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Nevado Churup, Southwest Face, La Divina Providencia

Peru, Cordillera Blanca

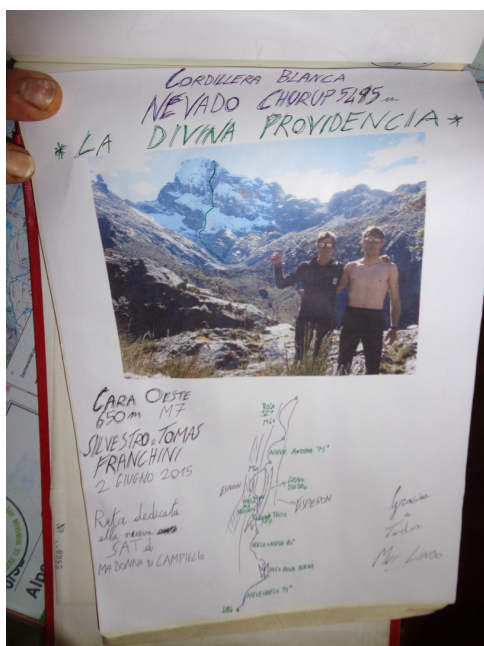
On June 2, my brother Silvestro Franchini and I climbed a route on the rocky right side of the southwest face of Nevado Churup (5,495m, a.k.a. Tsurup), directly in line with the peak's west shoulder and right of the typical snow/ ice route on the south face. The approach took one hour from camp at Laguna Churup (ca 4,550m), with 75° slopes to reach the wall. It took us nine hours to climb to the top of the wall and west shoulder. There was good rock in the lower part and rotten rock up top. We abseiled down the southwest face's most commonly used descent route (Fear-Lahr-Malotoux-Ridgeway, AAJ 1973), which had rock anchors in place. We called our route La Divina Providencia (650m, M7 80°).

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Images



The summit of Nevado Churup as seen from atop La Divina Providencia (650m, M7 80°) on the mountain's west shoulder.



A topo and route line photo for La Divina Providencia (650m, M7 80°).



Tomas Franchini doing some steep dry-tooling on La Divina Providencia.



A foreshortened view of Nevado Churup showing La Divina Providencia (650m, M7 80°).



Silvestro Franchini leading the first pitch of La Divina Providencia.



Silvestro Franchini follows mixed ground low on the route.



Tomas Franchini begins the M7 pitch on La Divina Providencia.

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