

Maldevta Rock Climbing Area

Two crags have been developed near Maldevta, Dehradun for sport climbing. The crags are right next to the Song river, having river-washed Shale rock. It has a mix of overhang and vertical climbs with huge jugs and sloper holds, along with some crack climbing in the mix. The two crags are about 200 meter apart from each other.

Early exploration were made by Nitesh, Loki and Shekhar by top roping some of the routes on trad anchors. Yash with the help of Himanshu is responsible for bolting and cleaning up most routes in this area. Special thanks to Tony Da for initiating the development, he bolted the routes - 1, 2, and 3. Mohit Oberoi for his guidance and hardware support.

The routes are well protected with bolts and anchors having chains/crane-hooks/rings. A 50-meter rope is sufficient. Please wear a helmet as goats and monkeys frequent the trails above the crag. You don't need any permission to climb in this area. The summer season does attract Dehradun locals to the riverside where they drink, cook and party. If they choose to party around the rocks then you can request them to move a little away.

How to reach - The climbing area is about 15 km from the Dehradun city centre. It's best to have a private vehicle to reach the crag. The Maldevta Temple Reniwala is your first landmark, which is 5 km away from the crags. Drive straight from the temple keeping the river on the right and do not cross any bridge. The 'GoStops' hostel which is 1.5 km before the climbing area is a good landmark. Once you reach the crag, cross the river by jumping across boulders.

BSF - Indian armed forces called 'Border Security Force' had first explored these faces and marked them in 2013. They still conduct their training once in a while at the beginner climbing location. However, they don't use the intermediate area so much. They are very much okay with climbers climbing in the area.

Nearby stay - Pitching a tent on top of the intermediate area is nice. GoStops hostel is also a good option.

Season - All months of the year except Monsoon months i.e. July, August, and September. Don't try your luck on rainy days, as the chances of rock fall and landslides on road leading to the crag are high. Post-monsoon crossing the river is challenging, so be careful.



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Map coordinates : 30.378680, 78.159411



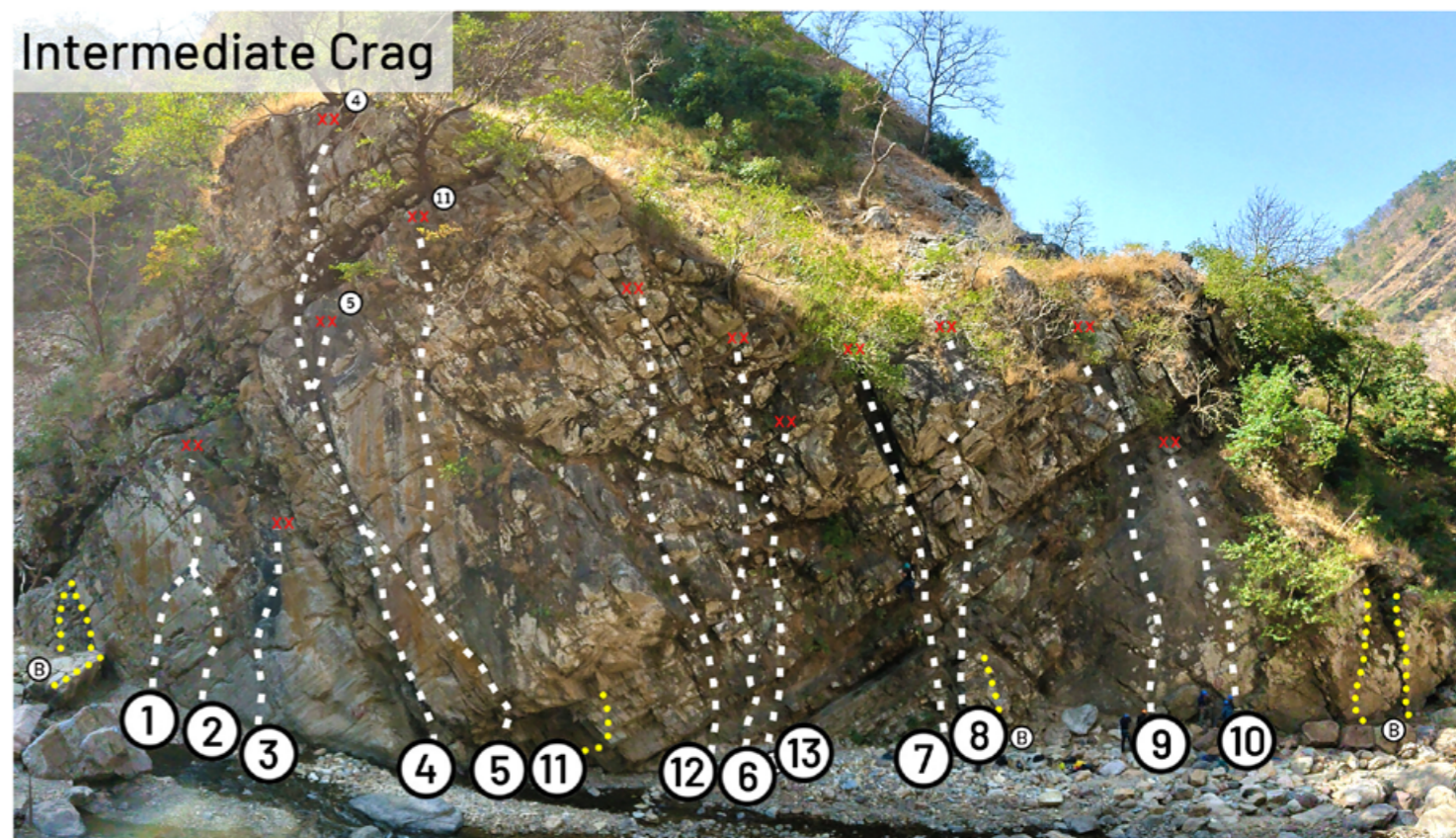
Beginner Crag



- A** 5B | 30 M | TR
Carry a 20 meter rope to extend the anchor over the edge from the tree.
- B** 5B+ | 14 M | TR
Anchor bolts, be careful while setting up.
- C** 5B | 14 M | TR
Delicate movement on black section. Anchor bolts.

- D** 5B+ | 14 M | TR
Anchor the tree.
- E** 4+ | 14 M | TR
Super Beginner friendly. Anchor bolts.

Intermediate Crag



- 1** XXX | 12 M | 5 + 2 | 7A+
Sloppy traverse with some balancy moves.
- 2** YYY | 12 M | 5 + 2 | 7A
Balancy. Slopy. Slippery.
- 3** Shilajit | 10 M | 3 + 2 | 6A+
Powerful start on slippery rock.
- 4** Krantiveer | 23 M | 11 + 2 | 6B+
Through the crack, a big rest and to a overhanging finish.
- 5** Rihswat | 20 M | 8 + 2 | ?
Diagonal then vertical.
- 12**.Koshish | 18 M | 5 + 2 | 6B
Commit at the overhang.
- 6** Punya-Paap | 17 M | 5 + 2 | 6B
Carefully freesolo to the first bolt. Cruxy overhang.
- 7** Chimney-Kum | 16 M | Trad | 5C
Not a Chimney.
- 8** Punarjanma | 18 M | 8 + 2 | 6C
Be reborn as you mantle the slab. Extend 5th and 6th Quickdraws to reduce drag.
- 9** Naram-Garam | 16 M | 5 + 2 | 5B
Something everyone can.
- 10** Pragati | 12 M | 4 + 2 | 5C+
The start is a puzzle.
- 11** Atrangi | 21 M | 7 + 2 | ?
Everymove in the book.
- 13** Naya Pyar | 14 M | 5 + 2 | 5C+
Diagonal then vertical.

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