

Middle Cathedral Rock, Daddy Issues

California, Sierra Nevada, Yosemite National Park

In May, Americans Nik Berry and Will Sharp completed Daddy Issues (5.13+) on Middle Cathedral's north face. The partial new route follows the first ten pitches of Father Time (AAJ 2013) before moving right off a bivy ledge into four new pitches of steep climbing. Daddy Issues links back into Father Time for the Boulder Problem pitch (5.13), then follows six more new pitches to the top. The crux came on pitch 16. After cleaning and working the key pitches top-down, Berry and Sharp completed a two-day ground-up free ascent. Days later, the duo sent the climb in 13.5 hours.

-Julian Dreiman, AAJ, with information from published reports and Nik Berry

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