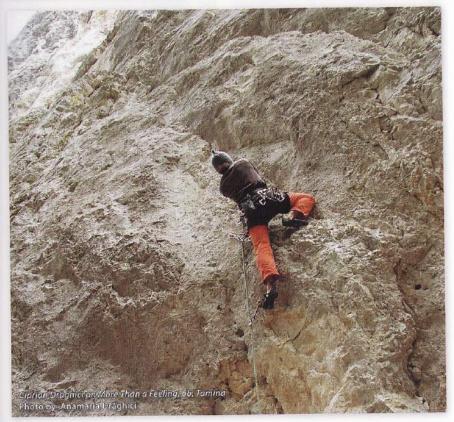
7c 30m





8. Tamina

Long and sustained route. Climb upwards and diagonally left on the steep face on the right end of the pillar who quards the Tamina waterfall on its right geographical side.

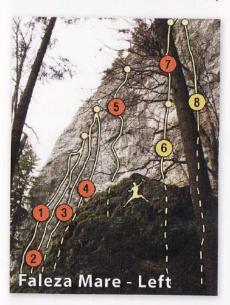


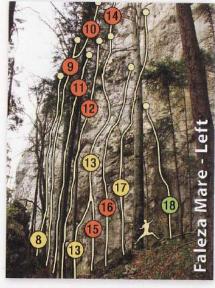
Access: To reach this sector you need to descend from Cascada sector to the river. Cross the river and follow the unmarked trail to the right. The trail will curve to the left and here you have a steep uphill climb through the forest until you see the Faleza Mare sector on your left (10 minutes walk).

Bolting: Stainless steel expansion bolts with chain lower-offs.

Character: Long and sustained routes which feature face, crack or overhang climbing. Sections are exposed to the sun all day

long, but most routes are in shade and a real pleasure to climb.







30m 7a+



Passing through the tunnel from the left end of the wall, you'll see an impressive dihedral which is the line of Bavaria route. Technical start on face climbing. Continue using layback technique along the rounded margins of the dihedral upwards and right and then up the face to the lower-off.

#### 2) Floare de Colt

30m 7c



The climb starts just right from Bavaria. After the steep entry face (crux), continue on the beautiful technical face to the top. It shares the lower-off with Bavaria.

## Găleți

7a+



Technical start on good pockets, then follows the crux (long reach). The second half wanders on big holds to the top.

#### Onedin

23m 7b



Located just before the tunnel on the right side of the wall. Beautifull face climbing. Shares the lower-off with Găleti.

#### **Martin Stricklant**

35m 7b+









12 More than a Donut







Tamina

The line goes on the face above the tunnel in the right side of the sector. Steep climbing in the upper section.

This is the first route right of the tunnel. Start with

balance moves on a vertical face then continue

with long moves on pockets and jugs. Just before

Project. This is an extension of L'Amour a Distance.

It starts with hard moves on the face just after the

This is the first route which was bolted at Tamina by Titus Gontea in 2007. Start with delicate climbing on

the face and then continue up the bulgy section.

Here you have to take care on the loose rock! After a good rest place climb the fantastic straight crack.

Your imagination is stretched to the limit using the

most varied techniques: laybacking, foot-jams or

friction climbing. The end of the crack is the end

Long and sustained route. Technical face climbing

Project. Fantastic sustained climbing up to a 50m

line which goes right from Rictus route, just before

Steep and sustained face climbing, but don't

worry, there are some rest places where you can

shake your arms. Excellent rock quality.

intermediate chain. The finish is easy terrain.

the top, traverse right to the lower-off.

Opriți Mașina!

8a+?

8 Fisura Dreaptă

#### 6 L'Amour a Distance

22m 6b

37m

30m

of the route.

on small holds.

its lower-off.

Nexit

30m

50m

Rictus

7b+

8b?

10 Le Project Diabolique











upwards the face. After a steep section, sustained climbing to the top. The grade may be 8a+ since one hold broke.

Start on the pillar with the dihedral, then continue

#### 13 Charon

30m 60+





Climb the entrance pillar and then traverse right through the small cave. Good hand holds. After a long reach slightly to the left (crux), go upwards and right on easy terrain until there are no more holds in the upright direction. Traverse left to the base of an obvious crack (crux). From here climb straight upward. Another long reach move and you are at the anchor.

#### 14 Charon - Extension

8a+? 48m









Project. Extension of Charon. Sustained.

#### 15 Charognare

30m 7b



Difficult start. The upper section is common with Charon.

#### 16 Mica Sirenă

22m 7b+



Succession of small edges in the lower section (crux), then sustained climbing on the second half. The grade is also considered a soft 7c.

#### 17 Silence is Easy

28m 6b+



Technical balance at the start on a small pillar but with a huge ledge as a rest place. Continue up the slab face which necessitates a good foot technique until you reach a small ledge - another rest place. The final steep section is on big holds, but you need some endurance to reach the lower-off.

#### 18 Comptine d'une autre Été

5a 10m







Warm-up route. Climb to the left of the crack, but don't forget to make use of the face to the right when necessary. The route ends on the pillar.

#### 19 L'Amour Total 7b

8a

15m













The line goes along the crack upwards and right.

#### 20 Satanasie Computerizată

32m



Sustained crack climbing followed by more sustained face climbing. It starts just right of L'Amour Total then cross its line.

upwards and right (crux) to reach the lower-off.

21) Acum Când?

15m 7a+



Start on crimpy holds, then continue on balance



moves on the slabby face. Follow the crack

#### 22 Imediat!

37m 8a



Project. Extension of Acum Cand?.

#### (23) Burning Legion

15m 7c+



Crux at the first bolt (dynamic move to the right from a small edge). Balance moves at the end.

#### 24 Burning Legion - Extension

32m







Continuation for another 17m of Burning Legion. Sustained and aerial route on good holds.

#### Mon Ami

11m

17m













Powerful start on crimpy holds, then face climbing on small holds. There is a delicate crux on pockets just before the finish.

#### 34 Hot Fingers

8a+ 22m

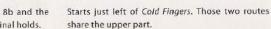






Tamina

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The start is a powerfull overhanging 8b and the finish is 8a slab face climbing on marginal holds.

Short, but steep and technical climb. The name

of the route is painted at its base. For shorter

climbers the grade might be higher.

**Use Your Illusions** 

8b

#### 27 Use Your Illusions - Extension

8b+ 32m







Extension on the face above of Use Your Illusions. The grade is also considered to be a hard 8b.

#### 28 C'est Quand le Bonheur

18m 8b+?









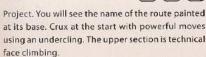
Project. Start directly from the cave, then gain the face and finish in the anchor of the lower part of Use Your Illusions.

#### 29 Vulgar Display of Power

8b+? 18m







#### 30 Disco

21m







Project for strong climbers. Shares the lower-off with Vulgar Display of Power.

#### 31) Cowboys from Hell





Long route with a difficult start and another crux just before the lower-off. The grade is considered also a soft 7c+.

#### (32) Martyria







Overhanging start. Then follows technical climbing on the face. Long and sustained.



#### 35 Cold Fingers

7c+



There are four hard sequences with rest places in-between. The finish has two variations (the left one harder). The grade is also considered a soft 8a.

#### 36 Jumi-Juma

20m 7b

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Tamina



Start from where the rock is yellow at the base. Climb upwards and left. The route has only one hard move, between the third and fourth bolt. The upper section goes to the lower-off on big holds.

#### 37 Pocket Symphony

14m 6c+









Start on balance moves then continue with long moves on two or three finger pockets (hence the name of the route). The crux is a long reach from a big hole. One last technical move and you reach

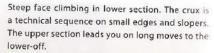
#### the lower-off. Poison

20m 7a+









#### 39 More than a Feeling

20m 6b





Very beautiful climb on big holds with technical moves.

#### 40 Easy Go

12m 5c







Start on a mushroom covered section, then bridge up an open dihedral.

#### 41 Gossip

12m







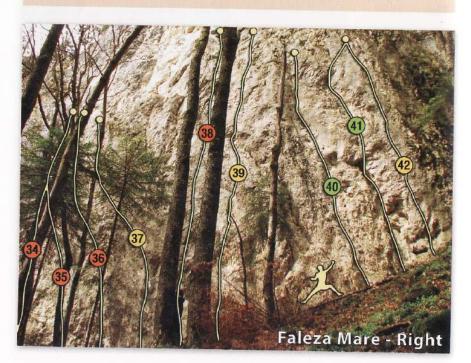
Entry on a loose rock section, then climb up the crack. To reach the lower-off you must traverse slightly right.

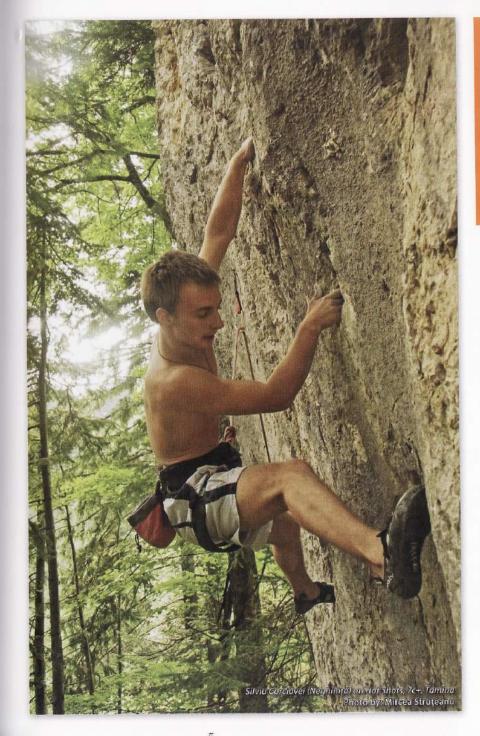
#### 42 Ratatouille

12m 6b



Technical face climbing on small holds.





#### 3. El Comandante







Character: In this sector there are several very beautiful aerial routes, but many require more cleaning. After long period of rains there are water infiltrations.

Bolting: Stainless steel expansion bolts and chain lower-offs.

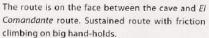
#### **Răcnet Fioros**

30m

7a+?







#### 2 El Comandante

20m 60





Start on the vertical face and then climb along the crack. The climb steepens in the final section.

#### 3 Trompeţică

20m 6a







Very beautiful and varied route for its grade. Start by laying back along the crack upwards and right, then exit on a large ledge (rest place). The final section is steep climbing on the face with a long move just before the lower-off.

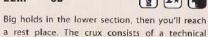
#### 4 For My Night

22m

sequence just before the lower-off.





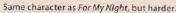


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23m







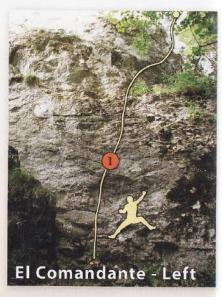
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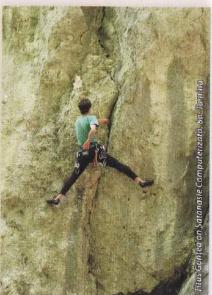
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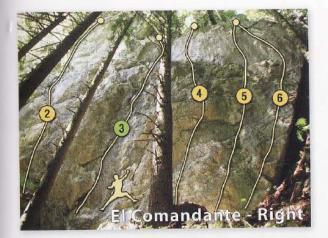


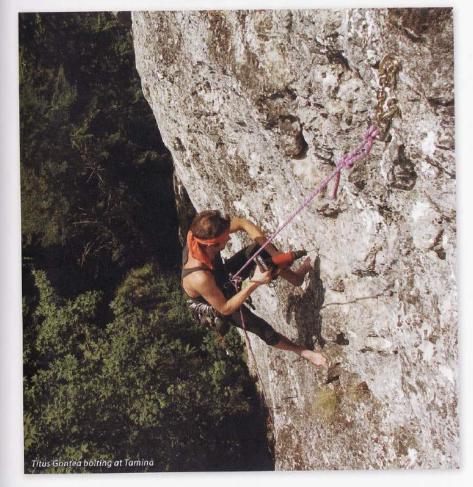


Climb above the edge line, then exit left on the face. Shares the lower-off with KA-X.









4. Neghini Style

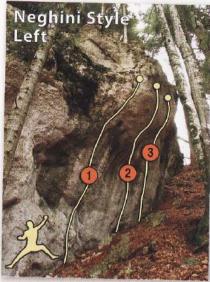


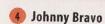




Access: From the base of El Comandante sector, continue walking up towards the slope at the base of the wall. On your left side you'll see the two boulders from Neghini Style sector.

Character: Short and overhanging routes but bouldery. Bolting: Stainless steel expansion bolts and chain lower-offs.





7c







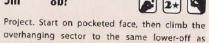
The left route on the second boulder. The climb starts from the base of a crack. Go upwards and slightly left, then traverse right to reach the loweroff.

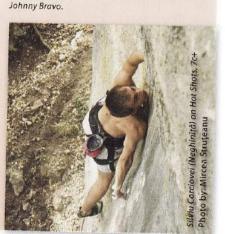


















7c+





The route is located in the left end of first boulder. Short and overhanging route on one finger pockets.

#### Neghinistyle

8b?





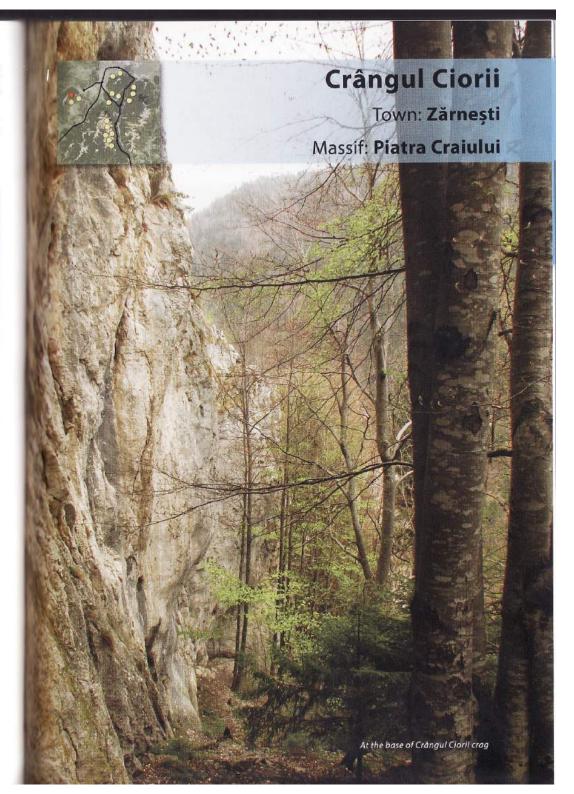
Project. Start with balance moves, then steep face climbing.

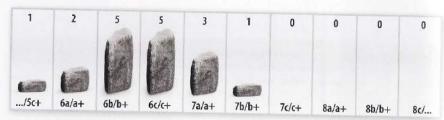
#### 3 Expresso





Steep face climbing in the right end of first boulder.





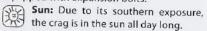
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### Area highlights

Exiting from Zărnești heading SW, you reach Crângul Ciorii in less than 30 minutes. This area, together with Prāpāstiile Zārneṣtilor is one of the favourite climbing areas for local climbers. The limestone rock features face climbing with overhanging sections. You can camp in Prāpāstiile Zārneştilor. The closest water spring is Fântâna lui Botorog. If you prefer a more comfortable overnight sleep, you can choose to stay in one of many chalets and guest houses in the area.

#### Climbing conditions

Bolting: The alpine routes are on pitons and sport climbing ones are equipped with expansion bolts.





Rain: The rock gets wet quickly on rainy days.

Seasons: You can climb here from early spring until late autumn. In summer, the trees keep the base of the crag in the shade, but the upper part of the wall is exposed to sunlight.



#### How to get here

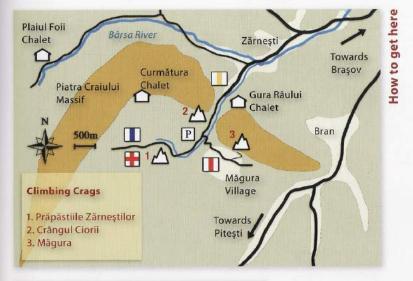
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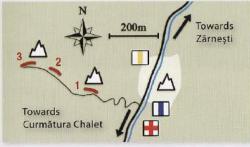
get you to Prăpăstiile Zărneștilor, but you don't need to drive so far. Shortly you'll see on your left side the old limestone quarry (GPS 45.540827N 25.295644E). Park the car in a place sheltered from rock falls (50 minutes drive). From here, go up the steep slope on your right by following the unmarked trail at the left side of the landslide. Once you climbed a small gully (15 minutes walk) continue on the same trail until you see the cave from the Grota sector on your right (20 minutes walk).



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#### **Climbing sectors**

- 1. Grota
- 2. Asterix
- 3. Magma

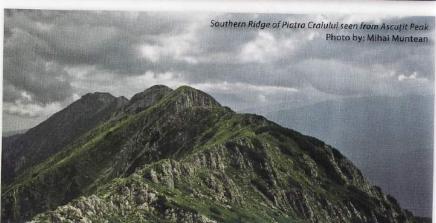


Access: This is the first sector you'll reach as you ascend the slope from the parking place.

Character: Climbing on pockets and edges.

Bolting: Old expansion bolts.





#### 1 Surplomba Carierei 7a?

30m

photo-topo.

20m

2 Calificări '92

60

represented in photo-topo.

As you go from the Grota sector to the Asterix

sector, just before traversing a debris area, a short

climb to the right will get you to the base of this route, which is rarely climbed. The climb goes

upwards and right. The route is not drawn in the

The route entry is situated 20-25m uphill from

the small cave, immediately after a small pillar on

your right side as you go up at the base of the wall.

There are three old pitons in the lower section,

then you reach a ledge. Continue on expansion

bolts on the steep face above on the line where

the stone has a grayish color. The route is not







15m 6c+

3 Lotus







Start from the cave using bridging technique. First bolt is at 3m height. Go over the lip of the cave on underclings, then continue up the face to the lower-off.

#### 4 Amigo 1

15m







This route is 4m right from Lotus. Start upwards and left then climb the arcade above on its left end.

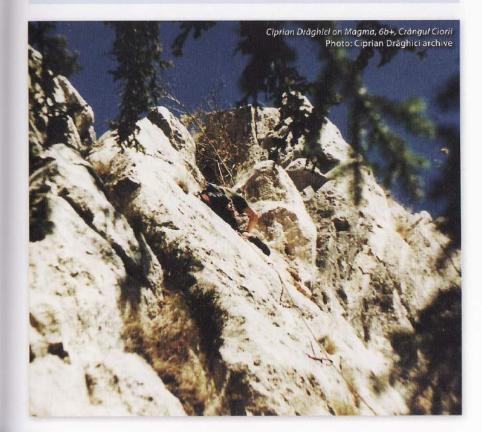
#### 5 Amigo 2

15m





Similar character with the route on its left, but this time climb the arcade by its center.

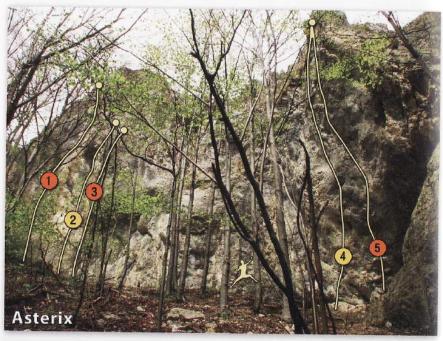




Access: Continue walking up the hill along the wall to your right. In less than 5 minutes you'll reach the base of the Asterix sector.

Character: Mostly steep face climbing on pockets.

Bolting: The routes are equipped with expansion bolts. buy you'll find some pitons as well. The Asterix and Obelix routes have been recently rebolted with stainless steel expansion bolts. Linked bolts lower-offs.





#### 1 Superfinala '92

30m 7b







Easy start. The first piece of protection is a piton. The route continues on expansion bolts with steep climbing.

#### 2 Pfenny

6b+ 20m







The first piton is at 5m height. From the first protection climb up the dihedral which ends with an overhang. Climb the overhang through its right side to the lower-off.



7a+ 15m







Entry on a grayish rock and then continue in layback along an overhanging crack.

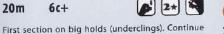


20m 60+

on edges until the top.







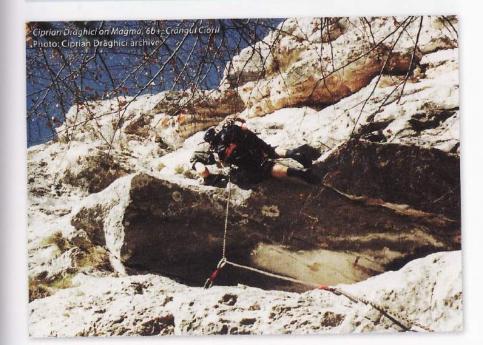








The big brother of the Asterix route.

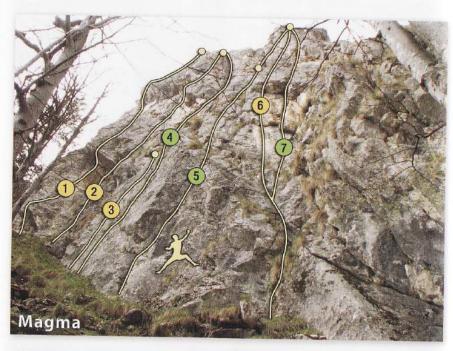




Access: To reach the Magma sector, start from the Asterix sector and continue walking up the hill along the base of the wall to your right. You'll reach a debris area which you'll traverse while slightly ascending. Take care because you don't need to ascend the gully from which the debris comes from! Soon after you traverse the debris area you'll reach the base of the Magma sector.

Character: Long routes of low and medium difficulty. Mostly face climbing.

Bolting: Expansion bolts and pitons.





22m 6b+

Start behind the corner with balance moves. Pass the small roof by its right side (crux), then traverse back left until you reach the crack. Climb this crack with finger and foot jams. In the upper part of the wall, you should traverse left and then climb upwards and right to the top. Airy section just before the lower-off.



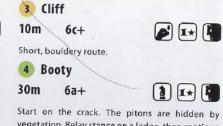
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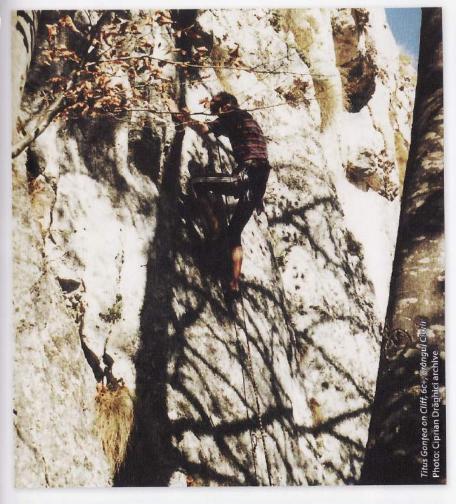




Located just right to Magma. Airy face climbing.



vegetation. Belay stance on a ledge, then continue along the face and a dihedral to the top.



#### Vitezomania

2LC 50







The first pitch starts on the corner with balance moves. Climb a beautiful dihedral which leads you under an overhang. The second pitch goes along the dihedral to the crest. Descend from this route and also from the next two ones, by abseiling.

section, then it continues up the face on edges

with balance moves. Climb the overhang by its left

6 Partizan

6b+

2LC









side. The second pitch continues up the face and ends on the crest.

#### Surplomba Ciorii

2LC 6a+





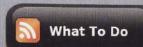
The first pitch shares the start with Partizan. Climb the overhang by its right side (old pitons). The second pitch leads you to the crest.

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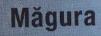






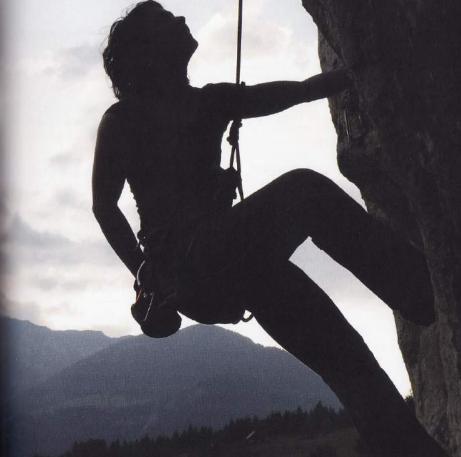
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Anamaria Drăghici top-roping on Sirius, 6b, Măgura

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13 sport climbing routes

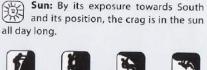
#### Area highlights

This crag is located in a very picturesque area, above Măgura village. There are two sectors here. In the Faleza Mică sector, located in a saddle, there are several short and medium difficulty routes, mostly on slab face. The Faleza Mare sector is still being developed. The rock is limestone, featuring mostly face climbing.

#### Climbing conditions

Bolting: Stainless steel expansion bolts with chain lower-offs. Most of the routes have been equipped during a course on how to bolt sport climbing routes. Sun: By its exposure towards South and its position, the creatis in the Rain: On rainy days the crag gets wet easily, but dries quickly due to the winds.

Seasons: The best time to climb here is from spring until autumn. It is not possible to climb here in winter time.

















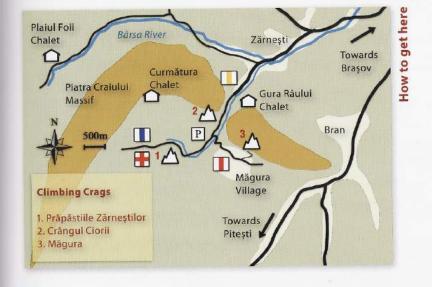


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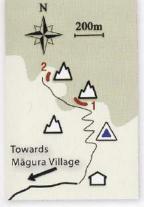
To reach the crag from Magura, go by car from Braşov on the national road DN73 in the direction of Pitesti. Continue until you reach Râșnov. Just after the centre of Râșnov, turn right on the secondary road DN73A which leads you to the town of Zärneşti. After you enter Zärneşti continue straight ahead (take care because DN73A turns right) until you reach the old town centre. Cross the town heading SW until you reach the Gura Râului chalet. Continue driving on the country road (marked with blue stripe, yellow stripe and red cross) along the river to your left. After you pass an old quarry you'll reach the Botorog spring. Just after the Botorog spring the road forks. Follow the road to the left (marked with red stripe),

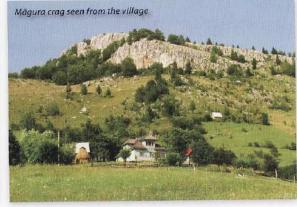
by crossing the river. Continue driving until you reach Mågura village. Park the car in the small parking place, just before the church (60 minutes drive). From here walk along the country road which descents in a gentle slope. On your left on the top of the hill you'll see the crag. When you reach a hairpin turn to the right where the road forks (10 minutes walk), follow the road to the left (marked with blue triangle), along a beautiful valley until you see the last house (15 minutes walk). Just before reaching the last house, go upwards and left on a trail which zigzags up the hill. Take care because you'll have to leave the marked path to the left, passing a small spring before reaching Faleza Mare (30 minutes walk).



#### **Climbing sectors**

- 1. Faleza Mare
- 2. Faleza Mică





10. Mägura







1 Fisura

20m 6a?









Start on an inclined crack. Piton at the crack end. There is no other protection, but you can make use of nuts or friends to protect the crack.







Start on the crack line. In the upper part continue climbing upwards the ridge.



20m 60+







Start from the small cave. Crux just above the crack, then climb a crack continued by a chimney.

Character: Face climbing which steepens in the upper

Bolting: Stainless steel expansion bolts. Bolting is still in progress for some of the routes.

#### King of the Mountain

20m 8b?





Project. Equipped by Nicolas Ecoffet. Start in the left of a wing. In the upper part the route steepens. Climb up the tufa then a crack.

#### (5) Les Branleurs de l'Ecran

20m





Project. Bolting in progress (Nicolas Ecoffet). There

are only two bolts in the upper section. Start on slabby face followed by steep climbing towards the finish.

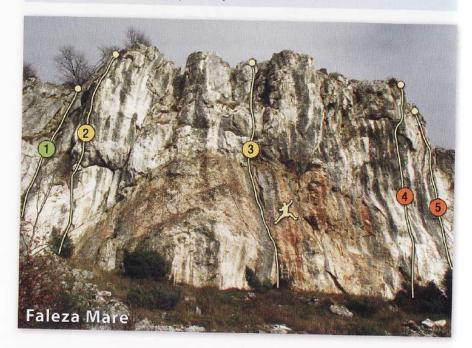


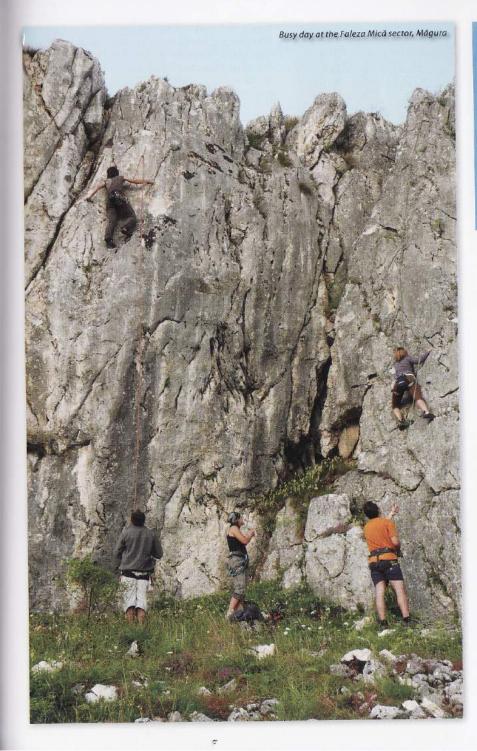
8a+?





Project. Estimated at 8a+/8b. The route is located 10m right of the Les Branleurs de l'Ecran. Not represented in photo-topo. Climb directly the roof in the lower section.







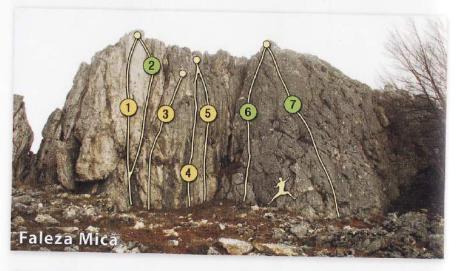




Access: You reach Faleza Mică by going round the left of Faleza Mare until you reach a saddle. On your right side you'll see Faleza Mică.

Character: Short and intermediate routes on vertical or

Bolting: Stainless steel expansion bolts. Chain lower-



#### 1 Carul Mare



Steep start. Continue on the crack to the lower-off.

Carul Mic

10m 6a+?



Shares the start with Carul Mare. Continue then upwards and right and then traverse left to reach the lower-off.

3 Sirius

6b?

Start on steep face. Continue upwards and right on a slab face.

4 Orion

6c?









Same character as Orion on a more fragmented rock.

6 Uranus

10m 5a? 2 1 2x 6

There is a small boulder at the start. Slab face. The lower-off consists of two unlinked expansion bolts. You can descend by walking on the other side of the crag, to the left.

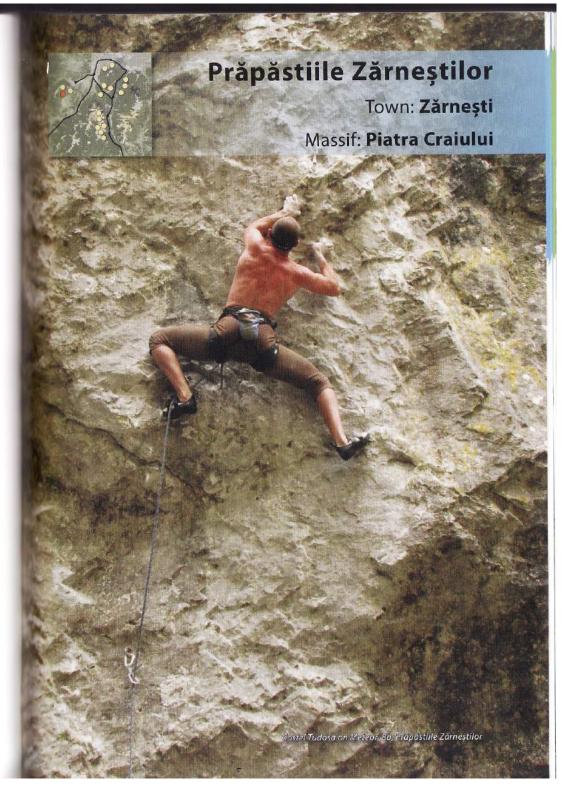
7 Neptun

11m 5a?



This is the route farthest right. The line goes upwards and left. Friction climbing in the upper

Slab face on edges.





74 sport climbing routes

6 alpine climbing routes

#### Area highlights

Exiting from the town of Zărnești by its SW end, you'll reach Prăpăstiile Zărneștilor in no more than 30 minutes walk. The gorges are 6km long and guarded by impressive walls of limestone offering mainly vertical face climbing routes. It is very easy to get here by car or on foot. You can camp overnight in Prăpăstiile Zărnestilor, or if you prefer a little more comfort you can enquire at one of the chalets or guest houses in Zărnești. The most accessible fresh water spring is Fântâna lui Botorog.

#### Climbing conditions

Bolting: Bolting is varied due to the size of the crag. The alpine routes are usually on pitons and the sport climbing ones are equipped with expansion bolts (newer or older). The lower-offs are also very diverse: pitons and expansion bolts, linked or not. Sun: The gorge provides shaded sectors all day long.

Rain: During rainy periods you can still climb in the La Refugiu sector which is sheltered by an impressive overhanging wall. After long periods of rain we recommend to wait until the water infiltrations dry on some of the routes.

Seasons: You can climb here from early spring until late autumn and you can find both shaded and sunny routes. We don't recommend climbing here during winter because of water infiltrations.



#### How to get here

To reach Prăpăstiile Zărneștilor, go by car from Brasov on the national road DN73 in the direction of Pitesti. When you reach the town of Rasnov, just after the centre, turn right on the secondary road DN73A which leads you to the town of Zärnesti. Cross straight through Zärnesti (take care because the road DN73A turns right) until you reach

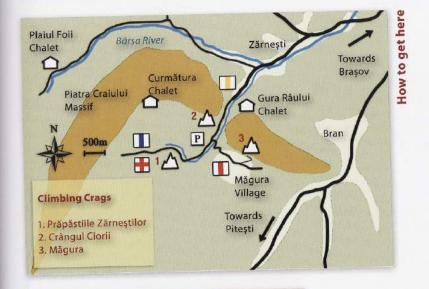
the old town centre. Cross the old town centre in a SW direction until you reach the Gura Râului chalet. Continue on the country road (marked with blue stripe and red cross) along the river. You'll pass an old limestone quarry and then the Fantana lui Botorog spring. Go straight ahead on the road until you see a barrier. 100 m before that barrier

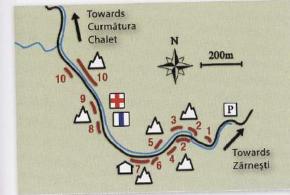


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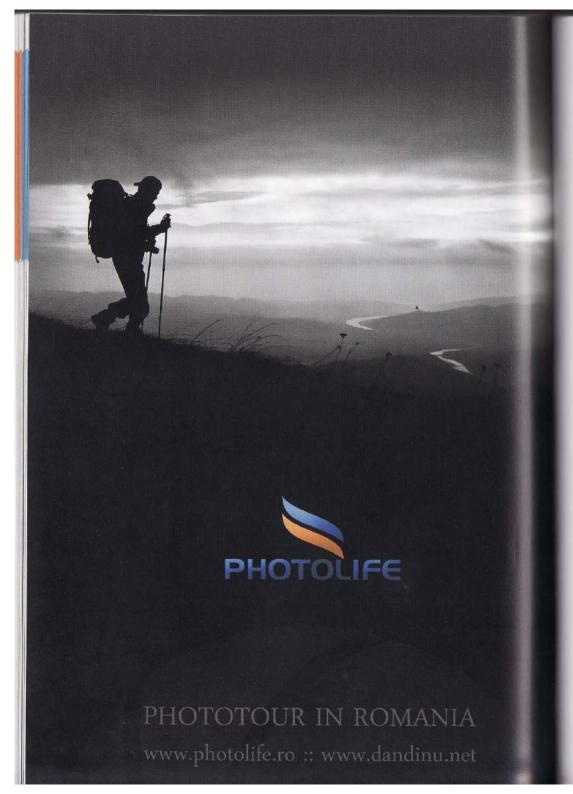
you'll find a small parking place where you can park your car (60 minutes drive). From here continue walking on the road that enters the Prăpăstiile Zărneștilor gorge (10 minutes walk).





#### **Climbing sectors**

- 1. Tancul Umbrit
- 2. Arcada
- 3. Hercules
- Ze Diud
- 5. Grota
- 6. Vinteanul
- 7. La Refugiu
- 8. MCM
- 9. Pin Pin
- 10. Manitu

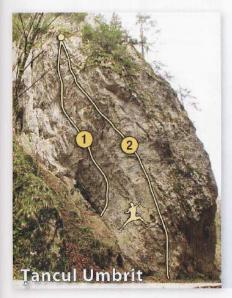




Access: 200m after you pass the barrier, on your right you'll see the Tancul Umbrit sector where there are two routes that are rarely climbed.

Character: Steep face climbing.

Bolting: Old expansion bolts. Unlinked bolts lower-offs.



1 Miorița

6c? 18m



Steep face climbing upwards and left.

2 Ciobănașul

6c? 18m







Starts just right of the previous route. Same character.



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Character: This sector has a few routes graded between 6b+ and 8b. The routes are long and mostly on a vertical face. After long periods of rain there are water infiltrations that dry slowly.

Bolting: Old and new expansion bolts. Linked or chain lower-offs. The alpine routes are equipped with pitons.

#### Arcadei

6b+



Sustained vertical route with successive moves on good edges. Start with a few long and balance moves, then continue on a technical vertical section. The final section before the lower-off is easy terrain.

2 Falcon

17m





The first section is the most difficult one (chipped holds). Hard to read the sequence. Continue on vertical face climbing on sidepulls. Shares the lower-off with Arcadei.

#### 3 Clopotul

30m









Alpine route. Starts from the bell like cave and goes straight up the face. Take care at belays and descent because the route has not been maintained.

Comet

25m 7c







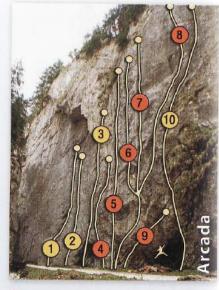
Start on a steep section on big holds. Long reach upwards and left, then climb in layback along a tufa. Last section on slopers. Sustained.

5 Meteor





This is a difficult 8b. Some say that this is an 8b+. You need a higher endurance to link the moves which are not so hard if you take them one by one. After the first sustained section there is a resting place, then the difficulty rises progressively. Slightly overhanging with crimps, side-pulls and underclings.

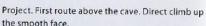


6 Miercuri 30

32m







### Biografia unei Idei Periculoase

38m



Project. Start from the central part of the ledge, above the cave. Climb successively over two overhanging sections, then go straight up the face.

8 Marilena

5A

3LC









Alpine route. Starts from the ledge, just right of Miercuri 30. Avoid first overhang then climb directly the second one. Continue then upwards and right.



7c?







This is a hard 7c. Climb along the blackened cave leap, upwards and right on pockets. Most of the time the holds are wet due to water infiltrations.

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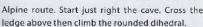
3LC











11 Micron

20m 60



The route is on the wall on the opposite side of the river. Crux in the middle section.



12 Super Glue

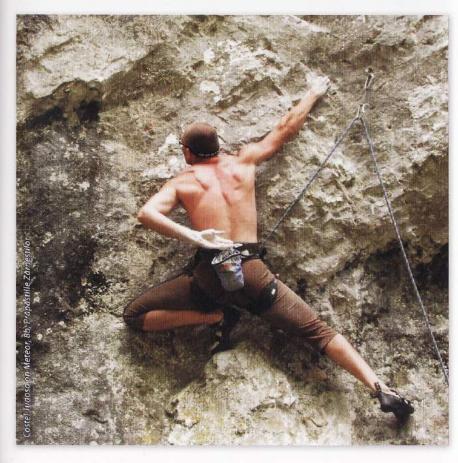
15m







Project. Friction climb as the name suggests.



Access: From the Arcada sector continue on the road upstream. In less than 100m you'll see the roof of the Hercules sector on your right.

Character: Hard routes on an impressive roof.

Bolting: Expansion bolts. Linked expansion bolts lower-offs.

Italy (Trans Sexual)

Gladiator

Zoolander

only two ascents.

3 Pitiu

13m

8a

?

15m



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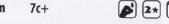




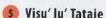








This is a hard 7c+. Technical climbing on a slightly overhanging face. Difficult first half.



7c+

12m







Crux at the entrance, then the route has no hard moves.





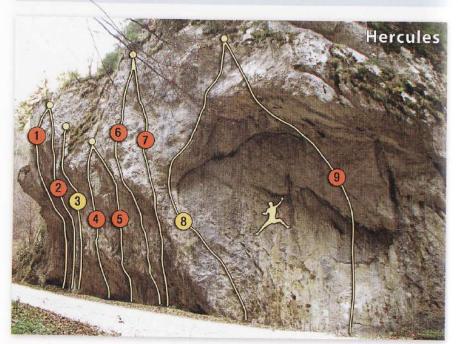


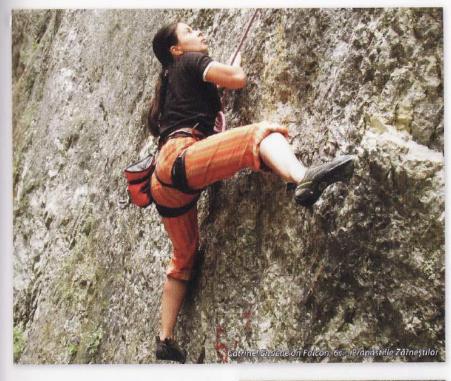
7a

The crux is just before the top from a good undercling to a good sloper.

This is a difficult 8a. Some climbers say that it's an 8a+. Overhanging climb on pockets. The route has

> This is a hard 7c+. Sustained climbing on first section, then face climbing. The route has been climbed only once





Hugh

17m 7c







Starts just right of Crux. Climb the small roof, then continue up the face to the lower-off. The route has been climbed only once. Needs more cleaning.

8 Hercules

20m





Hard 7a. Start from the left end of the face under the big roof. Climb upwards and left, then go over the roof to the right. Technical first section, then easier but sustained climbing.

9 Highlander

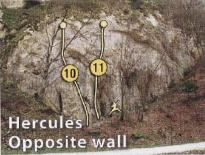
7c

17m





Fantastic roof climb. Even though the holds are not big, they are good. To exit over the roof lip, you need to do an acrobatic move (one hold has broken). Hard for its grade.



10 Secera

6b? 15m



Dry-tooling route located on the wall on the opposite side of Highlander.

11 Ciocanul

15m 6b?







Another dry-tooling route.

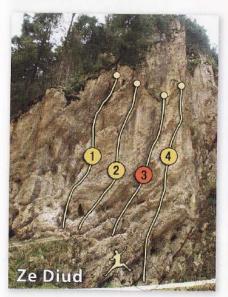
11. Prăpăstiile Zărneștiloi







Character: Steep face routes. Even though they are quite popular, the rock is loose on places. Bolting: Expansion bolts. Unlinked expansion bolts lower-offs.





#### Storkătoru' Bulgăresc

15m

6b











Start with long moves. Take care of loose rock! Continue along the crack upwards and right and then on small knobs (crux) until the cave under the lower-off. One final move and you reach the top.

Ze Diud

15m

7a







Steep face climbing on small holds. The crux is just before the lower-off, which is hard to clip.

20m 7b?

Ordef

7a+

4 Cucu' lu' Vasile

20m



Start on loose rock close to the ridge on the right side of the pillar. Overhanging crack in the upper section. One big chipped hold.







Character: Technical face climbing Bolting: Expansion bolts. Linked expansion bolts lower-offs.

Bruno

15m







Climb upwards and left on sidepulls, some of them hard to spot. Continue on slopers (crux) then go on top of a good ledge. One more technical move on sidepulls and you reach the top.

2 Gruia

15m 6a+







Start with bridging on big holds. Continue on sidepulls and underclings with technical moves (crux). One more move after the ledge and you reach the lower-off.

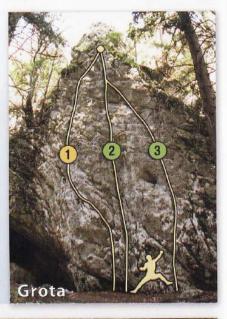
3 Guşatu'

17m





Face climbing and then continue on a large crack. Go upwards and left under the overhang above. Shares the finish with Gruia.







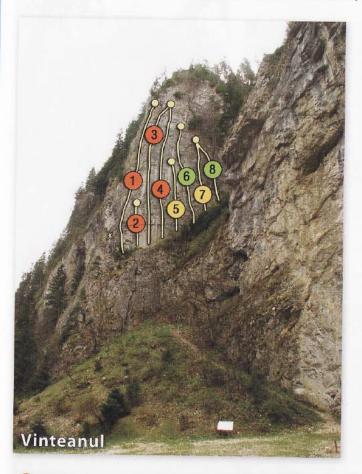




Access: The routes are on the suspended wall on your left side, just before you reach the refuge. To reach the base of this sector, you must climb a small face (8m height) to the ledge (there is one expansion bolt in place). The other option is to climb the gully on the left side of the wall.

Character: Varied routes: alpine or sport climbing ones. The short climbs are intense and the long ones require a good endurance.

Bolting: Old expansion bolts and pitons.



1 Alizeul

30m Alpine route.







2 Tornado



7c+



Rebolted. Short and technical face climbing. Goes along the yellow coloured rock. The crux is on pockets.

Taifun

7a+ 30m

4 Huricane

5 Orcan

30m

15m

7a+

60+

the left of the easy to spot crack.



Sustained face climbing, just right of Tornado.

Starts just right of its twin brother, Taifun.

Face climbing on edges. Route line goes a bit to











The route goes up the obvious crack from the central part of the wall.

7 Mistral

15m





Short climb along a discontinuous line of small cracks.

8 Bora

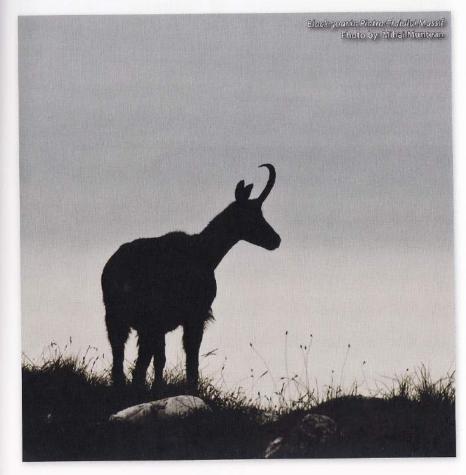
15m







Just right of Mistral. Easy route, suitable for warmup. The two routes share the lower-off.



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Character: Long, steep and sustained climbs. On rainy days this sector usually remains dry.

Bolting: Expansion bolts. Some of the lower-offs have linked expansion bolts. There are still poorly equipped lower-offs.

## 1 Fly

25m 60+



Power moves in the first part. Take care of the loose rock! Continue on the face above on edges with long moves until you reach a ledge (rest place). Avoid the steep section on the left of the route and go upwards and right to the lower-off.

#### 2 Ecou

25m 6c



Steep climb on big holds to a comfortable ledge. Continue on the face above on edges and pockets. Long reach before getting on a ledge (rest place). Traverse slightly to the left (crux) and then climb upwards to the same lower-off as Fly. Spaced bolts. There is an unclimbed extension of the Fly and Ecou routes.

25m



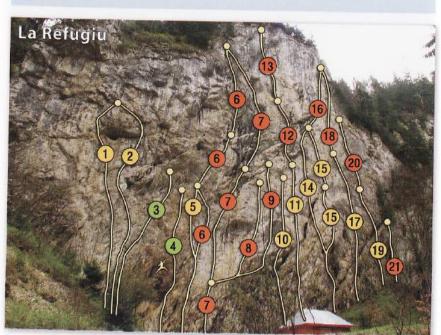
Mixed protection pieces: pitons and expansion bolts. The route goes along a system of ledges upwards and right. In the final section go up towards the suspended recess. This is a classic climb by the variety of moves.

#### Afumătura

25m



One of the warm-up routes from this sector. Start from the smoked cave with a steep face on big jugs, then continue with balance moves. Climb the easy dihedral upwards and left to reach the top.



#### 15 Muchie

20m 60+





Climb the easy lower section that has no protection. Continue on pockets and then on small holds (crux) to the lower-off.

Shares the first part with Muchie. Continue up the

dihedral above. Mixed protection: expansion bolts

and pitons. First pitch is rated at 6b if free climbed

(the crux is a left traverse just before the belay).

#### 6 Marianelor

3LC 5A









Start from the sandy cave. Continue to the left and then upwards on the face above.

Project. The last and most difficult extension of

13 Vrájitoarea - Extension 2

8a+?

14 Soldatul Necunoscut

6b+?

Vrăjitoarea din Prăpăstii.

#### 15 Image de Toi

40m 60

40m









11. Prăpăstiile Zărneștilor

You need a 80 meters rope, unless you choose to belay the second from the lower-off anchor. Start from the sandy cave in the right part of the wall. Climb the face on big pockets, then traverse right on jugs. Balance climbing up the face above, then long reach (crux). You will reach a good rest place (there is a ring in place for abseiling). Continue

#### 16 Image de Toi - Extension

60m 7a+







Extension of Image de Toi. More sustained face climbing.

climbing upwards on big pockets to the lower-off.

#### 17 Hilti Dance

35m 60+





Face climbing. You need a 70 meters rope.

#### 18 Hilti Dance - Extension

55m 7a+







Extension of Hilti Dance.

#### 19 Schweizer

6b+ 20m



Face climbing on pockets. Needs more cleaning.

#### 20 Schweizer - Extension

8a+? 40m





Extension of Schweizer.

21 Chiti

7c 10m



Short steep bouldery climb. It has a variation rated at 8a if you don't pull on some holds.

Diagonal

5c



Gurită 3LC

8 Vrabia

15m

5A

steep face upwards and right.











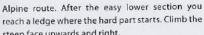






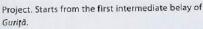












#### Rândunica

7a+ 20m

Steep face climbing

10 Wild Cat

20m 60+





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Easy lower section. Second part is face climbing on edges. Difficult middle section.

#### 11 Vrăjitoarea din Prăpăstii

20m 60+







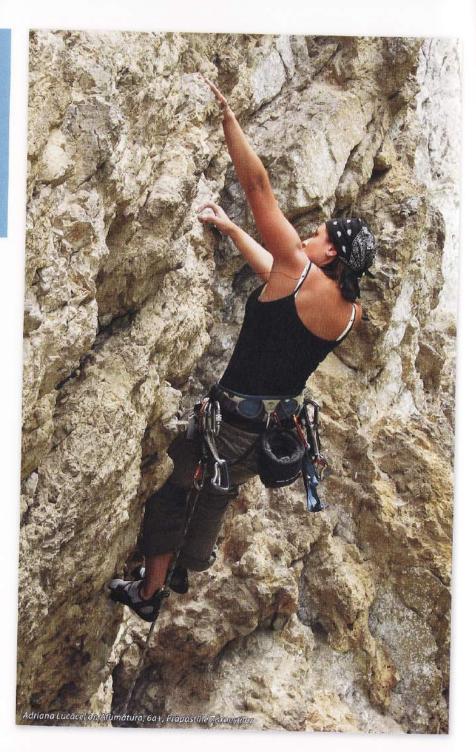
Very beautiful route which is prolonged by two extensions. Start on a bulgy face then continue on big jugs to the top. The crux is just before the lower-off.

#### Vrăjitoarea - Extension 1

7a+ 40m

the lower part.

Extension of Vrājītoarea din Prāpāstii. Harder than

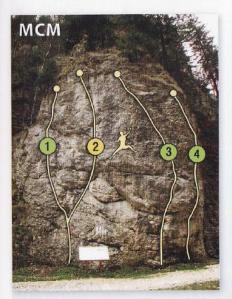






Character: Several short routes with an overhang start. Bolting: Expansion bolts. Linked expansion bolts lower-offs.

Catrinel Enache on Falcon, 6c+, Prapastii



1 Les Slaubeause

6a+ 10m





The crux in the middle section consists of a traverse to the left.

2 MCM

12m 60+



Slightly overhanging route on slopers. Sustained finish.

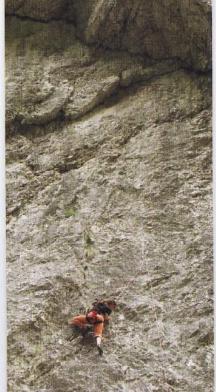
3 Flatone

6a+ 10m





Overhanging start on big holds. Continue on balance climbing on slopers.



4 Şosetuţa

ба

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Overhanging start on slopers, then continue upwards and right. Go upwards and left on balance moves to reach the lower-off.



Character: Short and varied routes, which features dihedrals and overhanging face climbing.

Bolting: Expansion bolts. Linked expansion bolts lower-offs.

#### Escrava Isaura

13m

7a+?

6b+

7a



Balance climbing on a face which steepens in the final section. Chipped holds.

2 Marimar

13m



Technical stemming up a wide dihedral.

3 Pascu





Alpine route. Steep start, then climb the large dihedral.

Happy Biceps To You

13m

2LC







7c Overhanging start, then face climbing on power

#### Gepetto

7a+





Steep climb on edges and pockets. Crux when exiting above the overhang. Shares the lower off with Happy Biceps to You.

6 Pin Pin

12m 7a+





The overhang on slopers, Finish on the face on edges and sidepulls.

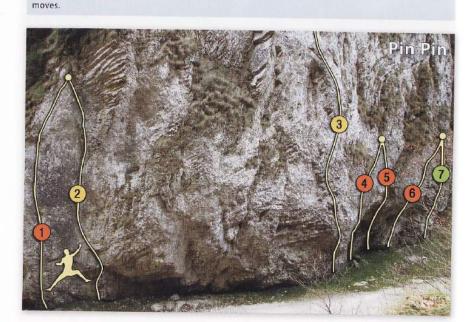
7 Foca

12m 6a+





Steep start, then face climbing. Take care because the bolts are a bit spaced!



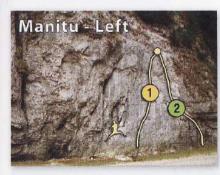






Character: Very beautiful routes, long and sustained placed on the impressive vertical face on the right side as you go upstream on the country road.

Bolting: Expansion bolts. Linked expansion bolts lower-offs.



#### Ghost Dog

7a 13m





The route is located on a small wall, on your right side as you go upstream from Manitu. Start from the river bed. Face climbing on edges. Crux in the last section on small edges.

#### New Beginning

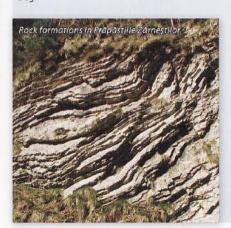
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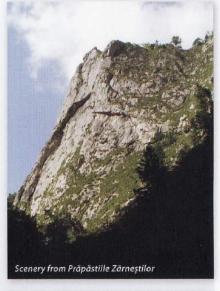
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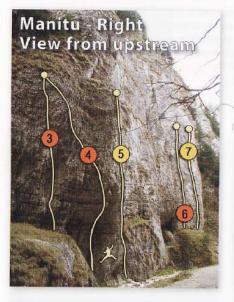


Start a bit right of Ghost Dog. Go upwards and left under the overhang to the same lower-off as Ghost Dog.



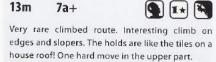








13m 7a+



Menopause

20m 7b







This has not been climbed for a while. Start from a rock recess from river bed. Go upwards and left. Sustained overhanging climbing on edges and slopers. Same character as Andropause.

5 Manitu

23m 6b+ **3 3 3 4** 

The line starts on the easy to spot pillar which emerges from the river bed. First protection piece is a bit too high. Climb in stemming technique on the dihedral above, then go upwards on the face. The crux is a long reach from a chipped hold, then continue up the face to the lower-off.

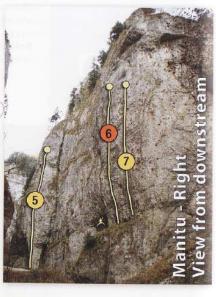
6 Coyote

35m





Long and sustained route which starts from the vegetation covered ledge. Face climbing on slopers. The route has only one ascent.

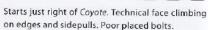


Sirius

6b+ 25m







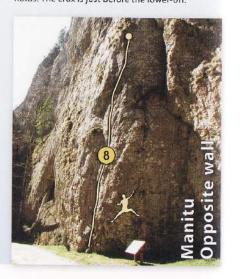
8 Rodeo

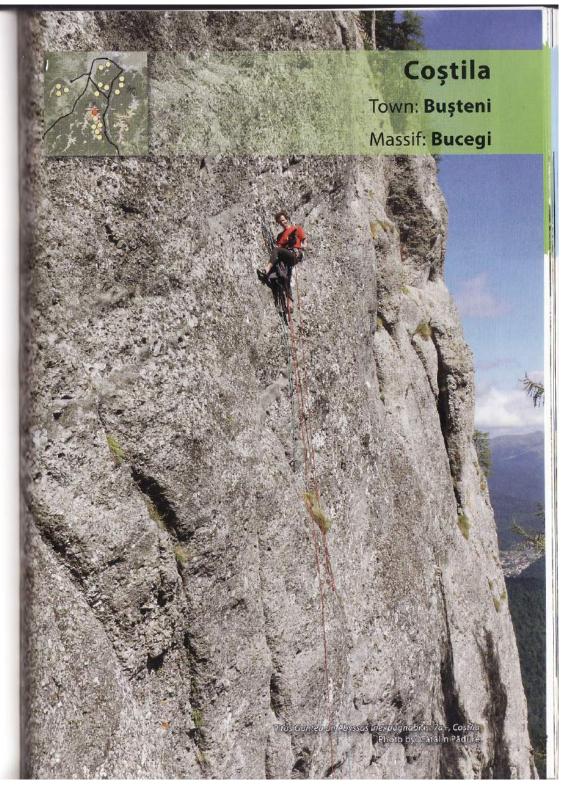
15m 60+





Balance face climbing on small edges. Chipped holds. The crux is just before the lower-off.







14 sport climbing routes

10 alpine climbing routes

#### Area highlights

Located on the outskirts of the *Bucegi Mountains*, the *Costila* climbing area features both sport and alpine climbing routes. The routes have several pitches, which are a good place to start for amateur alpine climber. The rock is conglomerate, which makes climbing here very interesting, with shallow pockets and cemented rocks. You can sleep overnight in the *Costila* refuge. There is a small spring about 15 minutes from the refuge where you can get drinking water.

#### **Climbing conditions**

Bolting: Most of the multi-pitch routes are on pitons, but there are several that were re-bolted with glued anchors or expansion bolts. Sport climbing routes are equipped with expansion bolts.

Sun: The two pillars are facing SE and they are exposed to sun light until the afternoon. Because of the alpine climate, climbing here is a real pleasure on hot summer days.

Rain: On rainy days the rock becomes wet easily, but dries as quickly due to the wind.

Seasons: You can climb all year round, however summer and autumn are the best seasons.

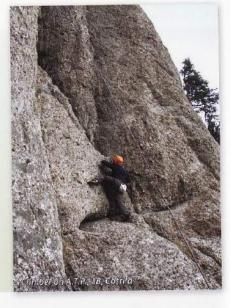


#### How to get here

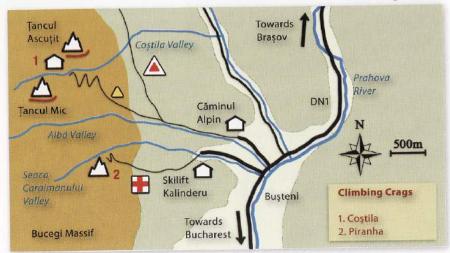
To reach the Coştila refuge, exit from Braşov on the national road DN1 in the direction of Bucharest. Drive along the Timiş and the Prahova Valley until you reach the town of Buşteni. Once you get to Buşteni, turn right on the street called Valea Albā and continue until you reach Cāminul Alpin, where you can park the car (60 minutes drive). From Cāminul Alpin walk on the trail marked with red triangle)

which leads to the *Omu* peak via the *Cerbului Valley*. Soon you'll reach a fork (20 minutes walk). The marked trail towards the *Omu* peak through the *Cerbului Valley* continues on the contour line to the right, but you must follow the trail marked with a slightly visible yellow triangle on the left of *Valea Albā*. Continue on this trail until you reach a small clearing (40 minutes walk). After crossing this clearing, the path

turns right and the slope steepens. Climb the steep slope by zigzagging through the forest and then you'll reach a small spring which is the source for drinking water (45 minutes walk). Continue going uphill and then turn right on the contour level (50 minutes walk). Successively traverse several steep valleys until you reach the river bed of the Coştila Valley. On the other side of the valley you can see the Coştila refuge (60 minutes walk). The climbing routes are on the two pillars which guard the valley, called Tancul Mic and Tancul Ascuţit.



#### How to get here



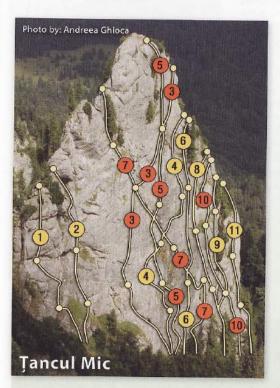
12. Coștilla

Access: From the Coștila refuge, traverse the river bed of the Costila Valley. Just after exiting from the river bed, turn right and climb the steep slope. In less than 5 minutes you'll reach the base of Tancul Mic.

Character: Multi-pitch routes recommended for amateur alpine climbers. Conglomerate.

Bolting: Mostly piton equipped routes. The new climbs are bolted with glued or expansion bolts.

Descend: By abseil or continue walking on the crest until you reach a small pass. From here abseil using a tree as anchor.



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The left most route. Mostly crack climbing. Free

climbing difficulty: 6c+ (crux in the second pitch).

Easy route which does not go beyond 5c if free-



5B





First ascent in 1975 belongs to a team of Czech climbers. Free climbing grade: 7a. The first pitch starts by traversing left and then continues upwards the face with crack. The second pitch goes along a crack system with an overhang in the middle part. Belay stance shared with Hermann Buhll. In the third pitch traverse right, then upwards, right, and upwards to the belay stance. The final fourth pitch goes upward and right over cracks and overhangs.

#### 4 Hardy

4LC 6c+







You need several narrow carabiners. The first pitch starts with a small crack then continues upwards the face. The second pitch traverses left, then right and then continue upwards the face for a few meters. Then go upwards and right to the belay stance. In the third pitch start by traversing right to cross Hermann Buhll route. Continue

to the right, then upwards and then again right. The fourth pitch goes upwards along an arcadecrack upward and left, then straight up.

#### 6 Abyssus Inexpugnabilis

4LC 7a+



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First ascent in 2008 by Titus Gontea. The route starts just right of Hardy, and ends at the top Tancul Mic, a bit left from the exit of Suzana. The excellent rock quality and diretissima character make out of this route one of the finest in the area. Most difficult pitch is the third one.

#### 6 Noua Dictatură

6b+ 3LC









5A







First ascent in 1999 by George Stroie. The route follows a sinuous line over faces and overhangs. Intersects Hermann Buhll.

First ascent made by Dan Vasilescu and Doru

Vasilescu in 1966. Free climbing grade: 6b.

The first pitch starts with an overhanging crack,

then a traverse to the right, followed by a compact

face. Exit over a huge bulge. Belay stance. There

is a variation of the entry (author Marius Gane), a

bit lower, which starts on an overhang upwards

and left, and then you meet the original entry.

In the second pitch traverse descending to the

left, then climb a chimney to reach a vegetation

covered ledge. The third pitch continues upwards

and left. In its final part you traverse under an

overhang. Continue on same line in the fourth

pitch, passing successively a chimney followed by

a crack, and then a small overhang. The last pitch

goes upwards along a chimney, then exits on the

ridge. The descent is the same for all routes that

#### 7 Hermann Buhll

5A 5LC



Gheorghe Enache and P. Pascu in 1951. Start the first pitch on a dihedral, traverse an overhang to its left, then climb upwards and right along a dihedral. In the second pitch traverse left and straight up. The third and the fourth pitches are easy terrain. Descend by abseiling or continue walking on the crest until you reach a pass from where absell using a tree as anchor point.

Free climbing grade: 6c+. First ascent made by

#### 11 Fisura Răsucită **4B**

4LC









First ascent made by Fl. Stan and P. Pascu in 1956. Free climbing grade: 6a. The first pitch starts on the right end of Tancul Mic. Avoid the overhanging section on its right, then continue upward and right to a small tree. Belay stance. In the second pitch traverse right to to the base of a crack. Climb along that crack, traversing successively to the right. The third pitch goes along a crack, then pass successive ledges traversing right. Continue in the fourth pitch on easy and grassy terrain until you reach the top of the pillar. Descend by abseil or continue walking on the crest until you reach a small pass. From here abseil using a tree as anchor.



#### end on the crest of Jancul Mic. 8 Pasărea cu Barbă

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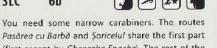


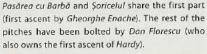














6b

3LC





Take some narrow carabiners with you. Start with an overhanging crack, then you leave this first section shared with Pasarea cu Barbă, upwards and right. After the first belay stance you intersect Fisura Însorită, then continue on the right of Fisura Însorită.

1 Veverita

climbed.

2 Flamura Rosie

12. Coștila







Țancul Ascuțit

Revelion '74

2LC

3A















This is the left most route behind the refuge. First ascent made by Dan Vasilescu in the winter of 1974.

2 The Jack

2LC 6b+



First ascent by Birlicu'. You need a few narrow carabiners. The first pitch is short, on a compact face with pockets and knobs. Belay stance on a ledge with trees. In the second pitch, continue to the right on the ledge, then cross Traseul Cățărătorului on a small bulge and then go upwards on the compact face. The last section is overhanging.

Traseul Cățărătorului

Access: Located just behind the Costila refuge.

ones are equipped with expansion bolts.

sport routes. Conglomerate.

Retreat: By abseil.

Character: Two pitches alpine routes and one pitch

Bolting: The alpine routes are on pitons. Sport climbing





First ascent made by Dan Vasilescu in 1979. The line goes upwards and left and the free climbing grade is no more than 6a+.

Scări în Flăcări

20m

7a+





The route starts just right of Traseul Cățărătorului.

Penis Captivus

20m

7a+





Face climbing. Inox expansion bolts. Shares the lower-off with Scari in Flacari.

#### 6 Mareşalul Antonescu

Flăcări and Penis Captivus. Degringolada

6a+

3B

the first belay of A.T.P.

8 A.T.P.

second one 6b.

Prostituţia

7a+

The route has the same entrance as Penis Captivus

and then continues slightly to the right on old

expansion bolts. Shares the lower-off with Scari în

The route goes up slightly left of A.T.P. and ends at

The name is the acronym of Asociația Turismului Popular. Free climbing grades: first pitch 5c, the

The route has the same entrance as A.T.P. then it goes up along a narrow crack on old pitons.

20m

20m

2LC

20m



1 1 1





6c+



Author George Strole in 1999. Old pitons in place.

11 Lin Hill (Jumătate de Măr)

2LC 6b+



Author: Sorin Dicu. Old expansion bolts.

12 Vertical Limits

22m 6a+





Coștila

First ascent made by Vlad Popa in 2000. Starts just left of Fisura Întreruptă. Old pitons in place.

(13) Fisura Întreruptă

3B 2LC



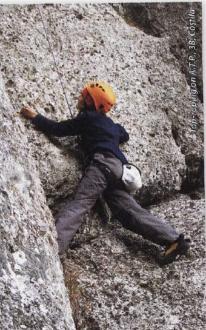


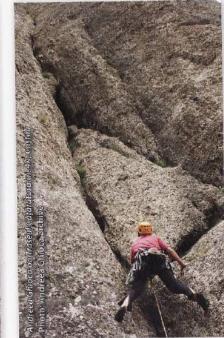


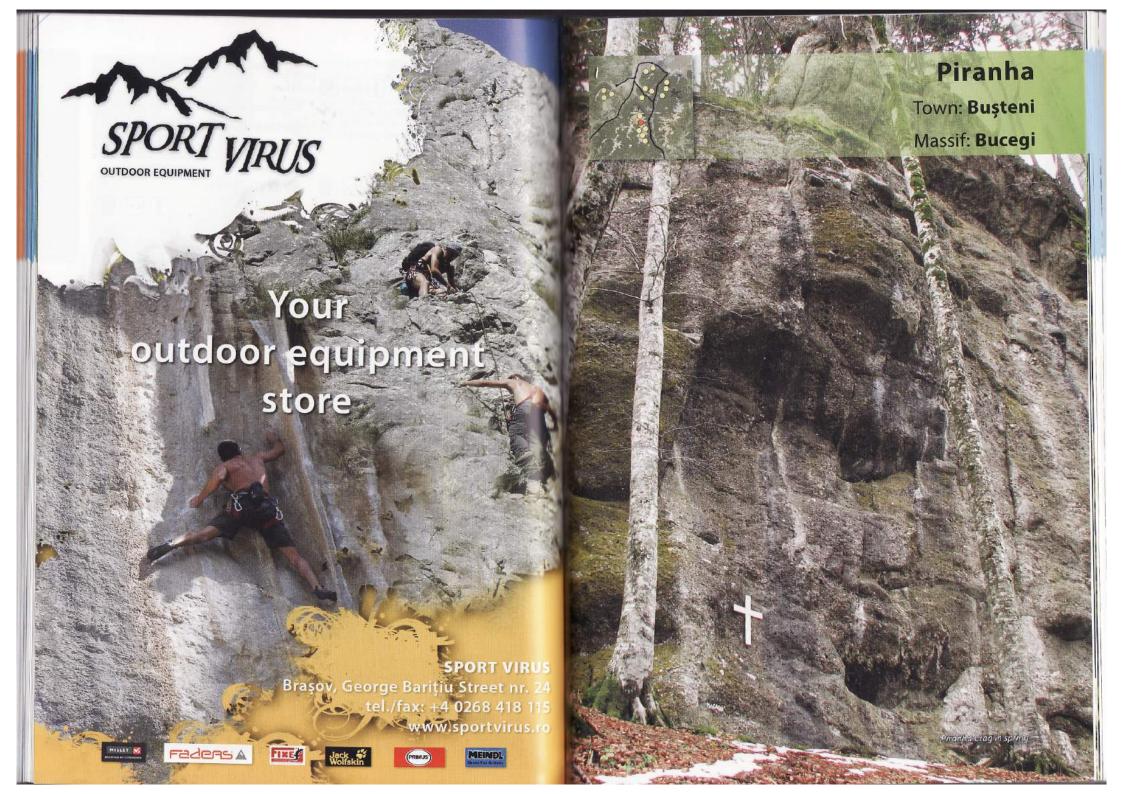


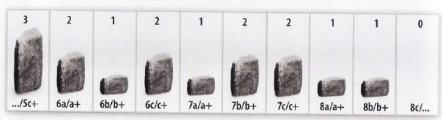
This is the most right side route on Tancul Ascuțit. Climb along a discontinued crack in its middle part. Free climbing grade: 5c first pitch, 6a+ the second one.











15 sport climbing routes

#### Area highlights

The crag is located on the outskirts of the *Bucegi Mountains*, in the lower basin of *Seaca Caraimanului Valley*. The short, bouldery routes are mostly face climbing with small overhanging sections. The conglomerate rock makes climbing here very interesting.

#### **Climbing conditions**

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**Bolting:** Safe bolting with expansion bolts. Chain lower-offs.

Sun: The crag is sheltered by trees, making climbing here a real pleasure during hot summer days.

Rain: During light rain the routes remain dry, but we do not recommend climbing here after periods of heavy rain.

Seasons: This is the perfect place to climb in summer, as well as on dry days in spring and autumn. We don't recommend climbing here in winter.



#### How to get here

To reach the *Piranha* crag, go by car from *Braşov* on the national road DN1 in the direction of *Bucharest*. Drive along the *Timiş* and the *Prahova* valleys until you reach the small town of *Buṣteni*. Once you get to *Buṣteni*, turn right on the street called *Valea Albā*. Just after a big right turn, you should turn left on one of the small asphalted streets that lead to the base of the *Kalinderu* ski slope. You can park the car here (60 minutes drive).

From here continue on walking on the ski slope that has the shape of the letter S in

its lower part. When you reach the second pillar of the ski-lift, exit the ski-slope to the right on a small country road (15 minutes walk). After crossing the ski-lift, the country road turns into a trail marked with a red cross. Walk along this trail on the contour line which leads you to the river bed of Seaca Caraimanului Valley (40 minutes walk). Just before descending into the river bed, climb the steep slope to your left. In less than 100m you'll reach the crag's base (45 minutes walk).

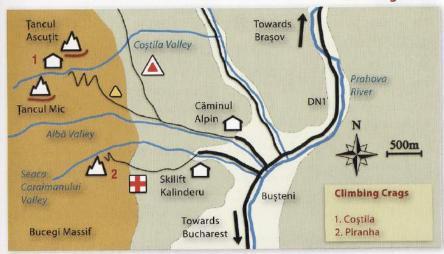


GPS Kalinderu

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45.421487 N 25.515136 E

#### How to get here







Character: Short and bouldery routes. Some of them have overhanging sections. The rock is conglomerate. Bolting: Expansion bolts. Chain lower-offs.

1 Guvidu'

10m 6a+ 1 2× 7

Slabby face.

2 Stavridu'

10m 60

**3 3 4** 

Friction face climbing.

3 Macrou'

10m 7a



Located just right of the moss covered area. Overhanging dihedral.

Don't Try This At Home

8b?



Project. One bouldery move at the roof, followed by a 7c+ move. The overall route difficulty is estimated to 8b.

Tes Desires Sont Desordres

10m

**3 3 4** 

Intense moves on good chipped holds.

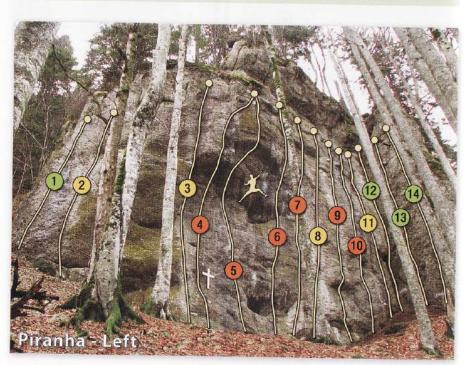
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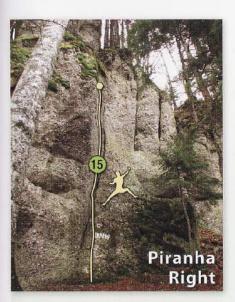
7c

10m



Overhanging. Climb on a small discontinuous crack system. Cemented rocks in the upper part.



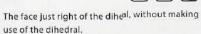


13 Omida

5c 10m







14 Limax

10m ба





The edge which limits the e on right side of dihedral.

15 Piranha

10m







This is the most accessible rce from here. Climb along the dihedral with cracfrom the right end of the crag.

A Year In The Mici

7c+



8 Tiparu'

10m 6b+



Crack. Friction and layback climbing.

9 L'Oeuf Raide

7b+ 10m



Friction climbing on small hand-holds.

10 Carasu'

7b 10m

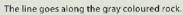


Vertical face climbing on cemented holds.

11 Bibanu'

10m 60+





12 Râma

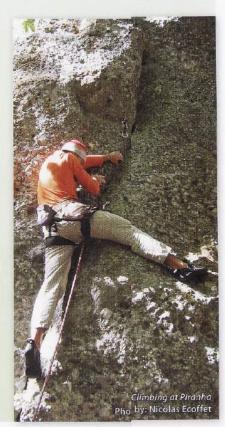
10m

5b





This is a warm-up climb upwards on a dihedral. Stemming technique.





# Cariera din Sinaia

Town: Sinaia

Massif: Bucegi



#### **EQUIPMENT AND ACCESSORIES**

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/5c+	6a/a+	6b/b+	6c/c+	7a/a+	7b/b+	7c/c+	8a/a+	8b/b+	8c/

8 sport climbing routes

#### Area highlights

This crag is located nearby an old limestone quarry between Sinaia and Poiana Ţapului. The rock is a grayish limestone and provides excellent friction. The routes are very easy and ideal for beginner climbers. Even experienced climbers can enjoy the panoramic view of the Prahova Valley.

#### Climbing conditions

Bolting: Expansion and glued bolts. The lower-offs consist either of one glued anchor or unconsolidated expansion bolts.

Sun: Due to its Southern exposure, we recommend climbing here in the morning or late afternoon on hot summer days.

Rain: Due to its slabby character the rock becomes easily wet, but dries as quickly from strong winds.

Seasons: The ideal seasons for climbing are spring and autumn. Summer can be extremely hot and in winter there are water infiltrations from melted snow.

















60 min





How to get here

Start from Brasov town on the national road DN1 in the direction of Bucharest, Drive through the towns of Predeal and Buşteni until you reach Sinaia (60 minutes drive). When you reach Sinaia town centre, turn right on the road that leads you to Peles Castle. From Peles Castle continue on the asphalted road following signs for Cota 1400. After you pass through the residential area, at the first hairpin turn, take right on a country road (marked with blue stripe) for 150 meters until you reach the valley of the Peles River. Here you park the car (75 minutes drive). From the parking place continue on

walking on the country road towards NE until you reach a junction (5 minutes walk). The left branch of the road is closed by a barrier. Follow this branch towards the N on the contour line for about 5 km until you'll see a secondary road branch who goes left (45 minutes walk). Follow this road to the left which leads you after an ascending hairpin turn at the base of the old limestone quarry (50 minutes walk). Continue on the trail having the quarry on your right side. Just after the quarry ends, on your right side, there is a small trail with dug stairs that lead you to the base of the crag (60 minutes walk).

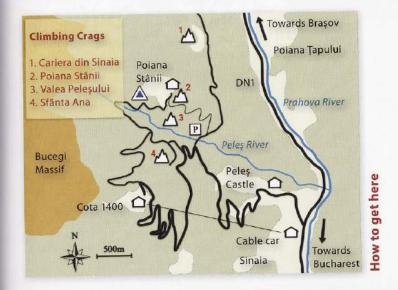


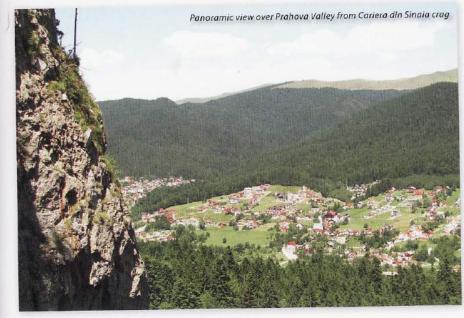
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#### GPS Cariera din Sinaia

45.375378 N 25.529023 E





#### Cariera din Sinaia











15m 5b+



The most left route. The first two bolts are painted with red and then silvery bolts. Start on a corner which ends on a small platform. Continue over the bulgy face up to the top.



15m









Bolting in progress. The entrance is 4 meters right from Dexter on a small vertical face. First protection is a piton with ring. After the platform in the middle part, continue on the bulgy face above.



15m





The rock on the base of the route is yellow because of a broken piece of rock. The first bolt is red and the second one is silvery. Start on a vertical section, then avoid the vegetation covered section through its right. Continue along a dihedral, then pass a small tree and you reach the top.



15m







Bolting in progress. First bolt is at five metres height, but the terrain is easy. Continue on a loose face, then climb towards a small bulge. The finish is easy slabby face climbing.

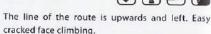


16m









6 Chicken

16m







Shares the entrance with Cow. The first section up to the small tree is almost vertical, and then the angle drops back.

7 Twiti

18m 5a+







The climb starts from the small high platform in the right end of the wall. The first bolt at 3 metres height is painted with red. Easy start on several successive ledges, followed by a crest and a small dihedral just before the top.

8 Johnny Bravo

5a+

18m

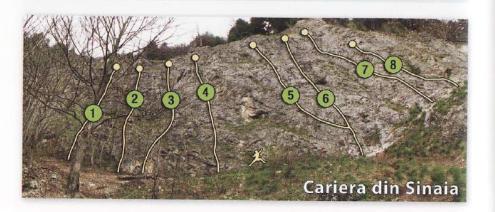


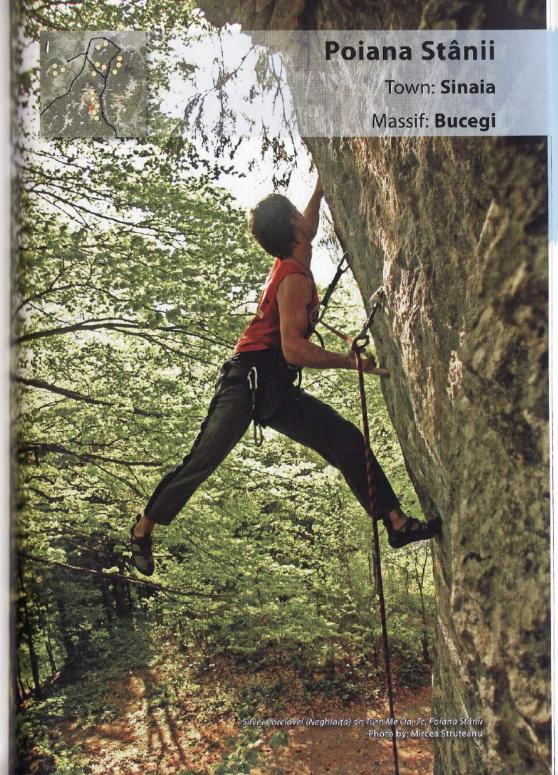


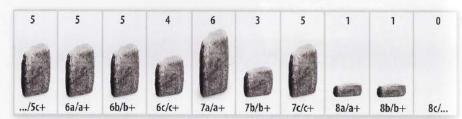




The climb starts 6m right from Twiti. The line of the route goes upwards and to the left. Slabby face climbina.







35 sport climbing routes

#### Area highlights

This area covers several small crags around the chalet from *Stâna Regală* in *Sinaia*. The rock is limestone. The routes are relatively short, featuring vertical face climbing with small overhangs. Some crags are on the outskirt of the forest and sheltered from direct sunlight. You can sleep overnight at the chalet in *Poiana Stânii* or camp with a tent (make sure that you inform the chalet administrator before as the land is private). You can find running water at the spring approximately 5 minutes from the chalet, on the marked trail from *Sinaia*.

#### Climbing conditions

Bolting: The routes are equipped with expansion bolts. Linked expansion bolts as lower-offs. This is a very popular training area as the bolting is excellent.

**Sun:** Climbing here in summer can be a real pleasure as the crags are shaded by trees. Even on the hottest days you can feel the cool mountain breeze.

Rain: If it doesn't rain too much you can still climb here as the routes are sheltered by trees and dry quickly. Climbing here after heavy rain is not possible.

**Seasons:** Summer is the ideal season for climbing, but you can climb here on sunny spring or autumn days. Because of the alpine climate from the *Bucegi Mountains*, the temperatures here are generally mild.



#### How to get here

Go by car from *Braşov* on the national road DN1 in the direction of *Bucharest*. Drive through *Predeal* and *Buşteni* until you reach *Sinaia* (60 minutes drive). Go through *Sinaia* town centre and turn right on the road that leads you to the *Peleş Castle*. From *Peleş Castle* continue on the asphalted road towards *Cota 1400*.

After you exit the residential area, you'll see a sign for *Poiana Stânii* on the right side of the road (75 minutes drive). Follow this

sign on the country road (marked with blue triangle). Pass the forks to *Sfânta Ana* and *Cota 1400* (just keep right). Continue on the same road until you reach the small parking place from *Poiana Stânii* (90 minutes drive). From the parking place you can see the *La Cabană* climbing sector (3 minutes walk).

If you prefer walking instead driving, you can take the blue stripe marked trail from *Peleş Valley* which will lead you through the forest to *Poiana Stânii* (45 minutes walk).

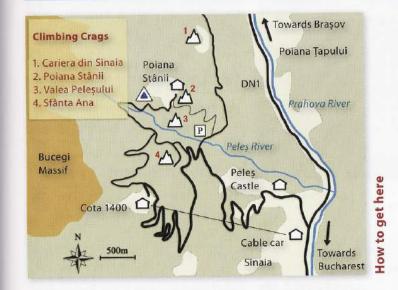


#### **GPS Peles Castle**

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#### **GPS Poiana Stânii**

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# Climbing sectors:

1. La Cabană 2. Franz Joseph



#### 1. La Cabană



Character: The routes here are relatively short. Face climbing with overhanging sections.

Bolting: Expansion bolts. Linked expansion bolts lower-offs.



Chidi Gura! A!

8m 6b



Technical climb on sidepulls.

2 Bella Russa

10m 6c+



Bouldery route. Start with steep face climbing then reach an awkward ledge. The crux is at the finish. One glued hold.

3 Mo

10m



Narrow overhanging crack climbing.

4 Maini

10m



Steep face climbing. Glued hold before the top.

5 Mini

7m



Short route with bouldery entry and balance moves on slopers. In the upper part continue upwards and right to the lower-off.







The big brother of Mini. Steep technical face climbing on good edges.

Turbo Lover

12m 7b+



Climb the overhanging edge. Lots of pinching!

8 Let's Rock this Way!

12m 60+



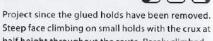
Overhanging dihedral which requires stemming.

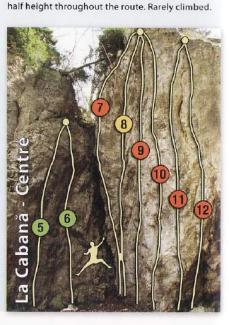
Sika Power

12m 8b+?











10 Somebody Stop Me!

7c 12m





Face climbing on underclings. Chipped holds.

11 Heavy Duty

12m





The line goes through the left side of the overhanging crack. Glued holds.

12 Forge Cocs Total

8a 10m



The crack by its right side. Crux at the finish.

Down to the Ground

8m



Overhanging crack. Glued holds. Crux at the start.

14 Jumpin' at the Shadows

7b+





Bouldery start. There is a crux just before the top.

15 Thunderstruck

6a+ 10m





The line goes along a large crack. You need a good layback technique.

16 Buză Dulce

6b+ 10m



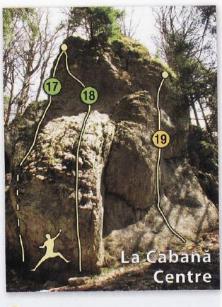
Technical climb up the face just left from the dihedral, on sidepulls.

17 Bozia Nervoasa

12m 5b



Slabby face climbing on a stair-like rock. Balance move (crux) just before the top.



18 Stop Digging

5a



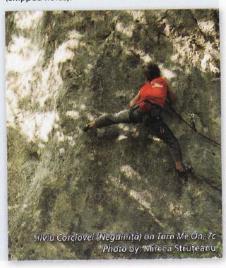
Power start, and then balance climbing on slabby face. Continue upwards and left to the same loweroff as Bozia Nervoasa.

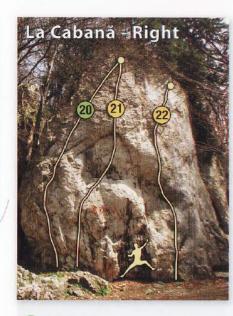
19 I Made This

12m



Easy start and finish with a hard move in-between (chipped holds).





25 Super Duck

7c+ 10m





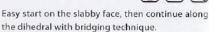
The grade is also considered to be a hard 7c. Technnical face climbing on edges.

#### 26 Power Flower

10m 6c+







#### 27 Turn Around

10m 7a+







Start upwards and right, then go back to the left. Good foot-work will help you a lot!

#### 28 Turn Me On

10m 7c







This is a route with a typical bouldery start, then all you need is attention.



5c 10m

15. Poiana Stânii







Hard start move to pass the bulge on slopers, then exit on the ledge (rest place). The slabby face above is easy terrain.

21 Vertical S

60+

10m











Direct climbing over the arcade on pockets and underclings. The crux is to get over the arcade.

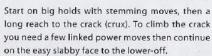
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10m 6b







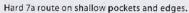


23 Ugly Duck

10m







Arcudemicus

7a

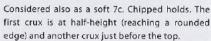
7b+ 10m



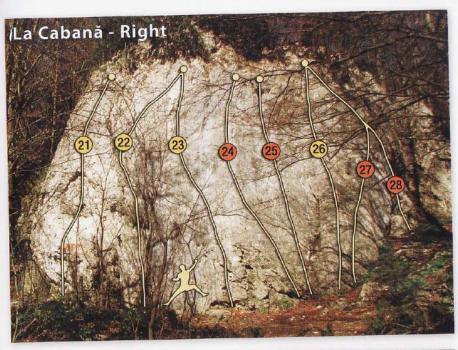


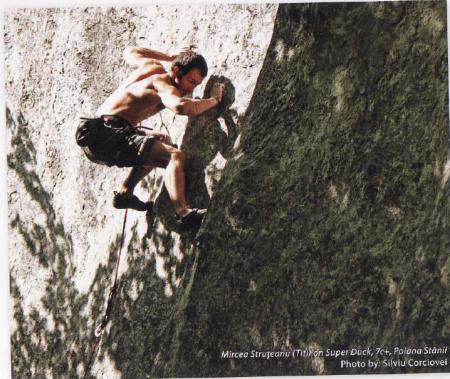












#### 2. Franz Joseph



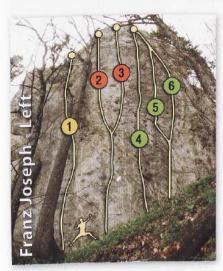




Access: Follow the trail behind the chalet (there are wooden stairs in place), and in 5 minutes you'll reach the belvedere spot Stânca Franz Joseph. Descend the steep slope on the left side of the belvedere spot and you'll reach the base of the crag.

Character: The routes share the same character: steep face climbing on pockets.

Bolting: Routes equipped with expansion bolts and linked expansion bolts lower-offs.





6b+ 15m









Start on big holds then climb the overhanging dihedral. There is no proper lower-off (you need to continue climbing up to the belvedere platform).



7a+ 15m









Also known as Cheese Cake. Face climbing on edges. In the last section the climb steepens.

#### Rochefort

7a+ 15m







Sustained climb with long reaches on pockets. Shares first three bolts with Camembert.

#### Schweizer

15m

6a+





Beautiful climb on pockets. First crux is in the middle section (long reach upwards and left).



Before the slabby face under lower-off there is another long reach.

#### 5 Parmezan

15m







Climb the easy pillar, then continue up the face on big pockets. Technical route, with a difficult move in its middle section.



15m





Shares the start with Parmezan, then Caş continues to the right. Big pockets and sidepull climbing, with a long reach in the middle section.

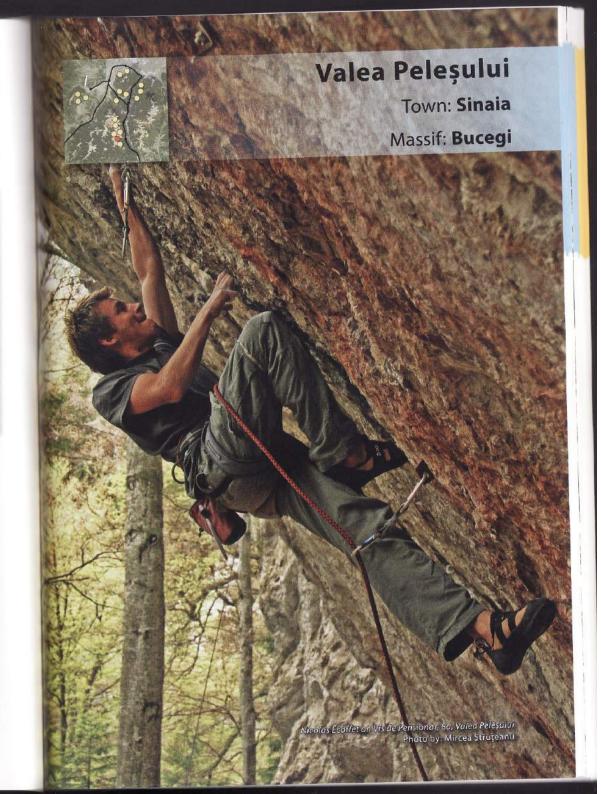
#### 7 Telemea







The right most route from this sector. Start with face climbing on pockets. Continue with a long reach (crux) then traverse to the left under the overhanging dihedral. Finish on the slabby face.



103 sport climbing routes

#### Area highlights

Valea Peleşului

The *Peleş Valley* crags are spread along the banks of the *Peleş River*. The limestone rock offers mostly vertical or overhanging routes. You can sleep overnight at the chalet in *Poiana Stânii* or you can camp in *Poiana Stânii*. You can find fresh water from the *Peleş River*.

#### **Climbing conditions**

Bolting: The routes are equipped with expansion bolts, partly stainless steel ones. Linked expansion bolts lower-offs.

Sun: Located along the deep valley of Peles and shaded by trees all day long, the routes are a pleasure to climb on hot summer days.

Rain: On rainy days the only sector that remains dry is the *Surplomba* sector. However, this is typically suitable for climbers of grade 7a+ and above.

Seasons: Summer is ideal season for climbing. Nevertheless, you can climb here in optimal conditions spring and autumn as long as the sun is shining. We don't recommend climbing here in winter.



#### How to get here

Go by car from *Braşov* on the national road DN1 in the direction of *Bucharest*. Drive through *Predeal* and *Buşteni* until you reach *Sinaia* (60 minutes drive). After you reach the centre of *Sinaia*, turn right on the road that leads you to the *Peleş Castle*.

From the *Peleş Castle* continue on the asphalted road towards *Cota 1400*. After you exit the residential area, at the first hairpin turn take right on a country road (marked with blue stripe) for 150 meters until you reach the valley of the *Peleş River*. Here you'll find a small parking place to park your car.

(75 minutes drive). From here, continue on walking upstream on the *Peleş Valley* keeping to the bank on your right. Pass successively past two dams and you'll reach the base of the *Faleza Francezilor* sector (10 minutes walk).

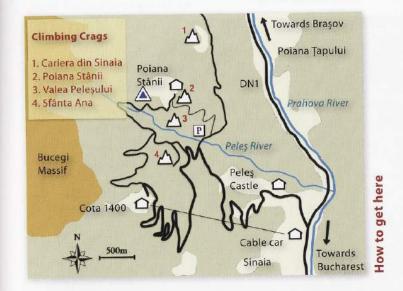


#### **GPS Peles Castle**

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#### **GPS Peles Valley**

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#### Climbing sectors:

- 1. Cheile Mari
- 2. Patinoar
- 3. Cheile Mici
- 4. Odihnă și Tratament
- 5. Stânca lui Sisif
- 6. Surplomba
- 7. Ciuli-Buli 8. Scouts
- 9. Inox









16. Valea Peleşului

Access: To reach this sector, from the parking place walk upstream along the Peles River, crossing over the first two dams. Just after the second dam on your right side, you'll see the crag.

Character: Long face routes with lots of overhanging climbing.

Bolting: Expansion bolts. Linked expansion bolts lower-offs.



Shopska Salad

cave). First section is steep but the holds are big,

then you go upwards and right (crux). The finish is

face climbing. There are restrictions in using holds.

20m 7c



Start from the left end of the crag (just left the



7a+



Starts just right of Shopska Salad, on the right edge of the small cave. The two routes share the upper

3 Gâzodrom

60 20m



Start on the slabby face, just right of Carmen.

Several Species of Small Furr

8c? 15m



Project. The route starts from the ledge.

5 Belfort '93

60 10m





Start on the crack then continue on the face.

6 Belfort '93 - Extension

25m

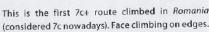


Project. Extension of Belfort '93 along the discontinuous crack system above the ledge.

French Design

13 m





French Design - Extension

28m 8a



From the ledge, climb the overhang then face climbing. Chipped holds.

French Design - Original

17m 8b+?



Project. This is the original French Design extension. Start from the lower-off of the lower section of Belfort '93 and climb to the lower-off of the French Design new extension.

10 French Affair

8a+? 14m



Project. Starts just right of French Design. The line goes upwards and right.

Marfe

7c+



Face climbing. Chipped and glued holds. Shares the lower-off with French Affair.

Nashpa

15m

7c+?



Climb on the face just left the chimney. Chipped and glued holds. Some of the glued holds have broken. Shares the lower-off with French Affair.

13 L'Ourson

8b+? 15m







Project. Start from the top of French Affair.

14 Coup de Foudre

6b+ 18m





Climb the steep face just right the dihedral.

15 Coup de Foudre - Extension

25m 7a+



Extension of Coup de Foudre upwards the face.

16 Notre Poule dans Votre Cour

70 20m





Athletic and hard 7c with chipped holds. The climber height makes a difference! There is a good rest halfway throught the route.

17) Pour l'Amour de Ma Vie

7b+ 20m



Hard route for a 7b+. Delicate start. Spectacular jump in the second part!

18 Vocea Erectoratului

8a 20m



This is a legendary route! It was the first 8a climbed in Romania. The first section is a bit dirty. Few hard linked moves on edges in the upper part.

19 Topless

20m 8b?







Project. Starts from the top of Vocea Erectoratului.

20 Muza

10m 7c+?





Project. Shares the entry with Van Gogh and then continues to the left.

21 Van Gogh

15m 70





This is a classic route. Bouldery start continued by sustained moves on big holds.

5.

Valea Peleşului

20m 7b+







25) Facem



Steep start, then slabby face before the top. There is no lower-off anchor.

23) Stagion

30m



Long route with beautiful moves, but a bit dirty. Start climbing the dihedral, then continue up the

24 Cantofabula

8b? 15m



Project. Starts from a rock recess. Constant moves on a face with edges.

Steep start, then exit on a small platform (rest place). Crux on the steep section just before the top. The entry variation, 1m left is rated at 7b+.

26 Tiganiada

20m 7b+



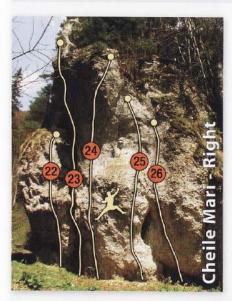
Short and bouldery climb. The crux is just before the top (small edges). Hard to read the sequence.

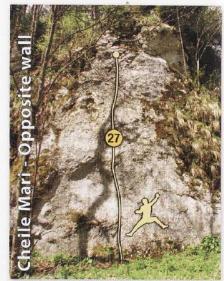
27) Boala lui Spirache 60+

15m



The route is on the boulder opposite from Tiganiada.







#### 2. Patinoar

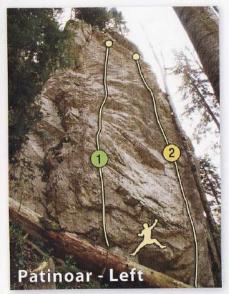






Access: This sector is located above the Cheile Mari sector, in the wood. There is less than 100m distance from Cheile Mari to Patinoar.

Character: Face climbing. The routes are in the shade. Bolting: Expansion bolts. Most of the routes are new (bolted in the winter 2009/2010). The routes are not drawn in the photo-topo, but their names are painted at the base of the crag.



#### Miermurele Turbat

12m 6a+

2+ 4 Mickey Mouse

6b+ 15m

Minnie Mouse

7a+ 15m

4 Dumbo Love

15m 6a

5 Duffy Duck 5c

6 Miss Piggy

18m

15m

1 2×

Puf, the Magic Dragon

60 18m



2+

2 2× 4

2+

2 2 4 4

## 8 Le Mensonge du Gourou

20m 8b?





Project. Technical route on small holds.

9 Bambi

18m 6b 1 1+ 4

10 Cum Fu

18m 7a? 2 2 4

The upper part goes left of the open dihedral.

11 Patinoar

18m 7a

One chipped hold. Delicate crux at half height. You need to trust your feet!

Ninja Habbit

18m

1 2× 4

Sopârla Aurie

18m

1 2× 4

14 Ayame

5c 18m

2 2 1

15 Eclipsă Totală

15m 7a 2 2x T

Start with a small crack. Crux just before the top.









Access: From the Cheile Mari sector continue walking upstream. In less than 30 minutes you'll reach a small canyon. You can spot Cheile Mici sector on your left side and Odihnă și Tratament sector on your right side.

Character: Technical face climbing.

Bolting: Expansion bolts. Linked expansion bolts lower-offs.

#### Roads Are Bad for Selfish Climbers

Equipped with three expansion bolts and a piton

30m

16. Valea Peleşului

7b+

**El Condor Pasa** 8b?













Terminator

2 2× 4

Climb up the ridge. One chipped hold.

2 Troia

28m 8b?

with ring as lower-off.



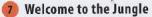






Project. Start on a moss covered face. First bolt is 6m height. Face climbing followed by an airy ridge.



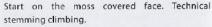














8a?







Start on the face just right to the tree.

#### 4 Shortcut

you reach the lower-off.



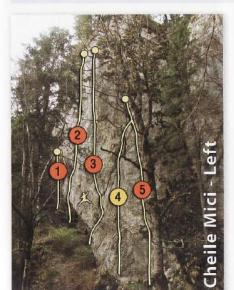


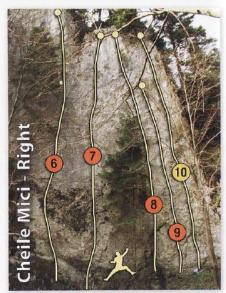




Project. Chipped holds. Start upwards and right

then go back upwards and left on the face until





Part of the Trip

15m ?











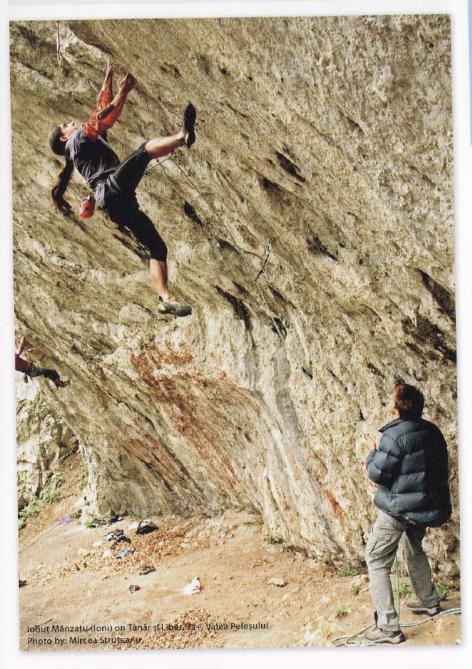


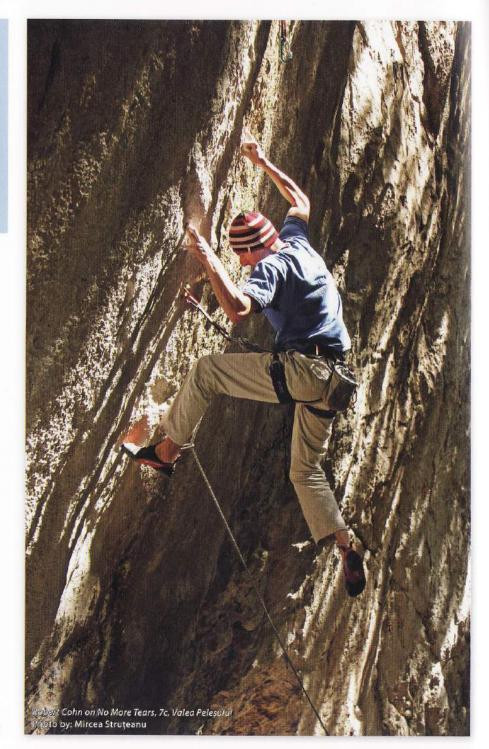




Project. Chipped holds.

Beautiful climb on a bulgy rock.





#### 4. Odihnă și Tratament







Access: From Cheile Mici sector cross the river and you are at the base of the Odihna și Tratament sector. To reach here from the Surplomba sector you need to descend the slope. Just before reaching the river bed, on your right, you'll see the Odihnă și Tratament sector.

Character: The complex structure of the pillar gives the climbing a varied character, from slabby faces to dihedrals and overhangs.

Bolting: Expansion bolts. Linked expansion bolts lower-offs.

# Odinnă și Tratament

#### Olandezul Zburător

15m 8a







Bouldery route which goes directly over the roof. Using the dihedral to the right makes it easier.

#### 6 E Pericoloso Sporgersi

15m









The grade is also considered to be a soft 6b+. Delicate moves upwards a smooth dihedral. One wrong move and you'll get blocked!

#### 6 Parkinson

6b+ 12m







Start on the chimney with locked boulders. Exit to the right under the roof.

#### 7 Butthead

12m 5a









Climb the face covered with moss.



#### Areted Development

16m

8a+







This is a hard 8a+, some might say it's an 8b. Technical route on the corner line.

#### 2 Odihnă și Tratament

16m





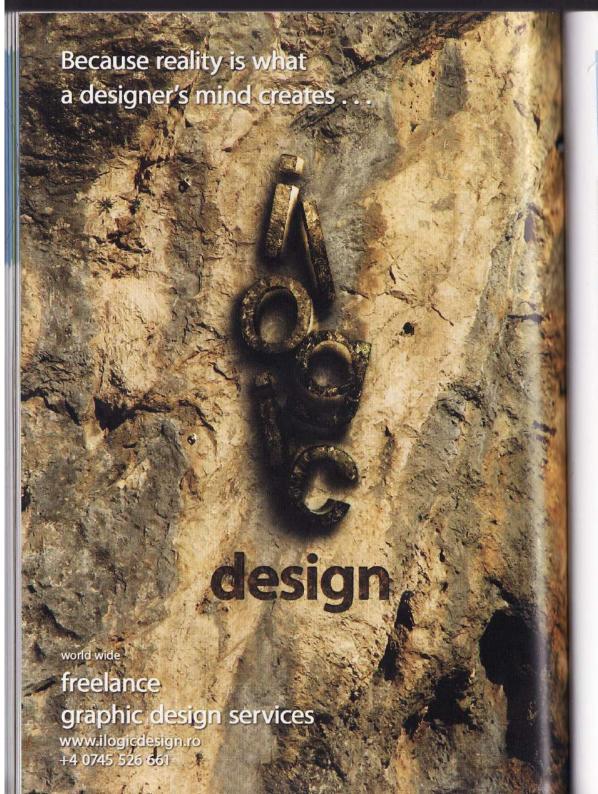
Start on the face upwards and right, then climb the dihedral with the crack upwards and right.

Levitation





Shares the start and finish with Odihna și Tratament. Chipped holds. Climb along the lip of the roof. The route involves a jump to a hold that is out of reach



#### 5. Stânca lui Sisif







Access: There are two options to get to this sector which are detailed in the Surplomba sector. Stânca lui Sisif can be found on the left part of the Surplomba sector.

Character: Long routes in the medium difficulty range, which require a good technique.

Bolting: Expansion bolts. Linked expansion bolts lower-offs.



#### Himera

15m



2 TNT

6b+ 15m

7b



Technical climbing up the face on big holds. Old bolts.

3 Sisif

20m



Steep climbing on slopers at the beginning, then vertical face climbing to the top.

Cordaciu lu' Sanda

22m

60+



Steep start, but on good holds. Exit on the face upwards and right (crux). The rest of the route is easy terrain.

#### 5 Supozitorul cu Frunze

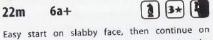
sidepulls. The crux is on the face just below the

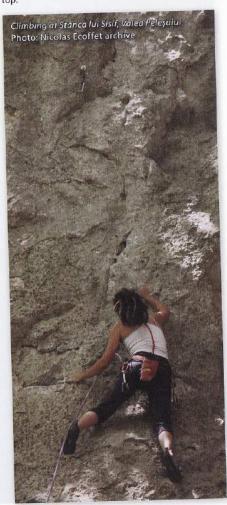
6a+ 22m













16.

Valea Peleşului







Odihnă și Tratament and after a few minutes you'll reach the Surplomba sector, which has Stanca lui Sisif and Ciuli-Buli sectors on its left, respectively right side. For the second option, start from the parking place and go along the unmarked trail which goes upstream on a gentle slope above the left bank of the Peles Valley. Pass the Patinoar sector, and continue on the contour line through the wild forest. In less than 15 minutes you'll reach the Surplomba, the Stanca lui Sisif and Ciuli-Buli sectors.

Character: Fingery routes with powerful moves, overhanging on their entire length.

Bolting: Expansion bolts. Linked expansion bolts lower-offs.

Access: There are two options to get here. The access

is same as Stânca lui Sisif and Ciuli-Buli. The first option

is to walk upstream along the Peles Valley, starting from

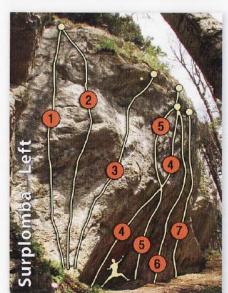
the parking place. Pass over the dams, until you reach

Cheile Mari sector (known also as Faleza Francezilor

sector). In less than 30 minutes you'll see on your left

side Cheile Mici. On your right side you'll see Odihnă si

Tratament. Go up the steep slope to your right, along



Giri

20m 7c

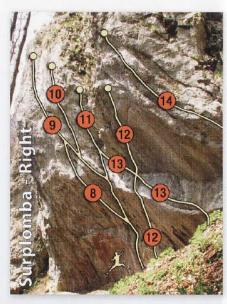
The grade is also considered to be a soft 7c+. Long route, just right the chimney. The glued holds were removed.

See Sun Plaza and Die

20m



Project. Difficult face climbing in the middle section. Hard move on pockets towards the finish.



Star Wars

7c+



The grade is also considered to be a soft 8a. This climb has a really hard move in the first section (chipped hold), but there is rest place. Dynamic move to a hold out of sight at the end of the route.

**Waiting for Americans** 

20m



The hardest route from this sector. Chipped holds. Sustained route, without hard moves, but also without rest places.

A Venit larna

8a+ 20m

6 Simurg

8a+

Vis de Pensionar

8a

17m

15m

















Start on the right side of the ledge, then continue on the line of Tânăr și Liber. One bolt is missing.

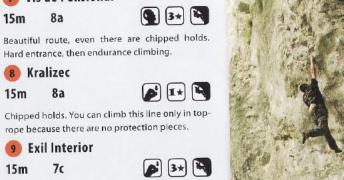
Seek and Destroy

70+ 15m





An interesting line with technical moves on sharp and small holds. Considered also a hard 7c.





The glued holds have broken. 12 protection pieces.

Overhanging route on chipped holds. Crux in the

first part (jump to a hold out of sight). Another

hard move (one finger pocket) just before the top.

Kralizec

8a 15m







Chipped holds. You can climb this line only in top rope because there are no protection pieces.

**Exil Interior** 

15m 70







This is the "father" of all 7c routes in the area. The grade is also considered a soft 7c+. Start on Tânăr și Liber, then traverse to the left on two good jugs. The crux is a sequence with one small edge and two shallow pockets. The final section is endurance climbing on good pockets.

10 Oxyjohn

15m 7c+









Interesting bouldery route on chipped holds. The bolt from the crux is not clipped by most climbers!

👊 Tânăr și Liber

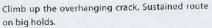
7a+











12 Aerobic for Asthmatic

15m 70+



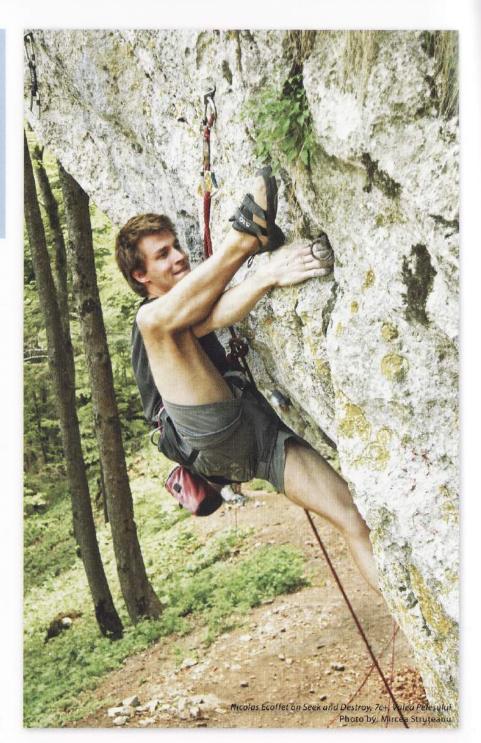




This is a very hard 7c+. There is an entry variation (direct one) rated at 8a. Bouldery moves on sharp pockets in the lower part and a dyno towards the end. Two bolts as lower-off.



Photo by: Mircea Struțeanu



7. Ciuli Buli







Character: Located just right of the Surplomba sector. Short routes, suitable for warming-up.

Bolting: Expansion bolts. Linked expansion bolts lower-offs.

5 Dansând în Ploaie

7a 10m





Climb the overhang by its centre.

6 Palma

10m 7a+





The right most route and the hardest from this sector. Steep lower section.





10m

2 2 1

Start upwards and left, then continue up the face on the left side of the pillar.

2 Buli

2 × 7

Start on a compact face, then climb the bulgy terrain above.

Spaima Pulii

10m

1 1 7

The easiest route from this sector. Shares the lower-off with Buli.

4 lubește



Face climbing with a small overhang. Rarely climbed route. Needs more cleaning

#### 8. Scouts

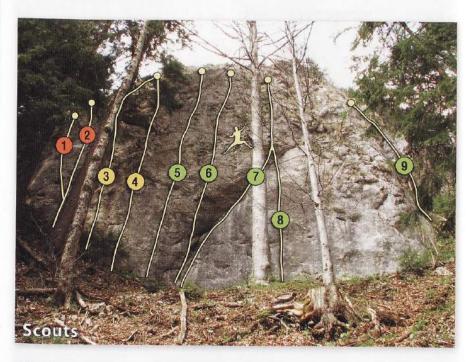


16. Valea Peleşului

Access: Similar access as the Inox sector. From the sightseeing spot, following the contour line towards NW, in less than 100m you reach the base of the Scouts sector.

Character: Technical face climbing.

Bolting: Expansion bolts. Linked expansion bolts lower-offs.



Pic

12m 7a+



Unexpected interesting climb. Crux in the lower part.

2 Poc

12m 7a+ 2 ×

Shares the entry with Pic. Same character.

3 Brita

11m 6b+



2 2 4

4 Paxi

18m 6b



12m



6 Bolec 11m 5c



7 Tomi

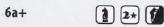
10m

16m



8 Bifați Vă Rog

5c



Beautiful face climbing on small holds.

9 Fila





#### 9. lnox





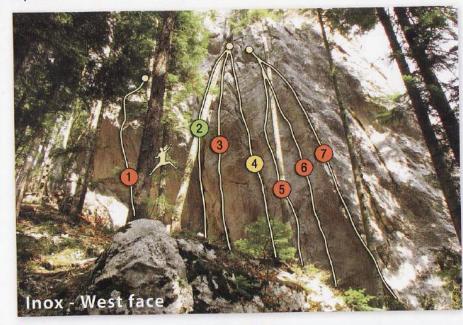




Bolting: Expansion bolts. Linked expansion bolts lower-offs.

Access: From the parking place walk to Poiana Stânii on the trail marked with blue stripe. Just before reaching Poiana Stânii, follow the stoned path to your left which leads to a sightseeing spot. Descend around the right of the pillar and you'll reach the West side of Inox sector. Descending to the left of the pillar, you'll reach the East side of the Inox sector.

Character: The routes on the West side are steep. You need strong fingers to pull on the holds. Routes on the East side are face technical climbs.



No More Tears

Steep face climbing on chipped holds.

Steep climb up the overhanging crack.

Bouldery route. The crux is a dynamic move from

an undercling to a sloper. Easy, but technical finish.

2 Legea lui Newton

6a

Rock'n Fall

4 Plexiglass

7b+

6b+

15m 7с

15m

15m

15m



[4] [2±] [4]

2× 4









This is a masterpiece route and a true test for the climbers. Delicate and technical climb. Easy finish, but your arms will be pumped!

**6** 2★

15m 8a+





interesting climb, whose beauty comes from the prohibition of using the ridge to your right.

7 Rest in Pieces

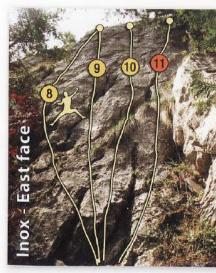
No Remorse

15m 7c





This is a beautiful technical line. A true use of your imagination how to employ the ridge.



8 Chop Dog

6b+ 15m



This route and the next ones are on the East side of the Inox craq.

9 Slick Dick

15m 6b

1 2×

10 Rent Boy

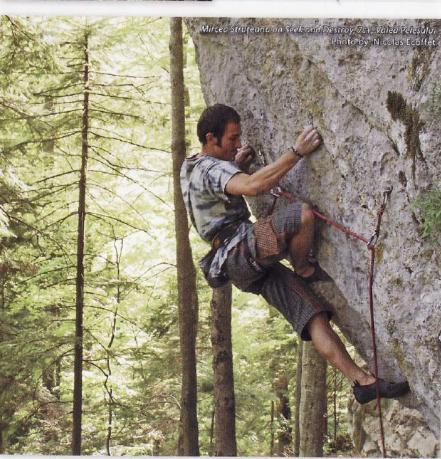
6c+ 15m

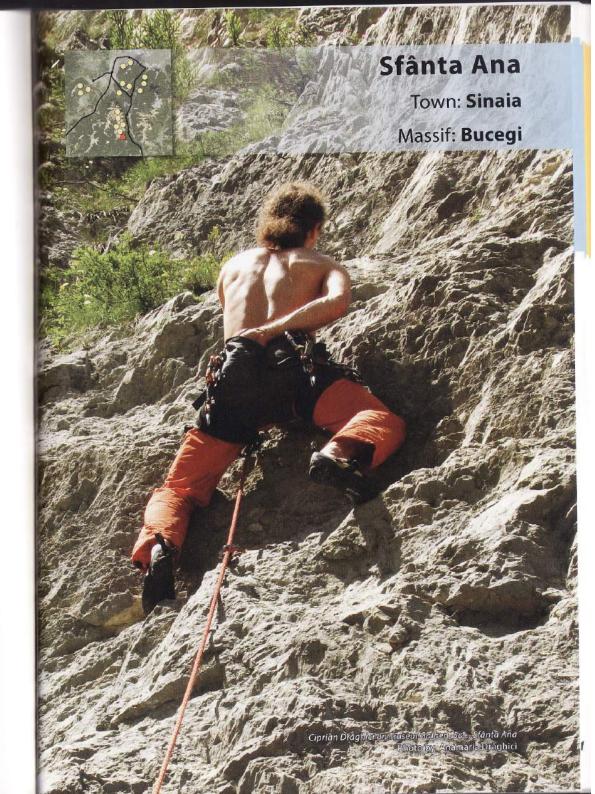
1 2+

11 Dark and Hungry God

7b 15m

2+







3 alpine climbing routes

23 sport climbing routes

#### Area highlights

This crag is located in a very picturesque part of the *Bucegi Mountains*. In the large clearing near the crag you can find the *Sfânta Ana* trinity. The limestone rock offers mostly face climbing with small overhanging sections.

#### Climbing conditions

Bolting: The fix protection is very diverse here. Old routes are equipped with pitons, and replaced with expansion bolts in some sections. Newer routes are on expansion bolts.

Sun: The crag has South exposure and is exposed to sunlight from 10 AM until dusk.

Rain: On rainy days, the crag can easily become wet but can dry quickly, especially if the wind is blowing strong. There are no water infiltrations after long period of rains.

Seasons: You can climb here in optimal conditions from spring until late autumn. On summer days the alpine climate makes the heat from the sun bearable.



#### How to get here

Go by car from *Braşov* on the national road DN1 in the direction of *Bucharest*. Drive through *Predeal* and *Buşteni* until you reach *Sinaia* (60 minutes drive). After you reach the central area of *Sinaia*, turn right on the road that leads you to the *Peleş Castle*. From the *Peleş Castle* continue on the asphalted road towards *Cota 1400*.

After you exit the residential area, you'll see a sign on the right side of the road pointing in the direction of *Poiana Stânii* (75 minutes drive). Park the car on the side of the road. From here continue walking on the country road (marked with blue triangle) for a few hundreds meters until you reach a fork with a sign to Sfânta Ana. You are at the base of the Furnica sector (10 minutes walk). To get to the other sectors follow the road to your left, passing the barrier that blocks access for cars.

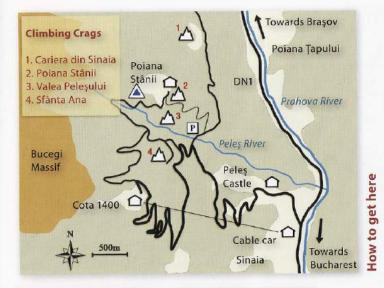


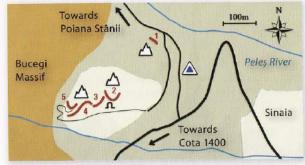
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# Climbing sectors:

- 1. Furnica
- 2. Troița
- 3. Vonfalone
- 4. Cariera
- 5. Brâna



#### 1. Furnica







Character: Face climbing on a pillar which is in the shade all day long.

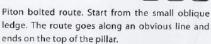
Bolting: The route on the left is on pitons and the one on the right on expansion bolts.

#### Furnica

17. Sfânta Ana

25m 6b?





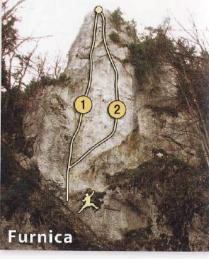
#### 2 Greierele

6b+? 27m





Equipped with expansion bolts. Shares the start with Furnica, then continues to the right.





#### 2. Troita







Character: Short sport climbing routes and one alpine climbing route. Face climbing with overhanging sections. On the boulder just right of the trinity there are several boulder routes.

Bolting: The alpine routes are on pitons. Sport climbing routes are equipped with expansion bolts.





#### Shadow

7a+ 12m



This route is on the suspended pillar behind and left to the cave. Bolted with expansion bolts. Face climbing on edges.

#### 2 Holteiala

7a+ 12m



Starts two meters right of the previous route, sharing the lower-off.

#### 3 Hornul Mic

3A

2LC







Alpine route which starts just left the cave. In the second pitch you need to climb an obvious chimney. The route ends on the pillar, where the chimney ends.

#### 4 Irina

10m 60+





This route can be climbed only by top-ropping or having a crash-pad at the base.

#### 6 Robocop

15m





Start just left the cave. The glued holds have been removed. Not protected at the top. We don't recommend this route.



#### 3. Vonfalone







Character: In this sector there are a few long and beautiful climbs. Mostly face climbing.

Bolting: Sport climbing routes are equipped with expansion bolts and the alpine ones with pitons. Linked expansion bolts lower-offs.

#### Traseul Tavanelor

20m

4A







Start on the face upwards and right, then climb over the small roof. The route shares the upper part with the route from its right.



20m





Project. The climb has been equipped on the same line of the old route Vonfalone. Artificial holds have been removed. Airy face climbing featuring a small roof.

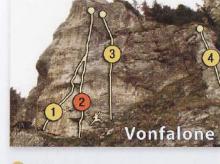


20m









4 Piticul

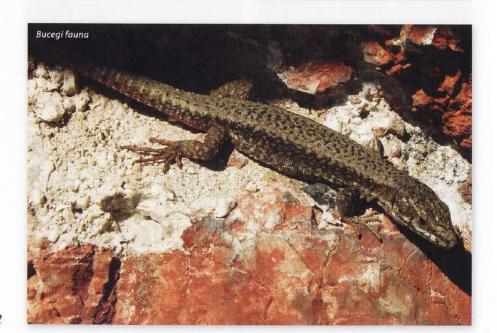
20m 7a?







Balance face climbing on a route with 5 pitons which has a glued bolt as lower-off.



#### 4. Cariera







Character: In the left end of this sector there are three very easy sport climbing routes, recommended for beginners. In the central part and right side there are several routes which should be climbed with caution due to loose rock.

Bolting: The new routes equipped by the army are on expansion bolts. For the rest of the climbs the bolting is mixed: expansion bolts, glued bolts and pitons in the alpine routes.



#### Traseul Albastru

15m 5a







Slabby face. Suitable for beginners.

2 Traseul Galben

15m 5a+ 2 | 2× | 5



Same character as Traseul Albastru. Chipped holds.

3 Traseul Rosu 5b

15m



Easy slabby face climbing.

4 Hornul Suspendat

2LC

3**B** 



In the first pitch climb the loose rock section below the chimney. The second pitch goes up the chimney on expansion bolts. Descent on the other side of the wall, keeping left, or by abseil.

#### Tavanul Suspendat

7a? 30m



Climb the roof directly, then continue on the face above to the lower-off.

6 Hornul Friabil

6a? 30m





The line goes on the chimney between the two roofs. Not recommended due to loose rock.

Pintenul Jandarmului

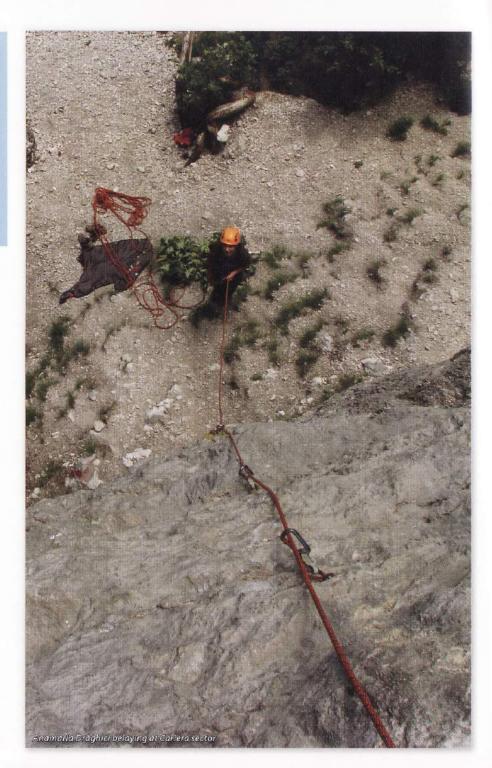
20m 5b





Short climb on the pillar ridge. Equipped by the army.





#### 5. Brana



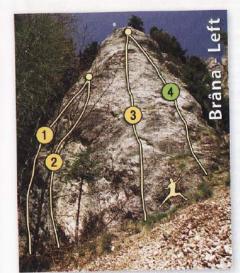




areas. First one is a small pillar which can be seen from the access trail. The second is on a ledge which you'll reach by continuing walking on the trail over the Character: Technical face climbing with steep sections.

Access: Go round the old quarry to the left, and go up the steep slope on the easy to spot trail. Traverse right and you'll reach the Brana sector, which has two distinct

Bolting: Stainless steel expansion bolts.



Frunză-n Vânt

6b 15m



Brâna - Right

The left most route on the ledge.

6 Zdrangalanga

16m 7a



**2**★ **(** 

Vertical face. Technical moves on edges.

7 Hopa Hop

6c+ 15m

8 Cha-Cha-Cha

6b+ 15m

2 2 4

Vertical climb on the right end of the ledge.





Ginseng

2 Gerovital

7a

60+

15m

15m

3 Muk

Start on vertical section, then continue on slabby face.

Hard start move, then slabby face to the top.

Same character as Ginseng, with a harder start.

Panaceu

20m



**1** 2★ **1** 

P→ 2★ (\*\*)

1 2+ 1

Technical slabby face climbing.

Route Name	Grade	Crag	Page	Personal notes
1 Decembrie	8a+?	Postávaru	73	
1 Decembrie - Variation	7b+?	Postāvaru	73	
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Abolander	7c?	Postävaru	72	
Absolution	8b?	Postăvaru	73	
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-A-		crux	Day
abseil	rapel	CIGA	pas
altitude	altitudine	-D-	
anchor	ancoraj	danger	pericol
arete	creastă	descent	coborâre
autumn	toamnă	dihedral	diedru
	tractic and the control of the	dirty	murdar
-B-		downclimb (to)	(a) coborá
backpack	rucsac	drill	bormasină
bear	urs	dry	uscat
beer	bere	dyno	0.0000000000000000000000000000000000000
beginner	incepător	dynio	mișcare dinamică
belay (to)	(a) asigura	-E-	
belaying device	dispozitiv de asigurare	east	est
bolt	spit	edge	rigletă
boulder	bolovan	exit	jeşire
bouldering	bouldering	exposed	STATE OF THE PARTY
bridge	opoziție	extreme	expus
broken	rupt	extreme	extrem
		-F-	
-c-		face	fată
cable-car	telecabină	fall (to)	(a) cădea
cairn	momâie	fall factor	factor de cădere
camping	camping	fallingl	cad!
cams	friend	figure height	opt de rapel
carabiner	carabinieră	fig. of eight knot	nodul in opt
carriage road	drum forestier	finger	deget
cave	grotă	foot	picior
chain	lant	forbidden	Interzis
chalk	magneziu	forecast (weather)	
chimney	horn	forest	pădure
clean (to)	(a) curăta	free climbing	escaladă la liber
cliff	stânçã	free-solo	solo integral
climb (to)	(a) cățăra	friction climbing	CONTRACTOR
climber	cătărător	friend	escaladă la aderenț friend
limbing	escaladă	fuck!	băga-mi-aş!
limbing shoes	papuci de escaladã	Juck:	naga-iiii-aşı
limbing wall	perete de escaladã	-G-	
lip (to)	(a) atasa	gear	echipament
love hitch	cabestan	good byel	la revedere!
ol lo	şa	good night!	noapte bună!
old	rece	quide	ghid
ompass	busolă	guidebook	
ord	cordelină	guidebook	topo
orner	diedru	-H-	
rack	fisură	hand	mână
rashpad	saltea	harness	
rest	creastă	hello!	ham bugā zival
rimp (to)	(a) intepa	helmet	bună ziua! cască
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hi!	salut!	nut	nucă
high	înalt	-0-	
hike	excursie	off belay!	liber!
HMS	semicabestan	on belay!	filez!
hold	priză	on sight	la vedere
hole	gaură	orientation	orientare
hook	cârlig	overhand knot	coada vacii
hot	cald	overhang	surplombă
house	casă	o.c.many	22/8/4/10/2
hut	cabană	_P_	
iidt	Cabana	park (to)	(a) parca
-1-		parking	parcare
STATE THE WAY	Indicatio	partner	partener
indication	indicație itinerariu	pass	şa
itinerary	itinerariu	pendulum	pendul
		7.0.772.00	A294.0931.00425
J		pitch	lungime
jamming	chele	piton	piton
jug	buzunar	practice cliff	faleză de antrenamen
jump	sāriturā	2002	
		-Q-	
-K-		quickdraw	buclă
knot	nod		
		— R —	
-L-		rack	materiale
lake	lac	rain	ploaie
layback	bavareză	rappel	rapel
leading	cap de coardă	rating	gradare
ledge	brână	rescue	salvare
left	stânga	resin	rășină
length	lungime	ridge	creastă
limestone	calcar	right	dreapta
lock biner	carabinieră cu filet	ring	inel
loop	buclā	road	drum
loose rock	rocă friabilă	rock	stancă
lower	inferior	rock climber	cățărător
lower (to)	(a) coborâ	rock!	piatră!
lower me!	dā-mā jos!	rockfall	căderi de pietre
lower!	mal josl	roof	tavan
lunge	lansare	rope	coardă
lulige	lansore	rope!	coardăl
_ M —		rounded hold	căzută
mantle	ridicare	route	traseu
	hartă	rucksack	rucsac
map	munte	runner	anou
mountain move	mișcare	runout	expus
_n_		_s_	
name	nume	sandwich	sandwich
nice	frumos	shade	umbrā
IIICE	namos	shelter	adāpost

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	Romanian	English	Romanian
houlder	umār	tower	turn
ign	semn	track	potecă
ketch	schită	tracks	urme
lab	placă	trad climbing	escaladă clasică
lack!	dă coardă!	trail	potecă
leeping bag	sac de dormit	traverse	traversare
sling	buclā	traverse (to)	(a) traversa
slope	pantă	trek	excursie
smearing	aderență		
solo	solo	_U_	
south	sud	undercling	inversă
sport climbing	escaladă	unroped	fără coardă
spring	primăvară	untie (to)	(a) dezlega
start (of a route)	intrare (în traseu)		
steep	abrupt	-v-	
stem	opoziție	village	sat
straight	drept		
summer	vară	- W	
summit	vårf	walking	pe jos
sunny	însorit	wall	perete
superior	superior	waterfall	cascadă
enterent c		way	cale
_T_		weather	vreme
take!	ţine!	wet	ud
tension!	strånge!	wild	sălbatic
tie (to)	(a) lega	wind	vånt
time	timp	winter	iarnă
top-rope	manşă spre	wolf	lup

## Pronunciation

Romanian spelling is mostly phonetic. There are five special characters whose phonetic pronunciations is given below:

A ä reads a (first sound of above)

A å reads i (no English equivalent)

i reads i (no English equivalent)

s reads f (like in sheep)

T t reads ts (like in nuts)

The other exception is the next group of characters:

ce reads tfe (like tche in hatchet)
ci reads tfi (like tchi in sketching)
ge reads dʒe (like ge in gentle)
qi reads dʒi (like jee in jeep)



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