

Peak 4,360', first ascent; Whitecrown, first ascent

Alaska, Chugach Mountains

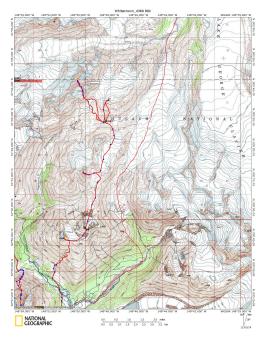
In March, Carrie Wang and I climbed two peaks comprising the "last of the Western Chugach Mountains." The Western Chugach includes all peaks with at least 500' of prominence south of the Knik River Valley and west of the west fork of Twentymile River.

We first made a base camp at Bagg Pass on the eastern edge of the Western Chugach Mountains. On March 21 we skinned up Peak 4,360', and the following day we skinned partway up and then climbed Whitecrown (6,390') via a spur on its southeast ridge. These were reportedly the last two unclimbed peaks in the Western Chugach. We climbed a few other peaks on the same trip.

On July 16, Carrie and I climbed Far Out Peak (5,750') and Pass Out Peak (5,940') from the flats to the northeast. My summiting of these two peaks marked the first time anyone had climbed all 166 peaks in the Western Chugach.

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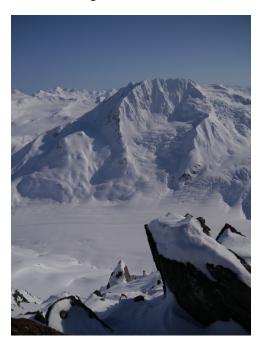
Whitecrown (6,390') and Peak 4,360' are the two northernmost peaks marked on the map.



Carrie Wang climbs along the corniced southeast ridge of Whitecrown (6,390').



Carrie Wang on Peak 4,360' with the east face of Whitecrown in the background.



An impressive view of the unclimbed northwest face of Whitecrown (6,390'), as seen on a previous trip.

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