

Pik Polkovaya, Piks Koksai East and West

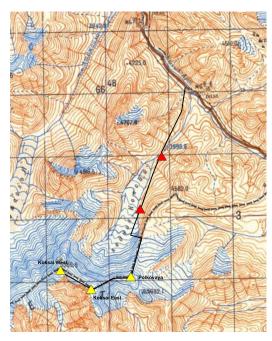
Kyrgyzstan, Pamir Alai, Koksai Valley

In early July, Gabriel Beno, Lukas Kroker, and I acclimatized on Pik Legendarnaya Magnitka (4,550m), then traveled to the Koksai Valley, west of the Bor-Dobo border crossing into Tajikistan. We hiked three hours south of the Pamir Highway to our first campsite and then to a high camp at 4,350m, just under a ramp leading up to a broad col (4,570m) on the northern ridge of Pik Polkovaya (5,097m, 39.3614427N, 73.2436875E).

On July 10 we reached the pass and continued up the northern ridge to the top of Polkovaya and then continued on to Piks Koksai East (5,340m) and Koksai West (5,356m). Ice pitches up to 50° required belaying on ice screw anchors. We returned the same way.

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Images



Map of the 2022 expedition's approach and climbs in the Koksai Valley, west of the Bor-Dobo border crossing.



Route followed for the ascents of Piks Polkovaya and Koksai East and West.

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