

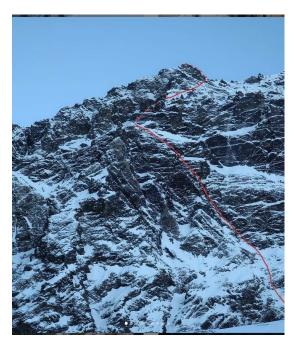
Cerro San Francisco, southeast face, new variation

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In late July 2021, Nicolás Gutierrez, Rodrigo Diaz, and I climbed a new variation on the elegant southeast face of Cerro San Francisco (4,345m; 33°44′52″S, 70°5′17″W), located in Monumento Natural El Morado, just southwest of Cerro Morado (4,647m). Our route climbs an incredible, narrow couloir that diagonals up and left, eventually reaching the southwestern shoulder via the upper part of the Krahl-Meier route. [Editor's Note: The initial section of this couloir is shared with the 2015 route Antiparkes (Baró-Farré, AAJ 2016); however, that route exits the couloir to the right and zigzags up the wall well to the right of the 2021 route.] We descended the other side of the mountain via Embalse del Yeso, 24 hours in all.

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Images



The southeast face of Cerro San Francisco indicating the new 2021 variation.



En route on the southeast face of Cerro San Francisco.

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