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Mt. Russell, southeast face, new route

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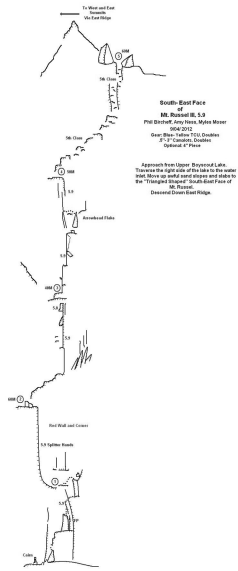
The southeast face of Mt. Russell is a looming triangular wall above Upper Boy Scout Lake in the Mt. Whitney region. On September 4, Amy Ness, Phil Bircheff, and I climbed a new route on the face via a clean corner system. The route begins just left of a massive corner (which may have been climbed by an unknown party), under a very obvious red corner 150' up. The first pitch climbs to the red corner, and the second follows it for a full 60m. Two more 5.9 pitches are followed by easy fifth-class terrain, which gains the east ridge and eventually the summit, making for a big day out. While the route has a long approach from Upper Boy Scout Lake, it is quite worth it (III 5.9).

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Images



A new route on Mt. Russell's southeast face, at an accessible length and grade.



Mt. Russell southeast face topo.

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