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Cerro Albardón del Potrero Escondido, southeast face

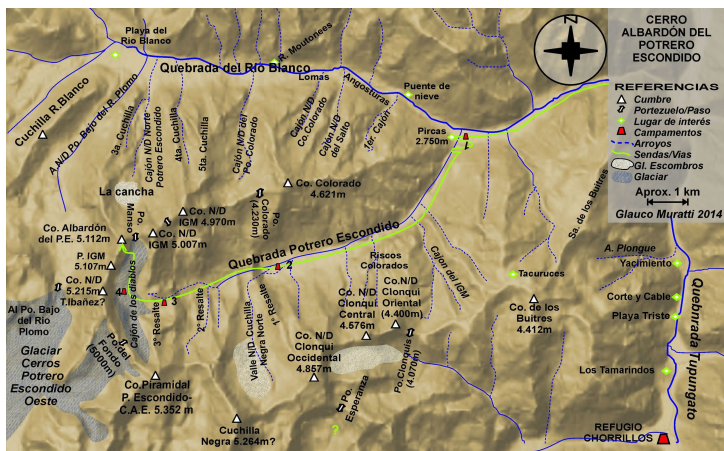
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Cerro Albardón del Potrero Escondido (5,112m) is part of the Cordón del Potrero Escondido Los Clonquis, outside of Mendoza. In November, Adrián Petrocelli and Glauco Muratti (both Argentina) departed from Punta de Vacas to make the first ascent.

They made four camps as they approached up the Quebrada Potrero Escondido. The lack of winter snowfall and hot conditions made travel difficult. While one would normally expect south-facing couloirs to contain large avalanche cones at their base, the climbers found black névé and rotten water ice. The pair reached the summit on November 20. The last section was easy 40° snow. They descended the same route and returned to Punta de Vacas in two days.

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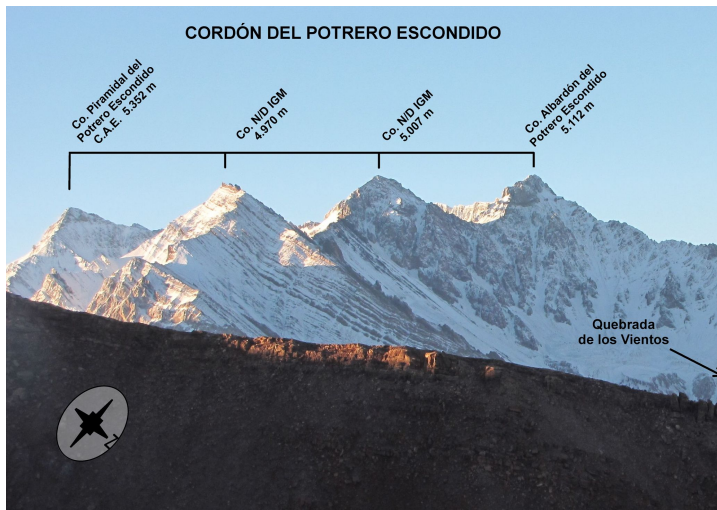
An overview map of Cordón del Potrero Escondido Los Clonquis, showing Cerro Albardón del Potrero Escondido (5,112m) on the far left. Adrián Petrocelli and Glauco Muratti ascended the southeast aspect of the peak.



Beginning the climb up the southeast face of Cerro Albardón del Potrero Escondido (5,112m).



Looking down at high camp in the Cordón del Potrero Escondido Los Clonquis, with Cerro Albardón del Potrero Escondido (5,112m) out of view behind the photographer.



The Cordón del Potrero Escondido, with the southeast face of Cerro Albardón del Potrero Escondido (5,112m) on the far right, as seen during a heavier snow year.

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