

AGIOS ANDREAS

Climbing Guidebook

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A hands-on account

General information, access guide, panoramas and topos

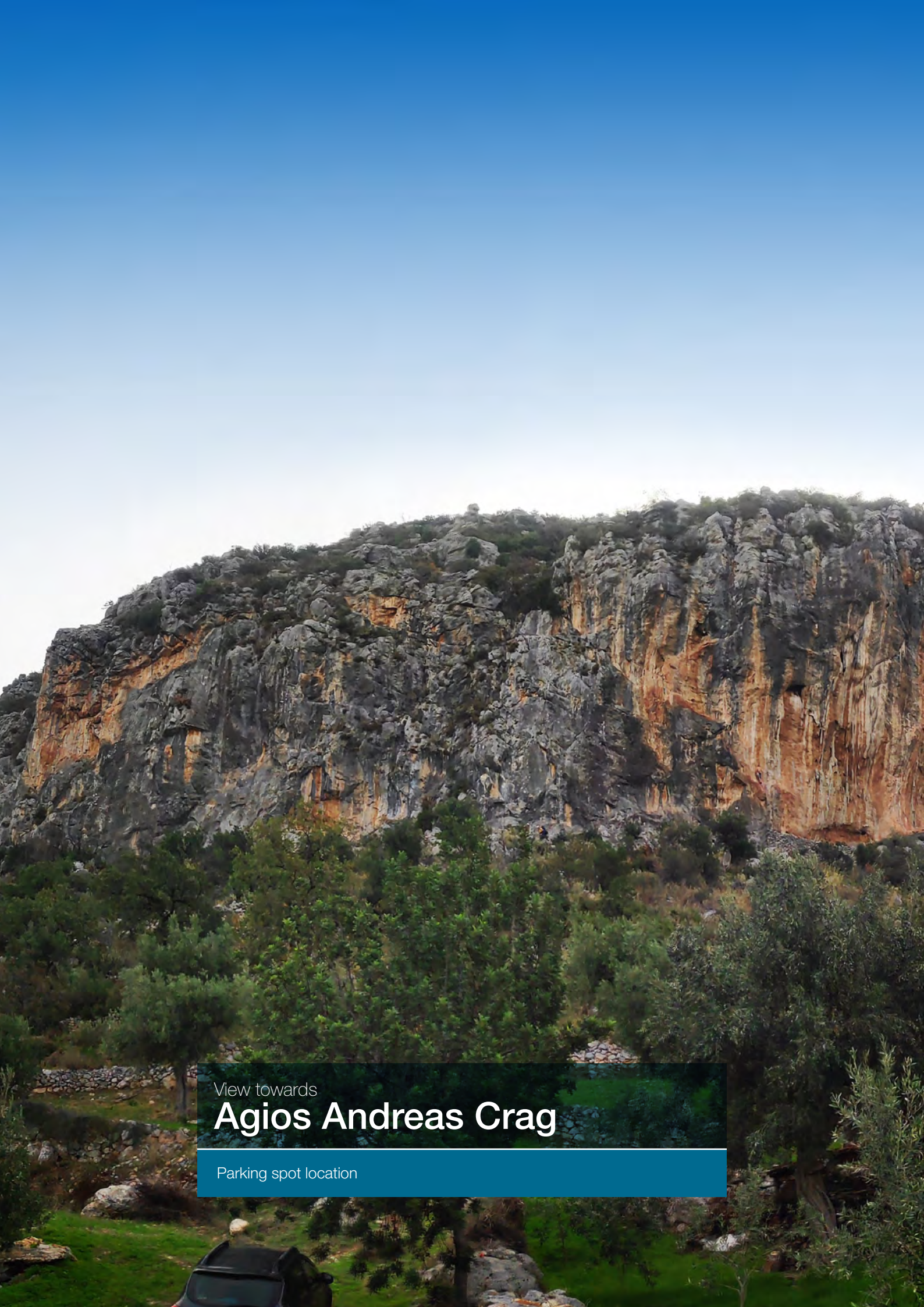
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AGIOS ANDREAS CRAG ARCADIA GREECE

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View towards

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WARNING ABOUT THIS GUIDEBOOK

Read before using this guidebook

Warning

This guidebook is a compilation of unverified information gathered from many different climbers.

The author cannot ensure the accuracy of any of the information in this book, including topos and route descriptions, difficulty ratings, and protection ratings.

These may be incorrect or misleading, as ratings of climbing difficulty and risk are always subjective and depend on the physical characteristics (for example, height), experience, technical ability, confidence, and physical fitness of the climber who supplied the rating.

Additionally, climbers who achieve first ascents sometimes underrate the difficulty or risk of the climbing route.

Therefore, be warned that you must exercise your own judgment on where a climbing route goes, its difficulty, and your ability to safely protect yourself from the risks of rock climbing.

Examples of some of these risks are: falling due to technical difficulty or due to natural hazards such as holds breaking, falling rock, climbing equipment dropped by other climbers, adverse weather conditions, failure of your own equipment, and failure or absence of fixed protection.

Here are some ways to use this guidebook more safely.

1. Consultation: You should always consult with other climbers about the difficulty and risks of a particular route before attempting it. Most local climbers are glad to provide advice on routes in their area; we suggest that you contact locals to confirm ratings and safety of particular routes and to obtain first-hand information about the route of your choice.

2. Instruction: Most climbing areas have local climbing instructors and guides available. We recommend that you engage an instructor or guide to learn safety techniques and to become familiar with the routes and hazards of the areas described in this book. Even if you are already proficient in climbing safely, occasionally hiring a guide is a safe way to raise your climbing standard and learn advanced techniques.

3. Fixed Protection: Some of the routes in this book may use fixed bolts and pitons that have been pre-placed on the rock. Because of vari-

ances in the manner of placement, weathering, metal fatigue, the quality of the metal used, and many other factors, these fixed protection pieces should always be sceptically considered and should be backed up when possible by your own gear.

Never depend on a single piece of fixed protection for your safety, because you can never tell whether it will single-handedly hold weight. In some cases, fixed protection may have been removed or is now missing.

However, climbers should avoid adding new pieces of fixed protection, unless they deem the pre-placed protection faulty and are looking to replace it. Existing protection can be tested by an experienced climber, to determine its strength. The ethics of climbing also strongly discourage adding bolts or drilled pitons to a pre-existing route, intending the route to be climbed as it was meant to be by the first ascent party.

Be aware of the following specific potential hazards that could arise in using this book:

1. Incorrect Descriptions of Routes:

If you climb a route and you have a doubt as to where it goes, you should not continue unless you are sure that you can go that way safely. Route descriptions and topos in this book could be inaccurate or misleading.

2. Incorrect Difficulty Rating:

A route might be more difficult than the rating indicates. Do not be lulled into a false sense of security by the difficulty rating.

3. Incorrect Protection Rating:

If you climb a route and you are unable to arrange adequate protection from the risk of falling through the use of fixed pitons or bolts and by placing your own protection devices, do not assume that there is adequate protection available higher just because the route protection rating indicates the route does not have an X or an R rating. Every route is potentially an X (a fall may be deadly), due to the inherent hazards of

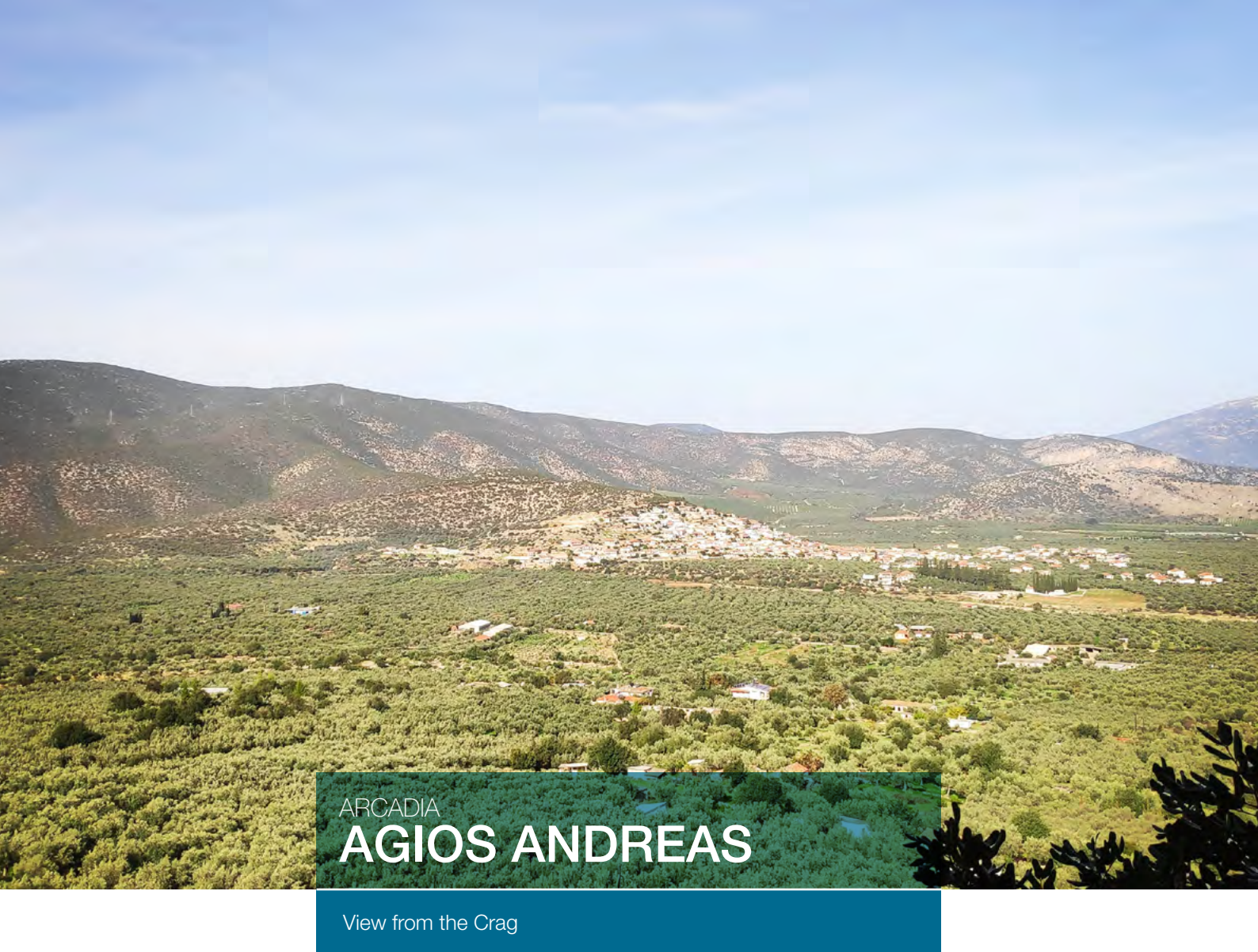
climbing—including, for example, failure or absence of fixed protection, your own equipment's failure, faulty protection placement, or improper use of climbing equipment.

4. Failure to Warn of a Particular Hazard:

Although an effort has been made to warn of known hazards on particular routes, this guide does not warn of every hazard that exists on every route. Climb carefully and be watchful for potential hazards.

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There are no warranties of fitness for a particular purpose or that this guide is merchantable. Your use of this book indicates your assumption of the risk that it may contain errors and is an acknowledgment of your own sole responsibility for your climbing safety.



ARCADIA

AGIOS ANDREAS

View from the Crag

Agios Andreas

Agios Andreas is an area that consists of the beautiful village of **Agios Andreas** (which was created by the residents of the large Tsakonian village of Prastos), its beach, **Agios Georgios**, and the **Arkadiko Chorio** (Arcadian Village, a model settlement founded in the 1980s).

Agios Andreas is located on the road **Astros-Leonidio** at a distance of 6 km from Astros and 40 KM, North of Leonidio.

In the South West of the village, on a hill above orchards with olive trees, stands a vertical rock, with North-West orientation, and height 20-40 meters, of excellent quality solid limestone.

On the right part of the crag the color of the rock is **orange-red**, and decorated with beautiful stalactite formations. On the left area of the crag there are gray plaques and mainly vertical or **slightly**

positive slope. The location is idealic, with beautiful views to the sea and towards the village.

After climbing do not miss a stop for a drink or snack in the beautiful square of the village, or the fish restaurants by the seaside.



About Arcadia

Arcadia is a rural, mountainous regional unit comprising about 18% of the land area of the Peloponnese peninsula. It is the peninsula's largest regional unit.

According to the 2011 census, it has about 86,000 inhabitants; its capital, Tripoli, has about 30,000 residents in the city proper, and about 47,500 total in the greater metropolitan area.

Arcadia consists partly of farmland, and to a larger extent grassland and degenerated shrubland. It also has three mountain ranges, with forestation mainly at altitudes above 1000 meters: Mainalo, a winter ski resort, situated in the central north; Parnon in the central south; and Mount Lykaion, famous for the ancient history and myths associated with it, in the southwest.

The capital is Tripolis, tho most climbing action takes place on Leonidio.

Nevertheless, in the last few years there has been developed numerous new climbing areas such

as: **Agios Andreas, Agios Petros, Arcadia/Repodina and Voulomeni/Nestani.**

The most visited area for climbing activities is Leonidio, but certainly paying a visit to **Agios Andreas** is a great idea.

Useful links:

General Info: [Olympus Mountaineering](#)
[About Arcadia](#)
[Climbing in Leonidio](#)

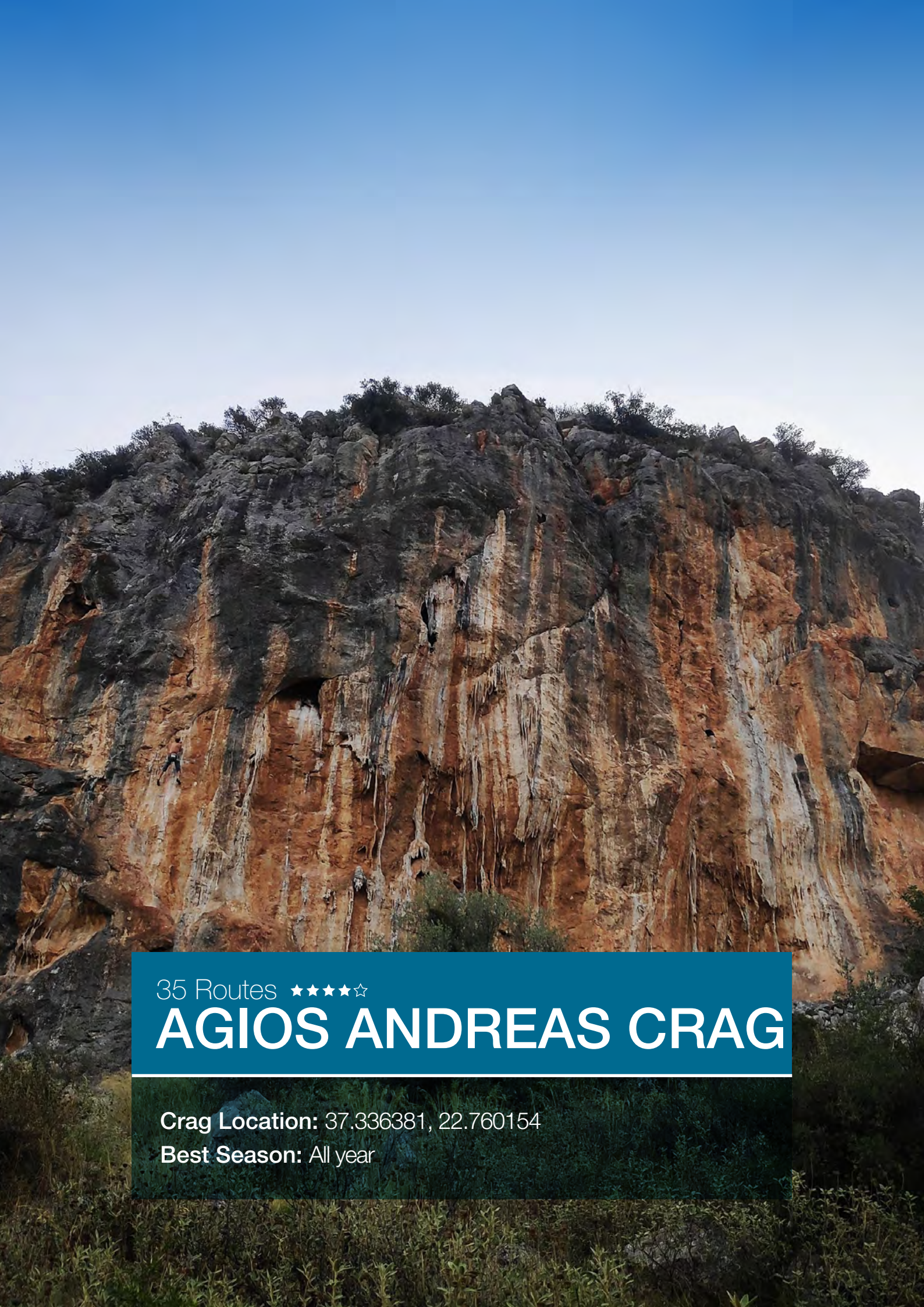
Camping: [Repodina Camping](#)
[Semeli Camping](#)
[Astros Camping](#)



GREECE

AGIOS ANDREAS

View from the crag



35 Routes ★★★★★

AGIOS ANDREAS CRAG

Crag Location: 37.336381, 22.760154

Best Season: All year

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35 Routes



Arcadia

Crag location: 37.336381, 22.760154

Season: All year | **Walk in:** 5 minutes

General information

A new sport climbing crag was developed near the village of **Agios Andreas** in **Arcadia region**, Peloponnese, Greece.

The development of the climbing crag began in late **2019** by **Andy Long** and followed up by **Climb Greece** team and **T. Landman** in 2020.

Climb Greece team consists of A.Theodoropoulos, C. Idoux, D. Titopoulos, D. Klaoudatou, K. Grafanakis, T. Porri, C. Ziavras.

The rock consists of grey-brown and red limestone of very good quality with a **total of 35 routes** for the time being. There are routes for all types of climbing, but this crag will be appreciated the most by intermediate and experienced climbers.

All year climbing is possible, the best seasons to visit the **Agios Andreas Crag** is from late **Autumn** till **early summer**.

Grades 5a to 8b.

In a Nutshell

Exposure: North-West

Best Season: All year

Sun: From 14.00

Walk in: 5 minutes

Water: None

Family Friendly: Yes

Pet Friendly: Yes

Camping: at parking spot

Gear: 80 m. rope, 20 quickdraws

Routes bolted by: Climb Greece, Andy Long and T. Landman



AGIOS ANDREAS CRAG
Django 5b

Climber: El Houdal



ROCK QUALITY
AGIOS ANDREAS CRAG

Rock consists of grey-brown and red limestone



Access

From **Athens** take the high way towards Corinth-Tripolis and take the exit toward **Ancient Nemea/Nafplio/Mycenae**.

Then, take EO Korinthou Argous, EO Argous Tripoleos, Kiveriou - Astrous and Astrous - Leonidiou.

At point (37.343998, 22.761651) you will reach the village of Agios Andreas.

Follow the signs towards **profitis Elias** and you can park your car on this point:
37.336563, 22.759222



AGIOS ANDREAS CRAG
LEGOLAS

Climber: Olympus Mountaineering



#	Name	Grade	M.	✓
01.	Trakas	6a	18 m.	
02.	Skali	5b	15 m.	
03.	Bilbo	5a	15 m.	
04.	Django	5b	15 m.	
05.	Legolas	5c	17 m.	
06.	Amelie	6c	22 m.	
07.	Dirty Harry	5c	18 m.	
08.	Spock	6a	22 m.	
09.	Rampo	5c	20 m.	
10.	Joker	5c+	20 m.	

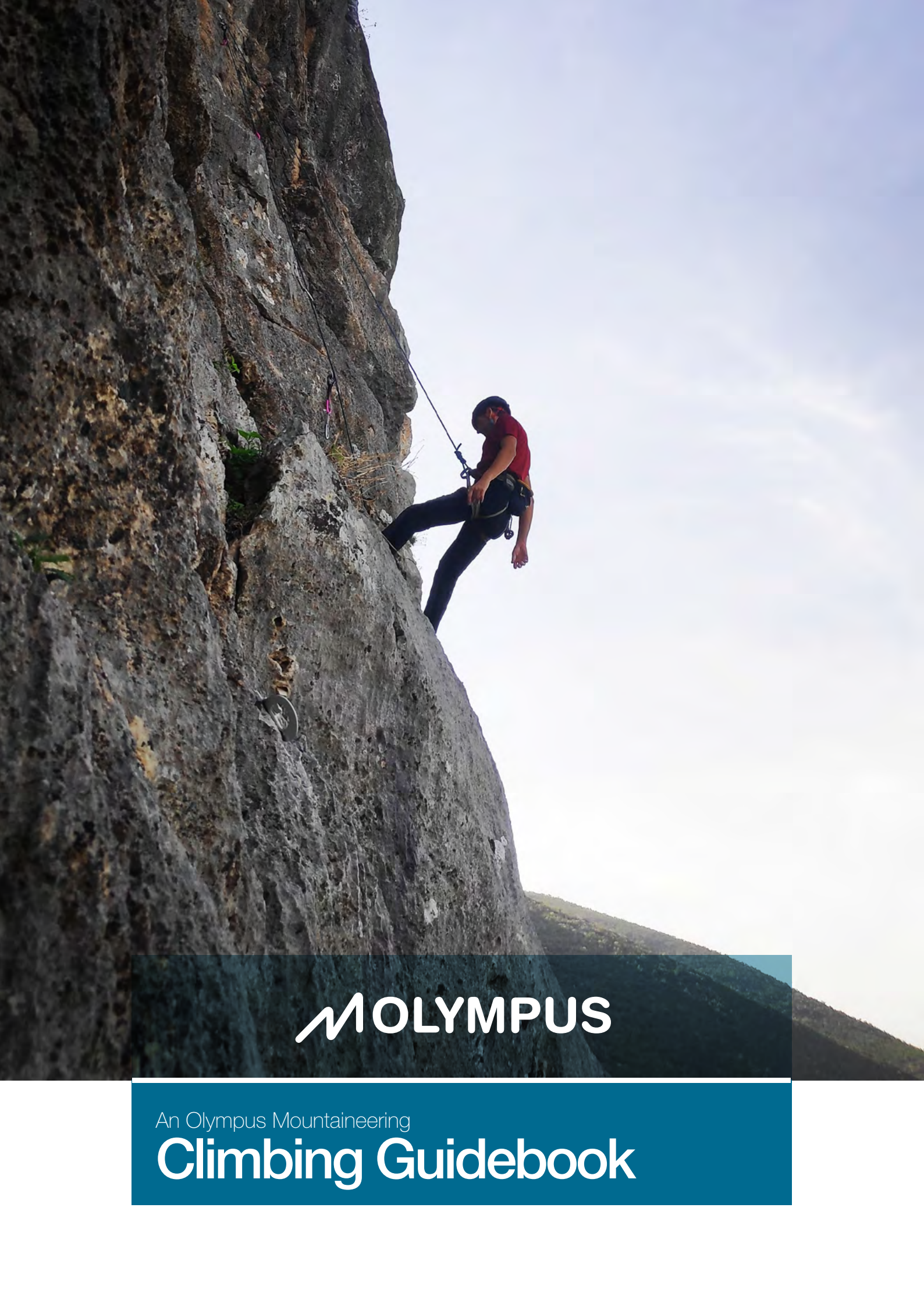
#	Name	Grade	M.	✓
11.	Dark Knight	6b	15 m.	
12.	Baby Driver	6a+	20 m.	
13.	Baby Driver ext.	6c	28 m.	
14.	1201	7c	28 m.	
15.	1202	7b+	28 m.	
16.	46	6c+	28 m.	
17.	Dimi	7a+	28 m.	
18.	Off the Wall	6c+	25 m.	
19.	No name 19	?	25 m.	
20.	Hands of time	7b	18 m.	



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#	Name	Grade	M.	✓
21.	Skin and bones	7c	35 m.	
22.	Oshi	8a	35 m.	
23.	Jackson Left	?	35 m.	
24.	Jackson Storm	8b	35 m.	
25.	Lightning McQueen	7c+	19 m.	
26.	Icarus	8a	30 m.	
27.	Baba Ghanoush	7c+	30 m.	
28.	Nomad	6c+	25 m.	
29.	Gollum	6a+	16 m.	
30.	Aragorn	6a+	16 m.	

#	Name	Grade	M.	✓
31.	Scarface	7b	20 m.	
32.	Hannibal	6c+	20 m.	
33.	Fire	6b+	20 m.	
34.	Paradise city	6a+	20 m.	
35.	Enigma	6c+	20 m.	

A person in a red shirt and dark pants is climbing a steep, dark rock face. They are wearing a helmet and a climbing harness, and a rope is attached to their harness. The rock face is textured and has some small plants growing on it. The background is a clear blue sky with some light clouds. The overall scene is one of adventure and outdoor recreation.

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