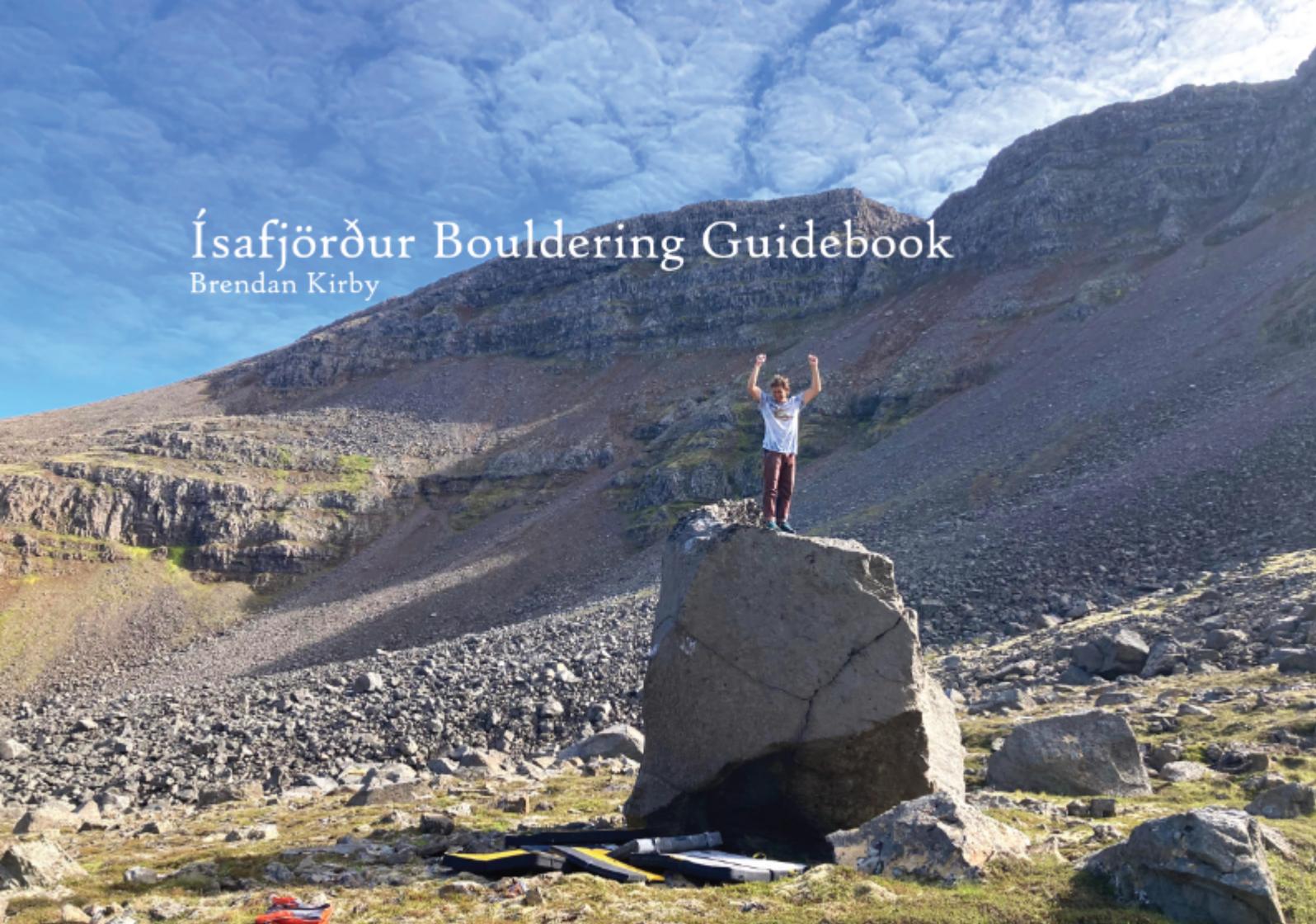


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Ísafjörður Town | Photo: Björgvin Hilmarrsson

Foreword

In recent years, rock climbing has grown in popularity around Iceland. Even Ísafjörður, this remote town in the Westfjords, now has a climbing gym. The Westfjords as a whole currently holds a few sport climbing crags and pockets of decent rock for trad climbing. In the past, people focused less on bouldering, leaving most previously discovered and climbed problems undocumented. However, this has recently changed. We now have an extensive bouldering guidebook in the making, documenting our local climbing and its future potential.

Sometimes you need an outsider to really see what an area has to offer. In Iceland we have this saying, 'glögg er gests augað', or 'the eye of the guest is sharp'. I still look at myself as an outsider in the Westfjords, only moving here in 2019. Since then, I've managed to spot new and unexplored climbing areas. That's not because I have a special talent, it's because of my enthusiasm as an outsider. I was able to see things in a different light than someone who has been living here their whole life.

Brendan Kirby came to Ísafjörður to study at the University Centre Of The Westfjords in 2024. Being a climber, he quickly became part of the community in town. As true outsider and a foreigner in the country, his eyes were really sharp. Equipped with endless drive and energy, he did what had not been done before, he started professionally documenting our local bouldering areas and problems. Apart from a few previously established lines, the vast majority of the problems in this guidebook were set up and climbed by Brendan.

Seeing this finished guidebook is not only great for me personally, it's great for our climbing community and the Westfjords as a whole. Remote towns like Ísafjörður struggle not only to attract new residents but also to persuade tourists to deviate from the most common Ring Road route. The Westfjord's main attraction has long been nature and outdoor sporting possibilities. This guidebook is very welcomed and will help open up the world of bouldering to many.

Congratulations to us all and many thanks to Brendan for his amazing work on this guidebook.

Björgvin Hilmarsson, President of the Westfjords Climbing Club



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Acknowledgment and Introduction

Acknowledgment

This guidebook would not have been possible without those who paved the way before me. There is a deep history of climbing in Westfjords, and until recently almost all bouldering, even problems that have been climbed before, remained undocumented. I feel fortunate to have had the opportunity to revisit these problems, climb new ones, and catalog most of what Ísafjörður has to offer.

Introduction

Welcome to the edge of the Arctic and the first edition of the Ísafjörður Bouldering Guidebook. I am proud to present this to you all. The creation of this guidebook became a passion project of mine during my master's studies in Ísafjörður at the University Centre of the Westfjords between 2024 and 2025.

I first visited Ísafjörður in 2022 on a bikepacking trip across Iceland and this area blew my mind. I quickly recognized I was in a very special part of the world. Funny enough, I ended up living here two years later.

As an avid climber with over a decade of experience, the search for outdoor rock is always on my mind. Little did I know that bouldering, of all things, would hook me. It wasn't long until I found out I was in the perfect place for it.

The more I searched, the more I found. The tiny town of Ísafjörður had a lot more climbing to offer than I originally had anticipated. I made it my mission to piece together our local bouldering and ended up spending all my free time in and around the surrounding mountains.

The bouldering in Ísafjörður is unique and in many ways magical. It's has a perfect mix of beginner and intermediate problems with plenty of projects and unclimbed boulders for those more advanced. You'll find lots of lowballs, tricky top outs, and even some highballs topping at six meters.

I hope you enjoy your time here as much as I have.

Using This Guidebook

- This guidebook documents bouldering areas within a 10 km radius from Ísafjörður.
- Each area is distinguished by color on the verso or left hand page. In total, this guidebook includes 8 different areas: Ísafjörður Town, Gleiðarhjalli, Naustahvilft, Kirkjubólshvilft, Fossavatn, Coastline, Hnífsdalur, & Seljadalur
- Each area, and its sectors, has a descriptive introduction with boulder problem recommendations, parking information, approach details, and the total number of boulders or problems.
- Maps have been created in tandem with each area and sector. GPS coordinates are presented in decimal degrees and have been added throughout the guide to make the search easier. For further GPS information please visit @isafjordurbouldering on Instagram
- A simple rating system (good, classic, or iconic) is located within the extra information.
- Boulders are given names if they contain 3 or more problems.
- Descriptions in the guidebook are laid out in this format:

Number | Name of problem | Grade | Starting position | Starting beta | Extra information

Map Legend

Note: Boulder colors represent grade ranges. Overlapping colors indicate a wider range of grades on that boulder.

- VB - V1
- V2 - V3
- V4 - V5
- V6+
- Project or Unclimbed
- Path / Trail
- Off-trail
- Landslide
- Forest Area
- River or Stream
- Change in Elevation
- P Parking

V Grade	Font Grade
VB/V0	3/4
V1	5
V2	5+
V3	6a/6a+
V4	6b/6b+
V5	6c/6c+
V6	7a
V7	7a+
V8	7b/7b+
V9	7c
V10	7c+
V11	8a
V12	8a+
V13	8b
V14	8b+
V15	8c
V16	8c+
V17	9a

General Information

History & Culture -

Ísafjörður has a vibrant history dating back to 16th century as a fishing town and trading post. As chronicled in the Landnámabók (the Book of Settlement), Skutulsfjörður, the fjord Ísafjörður sits on, was first settled in the 9th century by the Viking Helgi Magri Hrólfsson. Today, Ísafjörður is a lively town and by many considered the adventure capital of the Westfjords. You can visit Byggðasafn Vestfjarða (Westfjords Maritime and Heritage Museum) in Ísafjörður town to learn more about its history and culture.

Population & Demographics -

The population of Ísafjörður is roughly 2,700 inhabitants. The majority of the population is Icelandic but there is also a major base of foreigners living in the town too. The University Centre of the Westfjords in particular brings in a new cohort of international students each year, many of whom stay.

Location & Geography -

Ísafjörður is located at 66° north within the fjord of Skutulsfjörður and is surrounded by steep mountains. To its northwest lies the mountain Eyrarfjall and to its southeast rises Ernir, both of which encapsulate the town. During half of the winter, Ísafjörður will be completely cut off from the sun. In the summer however, you can enjoy 24 hours of light! The municipality of Ísafjarðarbær contains the towns of Ísafjörður, Hnífsdalur, Flateyri, Suðureyri and Þingeyri.

Geology -

The bouldering around the Westfjords and Ísafjörður is characterized by andesitic and rhyolitic boulders. Both rock types form from lava that cools at the Earth's surface which classifies them as igneous rocks. Rhyolite is high in silica, making its lava thick and sticky, whereas andesite has an intermediate silica composition. The rock here is prone to drying very fast. If it rains in the morning, there is a good chance by the afternoon it could be dry. My reference point is to always check the sidewalks and roads in town. if they're dry, you're likely good to go!

Weather, Climate & When to Visit -

The weather and climate of the Westfjords can be simply described as... "unpredictable"... Summers and winters can be all of the above: freezing, cold, cool, warm, hot, wet, dry, windy, cloudy, or sunny. The best time to visit is during the climbing season which typically happens between the months of May - October. From mid-May to late July you will even have 24 hours of light. If you you want to see the aurora borealis, September is a great month to visit but temperatures will begin to drop, especially at night. As for the off season, if you get lucky, you should be able to sneak in a few days around Ísafjörður town itself or along the coastline as these areas are the first to be snow free.

Getting There & Getting Around (Transportation) -

Ísafjörður is neither the hardest nor the easiest place to get to. In the summer months, if the weather is stable, it is an incredibly pleasant experience. In the winter, if it's windy or snowy, it can be an adventure of a lifetime.

Car - The total driving distance is just over 400 km from Reykjavik and takes around 6 hours or more depending on the number of stops you take during your journey. I would highly recommend stopping at one of the many natural hot springs! Once in the Westfjords, you can either choose the northern or southern route. The northern route contains better roads and is generally easier to drive. The southern route however is more beautiful in my opinion. If given the choice, I would do the entire loop, it's a no-brainer. Both routes offer incredible scenery and plenty to do along the way.

Plane - The flight leaves from Reykjavik Domestic Airport (RKV not KEF) to Ísafjörður and is very easy but inconsistent as you will be flying on a smaller aircraft. If the weather is stable, the flight takes around 45 minutes and is incredibly scenic. Enjoy the landing too, it's a once in a lifetime experience in itself! If the weather is windy, cloudy, or rainy the flight may be delayed or canceled. If this happens, you'll be given the choice to stay in Reykjavik and try again the next day or rent a car and take the 6 hour drive up.

Climbing - The best ways to get to the climbing areas are as follows: Walk from Ísafjörður town if climbing locally, by bike if you can tie off your crash pad, or by car and park at the marked car park locations on the area maps.

General Information

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Climbing History -

I cannot speak with any authority or in length about the history of climbing in the Westfjords as I was only a blow-in who became connected with the landscapes and the mountains here. However, I know the Westfjords has world class ice climbing and a few absolute crushers around who have helped created a network of insanely steep and demanding lines. Trad and sport climbing is also being continually developed from a handful of dedicated climbers. From newer crags such as Norðurfjörður or Valþjófsdalur, to the older traditional area of Sauratindar, or the bigger walls in Hrafnfjörður, the history here is vast and undoubtedly shaped by the pioneers who came before us. I am lucky to have climbed here and be a part of this history in my own way.

Grades -

This guidebook uses the Hueco or Vermin (V) Scale system for grading. The grades do not take into account how dangerous a climb may be in regard to landing zone or height. I also did not boulder much before moving to Ísafjörður as I spent most of the last decade on ropes climbing trad, sport, and ice. With that said, I tried my best with the grading. Most of the climbs in this guidebook have yet to receive a second opinion so there could be some discrepancy in the grades.

Safety & Ethics

As noted in the disclaimer, bouldering is inherently a dangerous activity. Please let others know where you will be climbing especially if you head off alone. Many of these climbing areas are at risk of rockfall. Please take caution and evaluate your surroundings before climbing. Also, do your best not to disrupt any natural growth and always make sure to leave no trace. These landscapes are world class so let's please try to collectively keep it that way.

Phone Service -

Phone service is generally good around Ísafjörður. However the areas of Kirkjubólshvilt, Fossavatn, and Seljadalur can be hit or miss depending on your provider.

Drinking Water -

Water is drinkable almost everywhere but use your own best judgment and always take your water from the most reliable source. There's a reason people say Iceland has the world's cleanest water. It honestly tastes better here than anywhere else in the world.

Swimming -

Brrr..... It's cold.. or is it just you? Ísafjörður lies on the ocean and swimming can be found. The local beach is not recommended but Fossavatn lake is a great for swimming and the river has a few beautiful swimming holes with waterfalls along the approach.

Saga Björgvinsdóttir drinking straight from the streams of Seljadalur

Photo: Björgvin Hilmarrson

Lupine in full bloom along Óshlíð at the entrance of Seljadalur

Rest Day Adventures

The Westfjords are a hub of exploration.

Below is list of a few personal favorites.

Naustahvíft (Troll Seat) or Fossavatn Hike - If you don't have the time to climb in either of these beautiful areas at least check them out! For more information go to p.74 or p.126.

Óshlíð - If time doesn't allow you to climb in Seljadalur then rent or borrow a bike and cycle "the old road" to Bolungarvík.

Ísafjörður to Hnífsdalur/Bolungarvík hike - From Ísafjörður walk towards Seljalandsdalur (cross-country ski field) and continue towards Þjófaskörð (lowest mountain saddle | GPS: 66.07938, -23.25897). Ascend this steep saddle and down the other side (crux). From here, head towards the town of your choice. Be careful on this hike as there is basically no trail.

Skálavík - 30 min drive from Ísafjörður. This remote beach has swimming and camping possibilities. Do not miss Bolafjall and stop by the local Bolungarvík swimming pool to relax.

Önundarfjörður Pier & Flateyri - 20 min drive from Ísafjörður. This pier has an iconic view, a beautiful beach, and is perfect for a swim. Across the fjord is the quaint town of Flateyri.

Svalvogavegur (route 622) - One of the most epic cycling loops in Iceland. If you love gravel riding make it happen!

Vigur Island - This privately owned island lies within the large Ísafjarðardjúp fjord. It is known for having an abundance of seabirds and is a dream trip for a birdwatcher.

Hot Pots & Pools - The Westfjords are home to some of the best free hot pots and pools in all of Iceland.

Látrabjarg Cliffs & Rauðasandur Beach - Best done together as a long day trip. The drive out is an adventure in itself.

Hornstrandir Nature Reserve - A vast remote wilderness which can only be accessed by seasonal ferry or by foot. Go for a day or hike for a week across this 580 sq km reserve.

Lónfell Mountain - A shorter day hike near Flókalundur.

Whale Watching - Look out for humpback and minke whales, dolphins, and even harbor porpoises.

Water Sports - Take a tour kayaking, on a stand up paddle board, or even wakeboarding!

Mountain Biking - Ísafjörður has extensive mountain biking trails that are continually being developed. Take a tour or rent a bike and go out on your own.

Scouting Missions - Gather beta from locals, search for boulder fields, and please let the club know if you climb anything new.



Svalvogavegur (route 622)



View from the Vigur Island Cafe

Klifurfélag Vestfjarða

Upon receiving its identification number in the fall of 2020, the Westfjords Climbing Club (Klifurfélag Vestfjarða) became officially recognized. As plans to build an indoor climbing gym in Ísafjörður progressed it was urgent to create a formal club.

Two climbing partners, Björgvin Hilmarsson and Óliver Hilmarsson, who had recently moved to town a few years apart, went all out trying to make this happen as previous attempts never fully succeeded. The following year was spent looking for a suitable location and applying for grants. In the end, it was an old scout house on Mjallargata 4 that caught their attention. They had sketches drawn up and even 3D models created to show what the finished gym would look like.

In fall 2022, after securing a few grants and more specifically with the help of Borea Adventures, the club's biggest sponsor, they were able to pay for the majority of the gym's construction costs. The town of Ísafjörður, along with other community members and local businesses, provided valuable additional support as well.

The scout house would become a second home for Björgvin and Óliver during the building process. Other friends and colleagues dropped by to lend a helping hand or provide mental support until work on the walls finished just before Christmas 2022.

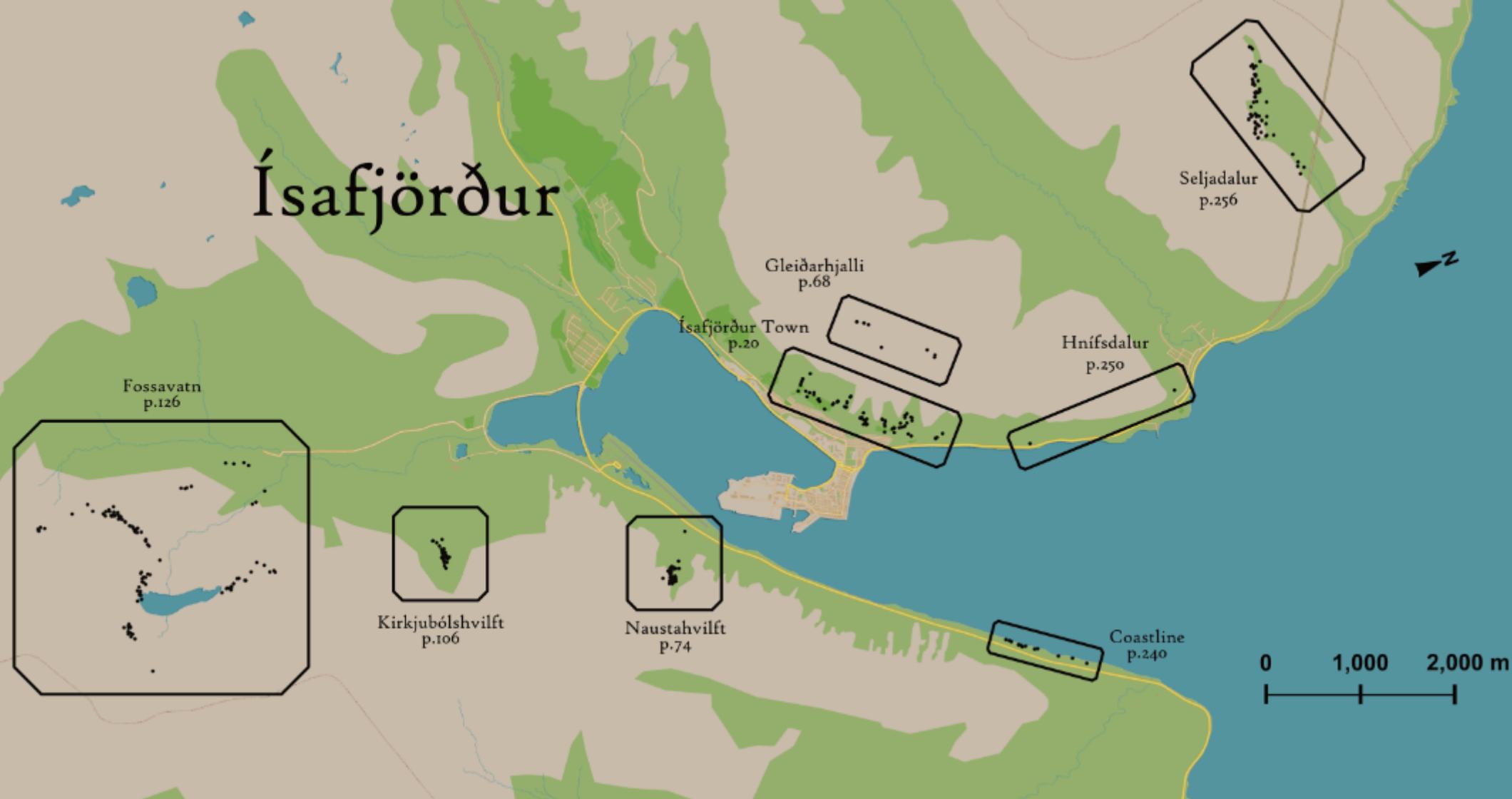
Regular opening hours were soon established and various activities using the gym's facilities have since helped fund the club's operations. From birthday parties, to rescue team training sessions, or local school visits, the indoor climbing facilities are open to the entire community and visitors alike.

Members of the Westfjords Climbing Club believe that climbing is a meaningful and inspiring outlet that can help people experience something new and exciting. By having both the climbing gym in town and easy access to outdoor climbing, Ísafjörður now offers another true year round activity where one can climb outside during the warmer months and train indoors throughout the colder ones.

These photos, supplied by Björgvin Hilmarsson, show the climbing gym from its earliest stages to completion.



Ísafjörður



Climbing Areas

Ísafjörður Town (p.20)

Get lost in a playground of boulders around the capital of the Westfjords.

Gleiðarhjalli - The Plateau (p.68)

High above Ísafjörður lies a world of mind bending terrain close to home.

Naustahvilft - The Troll Seat (p.74)

Find your favorite lowball in a maze of boulders with a renowned view.

Kirkjubólshvilft (p.106)

Go off the beaten path to find solace and tranquility in a place less traveled.

Fossavatn (p.126)

Experience the best of it all within this purely epic and world class landscape.

Coastline (pg.240)

Be one with the ocean, search for seals, and explore unique rock formations.

Hnífsdalur (p.250)

Hide along the mountainside or visit our neighbor in the exposed Knife Valley.

Seljadalur - The Valley (p.256)

Follow roads long forgotten to a place of solitude where myth meets magic.

Ísafjörður Town





Welcome to Ísafjörður

Sólarupprás Sector (p.24)

Walk through the forest and find the hidden gems on far end.

Recommendations

Sunrise Over Sea, The Inquisitor, The Menace, Forest Flow, People Watching, & Eyri

Approach

Head towards Stóruðarlundur (the forest). Walk is 20 minutes from the center of town.

Totals (27)

VB-4 | V0-4 | V1-6 | V2-7 | V3-1 | V4-1 | V5-2 | V7-1 | V8-1

Skriða Sector (p.42)

Behind the avalanche barrier lies an adventure of bite sized boulders.

Recommendations

Hope, Loaded, Wire Tapped, On the Pebbles, Mufasa, Pints a Flowing, Butterflies Be Free, Bones, Arrowhead, & Treeana

Approach

Head to the main avalanche wall but turn right. Walk is 15 minutes from the center of town.

Totals (38)

VB-2 | V0-6 | V1-9 | V2-8 | V3-6 | V4-3 | V5-3 | V7-1

Flögulaus Sector (p.34)

Easily seen from town, the Flögulaus boulder stands strong while The Troll waits to feast.

Recommendations

The Troll, Trapped, Captured by Beauty, Escape to the Westfjords, & Thief of the Night

Approach

Head towards the main avalanche wall. Walk is 15 minutes from the center of town.

Totals (24)

VB-4 | V0-4 | V1-6 | V2-2 | V3-2 | V4-4 | V6-2

Skutulsfjörður Sector (p.56)

Embrace the beauty of the waters of Skutulsfjörður and take in the vastness of the fjord.

Recommendations

The Darkness, Tigger, The Little Burn, Mean Girls, Skywalker, Sticky Fingers, & Cooked

Approach

Head in the direction of Hnífsdalur. Walk is 20 minutes from the center of town.

Totals (33)

VB-3 | V0-6 | V1-6 | V2-6 | V3-5 | V4-4 | V6-2 | V7-1



The entrance of Stóruðarlundur

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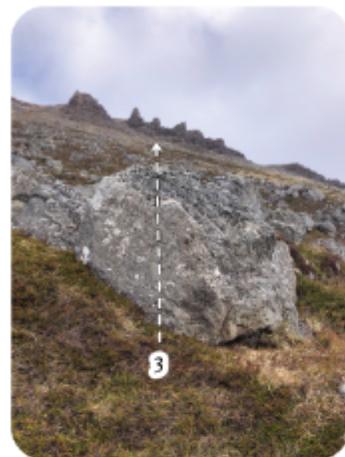
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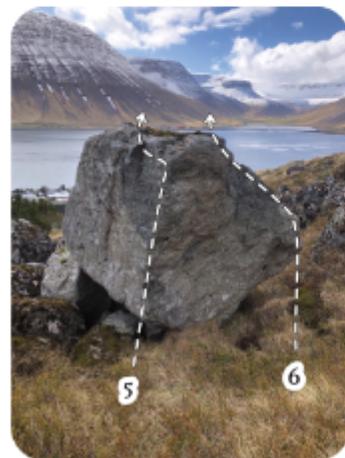
Hunting for holds on Sunrise Over Sea (V5) | Photo: Orla Mallon



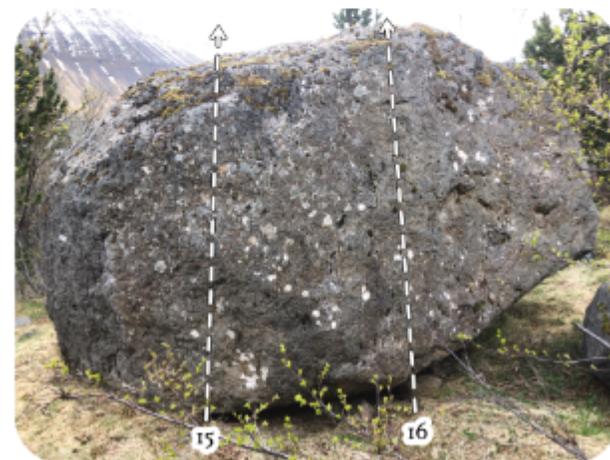
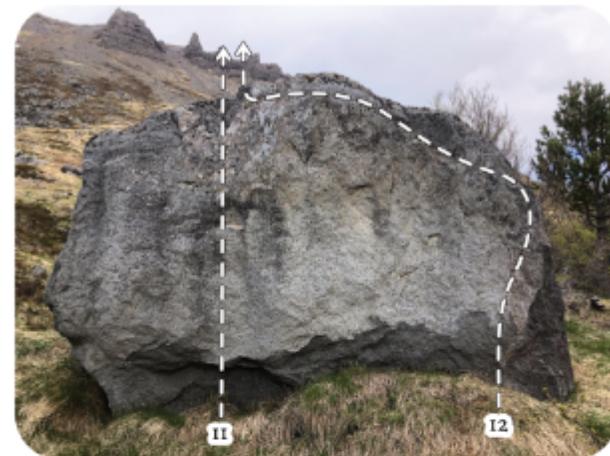
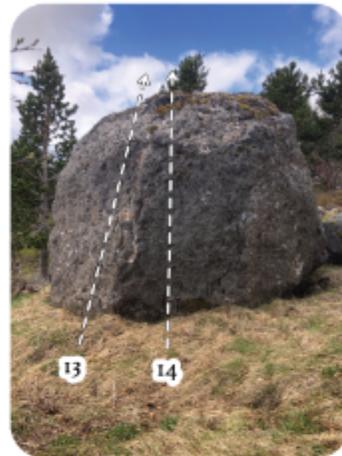
Þetta reddast is an Icelandic saying meaning "it will all work out" or "everything will be okay." A lot of Icelanders live by this motto. It's particularly useful in Ísafjörður when plans constantly change due to inclement weather.



1	Sunrise Over Sea	V5	Sit	Both hands on the center triangular concave with incut holds just above the overhang	Go right Classic
2	Johnny's Gone	V2	Sit	Same start as Sunrise Over Sea	Potentially dangerous fall
3	Breakfast	V1	Sit	Left hand in a two finger pocket out left Right hand on a bulging open hand sidepull with a thumb ledge	No crashpad
4	Torn	V4	Sit	Left hand on a high sloper Right hand on a right facing sidepull undercling	Hard and awkward start
5	McGee	V2	Sit	Left hand on a small three finger crimp opposite from a pocket Right hand on a high four finger crimp	Finish on left side
6	Boots	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on top of the lowest bulge	
7	This or That	V1	Sit	Both hands along the ledges on the far right side	Awkward pad position

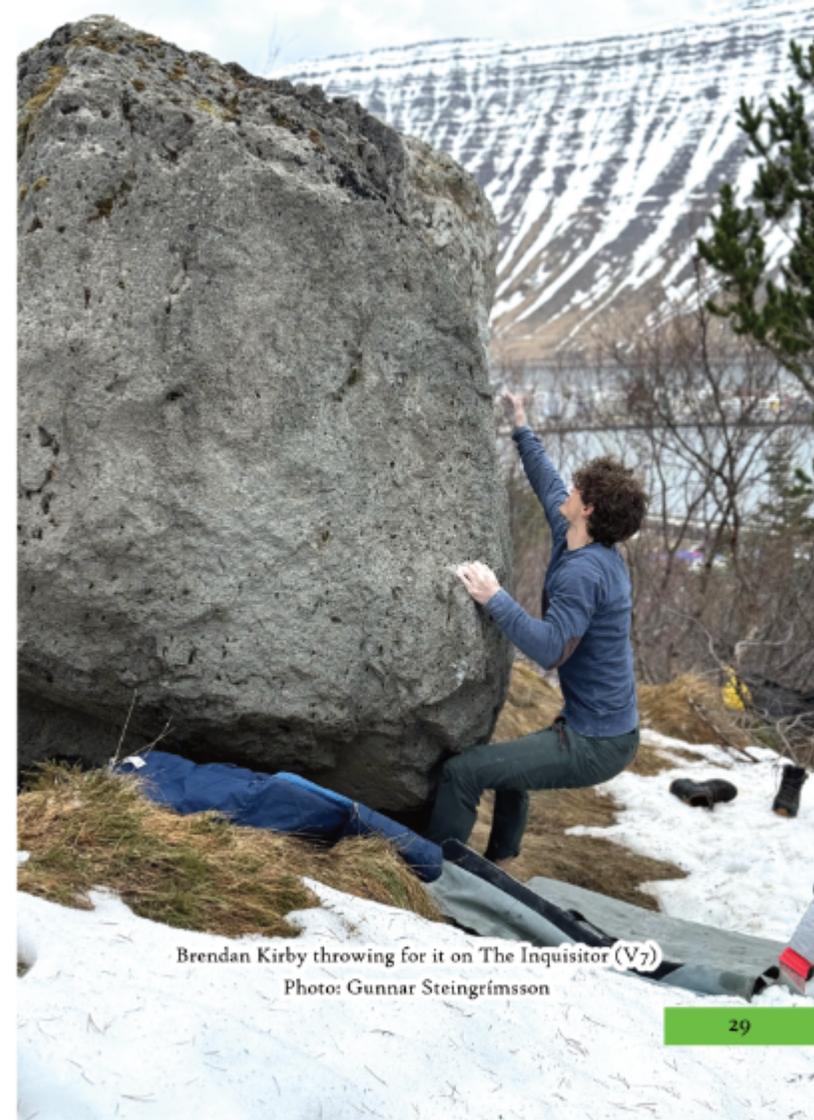


Quique Fernández moving up The Menace (V5)



The Forest Boulder (8-16) contains few of Ísafjörður Town's best climbs | GPS: 66.07394, -23.1453

8	Lefty	V2	Sit	Left hand on a high open hand pinch on a bulge Right hand in a large four finger pocket	Good
9	Righty	V3	Sit	Left hand in a two finger pocket with the thumb in a large pocket Right hand on the center rightmost sidepull	
10	The Inquisitor	V7	Sit	Left hand on a four finger crimp on the face Right hand on a very low undercling around the corner	Classic Similar finish as The Menace
11	The Menace	V5	Sit	Both hands matched on the center sloping ledge	Classic Reachy start Stand start if you are short
12	Forest Flow	V2	Sit	Left hand gaston in a sharp pocket Right hand on a low corner pinch with a hole around the corner	Classic Same finish as The Menace Fun moves
13	Sassy	V1	Sit	Left hand in a center crimp pocket Right hand on a large four finger ledge with a thumb pinch (Same left hand as Mossy used differently)	
14	Mossy	V1	Sit	Left hand on a sidepull with a thumb pinch (Same right hand as Sassy used differently) Right hand on a slightly higher four finger crimp	
15	Bear Hugger	V2	Sit	Left hand on a four finger left facing low sidepull crimp Right hand on a four finger sidepull crimp	Wide and reachy start One move wonder
16	Friendly	V0	Sit	Left hand in a large pocket Right hand on a small crimp bulge	



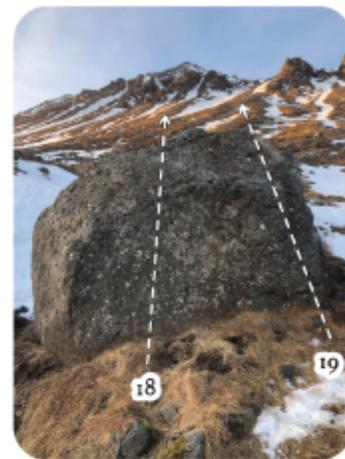
Brendan Kirby throwing for it on The Inquisitor (V7)

Photo: Gunnar Steingrímsson



Björn Rúnarsson on People Watching (V1)

Photo: Gunnar Steingrímsson



Brenna Mallon gliding up Lefty (V2)



Brendan on the technical lowball Eyri (V8)

Photo: Gunnar Steingrímsson



17	Sanka, Ya Dead?	V2	Sit	Left hand on a three finger center crimp Right hand on a slightly higher four finger pocketed crimp	Fun moves Potentially dangerous fall
18	People Watching	V1	Sit	Left hand in a deep three finger sidepull pocket Right hand in a one to two finger center pocket	Good pockets
19	Oh Donna	V2	Sit	Left hand in a three finger pocket Right hand on a low corner pinch	Slap for it
20	Sore Knee	V0	Sit	Both hands on any low holds you can reach Multiple ways to start	Not Good
21	Yao	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the large ledge	Beginner friendly
22	Clapback	VB	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the lowest section of the top ledge	Beginner friendly
23	Eyri	V8	Sit	Left hand on a low and very sloped left facing open handed hold just above the small roof and above the right end of the buried ground boulder Right hand on the very large right facing sidepull	Classic Start slightly inverted Powerful Other boulder is out
24	Skree	V1	Sit	Left hand on a large low corner sidepull Right hand on a four finger center crimp sidepull	
25	Gumby	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the top ledge just above the overhang	Surrounded by trees
26	Baron	V0	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the two ledges	Good
27	Micro Fossil	VB	Sit	Left hand in a deep two finger pocket on the top Right hand in a deep four finger slot	No crashpad The lowest and easiest lowball

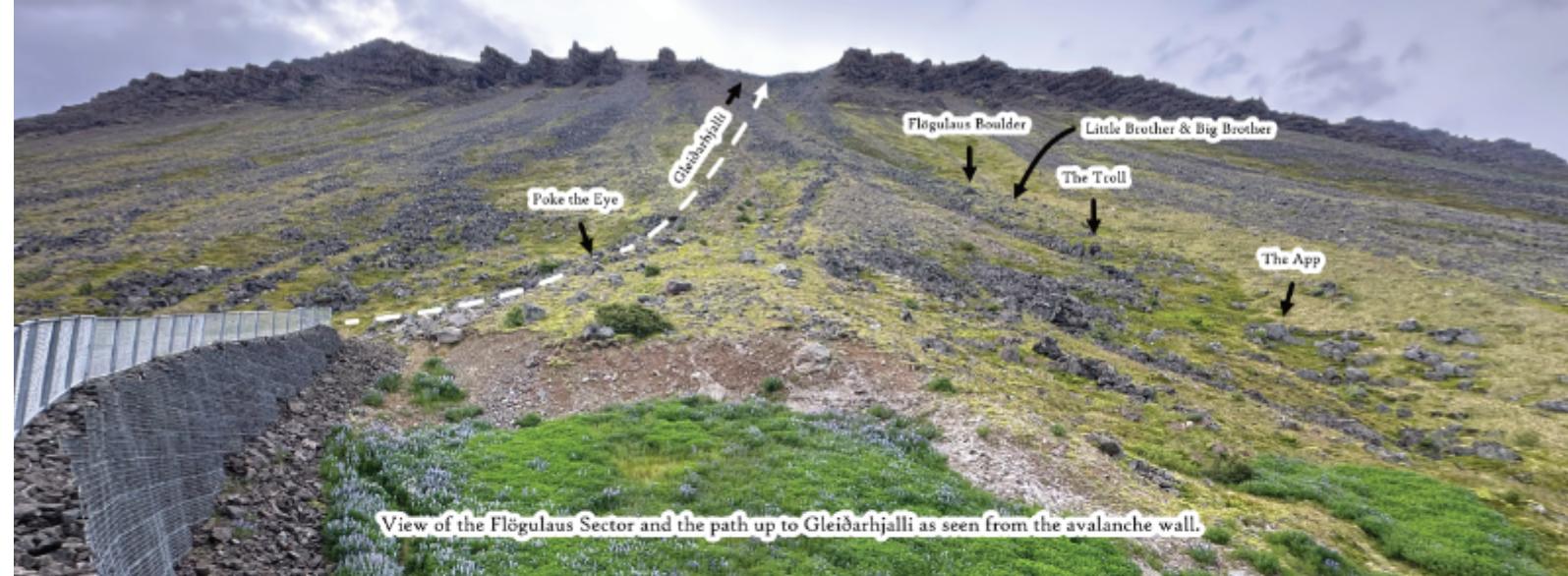
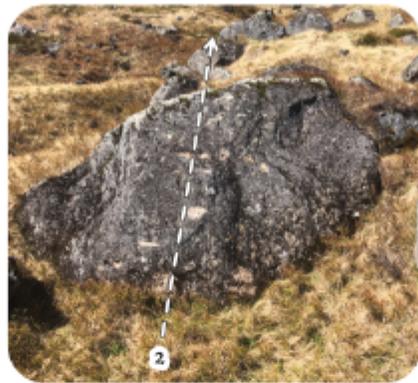
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Flögulaus Sector

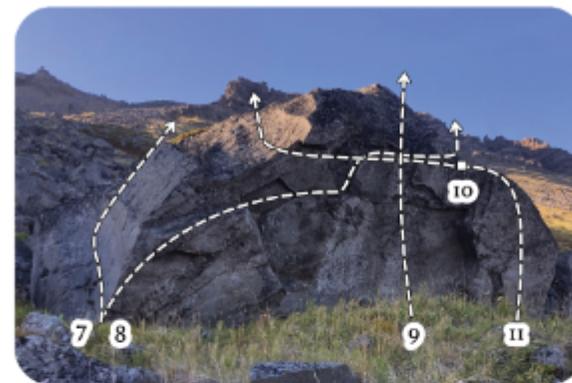


Saga Björgvinsdóttir on the traverse of The Mad Man's Apprentice (V4) - Flögulaus Boulder | Photo: Björgvin Hilmarrsson



1	Stóruðarlungur	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the top ledge	One move wonder
2	Slab City	VB	Stand	Both hands matched on the center ledges	Very easy
3	First One Last One	V0	Sit	Left hand on a center ledge Right hand gaston on a very low right side ledge	Not very good Awkward start
4	Feeling Good	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on a high left bulging ledge	
5	Poke the Eye	V1	Sit	Left hand on a slanted edge Right hand in any one of the pockets	Good Other boulder is out
6	Indifference	VB	Sit	Left hand on a four finger crimp ledge Right hand on a large jug	

Brendan on the slopers of Captured by Beauty (V6) -Flögulaus Boulder | Photo: Björgvin Hilmarsson



The Flögulaus Boulder (7-15) is the premier boulder of Ísafjörður Town. It is easily seen and it offers a few amazing traverses. | GPS: 66.07805, -23.13886

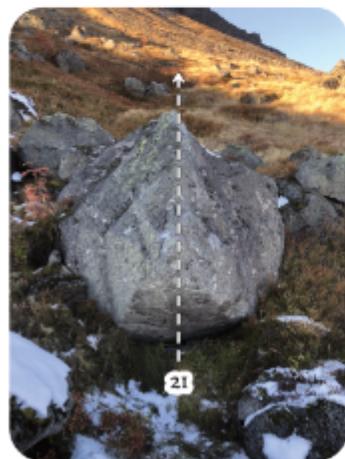
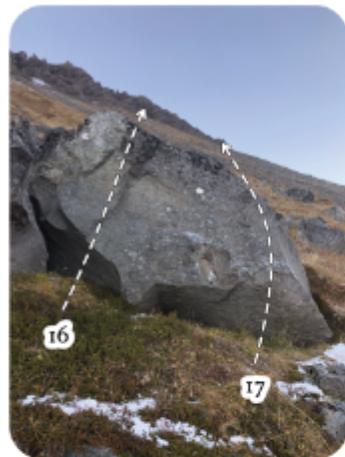
7	Break In	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on a large blocky jug	
8	Captured by Beauty	V6	Sit	Same start as Break In	Classic Finish on the far right
9	Escape to the Westfjords	V4	Sit	Left hand on the middle center ledge Right hand in the middle slotted crimp	The crux is the top out
10	The Mad Man's Apprentice	V4	Stand	Both hands matched on a ledge above a lined crack Easier standing start to Thief of the Night	Classic Finish on the far left
11	Thief of the Night	V6	Sit	Left hand on an open handed wide sidepull compression on the left facing wall Right hand on a high sloper	Iconic Finish on the far left
12	The Wrong Way Out	V4	Sit	Left hand on a top flat ledge Right hand around the corner on a three finger crimp	Classic
13	Complex Left	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on the large and low right facing flake	Good
14	Complex Direct	V2	Sit	Same start as Complex Left and Right	Good
15	Complex Right	V3	Sit	Same start as Complex Left and Direct	Good Watch your back



Catching the starting deadpoint on Thief of the Night (V6)

Photo: Björgvin Hilmarrsson

16	Little Brother	V1	Sit	Left hand on a ledge jug Right hand on a center crimp	
17	Big Brother	V3	Sit	Left hand on a sloping ledge Right hand on a four finger slanted crimp	
18	The Troll	V4	Stand	Left hand on a crimp at about two meters high and above a circular hole Right hand on a lower spikey bulge	Iconic Finish right Other boulders are out
19	Trapped	V2	Sit	Left hand on a corner crimpy sidepull pinch below the crack line Right hand on a slanted ledge	
20	The App	V1	Sit	Both hands on the best part of the top sloping ledge	No crashpad
21	Backbones	V1	Sit	Left hand on a three to four finger drag Right hand on a sidepull	Good
22	Dickie	VB	Sit	Left hand on a large sidepull Right hand gaston in a pocket	
23	Faceoff	V0	Sit	Left hand on a slanted crimp Right hand around the corner on a triangular hold	
24	Squish	V0	Sit	Left on a sidepull undercling Right on a bulging sidepull	

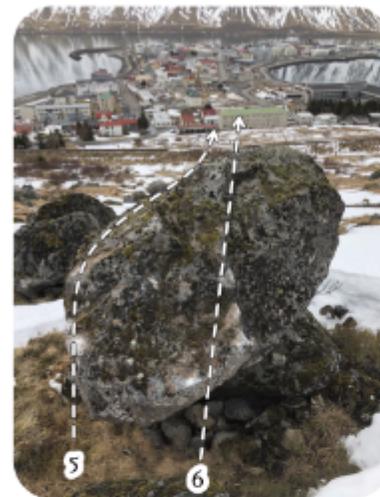
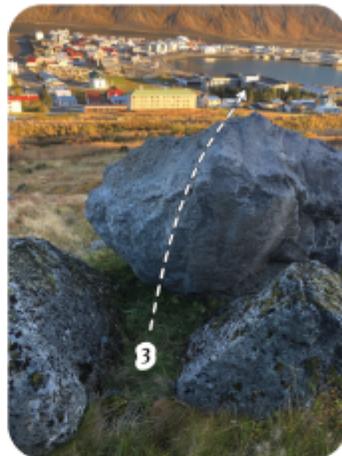


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Skriða Sector



The left side of the Skriða Sector as seen from the pathway



1	Edelweiss	V2	Sit	Left hand on the high corner three finger triangular crimpy pinch Right hand in the center right pocket	Harder than it looks
2	Pull Up P	V0	Sit	Both hands on slopers directly next to each other	One move wonder
3	Hope	V1	Sit	Both hands on the low left ledge	Good
4	Nope	V1	Sit	Left hand on the high spiked rock Right hand in the middle pocket	Awkard and not good Other boulder is out
5	Loaded	V3	Sit	Both hands on the ledges directly next to each other	Good
6	Wire Tapped	V2	Sit	Left hand on the ledge Right hand on a triangular pinch	Good
7	ET Up	V1	Sit	Left hand in an undercling pocket Right hand on the lowest of the three sidepulls	



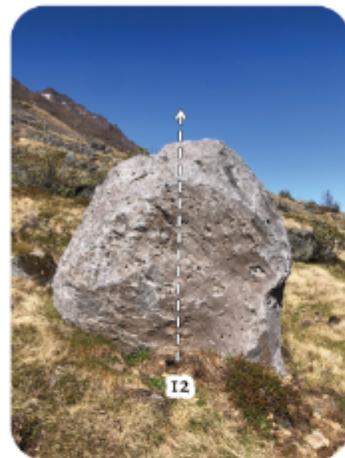
Gunnar Steingrímsson on Tough Luck (V3)



Ingvi Ólafur & Tinna by The Wedding Boulder in winter conditions



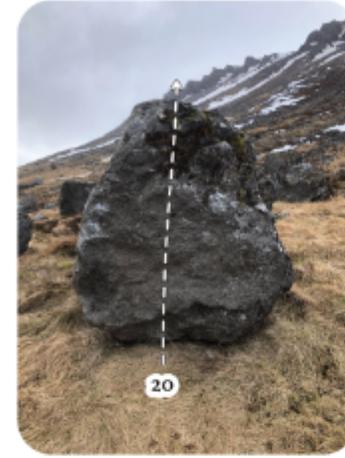
The Wedding Boulder (8-11) offers unique problems and amazing photos.
GPS: 66.07875, -23.13258



The Rocket Boulder (12-14) is located right below The Wedding Boulder and has a few very easy problems. | GPS: 66.07861, -23.13244



8	On the Pebbles	V3	Stand	Left hand in a small one finger crimpy pocket Right hand in a two to three finger pocket	Very high and reachy start Other boulder is out
9	Newly Weds	V1	Sit	Left hand in a pocket pinch Right hand on a crimpy ledge	Bottom boulder is in
10	Whipped	V7	Sit	Same start as Newly Weds minus the bottom boulder	Complex and powerful start Bottom boulder is out
11	We All Have Those Days	V5	Sit	Both hands at the same height Left hand on a bumpy sloping crimp Right hand on the sidepull or pinchy bulge	Somewhat contrived Any other higher right hand downgrades this problem
12	Six Sleeps	V0	Sit	Left hand on the corner bulge with a thumb pocket Right hand on a four finger crimp sidepull pinch with a thumb pocket	
13	Explosion	V0	Sit	Both hands matched in the crumbly dark rock	Crumbly start
14	A Different Side of Me	VB	Sit	Left hand on the corner sidepull Right hand in a three to four finger sharp pocket	

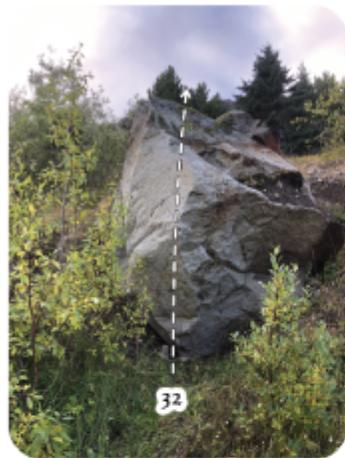
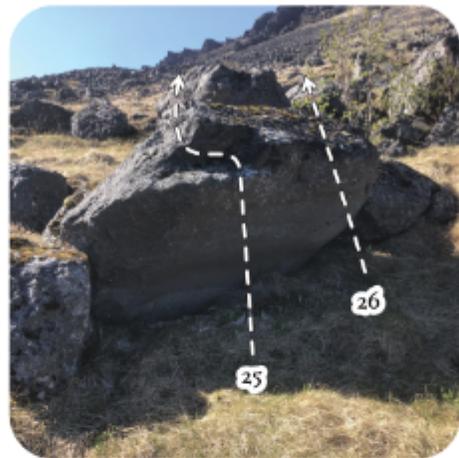


15	Mufasa	V2	Sit	Left hand on a high side sloper Right hand on a high sloper	Classic Probably only V1
16	Pumbaa	VB	Sit	Left hand on the slanted ledge Right hand on a bulge next to the ledge	
17	Pints a Flowing	V1	Sit	Left hand on the middle left sidepull Right hand on a higher right facing sidepull	Good
18	Hangover Daze	V3	Sit	Left hand on the top of an overhung bulge Right hand on a lower three finger sloper	Good
19	Butterflies Be Free	V4	Sit	Left hand on a low sloping and shallow three finger pocket Right hand on a triangular four finger crimpy pinch	Classic Unique footwork
20	Cocoon	V1	Sit	Left hand on the middle corner pinch Right hand on a three to four finger drag with a thumb catch	
21	Caterpillar	V1	Sit	Left hand on a bulging jug Right hand on a ledge jug	
22	Deeper Than Most	V1	Sit	Left hand on the fin Right hand on a four finger crimp	Powerful
23	Tough Luck	V3	Sit	Left hand in a low pocket Right hand on the corner crimpy bluge	Good Uses a lower start

The Morph Boulder (19-21) is worth checking out just to try Butterflies Be Free.
GPS: 66.07858, -23.13155



Björn on the lowball Mufasa (V2) in early spring conditions



In 1900, Ísafjörður was the second-largest town in the country behind Reykjavík. Over 1,200 people called it home. By the 1920's, roughly 13,000 people inhabited the Westfjords. Today, much has changed. Ísafjörður's population has grown to 2,700 but the Westfjords as a whole has decreased by almost half to roughly 7,000 residents.



Vaidas Valentukevicius & Brendan hanging around Treeana (V2)
Photo: Orla Mallon

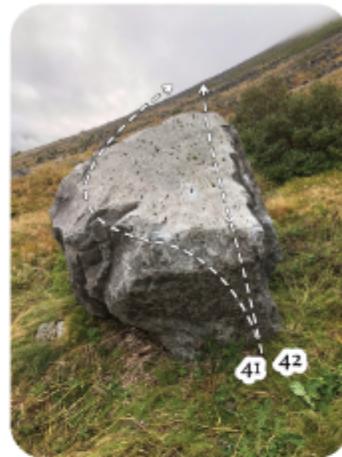
24	Eyes Wide Shut	V3	Sit	Left hand on a crimpy rail Right hand on a small bulging and sloping crimp above a roof	Good Lowball No crashpad
25	Going the Distance	V2	Sit	Both hands next to each other Left hand on a bulge Right hand on a four finger crimp	Good Lowball No crashpad
26	Going for Speed	V3	Sit	Left hand on a ledge just above the overhang Right hand on the large rightmost ledge	Good Lowball No crashpad
27	Slappin	V4	Sit	Left hand on a low corner three finger dish sidepull with a thumb catch Right hand on a high bulging sloped pinch at the top edge of the overhang	Good Slap for it Other boulder is out
28	Bones	V4	Stand	Left hand in a pocket where the boulders touch Right hand on a four finger crimp in the overhang	Classic Other boulders are out Potential for a lower start
29	Arrowhead	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on the low ledge	Good Other boulders are out
30	Simp	V0	Sit	Both hands split on sidepull crimps on opposite ends of the slabby bulge	
31	Weirdo	V5	Sit	Left hand on the center triangle sloped bulge Right hand on the ledge above the grassy patch on the right	Good Awkward start Tricky Other boulder is out
32	Treeana	V2	Sit	Both hands on the two right facing sidepull jugs	Classic
33	Waterworks	V0	Sit	Left hand in a pocket Right hand on a sidepull	
34	Bitá	V5	Sit	Left hand on a sloping rail Right hand on a crimp above other boulder	Tricky Other boulder is out
35	Half Empty	V0	Sit	Both hands on the low ledges	
36	Half Full	V2	Sit	Left hand on a low sidepull Right hand on a pinch or compression	
37	Half in the Bag	V2	Sit	Left hand on an undercling Right hand on a sidepull	Good
38	First Melt	V1	Sit	Both hands on the left ramp	



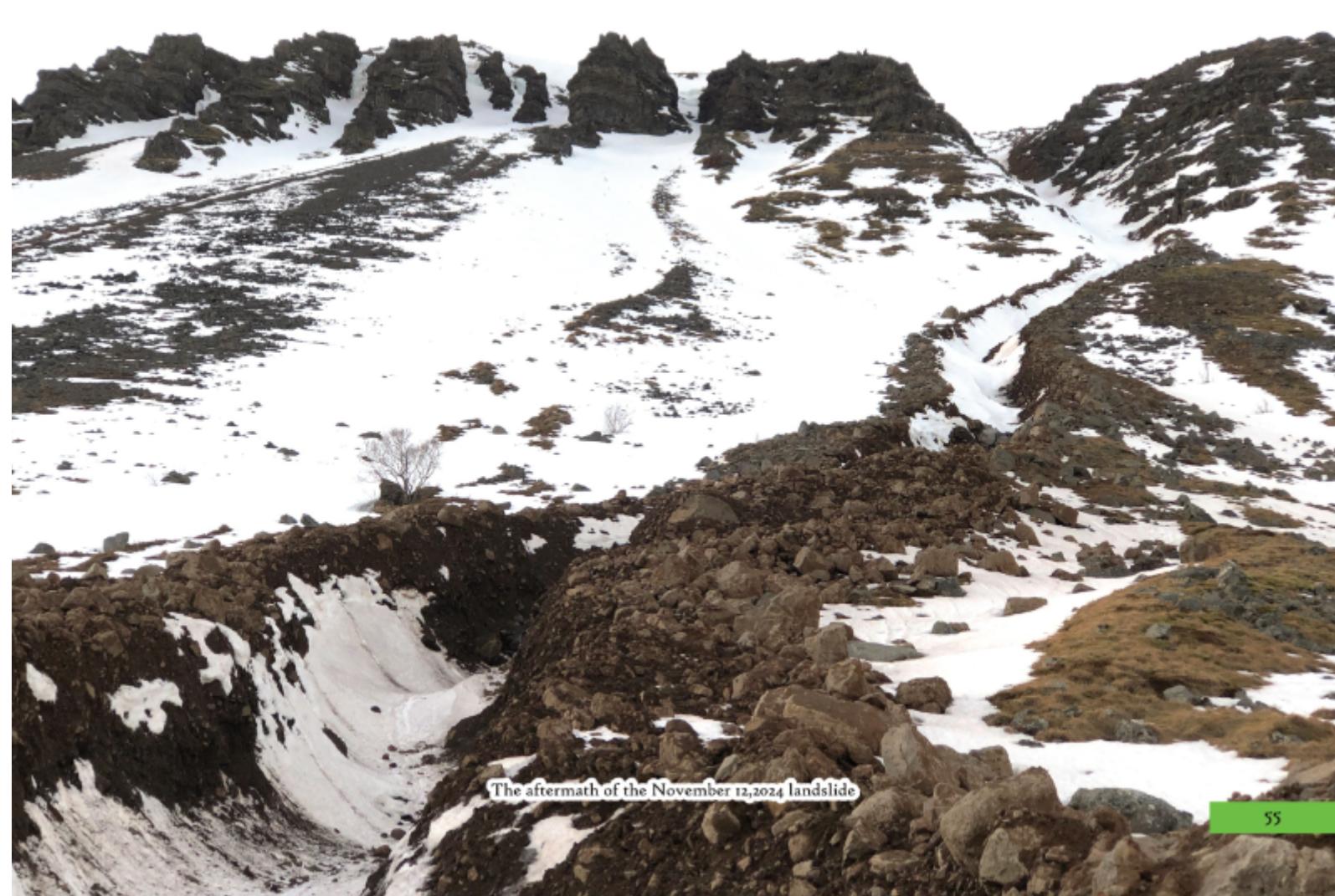
The Half Boulder (35-37) is a lowball with a few easy but fun problems.
GPS: 66.08091, -23.12838



Brendan on Sundance (V5) from the now defunct Diamond Boulder



Slice of Life (39) and The Diamond Boulder (40-45) were rolled by a landslide on November 12th, 2024 and are no longer climbable. The two extra photos show what the boulders look like now.



The aftermath of the November 12, 2024 landslide

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Skutulsfjörður Sector



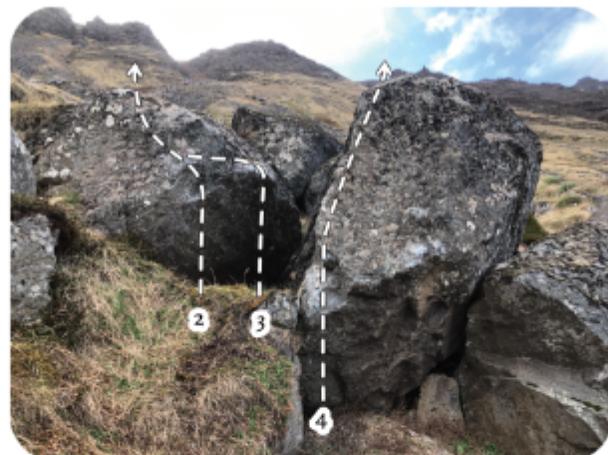
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- Sunshine on My Mind
- Nyla
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- Chirp Feathers for Hire
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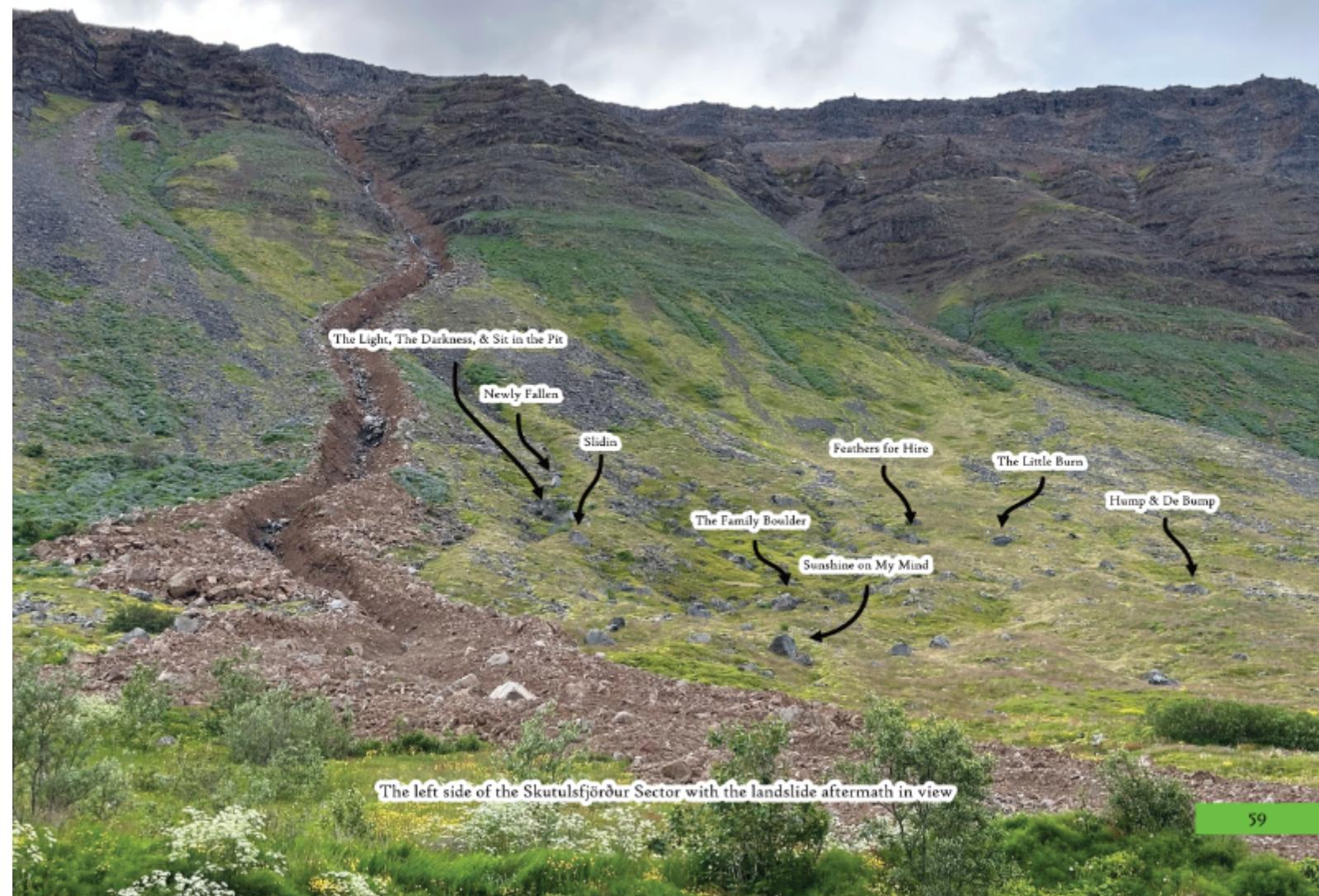
Þjóðvegur 61



The fish shacks along route 61 overlooking Skutulsfjörður



1	Newly Fallen	V2	Sit	Left hand on the fin Right hand on the lowest right facing crimp	Good
2	The Light	V2	Sit	Left hand on a slanted sidepull around the corner Right hand on a sloper above the overhang	Good Easier version of The Darkness
3	The Darkness	V4	Sit	Left hand in a sloping two finger pocket Right hand on a large sidepull with a deep thumb pocket	Reachy start Move left Same finish as The Light
4	Sit in the Pit	V4	Sit	Left hand on a high blocky sidepull that pinches the pinky Right hand on sloping tiny face holds at the same height	The start is the crux Reachy Other boulder is out
5	Slidin	V0	Sit	Left hand on a low crimp Right hand on a large sidepull	



The left side of the Skutulsfjörður Sector with the landslide aftermath in view



Orla Mallon starting Feathers for Hire (V3)



The Family Boulder (6-8) is named after the OG pets. | GPS: 66.08219, -23.12847



From mid-May to late July Ísafjörður gets 24 hours of daylight. You can literally go bouldering around the clock! However, in the winter the town doesn't get any sun, only a few hours of dusky daylight. This happens between mid-November to late January. In late January, when the sun returns, there is a celebration called Sólardagur where Icelanders eat pancakes topped with cream and traditional rhubarb jam.



The view from the Family Boulder



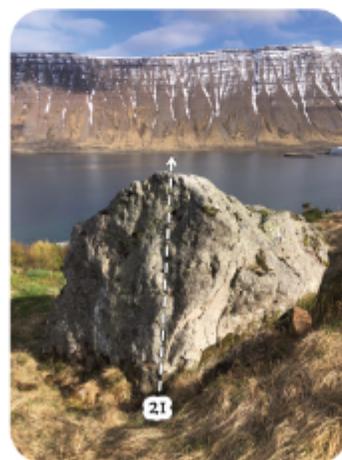
The Wee Boulder (16-18) has a few easy climbs and is perfect for kids to mess around on. | GPS: 66.08197, -23.126



6	Biddy	V4	Sit	Left hand on the middle sloper Right hand in the lowest three finger pocket	Crouched start if you are short
7	Tigger	V3	Sit	Left hand in the middle center pocket Right hand on a sloping sidepull in line with the left hold	Good
8	Flash	V0	Sit	Left hand on an open handed sidepull Right hand in a two finger pocket	Good
9	Sunshine on My Mind	V0	Sit	Left hand on a large four finger crimp Right hand on a sidepull pinch	Good
10	Nyla	V3	Sit	Left hand on a four finger sidepull Right hand on a four finger sidepull crimp	Good
11	Chirp	V1	Sit	Left hand on the very large sidepull Right hand on a protruding bulge on the ledge	
12	Feathers for Hire	V3	Sit	Left hand gaston on a right facing sidepull Right hand on a lower sidepull with a small ledge on the right side	
13	The Little Burn	V6	Sit	Left hand on a four finger horizontal half pad crimp Right hand on the best part of the long crimpy rail	Classic Small but stout
14	De Bump	V2	Sit	Left hand on the top sloping rail Right hand on a protruding sidepull at the same height of rail	Reachy Start
15	Hump	V1	Sit	Left hand on a four finger pinch on a bulge Right hand on an open hand pinchy sidepull	
16	Elevenses	VB	Sit	Left hand in the highest large hole Right hand on a large corner crimp	Good for kids
17	Scones	V0	Sit	Left hand in a four finger pocket Right hand in a three finger pocket pinch around the corner	
18	Cup of Tea	VB	Sit	Left hand on a lower large sidepull Right hand in a large deep hole	

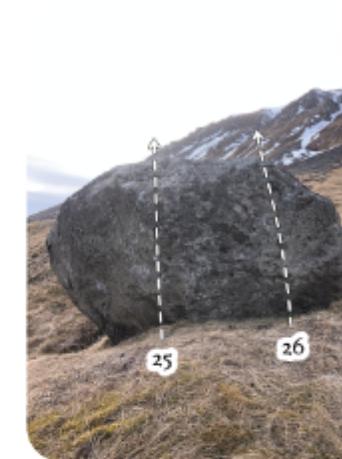


A day out on the Trope Boulder with Aine Lyons, Brendan, Eli Riendeau, & Gaëlle Messmer



The Trope Boulder (19-21) is a good place to be. | GPS: 66.08216, -23.12527

19	Mean Girls	V1	Sit	Left hand in a center two finger pocket Right hand on the corner bulge with a white mark that's above and right of the pocket	Go left
20	Bad Boys	V1	Sit	Same start as Mean Girls	Go right
21	Rebellious Youth	VB	Sit	Left hand on a large curved sidepull Right hand around the corner in a deep four finger pocket	

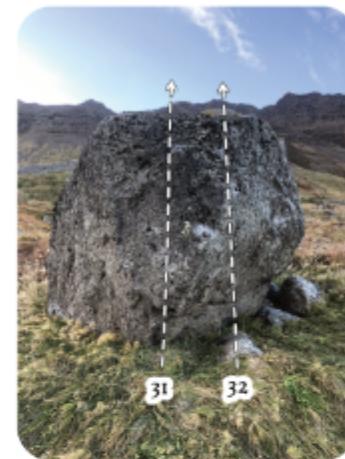
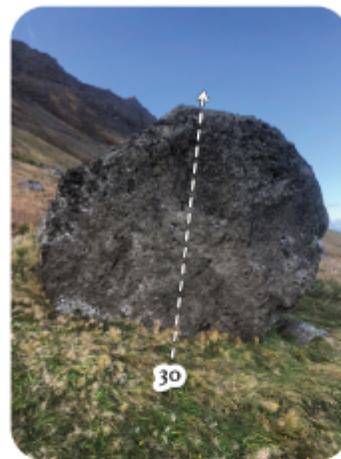


The Fish Shack Boulder (22-26) is easily spotted at the edge of town and offers a variety of climbs with a few in the no fall zone. | GPS: 66.08441, -23.12291

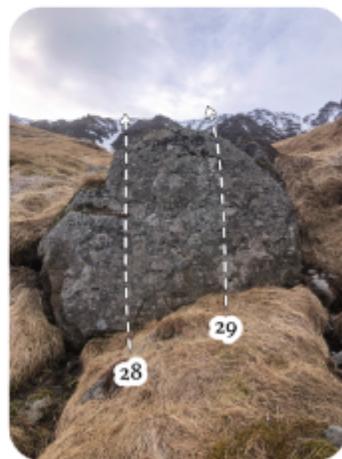
22	Skywalker	V4	Sit	Left hand on a high protruding corner jug Right hand on a low corner ledge	Classic Do not fall
23	Left for Dead Project	-	Sit	Left hand on a sloping left facing sidepull Right hand on a sloping right facing sidepull crimp with a small incut	Unclimbed Wide start Do not fall
24	Sticky Fingers	V6	Sit	Left hand gaston on a four finger right facing hold Right hand gaston above the left hand on a left facing sloper on the left facing corner bulge	Classic Originally V5 until a hold broke
25	Hold Me Close	V2	Sit	Left hand on a sidepull Right hand on a sidepull Both are on opposite sides of the bulge around the same height	
26	In All the Right Places	V0	Sit	Left hand in a center pocket Right hand in a higher pocket ledge	



Gaëlle finding her way up In the Oven (V1) - The Finale Boulder



The Finale Boulder (30-33) is just past the Fish Shack Boulder and definitely worth a visit. | GPS: 66.08502, -23.12333



27	Yerp	V2	Sit	Left hand on a corner sidepull jug Right hand on a center sidepull jug	Not very good One move wonder May be wet
28	Dying for a Swim	V0	Stand	Left hand on a high sidepull Right hand on a slightly lower crimp	
29	Between Two Flows	V1	Sit	Left hand in a shallow three finger sloping pocket below the right hand Right hand in a deep four finger pocket	Reachy start
30	In the Oven	V1	Sit	Both hands in any pockets or ledges	
31	Zip-A-Dee	V3	Sit	Left hand on a low crimp directly below a pocket Right hand on a good hold on a bulge	Good
32	Doo-Dah	V3	Sit	Left hand on a sloping bulge Right hand on a low V shaped hold	Good
33	Cooked	V2	Sit	Left hand on a low four finger crimp sloping ledge Right hand in a pocket on the corner	Good



The view of Ísafjörður Town & Gleidarhjalli as seen from Naustahvílf.

Gleiðarhjalli "The Plateau"

High above Ísafjörður lies a world of mind bending terrain close to home.

Approach

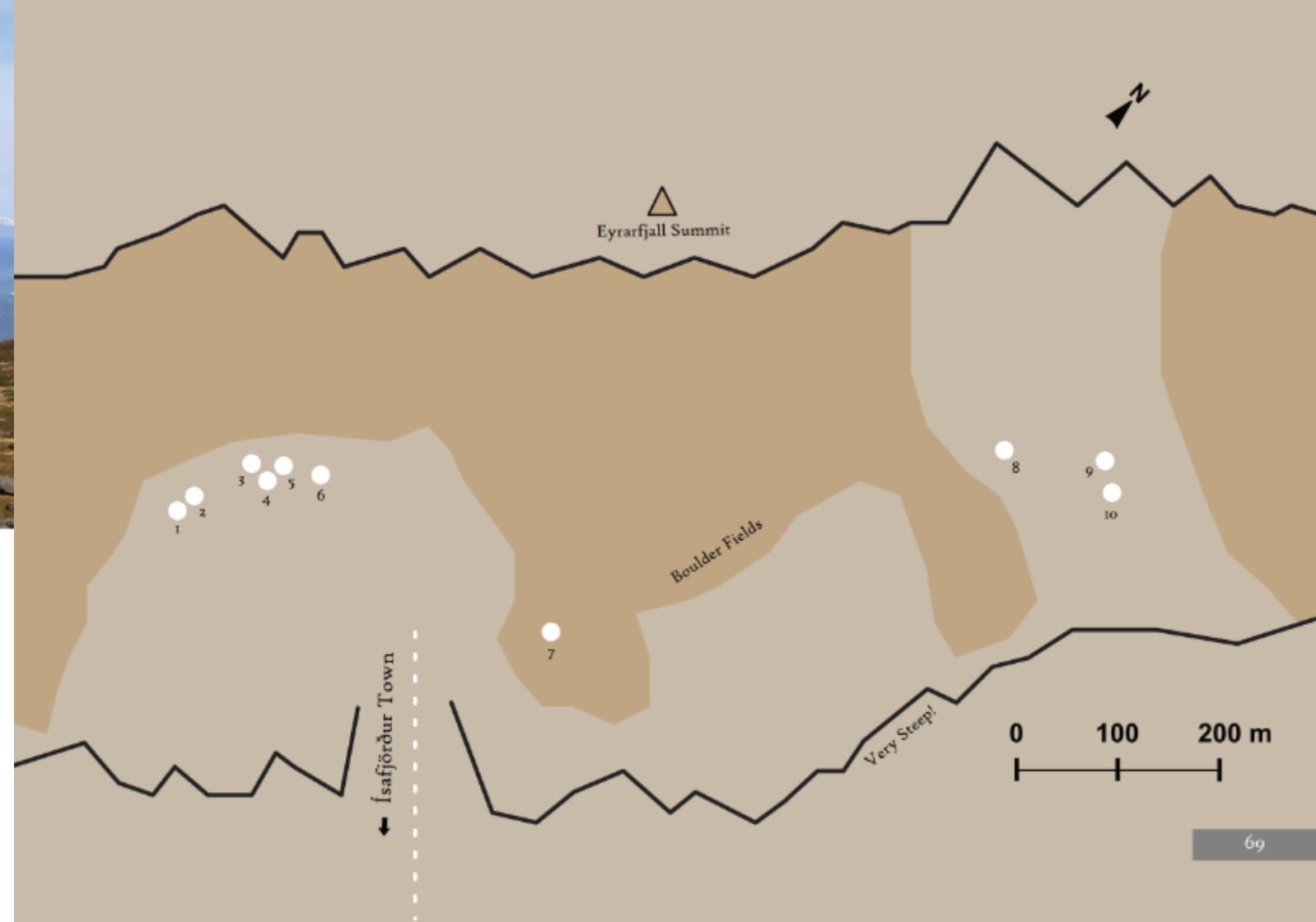
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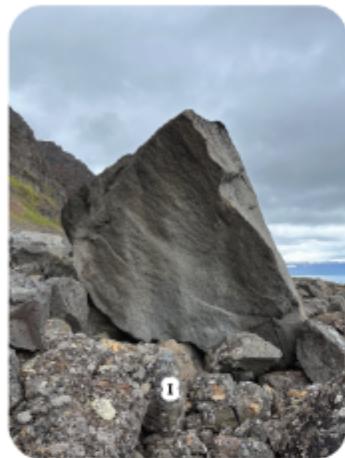
Walk from Ísafjörður towards the Flögulus Sector. Continue up the avalanche wall staircase and straight up the mountain toward the widest couloir.

Take caution as the approach is full of scree and rockfall is possible.

Totals (10)

V? - 10 | This area is still widely undocumented and undeveloped.

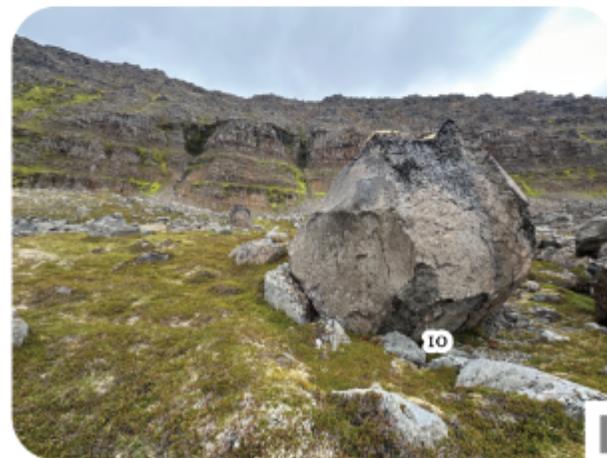




View towards the leftmost boulder field of Gleidarhjálli



View of the central boulder field of Gleidarhjalli in late autumn conditions



Naustahvilft

"The Troll Seat"

Find your favorite lowball in a maze of boulders with a renowned view.

Recommendations

Dancers, Photogenic, Emancipator, Through the Rubble, Imprisoned, The Tree House Boulder, Techno, The Party Trick, The Road to Donegal, Ka-Ra-Tee, The Welcoming, In the Womb, Home Away, Triplets, Sky's the Limit, & The Big Heavy

Parking

From Ísafjörður town drive route 61 toward the airport for roughly 6 km. Very shortly after passing the airport parking for Naustahvilft "The Troll Seat" will be on your right.

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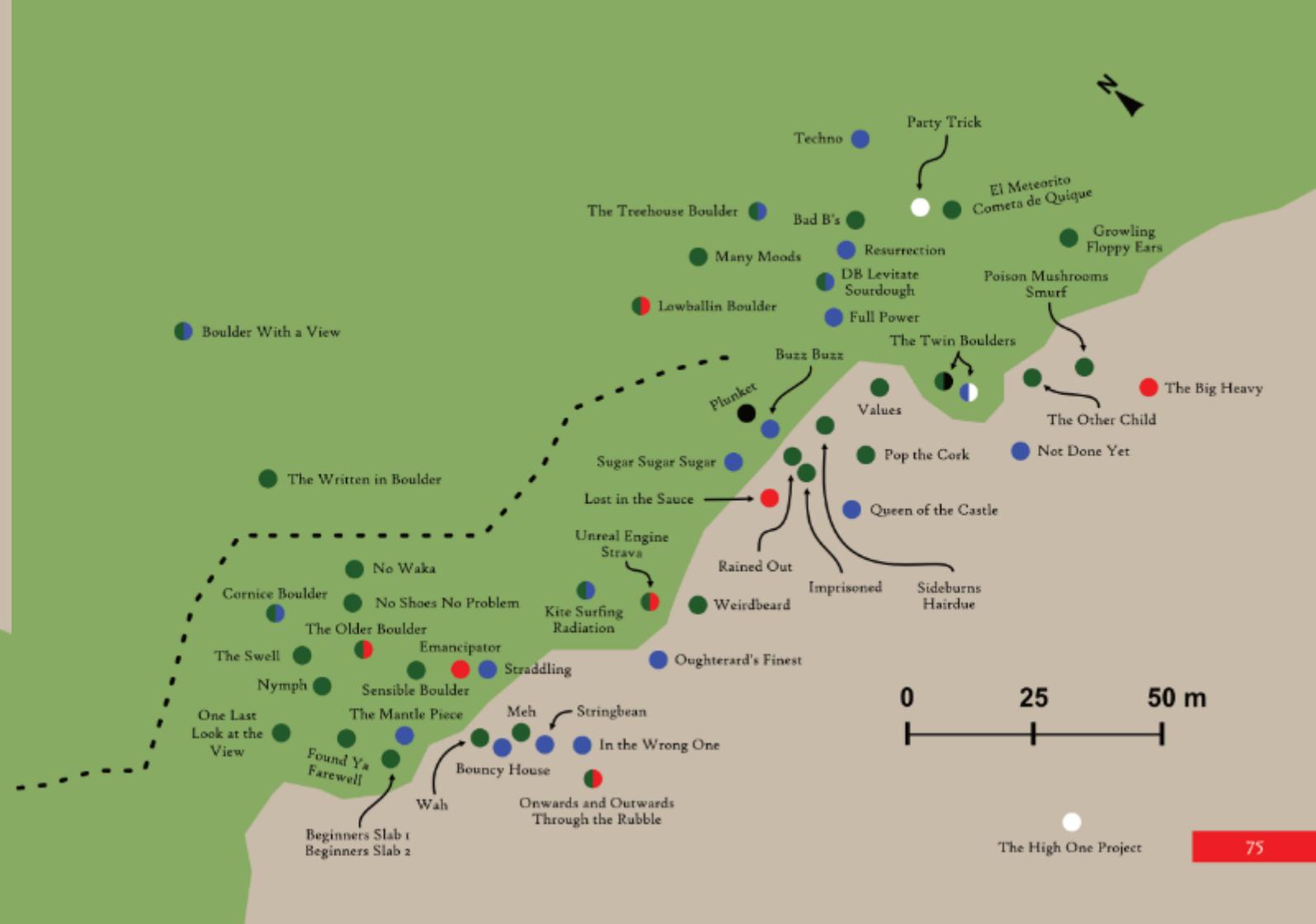
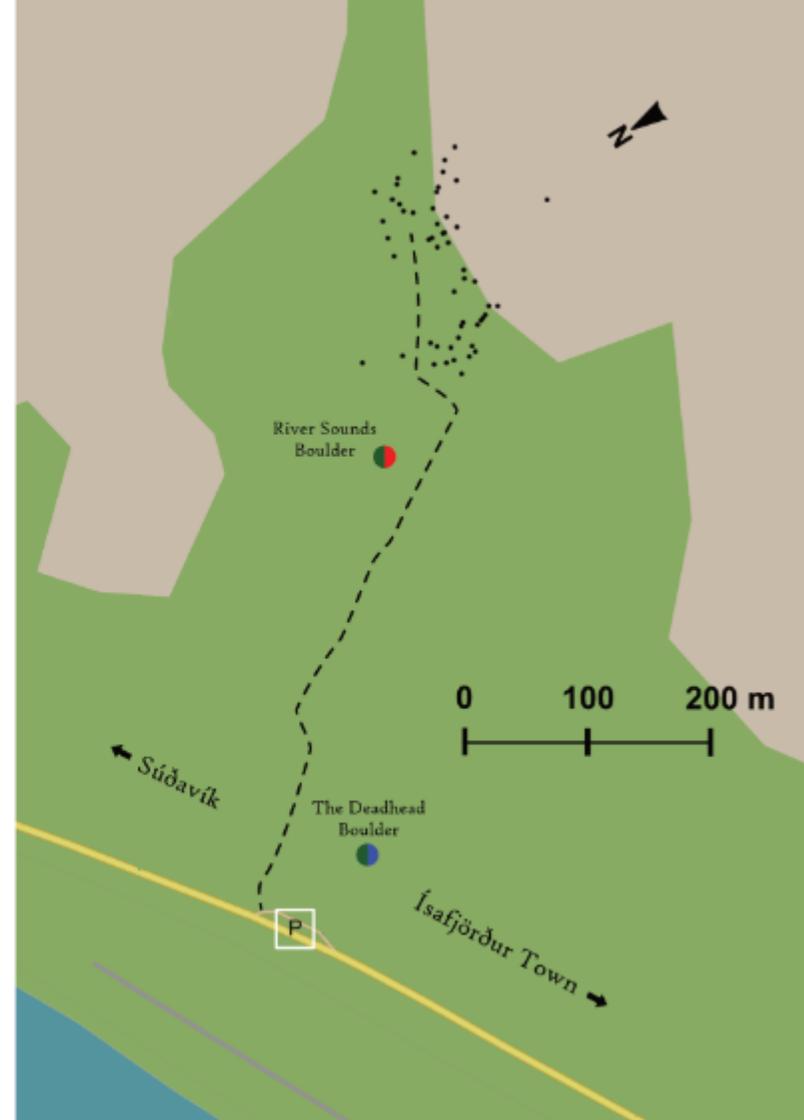
Approach

200m | .75 km | 20 to 40 minutes

Follow the trail straight up the mountainside into the mountain depression. This is a common day hike from Ísafjörður town.

Totals (108)

VB - 13 | V0 - 22 | V1 - 25 | V2 - 15 | V3 - 11 | V4 - 10 | V5 - 6 | V6 - 3 | V? - 3





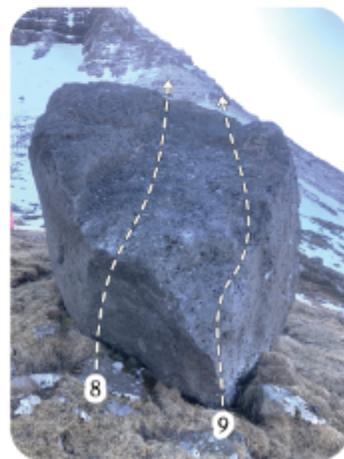
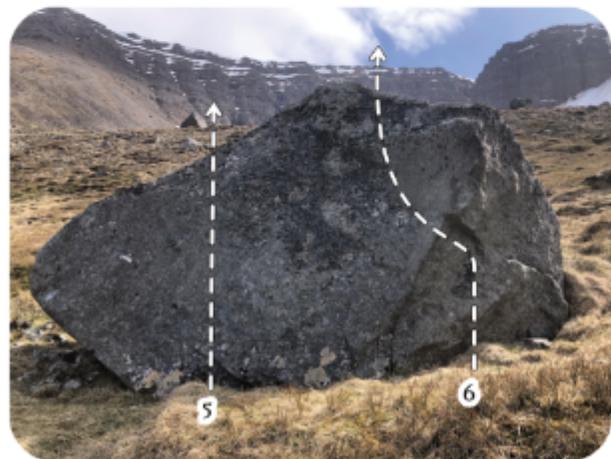
Naustahvilt | Photo: Björgvin Hilmarsson



The Deadhead Boulder (1-3) is located on walkers far right just as you start up the trail. | GPS: 66.05888, -23.12252

The River Sounds Boulder (4-7) is located just before you reach the top of the seat. It's a fairly nice boulder with good climbs. | GPS: 66.05736, -23.11655

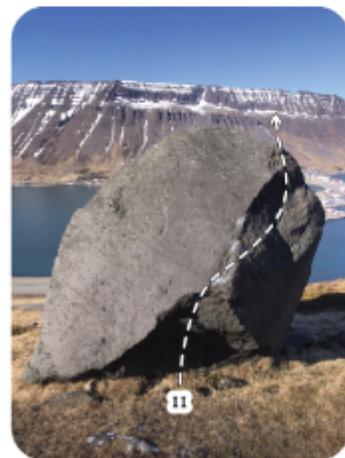
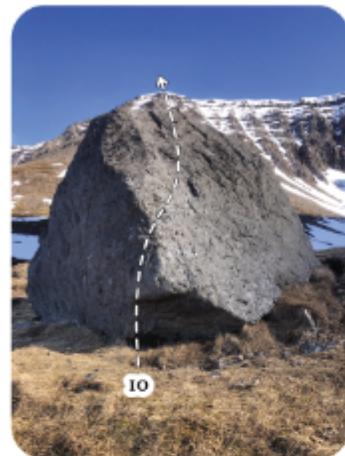
Boulder With a View (8-11) will be on walkers far left at the top on the seat. It sits alone with an iconic view. | GPS: 66.05716, -23.11488



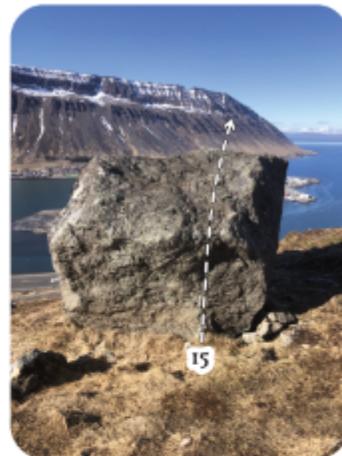
View of Ísafjörður Town & Naustahviltf as seen from Gleidarhjalli



Bjartur Týr Ólafsson on Photogenic (V0) - Boulder With a View | Photo: Björgvin Hilmarsson



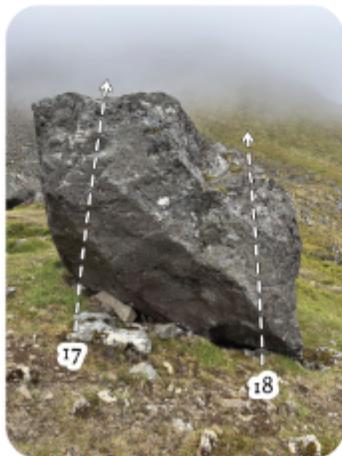
1	Wonky Jaw	VB	Sit	Both hands matched in the middle of the large jug rail	
2	Plentiful Piercings	V2	Sit	Left hand on a wide corner pinch above a pocket Right hand in a two finger pocket	
3	The Cranium	V0	Sit	Left hand on the center sloper left of the slant Right hand on a bulge to the right of the highest point above the overhang	Good
4	River Sounds	V4	Sit	Left hand on a bulging sidepull pinch with the pointer finger in a sharp incut Right hand on a low right side bulge	Good Cruxy start
5	Fly Fishing	V0	Sit	Left hand in a three finger pocket Right hand on a crimp	
6	Swimming With Salmon	V1	Sit	Left hand on an incut four finger crimp on the right edge of the slab Right hand on the far left side of the ledge	
7	Go Fish	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on the low ledge	Good Lock off and throw high
8	Summit Push	V0	Sit	Both hands on the best part of the ledges	
9	Self Arrest	V2	Sit	Left hand in a two to three finger pocket on the left side of a bulge Right hand on a crimp on the right side of a bulge	Good
10	Dancers	V3	Sit	Left hand on a low pocket sidepull on the left side of the corner Right hand in a shallow sloping three finger pocket sidepull on the right side of the corner	Classic Technical and reachy Throw for the pocket
11	Photogenic	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the low ledge	Classic



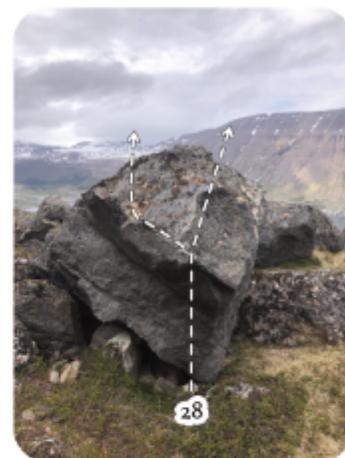
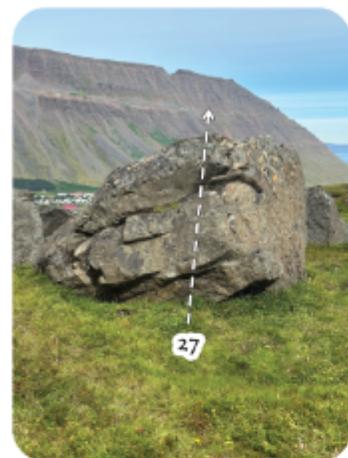
Looking back towards the front of the seat with Ísafjörður Town in the far distance

The Written in Boulder (12-14) is seen just as you arrive to the top of the seat. It contains the walker log book. | GPS: 66.05688, -23.11513

The Comice Boulder (15-21) is found as you arrive to the top of the seat. It is great for newer climbers. | GPS: 66.05672, -23.11555



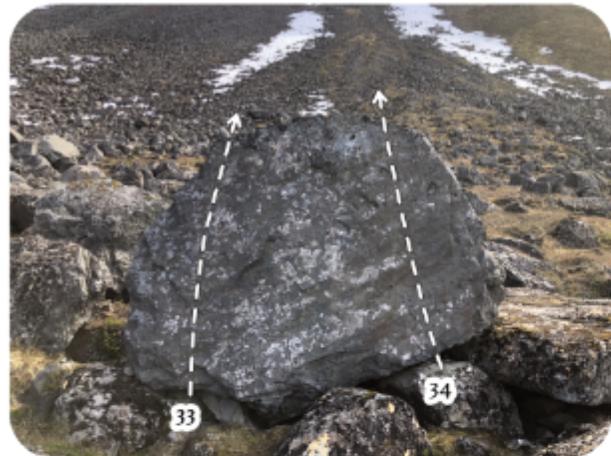
12	We Made It	V1	Sit	Left hand gaston in a pocket Right hand on top of the large triangle	
13	A Few More Steps	V0	Sit	Both hands next to each other on good jug ledges	
14	That Took a While	V1	Sit	Left hand on a low undercling in the roof Right hand on an open hand pinch on the bulging area above the upside down V	
15	The Humpback	VB	Sit	Left hand on a high horn Right hand on a crimp around the corner	Good
16	Some View	V1	Sit	Left hand in a pocket undercling Right hand on a crimp further out right	Good
17	The Pig's Snout	V0	Sit	Both hands on a large slanted ledge	
18	The Witches Nose	V0	Sit	Left hand on a large ledge just after the overhang Right hand on an undercling around the corner	
19	Town Sounds	V1	Sit	Left hand on a small mono pocket crimp around the corner Right hand on a two finger sidepull at the right end of the overhang	
20	Ready for a Tumble	V0	Sit	Left hand on a low bulging pinch Right hand in a pocket on the sidewall	
21	Let Them See	V2	Sit	Left hand on the lower of the two corner holds Right hand in the pocket next to the left hand	Good
22	One Last Look at the View	VB	Sit	Left hand as an open hand on the top ledge Right hand in the top three finger pocket	
23	One Last Look at the View Variation	V1	Sit	Left hand in the top three finger pocket Right hand on the top ledge crimp close to the left hand	Good Better than the original
24	The Swell	V0	Sit	Left hand on a higher large sidepull Right hand on the sloping corner	No crashpad
25	Nymph	V1	Sit	Left hand in a large pocket Right hand on a four finger crimp on the high right side of a bulge	
26	No Waka	V0	Sit	Left hand on a four finger crimp Right hand on a large incut sidepull	



The Older Boulder (28-30) has a few good technical problems. GPS: 66.05655, -23.11544



27	No Shoes No Problem	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the lowest ledge	Very easy
28	Horny	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the horn	Finish left or right
29	What's My Age Again?	V5	Sit	Left hand on a large low sidepull Right hand on a four finger crimp above the buried boulder Same start as Young at Heart	Good Finish left
30	Young at Heart	V3	Sit	Same start as What's My Age Again?	Finish right
31	Found Ya	VB	Sit	Both hands on the best holds on opposite corners	
32	Farewell	V1	Sit	Left hand on a sharp and thin incut sidepull around the left side corner Right hand on a four finger crimp ledge out right	



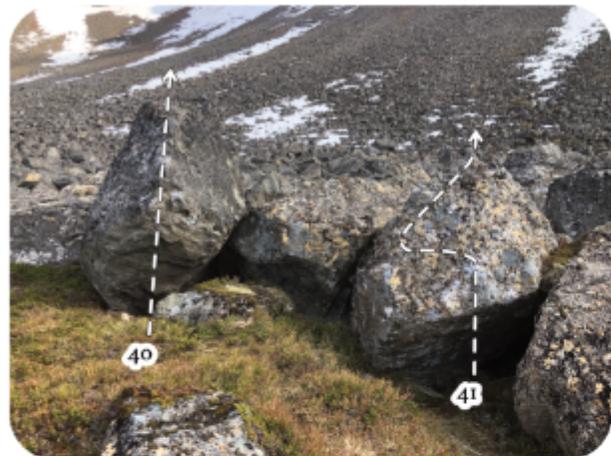
The Sensible Boulder (36-39) is as the name goes. It's an easy boulder and fun for beginners. | GPS: 66.05647, -23.11536



33	Beginners Slab 1	VB	Stand	Both hands on a good sidepull Step up into it	Easy
34	Beginners Slab 2	VB	Stand	Left hand on a four finger crimp above the buried boulder Right hand on the best part of a large sidepull	Easy
35	The Mantle Piece	V3	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the top center ledge	
36	Hold Steady	V1	Sit	Left hand on the center corner bulge Right hand on a curved crimpy ledge	Move up and right
37	Toes R Us	V0	Sit	Left hand on the bulging ledge Right hand on a corner sidepull at the same height	
38	Quite Chill	VB	Sit	Left hand on a large slanted rail Right hand on a four finger crimp below a pocket	Easy
39	Stair Stepper	VB	Sit	Left hand on a large ledge Right hand just above the left hand on a horn	



Saga floating up Beginners Slab 2 (VB) | Photo: Björgvin Hilmarsson



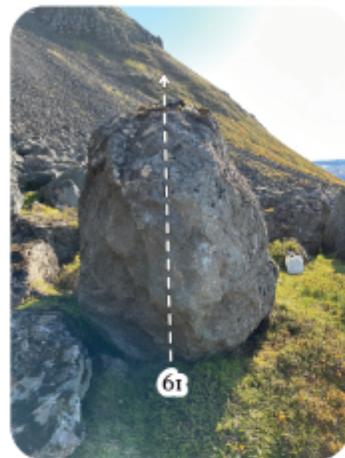
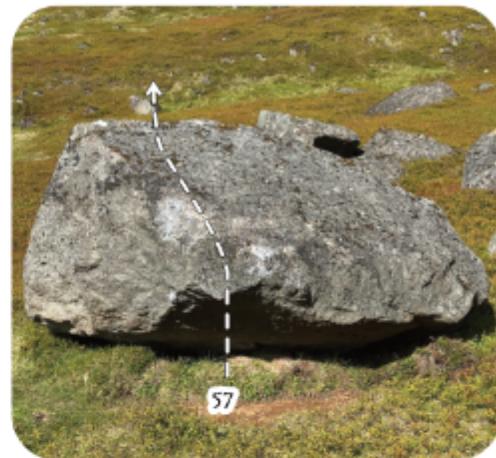
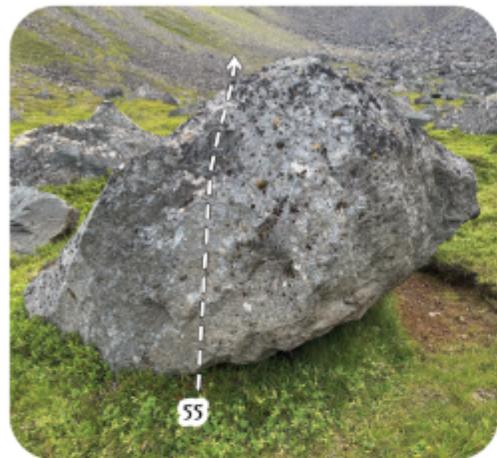
40	Straddling	V2	Sit	Left hand on a very incut crimp in the middle Right hand on an incut crimp out far right	
41	Emancipator	V4	Sit	Left hand on the highest small lip of the slanted ledge Right hand on a small bulge directly above the overhang and close to the other boulder	Good Tricky feet but very good
42	Wah	V1	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the top of the bulge	
43	Bouncy House	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on a center large ledge	Not good Use momentum to stand up and throw for it
44	Meh	VB	Sit	Left hand on a low crumbly sharp sidepull Right hand on the tip of an overhung bulge	
45	Stringbean	V2	Sit	Left hand on a low and large slanted block Right hand on a large and deep pocketed crimp out right	Changing the starting holds makes this easier
46	In the Wrong One	V3	Sit	Both hands matched on the large ledge	Other boulders are out
47	Onwards and Outwards	V1	Sit	Left hand on the corner on a four finger sidepull just above a small bulge Right hand on a low right facing fin undercling	
48	Through the Rubble	V5	Sit	Same start as Onwards and Outwards	Classic



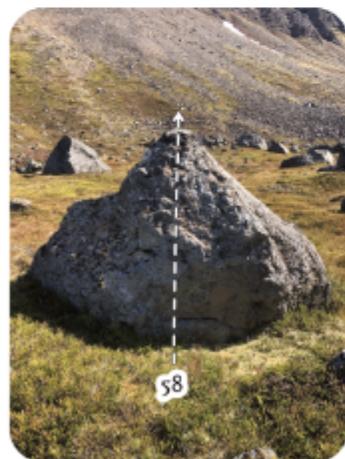
49	Kite Surfing	V2	Sit	Left hand around the corner above the other boulder on a good slanted ledge Right hand on the largest high bulge on the corner	
50	Radiation	V1	Sit	Left hand on the highest part of the long ledge rail Right hand on a good bulge on the corner	
51	Unreal Engine	V4	Sit	Left hand on a center sloping crimp in the overhang Right hand on top of the slanted sloping open hand ledge	Good
52	Strava	V0	Stand	Both hands matched on a lower good corner fin	Place the pad over the pointed rock
53	Oughterd's Finest	V3	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the two center sloping darker rock ledges above the yellow marks and just after the overhang	Good Other boulders are out
54	Weirdbeard	V0	Sit	Left hand on a large blocky sidepull Right hand on a center right facing ledge crimp	



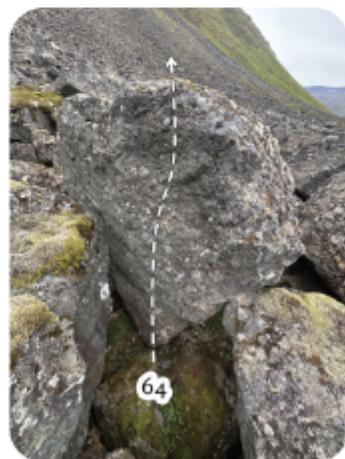
Stefanie Listl topping out Let Them See (V2) | Photo: Chris Pfüll



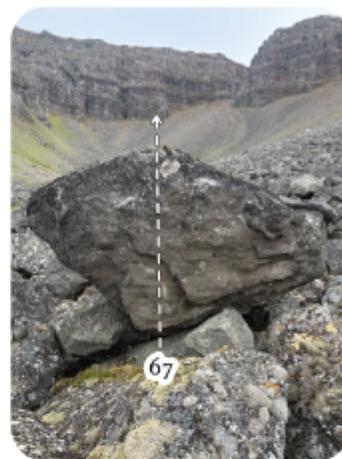
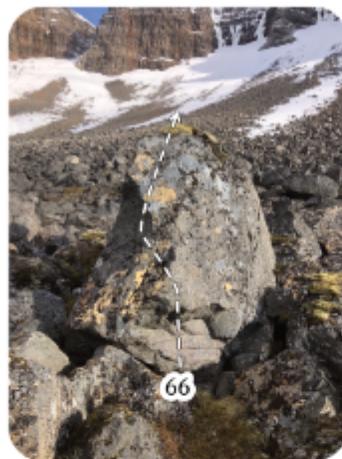
The Lowballin Boulder (55-57) is very low wide boulder with a few weird problems. Make sure to give Stamped a go. | GPS: 66.05658, -23.11352



55	Cramped	V1	Sit	Left hand on a large slanted ledge crimp Right hand next to the left hand on a sloping ledge	Not good
56	Slamped	V0	Sit	Left hand in a three finger pocket Right hand on a right facing slanted ledge	
57	Stamped	V5	Sit	Left hand on a low crimp on a left facing wall at the tip of the roof Right hand on a sloper with two separate pockets for the pointer finger and thumb just after the overhang	Harder than it looks
58	Many Moods	VB	Sit	Multiple ways to start	
59	Plunket	V6	Sit	Left hand as an open hand on the best part of the sloping corner slab with small ledges Right hand on a good four finger right facing slanted crimp above the overhang	Classic Awkward
60	Buzz Buzz	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on a very large incut finger jug rail	
61	Sugar Sugar	V2	Sit	Left hand on a three finger sidepull drag with a wide pinch Right hand on small center crimp	



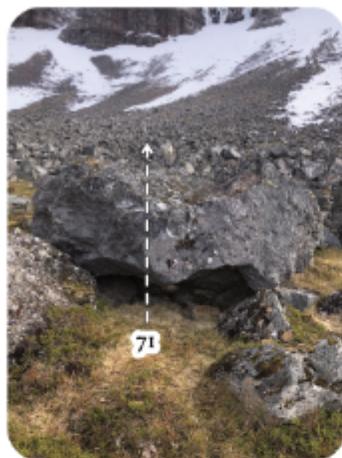
62	Lost in the Sauce	V4	Sit	Left hand in a two finger pocket around a bulge and above a buried rock Right hand on the center crimp ledge	No crashpad Be careful
63	Rained Out	V1	Sit	Left hand on a crimp out left where the boulders touch Right hand on an incut on the large slanted ledge	Start between the boulders
64	Imprisoned	V0	Sit	Left hand on a slightly slanted left facing crimp where the boulders meet Right hand on a sloping hold with a good left facing sidepull thumb pinch	Good Start between the boulders



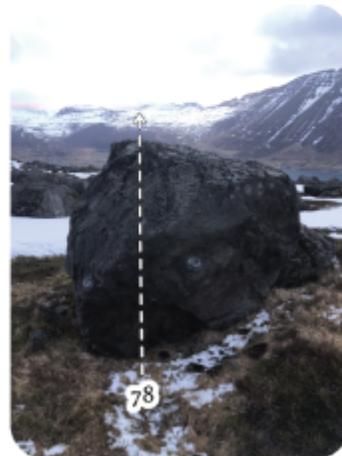
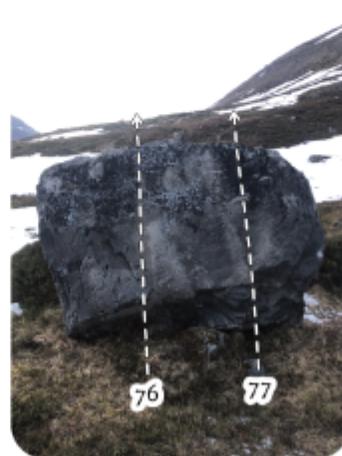
65	Sideburns	VB	Sit	Left hand on a small center crimp Right hand on a slanted center crimp	
66	Hairdue	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on a left facing bulge above the overhang	
67	Queen of the Castle	V2	Sit	Left hand on a good center incut four finger crimp Right hand on the top ledge just above the small left facing wall	Throw for it
68	Pop the Cork	V1	Sit	Left hand on the low corner sidepull Right hand on a long right facing sidepull rail	Good
69	Values	V1	Sit	Left hand on a large center crimp Right hand on a slanted ledge	



Tinna atop the Treehouse Boulder



The Treehouse Boulder (74-79) is a great beginners boulder and worth checking out. | GPS: 66.05652, -23.11288



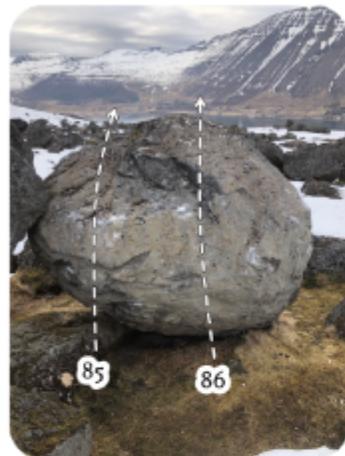
70	Full Power	V2	Sit	Left hand gaston on a right facing center sidepull Right hand on a higher sidepull	Good
71	DB Levitate	V3	Sit	Left hand on a crimpy rail Right hand on a triangular sidepull pinch	
72	Sourdough	V1	Sit	Left hand pinch on a large bread loaf type hold Right hand on a lower bulge	
73	Resurrection	V3	Sit	Left hand on the low incut crimp in the overhang Right hand on the best part of a sharp edge	Good
74	Monkey Munchies	V2	Sit	Left hand in a deep four finger pocket Right hand on a large sidepull	Reachy
75	Rabbit Rapidness	V1	Sit	Left hand in a two finger pocket sidepull crimp Right hand in a large four finger pocket around the corner	
76	Bird Beaks	V0	Sit	Left hand in a large pocket sidepull Right hand on a four finger sidepull crimp	
77	Turtle Tourniquets	V0	Sit	Left hand on a low blocky sidepull Right hand on a big corner sidepull undercling	
78	Sloth Slanders	V1	Sit	Left hand on a sloped sidepull (Same right hand as Turtle Tourniquets but in the reverse direction) Right hand on an open hand bulge	
79	Cat's a Creeping	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on a triangular horn on a slanted rail	
80	Bad B's	VB	Sit	Left hand on a crimp above a small crescent Right hand in a three finger pocket with a separate thumb pocket	



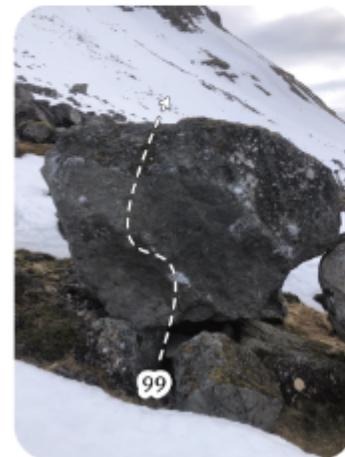
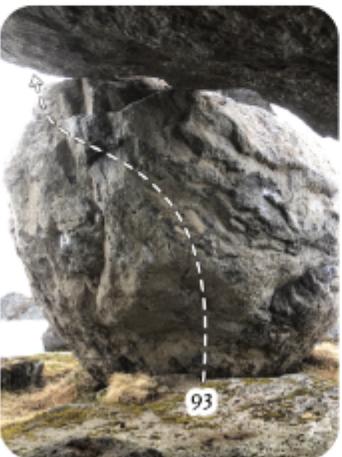
Orla tackling the one of a kind Party Trick



81	Techno	V2	Sit	Left hand on a bulging ledge Right hand in a deep four finger pocket	Good
82	Party Trick	V?	Sit	Both hands matched on the front tip of the roof Both feet above your head	Iconic
83	El Meteorito	V0	Sit	Left hand on a low incut crimp Right hand in a large four finger pocket	
84	Cometa de Quique	V1	Sit	Left hand on a high bulging ledge Right hand on an incut sidepull on the right side	



The Twin Boulders (85-100) have the best of what Naustahvilft has to offer. They're not to be missed. | GPS: 66.05608, -23.11291 & 66.05605, -23.11286



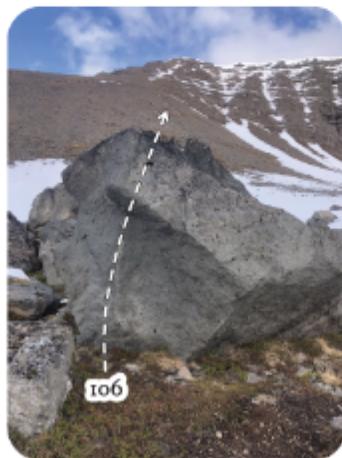
Brendan on the start of Home Away (V4)

Photo: Hannah Feit

85	The Road to Donegal	V5	Sit	Left hand on a small four finger crimp ledge (Same right hand as In the Womb) Right hand on a sloping four finger drag pinch where the different colors meet	Good Crimpy start
86	Shoot Yo Shot	V4	Sit	Left hand on a slanted three finger sidepull crimp Right hand gaston on a large left facing slanted sidepull (Same left hand as Ka-Ra-Tee)	Good
87	Ka-Ra-Tee	V1	Sit	Left hand on a large left facing slanted sidepull (Same right hand as Shoot Yo Shot) Right hand on a four finger pinchy crimp below a sidepull	Good
88	Forget Me Not	V2	Sit	Left hand on an open hand sloper on the corner Right hand on a center high crimp	
89	Direct Deposit	V5	Sit	Both hands at the same height Left hand on a center four finger crimp Right hand on a small four finger ledge crimp (Same left hand as In Awe)	Crimpy
90	In Awe	V6	Sit	Left hand on a small four finger ledge crimp (Same right hand as Direct Deposit) Right hand on a small three to four finger crimp on the corner	Sharp
91	The Welcoming	V4	Sit	Left hand on a sloping corner pinch Right hand on a four finger crimp ledge	Good
92	M + M	V3	Sit	Left hand on a large ledge Right hand on a crimpy sloty knob on darker rock	
93	In the Womb	V4	Sit	Left hand on a large block sidepull undercling Right hand on a small four finger crimp ledge (Same left hand as The Road to Donegal)	Good Watch your head
94	Twins Project	-	Stand		Unclimbed
95	Home Away	V4	Sit	Left hand on the corner Right hand on a low four finger crimp	Classic
96	Triplets	V5	Sit	Left hand on a low four finger crimp Right hand on a low bulge	Classic
97	Sky's the Limit	V4	Sit	Left hand on a low bulge Right hand on the middle crimp within the crack line	Classic
98	Eat Your Tears	V6	Sit	Left hand on a small two finger incut crimp Right hand in a sharp undercling or sidepull within slightly darker rock	Hard start
99	Bacon Sandwich	V3	Stand	Both hands matched on a large jug Use the pocket within the jug for the right hand Both feet on the ledge directly underneath the steep overhang	Sketchy fall
100	For the Love of It All	V3	Stand	Left hand on a bulge with a left facing pocket Right hand on a four finger crimp under the long pocket	Good Watch yourself



Bjartur on Beginners Slab 1 (VB) | Photo: Björgvin Hilmarrsson



101	The Other Child	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on a ledge	
102	Not Done Yet	V3	Stand	Left hand in the lower sharp two finger pocket just after the overhang Right hand on an overhung three finger crimp with a bump in the middle at the tip of a bulge	Good
103	Poison Mushrooms	V1	Sit	Left hand in a shallow pocket in the middle of the overhung fin Right hand on the first four finger crimp ledge	
104	Smurf	V0	Sit	Left hand on the center ledge Right hand on the same center ledge but as a gaston on the high right side	
105	Growling	V1	Sit	Left hand on a triangular sidepull on the top of the bulging ledge Right hand on the right side of the bulging ledge	
106	Floppy Ears	V1	Sit	Both hands on the large flake like hold	
107	The Big Heavy	V4	Sit	Left hand on the triangular block undercling Right hand in a deep two finger pocket	Good
108	The High One Project	-	Stand		Unclimbed

Kirkjubólshvilt

"The Other Seat"

Go off the beaten path to find solace and tranquility in a place less traveled.

Recommendations

Going Nuclear, Eloquence, Cha Cha Slides, A Keeper, Smoothies, Torched and Torqued, Backstepping, Boopie, Zordon, Maribou With a Caribou, On Repeat, Chapter One, Raving, The Final Boss, Betterment of Others, The Power Ranger, Flint and Steel, Light on Your Feet, & The Fog Has Lifted

Parking

From Ísafjörður town drive route 61 towards the airport. After 4 km turn right before a long bridge towards Engidalur. Follow the road for another 1.5 km and turn right before a smaller bridge. Follow this gravel road for 2 km and park on your right hand side before a final bridge where the road ends.

GPS: 66.02569, -23.17219

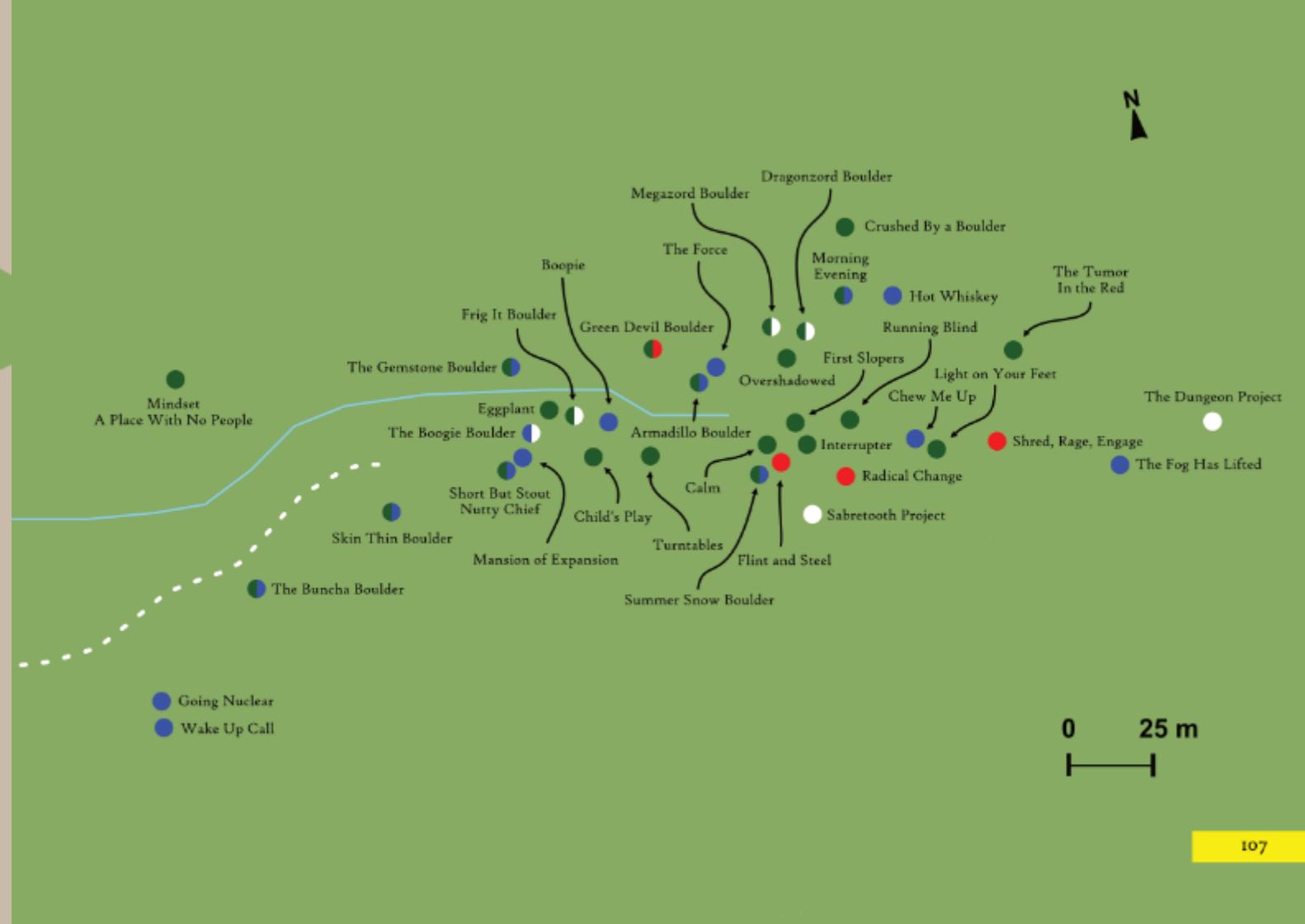
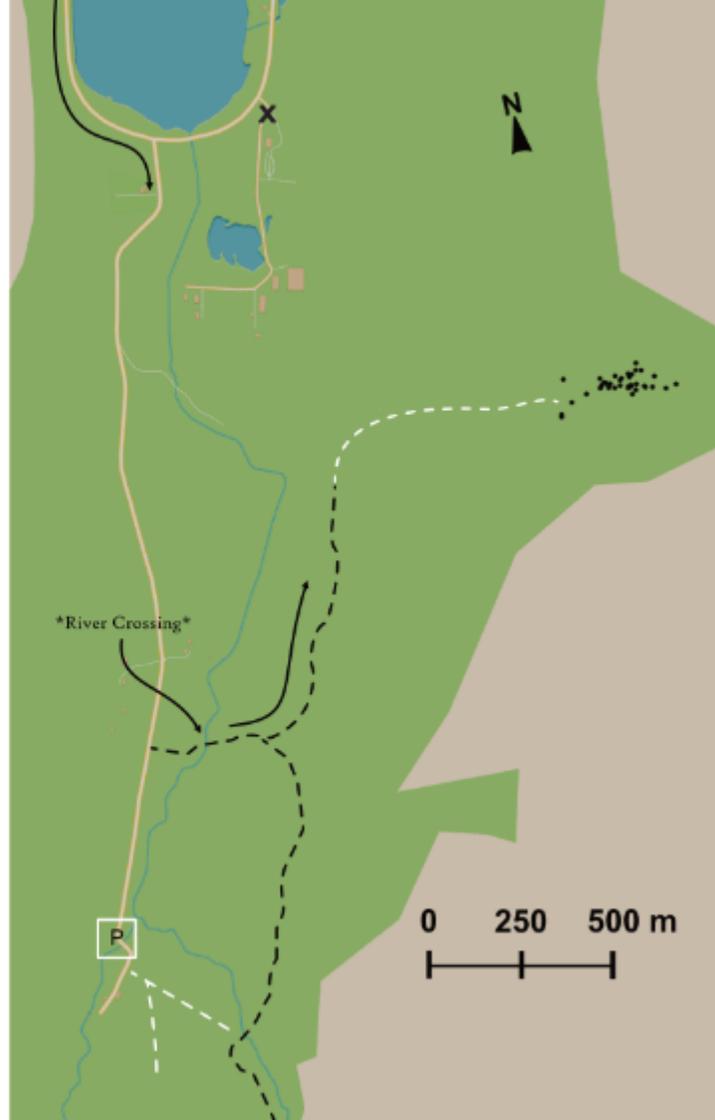
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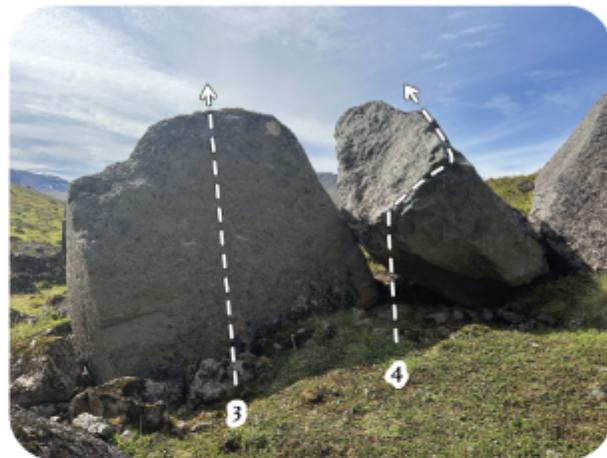
260m | 1.6 km | 30 to 45 minutes

Walk back down the road you drove for 450 meters until you see a gravel road on your right. Walk down this road and the adventure begins with a *river crossing* (depth varies throughout the year but can be knee deep). Walk another 150 meters to a fork where you will go left (right is towards Fossavatn). Follow this horse track to the base of the Kirkjubólshvilt. Continue off trail finding the easiest approach. Please respect the plant life and be cautious for unseen holes in the ground.

Totals (81)

VB - 15 | V0 - 15 | V1 - 10 | V2 - 16 | V3 - 9 | V4 - 5 | V5 - 2 | V6 - 3 | V? - 6





1	Mindset	V0	Sit	Left hand on a high small ledge at the top of the overhang Right hand on the center right facing sidepull	
2	A Place With No People	V0	Sit	Left hand on a center good ledge Right hand on either a small center bulge with tiny pockets or a very wide hold on the far corner	
3	Wake Up Call	V3	Sit	Both hands at the same height on the two crimp ledges Left hand crimp is slightly bigger than the right hand crimp	Crimpy
4	Going Nuclear	V3	Sit	Both hands matched on the obvious large slanted left facing protruding bulge ledge	Good

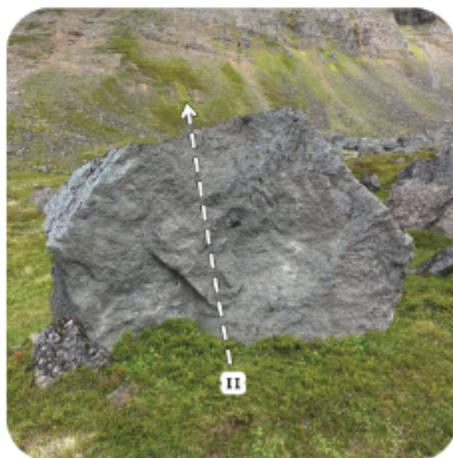
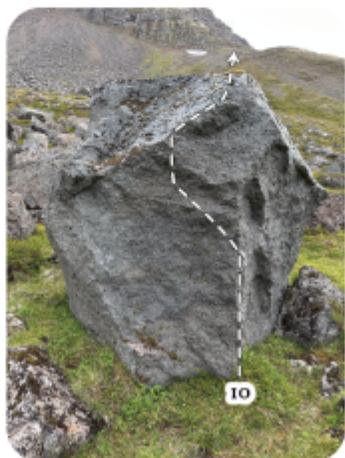
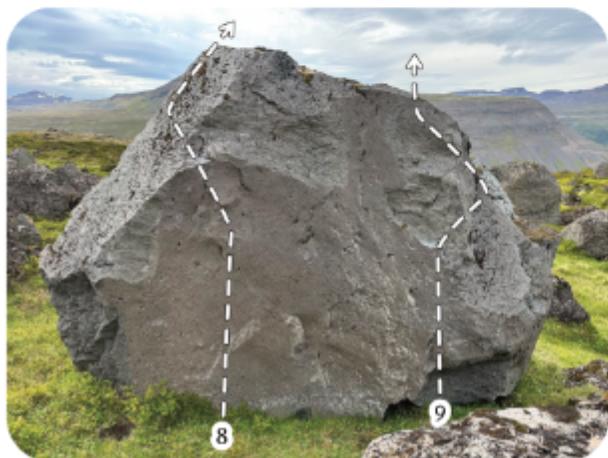


View of Kirkjubólshviltf and Fossavatn as seen from Gleidarhjalli



The Buncha Boulder (5-7) is one of the first boulders you pass on the right side approach into the Kirkjubólshviltf. | GPS: 66.03636, -23.13991

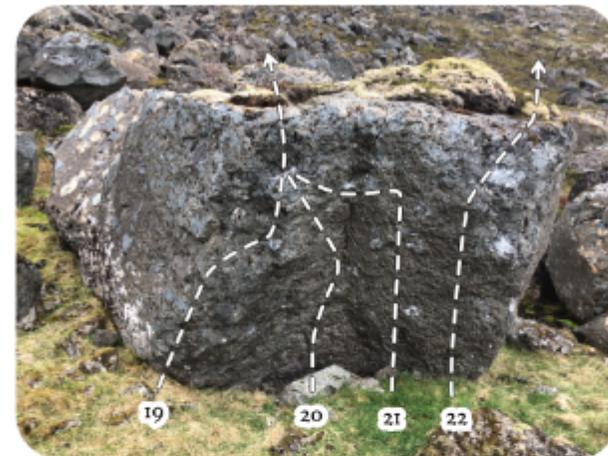
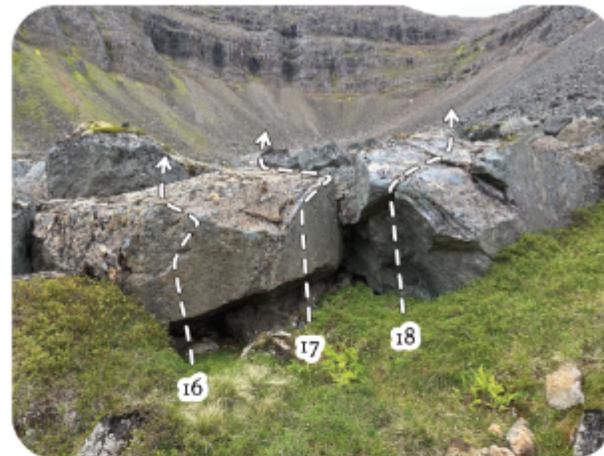
The Skin Thin Boulder (8-11) is a good boulder with a few easy technical problems. | GPS: 66.0365, -23.13897



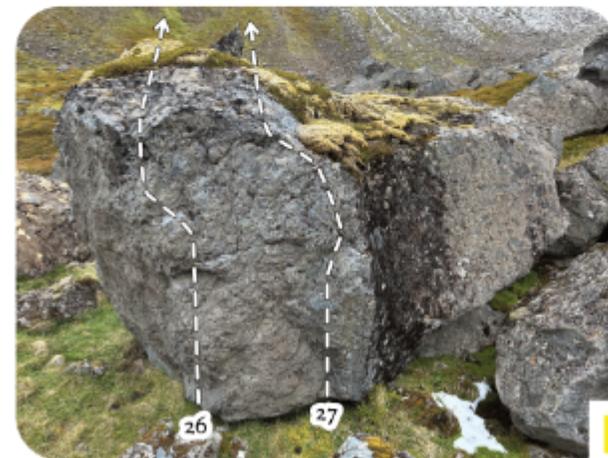
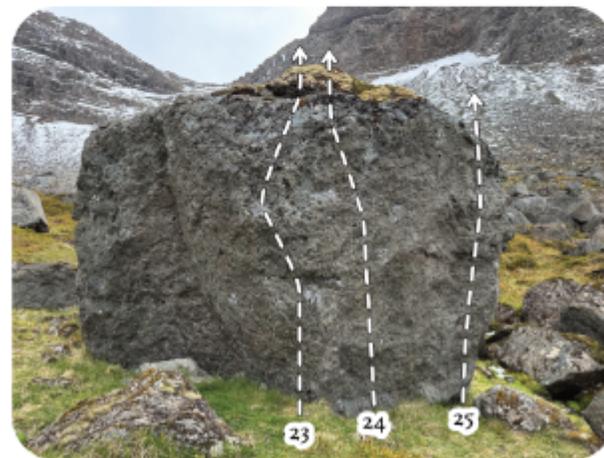
The Gemstone Boulder (12-15) has one of the best traverses around. Do not miss Eloquence. | GPS: 66.0368, -23.13802

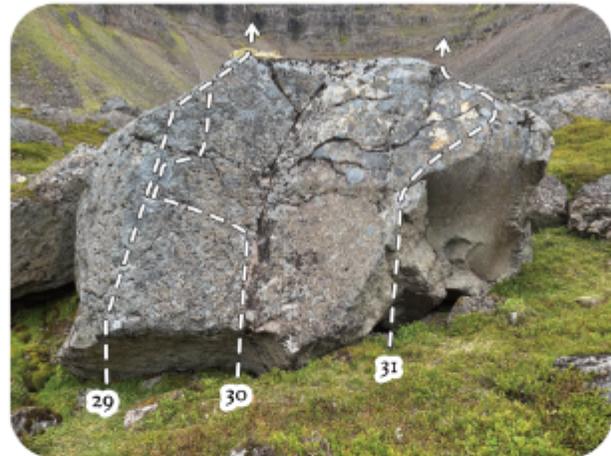
5	Buncha Crunch	V1	Sit	Both hands next to each other Left hand on a left facing slanted ledge Right hand on a slanted two finger incut ledge	
6	Buncha Pain	V0	Sit	Both hands matched along the corner	
7	Buncha Nonsense	V2	Sit	Left hand on a good sidepull on the left facing wall Right hand on a four finger crimp on the right facing side of the wall	
8	Phantom Feet	V2	Sit	Left hand on a high left facing sidepull Right hand gaston in a three finger incut pocket	Reachy start
9	Off the Tips	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the somewhat squared ledge	
10	The Handle	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the protruding jug handle	
11	Sharp as Spit	VB	Sit	Left hand undercling in the left facing downturned roof Right hand in a sharp crimp pocket	
12	The Gemstone	V0	Sit	Left hand on the top corner Right hand in the center crimp	
13	Hard as Rock Project	-	Sit	Left hand on a small four finger slanted crimp above the buried rock Right hand gaston on a four finger left facing larger crimp on the right side of the corner	Unclimbed
14	Eloquence	V3	Sit	Left hand on a small sidepull or on a crimp out left above the large buried rock Right hand on the first large triangular sidepull	Iconic Traverse
15	Still Around	VB	Sit	Left hand on a bulging sidepull Right hand on a crimp rail	

16	Short but Stout	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on a center left facing slanted ledge	Short but powerful
17	Nutty Chief	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on the large and high left facing slanted top ledge	
18	Mansion of Expansion	V2	Sit	Left hand sidepull on a large downturned left facing hold Right hand on the center of the prominent fin	Good Somewhat contrived but do not start on the top ledge
19	Cheeks	V2	Sit	Left hand in the four finger pocket just around the corner that squeezes the pinky Right hand gaston in the lower pocket	Good
20	Ticklish	V3	Sit	Left hand on an incut four finger sidepull Right hand on a slightly higher vertical left facing gaston directly along the concave center line	Good
21	Cha Cha Slides	V6	Sit	Left hand in the same right hand as Ticklish but use it as a sidepull pinch with a shallow pocket thumb catch Right hand gaston in the low two to three finger pocket	Classic
22	A Keeper	V6	Sit	Left hand in the same right hand pocket as Cha Cha Slides but use it as a sharp incut crimp Right hand on the corner as an open hand sidepull pinch	Iconic
23	Smoothies	V4	Sit	Left hand in the lower two to three finger pocket Right hand on a four finger crimp ledge	Classic
24	Tappin It Project	-	Sit	Left hand on the same right hand four finger crimp ledge as Smoothies Right hand on a three finger centered thin pocket crimp	Unclimbed
25	On the Outs	V3	Sit	Left hand in a sharp three finger thin pocket crimp Right hand in a high two finger pocket pinch directly under the small roof	Start on the large rock Reachy moves
26	Way Out	V2	Sit	Left hand on a crimp sidepull on the second bulge below the roof Right hand on a small four finger crimp just to the right and below the left bulge	Start on the large rock
27	The Wet Wet	V2	Sit	Left hand on a crimp bulge with a one finger ledge at the top of the sidewall Right hand in a three finger open incut pocket to the right of the sidewall	Good



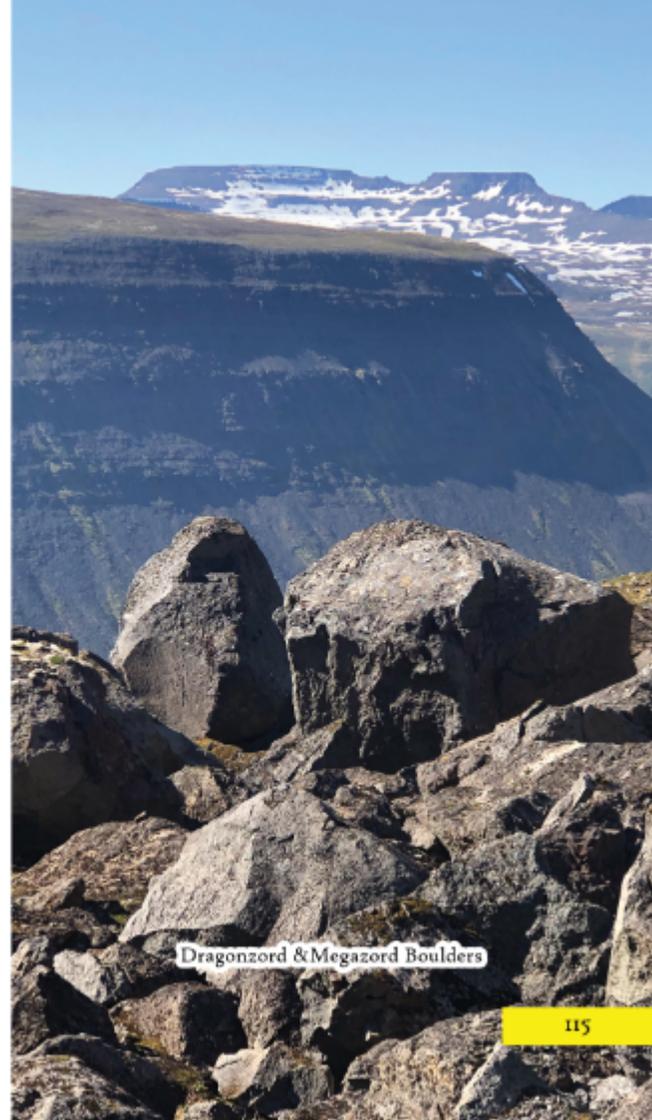
Do not miss the Boogie Boulder (19-27) it's full of classics. This boulder has both technical and powerful problems. | GPS: 66.03663, -23.138





The Frig It Boulder (29-33) is a great boulder with a few fun problems. | GPS: 66.03666, -23.13769

28	Eggplant	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the large triangular slanted ledge	Very easy
29	Swamped Project	-	Sit	Left hand on a block or crimp Right hand on some jibs	Unclimbed
30	Torched and Torqued	V4	Sit	Both hands along the center slabby crack line Left hand gaston on the lower good right facing sidepull Right hand on the higher three finger slightly downturned incut sidepull	Classic
31	Backstepping	V1	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the slab using the incut or bulging hold as sidepulls	Classic
32	Hole in the Bucket	V0	Sit	Left hand in the two to three finger circular pocket Right hand just above the pocket on a good sandwiched ledge	
33	The Nipple	V0	Sit	Left hand on a high slanted ledge using the thumb on the pointy bit or nipple Right hand on a lower center slightly slanted four finger crimp	
34	Childs Play	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the obvious protruding blocky bulge	
35	Boopie	V2	Sit	Left hand around the corner on a small edge Right hand on the higher part of the large right facing sidepull	Good
36	Turntables	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on a slanted and center left facing ledge just above the overhang	





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The Green Devil Boulder (37-40) stands alone and is easily distinguished by its horns. | GPS: 66.0368, -23.13711

The Armadillo Boulder (41-44) is a centrally located boulder with a few good climbs. | GPS: 66.03669, -23.13686



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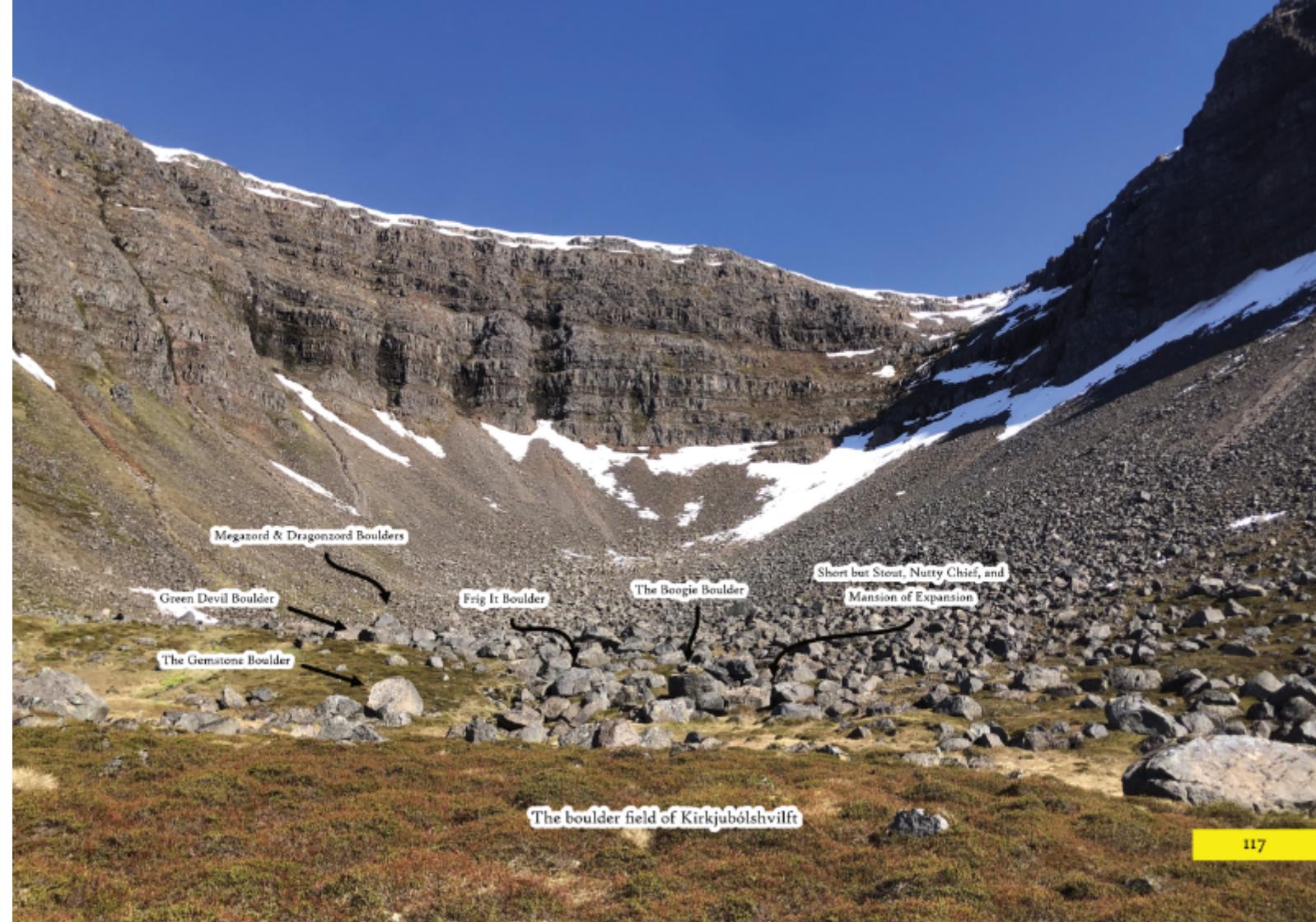
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Shortly after climbing Zordon (V2) - Megazord Boulder



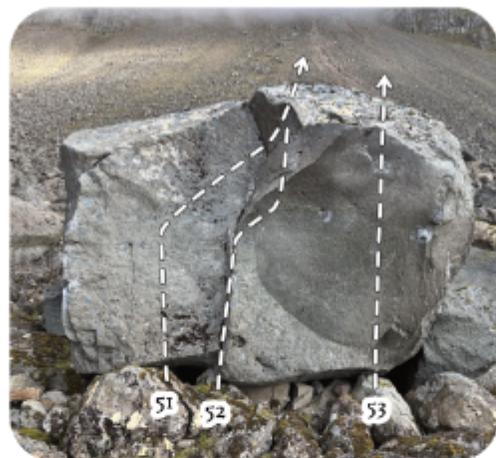
The Megazord Boulder (46) is the largest bloc in Kirkjubólshviltf.
Climb Zordon or try something new. | GPS: 66.0368, -23.13633



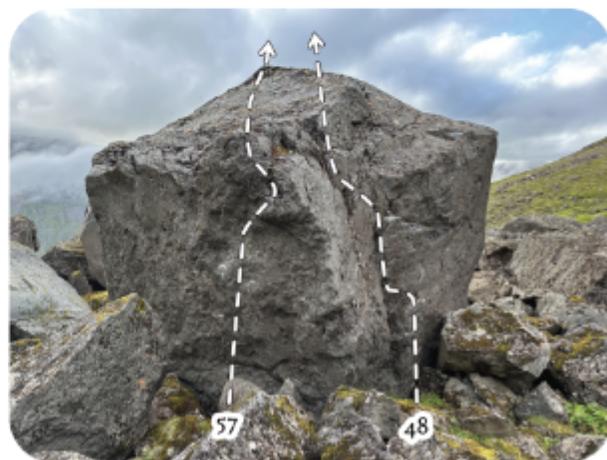
Megazord Boulder



37	Path to Purgatory	V0	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the two small ledges at the top of the overhang	
38	Green Devil	V5	Sit	Left hand on an undercling in the crescent along the crack line Right hand out right in a small two finger pocket	One move wonder Reachy but throw for it
39	Sinful	V0	Sit	Left hand on a four finger sidepull crimp out left and to the right of the pocket Right hand on an open hand pinch on the high bulging corner	
40	Far Too Gone	VB	Sit	Left hand on a large left facing lower sidepull Right hand on a large right facing higher sidepull	
41	Top of the Shell	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on a large triangular ledge	
42	Stabbed in the Back	V2	Sit	Left hand on the lowest left facing slanted ledge Right hand on the lowest right facing slanted ledge	Finish Left Watch your back
43	Showing Face	V3	Sit	Left hand guppy just above the pointy triangular bulge using it as a layback Right hand on the center four finger crimp ledge	
44	Armadillo	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on the best part of the long ledge just above the slight overhang	
45	The Force	V2	Sit	Left hand on a large slanted left facing sidepull Right hand on a right facing sidepull at a similar height	Good Other boulders are out
46	Zordon	V2	Stand	Left hand on a four finger crimp on the center sidewall Right hand in a three finger pocket around head height	Iconic
47	Overshadowed	V0	Sit	Left hand on a large left facing sidepull Right hand on a crimp rail out right	

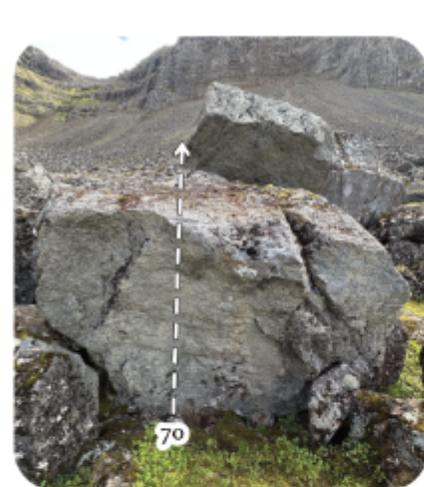
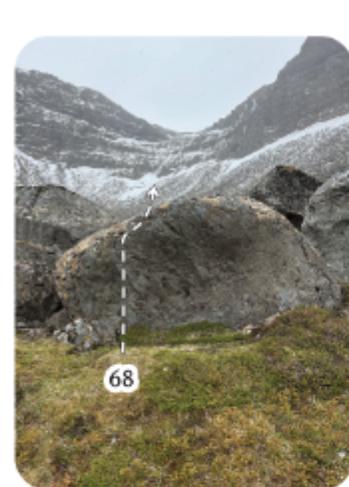
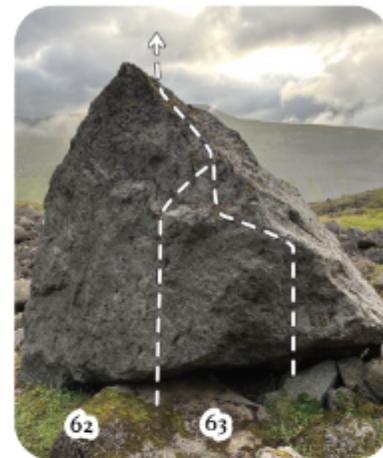
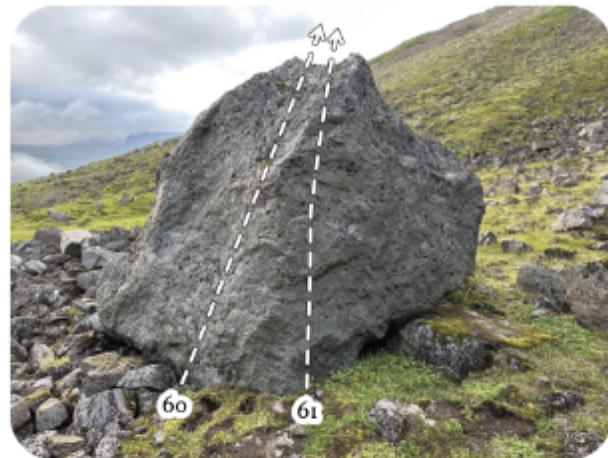
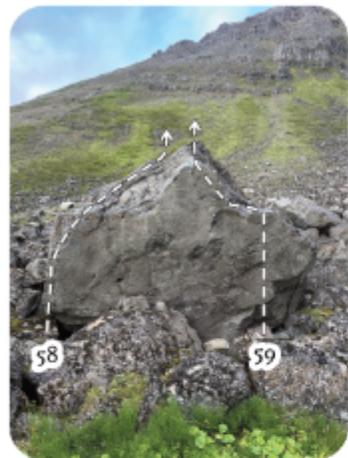


The Dragonzord Boulder is easily one of the best boulders in this area. Try them all! | GPS: 66.03677, -23.13611



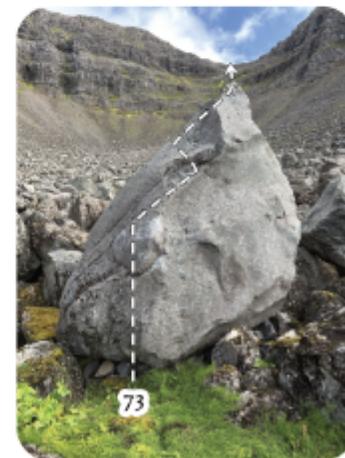
The view from the approach up Kirkjubólshviltf

48	The Downclimb	VB	Sit	Left hand on an incut left facing sidepull Right hand on the ledge or crimp above it	The actual downclimb
49	Maribou With a Caribou	V0	Stand	Left hand in an undercling below the small roof Right hand on the higher of the two right facing sidepulls	Classic
50	On Repeat	V4	Sit	Left hand on the large right facing corner rail Right hand on a sharp and tiny two finger open hand hold directly above an undercling	Classic
51	The Deed is Done	VB	Stand	Left hand in the obvious center pocket Right hand on a small four finger crimp ledge	
52	Chapter One	V3	Sit	Left hand on a three finger crimp on the left facing wall Right hand in the low large pocket	Classic
53	Raving	V1	Stand	Left hand in the obvious and only pocket on the wall Right hand gaston on the lowest of the left facing sidepulls (Same left hand as The Final Boss)	Classic
54	The Final Boss	V4	Stand	Left hand on the lowest of the left facing sidepulls (Same right hand as Raving) Right hand in the center two to three finger incut pocket	Classic
55	The Reading Project	-	Stand		Unclimbed
56	Betterment of Others	V1	Stand	Left hand on a good left facing sidepull crimp on the left side of the corner Right hand in a small shallow pocket undercling with a separate tiny ledge for the thumb	Classic
57	The Power Ranger	V6	Sit	Left hand on a high bulging spiked crimp that is just below a shallow vertical pocket Right hand just below and to the right on a small two to three finger crimp with a separate thumb jib	Classic

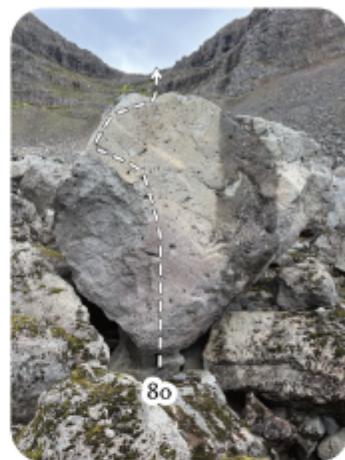
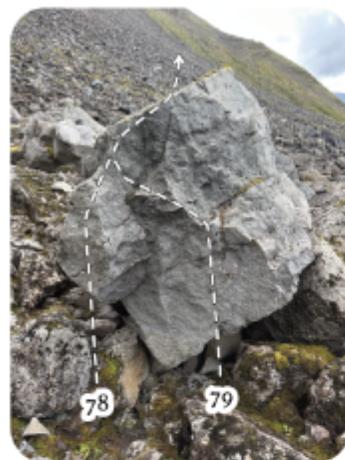


The Crushed By a Boulder (60-63) is an easy boulder. It was also one of the last boulders climbed in this area. | GPS: 66.03702, -23.13575

The Summer Snow Boulder (65-67) has a few moderate to easy problems. | GPS: 66.03647, -23.13647



58	Morning	V2	Sit	Left hand in a low three finger pocket undercling around the corner Right hand gaston on the corner	
59	Evening	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the center top ledge	
60	Tender to the Touch	VB	Sit	Left hand on a good incut left facing sidepull Right hand anywhere	
61	Tweaks	VB	Sit	Left hand on a left facing sidepull Right hand on the smaller of the two ledges	
62	Kinda Clumsy	V0	Sit	Left hand gaston in a two finger pocket Right hand on a high bulge on the ledge	
63	Bye Bye Kirk	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the large slanted slightly right facing ledge	
64	Hot Whiskey	V3	Sit	Left hand as an open hand on the sloping slab towards the bottom Right hand in an incut two to three finger hold at the top right of the bulge	Reachy start
65	Icy Roads	V2	Sit	Left hand guppy on a fin Right hand next to left on a left facing slanted ledge	Not very good
66	Snowbank	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on the obvious large ledge that has a thin crack through it	
67	June Flurries	V1	Sit	Both hands matched or next to each other on the thin but large ledges	
68	Calm	VB	Sit	Both hands matched in a large hole at the top of the lip	
69	Flint and Steel	V4	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the two crimpy ledges just above the overhang	Classic
70	First Slopers	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the sloping top ledge just above the steepest overhang	
71	Interrupter	VB	Sit	Both hands on the large bulging rounded ledge	Good
72	Sabretooth Project	-	Stand		Unclimbed
73	Running Blind	V1	Stand	Left hand on a left facing crimp rail Right hand on the large bulge with a small pointed ledge around the same height	
74	Radical Changes	V5	Sit	Left hand on the center sloping ledge at the tip of the overhang Right hand on the little sloping jibs out right	
75	Chew Me Up	V2	Sit	Left hand on a good ledge on left side of the boulder Right hand in a pocket ledge directly right and a little above the left hand	
76	Light on Your Feet	V0	Stand	Left hand on a large left facing sidepull rail Right hand in a three finger pocket on the face	Good



77	Shred, Rage, Engage	V3	Sit	Both hands next to each other Left hand on a slightly slanted four finger crimp ledge Right hand on a sloping horizontal pocket ledge	Good
78	The Tumor	VB	Sit	Both hands on opposite ends of the very large protruding block	
79	In the Red	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on a good triangular center ledge	
80	The Fog Has Lifted	V2	Sit	Both hands next to each other Left hand on a good four finger crimp Right hand in a deep two to three finger pocket	Good
81	The Dungeon Project	-			Unclimbed Steep

Fossavatn

Experience the best of it all within this purely epic and world class landscape.

Parking

From Ísafjörður town drive route 61 towards the airport. After 4 km turn right before a long bridge towards Engidalur. Follow the road for another 1.5 km and turn right before a smaller bridge. Follow this gravel road for 2 km and park on your right hand side before a final bridge where the road ends.

GPS: 66.02569, -23.17219

Approach

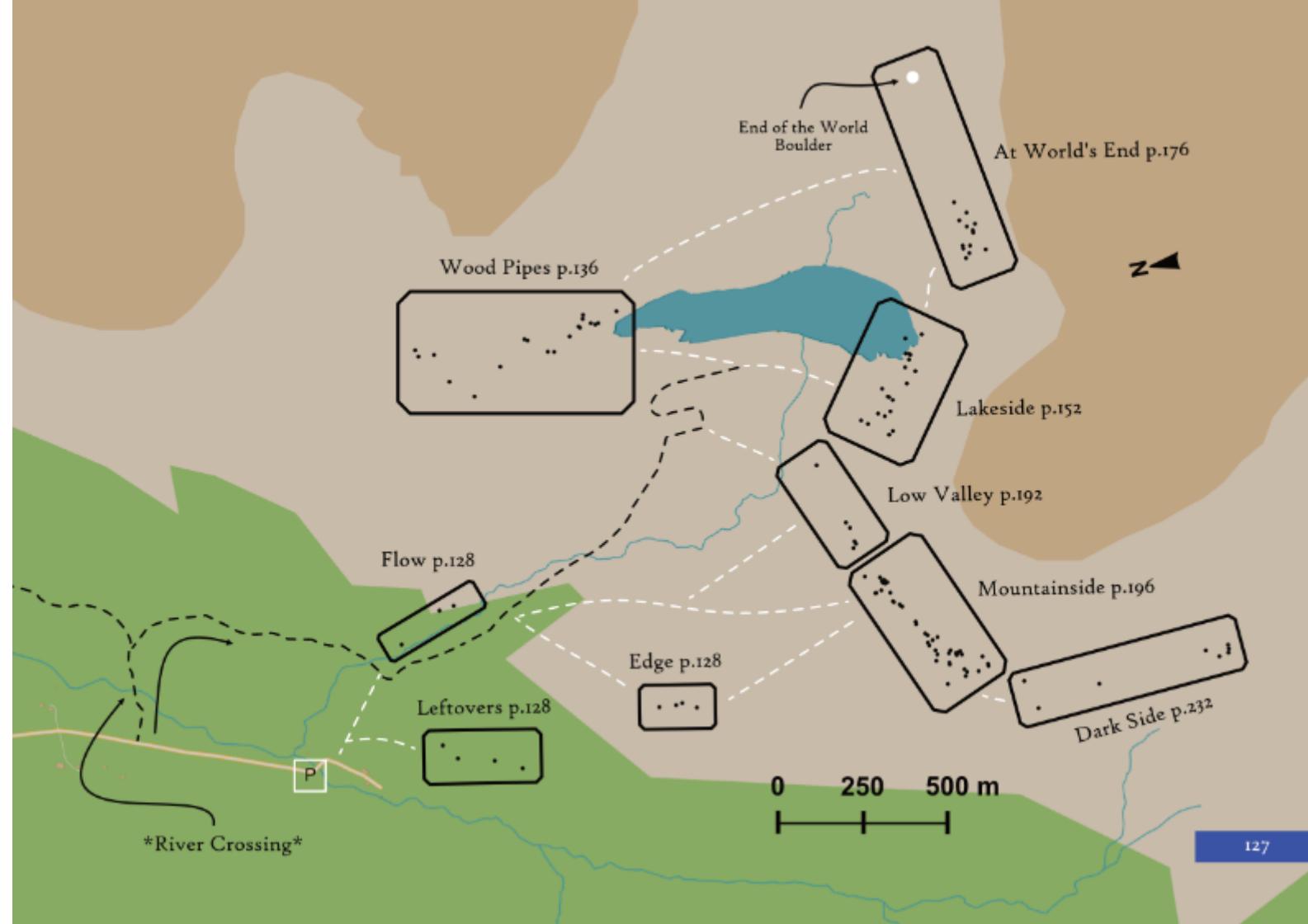
3 km and 325m to the lake

There are two different approaches | Walking time can range from 15 minutes to 1.5 hours to the furthest climbs

- 1) Walk back down the road you drove for 450 meters until you see a gravel road on your right. Walk down this road and the adventure begins with a **river crossing** (depth varies throughout the year but can be knee deep). Walk another 150 meters to a fork where you will go right (left is towards Kirkjubólshvilt). Follow the gravel road to your sector of choice. I would recommend this approach!
- 2) From the car park cross the bridge and walk the road toward the buildings. In the distance on your left you will see a fence with gate. Go through this gate and walk up the steep hill until you reach the gravel road.

Totals (433)

VB - 90 | V0 - 76 | V1 - 75 | V2 - 67 | V3 - 46 | V4 - 24 | V5 - 18 | V6 - 8 | V? - 29





Brenna and Quique on the Fossavatn approach with Ísafjörður town in the background

Leftovers Sector

Explore unclimbed boulders including the tallest in Ísafjörður.

Approach Time

Walk towards the buildings and go through the gate leading towards the side of the mountain.

You will see a few boulders in the distance. Walking time is 15 to 20 minutes from car park.

Totals (4)

V? - 4

Flow Sector

Just off the gravel road to Fossavatn lake find an iconic boulder with a photogenic backdrop.

Recommendations

Spinnin Yarns & Telling Tales

Approach Time

Follow the gravel road for 30 minutes from car park. At the second river crossing follow the left side of the river.

Total Climbs (4)

VB - 2 | V2 - 1 | V3 - 1

Edge Sector

Take in the view from the edge of the plateau heading towards the Mountainside Sector.

Recommendations

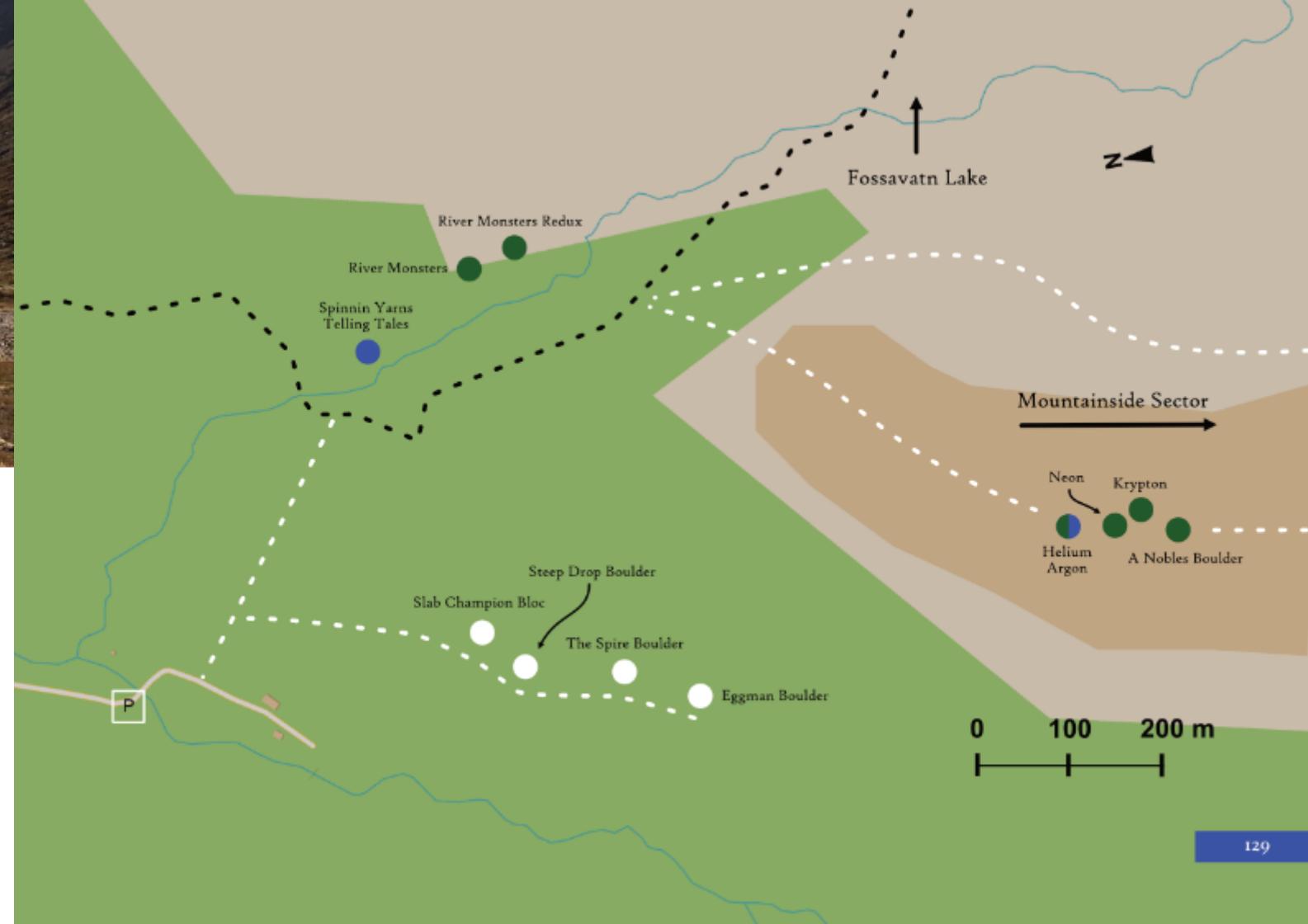
Viewpoint

Approach Time

Follow the trail until you can see the entire area in the distance. Continue off trail from the road to the top of the plateau on your right. Walking time is 45 minutes to 1 hour from car park.

Total Climbs (8)

VB - 5 | V0 - 1 | V1 - 1 | V2 - 1

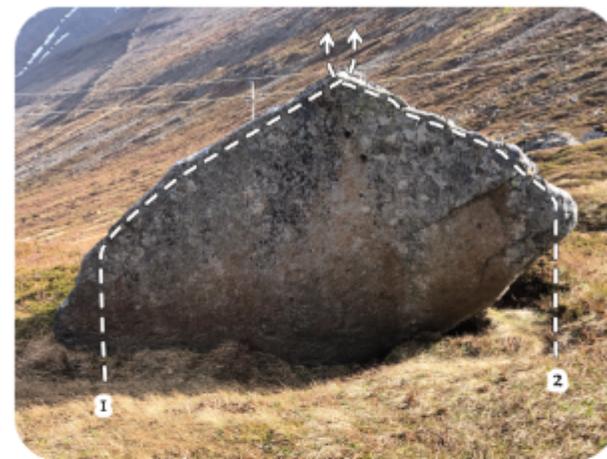




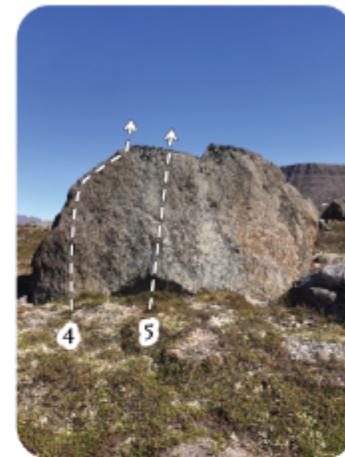
1	Slab Champion Boulder	-		Unclimbed Overhung to slab Multiple lines possible GPS: 66.02205, -23.17188
2	Steep Drop Boulder	-		Unclimbed Multiple lines possible GPS: 66.02172, -23.17288
3	The Spire Boulder	-		Unclimbed Iconic Highball Slab Tallest in Ísafjörður GPS: 66.02077, -23.17344
4	Eggman Boulder	-		Unclimbed Multiple lines possible GPS: 66.02008, -23.17425



Quique on Spinnin Yarns (V3)



1	Spinnin Yarns	V3	Sit	Both hands matched on the lowest corner holds	Iconic
2	Tellin Tales	V2	Sit	Left hand on a horn Right hand on a bulge	Good
3	River Monsters	VB	Stand	Step across to a small ledge for a secure no hands start	Above a steam Better during high water levels
4	River Monsters Redux	VB	Stand	Step across to the lowest small ledge and grab a large sidepull to pull onto the boulder	Above a stream Better during high water levels



A Nobles Boulder (6-8) is an average boulder. The view and walk through this area is beautiful. | GPS: 66.01527, -23.17233



If the conditions are right, you could pretty easily climb, ski, surf, and bike all within the same day. I'd say that pretty much makes Ísafjörður the adventure capital of the Westfjords.



1	Helium	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on a large slanted jug ledge on an overhang
2	Argon	V2	Sit	Both hands matched along a large low ledge Use the sidepull with the left hand
3	Hydrogen	VB	Sit	Left hand on a high wide ledge Right hand on a sharp pocket undercling or sidepull
4	Neon	VB	Sit	Left hand on a slabby sidepull Right hand on a crimp
5	Krypton	V0	Sit	Both hands matched along the flat center ledge
6	Xenon	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the ledge at the tip of the overhang
7	Radon	VB	Stand	Both hands anywhere Step up into it Follow the arete to the top
8	Oganesson	VB	Sit	Left hand on the finger jug on the top of the left side of the overhang Right hand on the finger jug on the top of the right side of the overhang



View of Wood Pipes, Lakeside, Low Valley, and Mountainside Sectors as seen from the far end of the Wood Pipes Sector

Wood Pipes Sector

Wander around an expanse of serene streams and old wooden pipes on the left side of Fossavatn Lake.

Recommendations

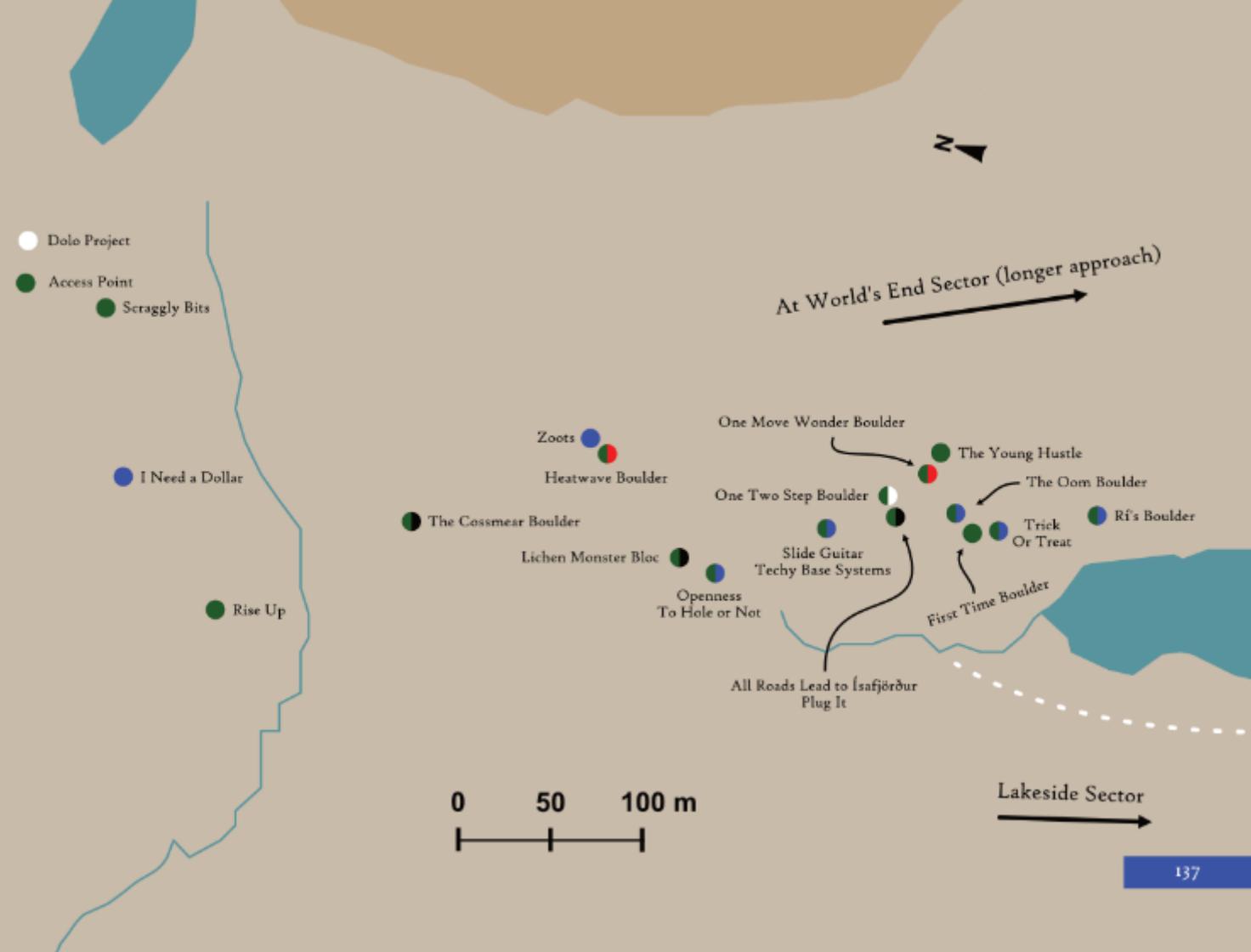
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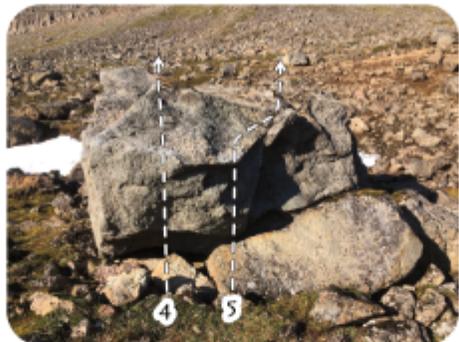
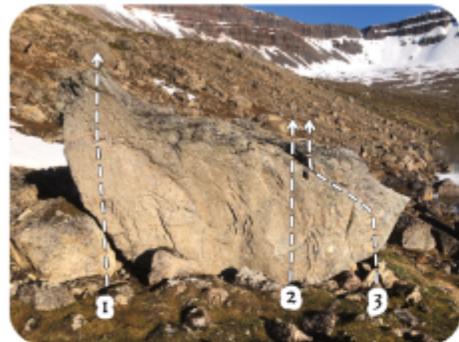
Approach

Take either approach and follow the gravel road until you reach Fossavatn lake. Once there walk to the left side of the lake. 325m | 3 km | 1 hour

Totals (63)

VB - 15 | V0 - 11 | V1 - 8 | V2 - 11 | V3 - 6 | V4 - 3 | V5 - 3 | V6 - 4 | V? - 2



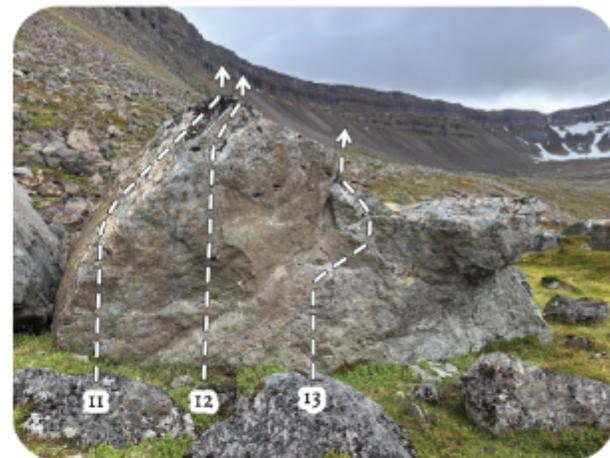


Ri's Boulder (1-8) sits close to the lake and is full of fun easy climbs. | GPS: 66.01555, -23.14616

1	Tall Tales	V0	Stand	Both hands next to each other on the two jugs	
2	Easy Money	VB	Sit	Left hand on a small center crimp Right hand on a high jug before the top	
3	Stay Flexy	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the large low ledge	Good
4	Maximus Kneescumness	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on the high ledge above the overhang (The center ledge left of the hole)	
5	Legends of the Hook	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on the high ledge above the overhang (The ledge is to the right of the hole)	Good Left heel start
6	Wife Is Life	V0	Sit	Left hand in a deep three finger pocket Right hand anywhere	
7	Longstockings	V1	Sit	Left hand on a center sidepull Right hand on a high squareish ledge	No crashpad
8	Pieces Put Together	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the lowest large ledge	



Björgvin Hilmarsson pulling the starting pocket of Broken by Braize (V3) | Photo: Saga Björgvinsdóttir

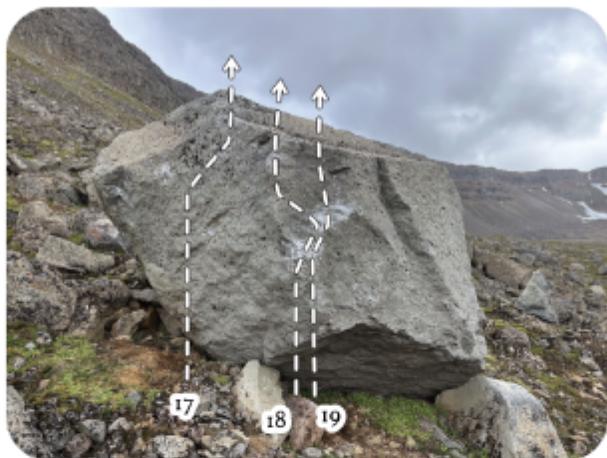


The First Time Boulder (11-13) is self explanatory. It's great for kids. | GPS: 66.01616, -23.14677

The Oom Boulder (14-16) is a basic boulder with a few decent climbs. | GPS: 66.01627, -23.14663



9	Trick	V2	Stand	Left hand on a small ledge Right hand on a large ledge around the corner	Good
10	Or Treat	V0	Stand	Both hands matched along the ledge and corner	Good
11	To Climb	VB	Sit	Left hand on a low crimp around the left corner Right hand on the left facing corner with a small pocket dish	Very easy
12	First Timer	VB	Sit	Left hand on the large left facing sidepull Right hand on a four finger crimp rail	Very easy
13	For the Kids	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the large low obvious ledge	Very easy
14	Ka-Boom	V2	Sit	Left hand on a wide pinch with a sloping sidepull and downturned right facing wall Right hand on the corner with the pointer finger in a one finger pocket	Good
15	Zoom Flume	V1	Sit	Left hand on the corner with the one finger pocket Right hand on a lower sidepull	
16	Vroom	VB	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the best center high ledges	
17	Pocket Aces	V5	Sit	Left hand on a high and small left facing gaston crimp Right hand on a small right facing slanted sidepull	One move wonder Reachy and crimpy
18	Wheeler and Dealers	V3	Sit	Both hands next to each other Left hand on an incut finger jug on the overhung corner Right hand on a ledge directly next to the finger jug with a shallow pocket	
19	Robbers and Stealers	V4	Sit	Left hand on the ledge directly next to the finger jug with a small shallow pocket Right hand below the left hand on a four finger pocketed sidepull on the right side of the corner	Harder variation to Wheeler and Dealers
20	First or Last	V2	Sit	Left hand on the corner above the large buried rock Right hand on the right facing sidepull with a pocket	Good Reachy One move wonder
21	Stack the Deck	V0	Sit	Left hand on a ledge on the corner Right hand on a right facing slanted sidepull ledge	One move wonder
22	Crafting	VB	Sit	Both hands at same height on the lower large sidepulls	One move
23	Young Hustle	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on the slightly incut crescent on the right side of the corner	



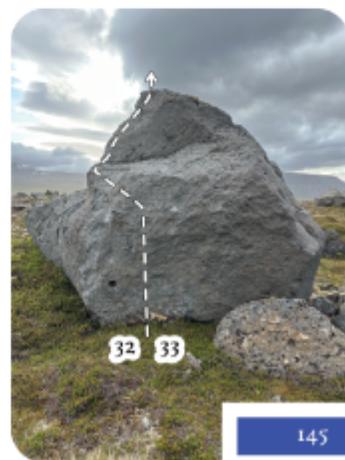
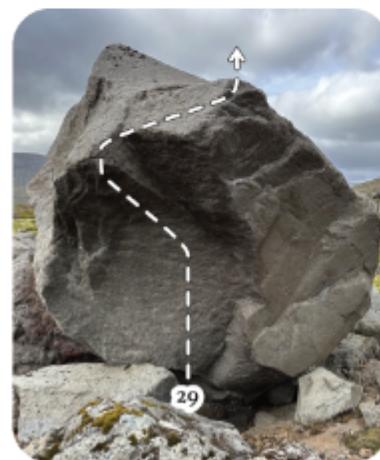
The One Move Wonder Boulder (17-22) contains problems that have generally one hard unique move. | GPS: 66.01647, -23.14627



24	Chill Bill Mcfill	V5	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the sloping buldge just over the small roof	Classic
25	Thriller	VB	Stand	Left hand on a high four finger crimp Right hand on long pocketed four finger crimp ledge	
26	Two for One Project	-	Sit	Left hand in a shallow two finger pocket Right hand in a pocketed ledge where the two boulders meet	Unclimbed
27	All Roads Lead to Ísafjörður	V6	Sit	Left hand on a good and smooth four finger crimp just above the left side overhang Right hand on a center slabby sloper above the overhang	Classic Other boulder is out
28	Plug It	V3	Sit	Left hand on a large smooth crimp ledge that's below two eyeball pockets Right hand on a ledge with a sidepull just below the other boulder with a noticeable pocket on top for the thumb	Good Start underneath both boulders
29	Slide Guitar	V1	Sit	Left hand on a long left facing sidepull Right hand on a higher sidepull or crimp ledge	
30	Techy Base	V2	Sit	Left hand on the large triangular bulge Right hand on the long rail	Good
31	Openness	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the middle dish ledge	
32	To Hole or Not	V1	Sit	Left hand on a high sidepull open hand just left of the circle with many little holes Right hand on a sloper pinch in the middle with the thumb in an open pocket	
33	To Hole or Not Variation	V2	Sit	Left hand in a low large pocket Right hand gaston on a high sidepull just left of the circle with many little holes	Hard starting move
34	The Mouth	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on a large ledge	Finish left
35	Up the Nose	V4	Sit	Left hand on the best part of the large ledge Right hand gaston in the overhang on a left facing low flake	
36	Lichen Mistress	V3	Sit	Left hand on a high and small three to four finger ledge that has two small pockets Right hand on a large center pinch with a shallow two finger pocket	Good
37	Lichen the Bush	V6	Sit	Left hand on the same right hand as Lichen Mistress but use it as a large undercling pinch Right hand on the best part of the corner arete	Good
38	Furry Ears	VB	Stand	Both hands on a large left facing sidepull flake Step up into it	
39	Freaky Faces	V3	Sit	Left hand on the lowest crimp Right hand on the next crimp line that is above and to the right	Good
40	Slanted Shoulders	V2	Sit	Left hand on a long sidepull Right hand on a pointed four finger crimp out right and just above the overhang	



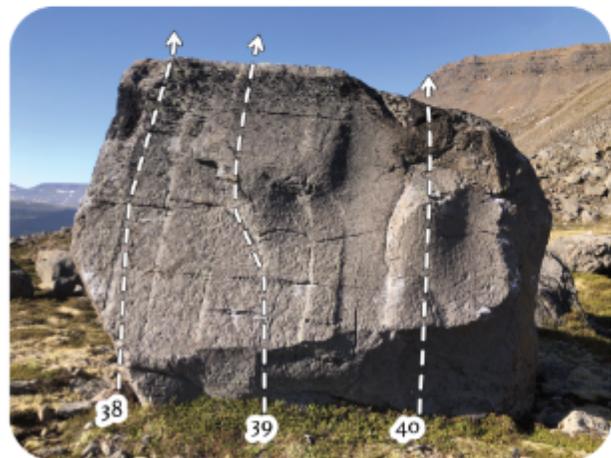
The One Two Step Boulder (24-26) is a good boulder within the mix of it all. Try Chill Bill Mcfill. | GPS: 66.01661, -23.14672



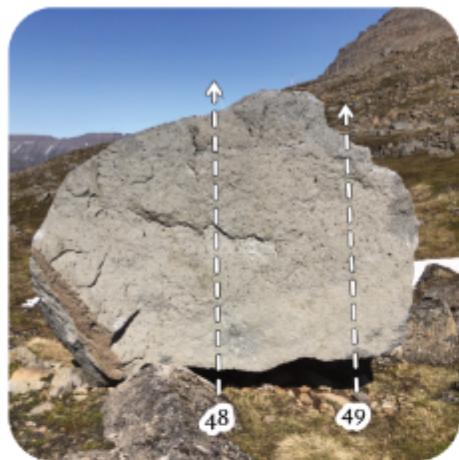


The Lichen Monster Bloc (34-42) is one of the larger boulders in the Wood Pipes. Check it out if you're in this sector. | GPS: 66.01752, -23.14797

The Heatwave Boulder (43-46) got its name during an unusual hot spell in April. This boulder has great variety. | GPS: 66.018, -23.14702



41	Crispr Tips	V6	Sit	Left hand on a shallow two finger center pocket ledge with a second ledge for the pointer finger Right hand on a horizontal but bumpy four finger crimp slightly lower and out right	Classic
42	The Soft Side	V2	Sit	Left hand on a low three finger sidepull U shaped ledge Right hand on the sloping crescent on the corner	
43	Breaking Records	V1	Sit	Left hand on a large sidepull jug to the left of the crack line Right hand inside the crack line Same start as Dehydration	Good Finish left
44	Dehydration	V1	Sit	Same start as Breaking Records	Classic Go straight up
45	Very Windy	V2	Sit	Left hand on a sidepull crimp to the right of the crack line Right hand around the corner on the lower four finger crimp sidepull just above the overhang	Good
46	Sunburnt	V5	Sit	Left hand gaston on a ledge in a wide shallow hole just above the overhang Right hand on the low end of the slab using the very thin pocketed sloper as an open hand drag or crimp	Classic
47	Zoots	V2	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the far right corner	Good



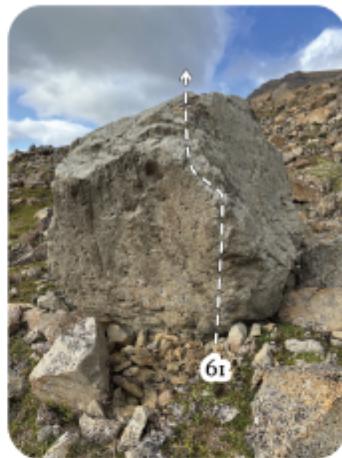
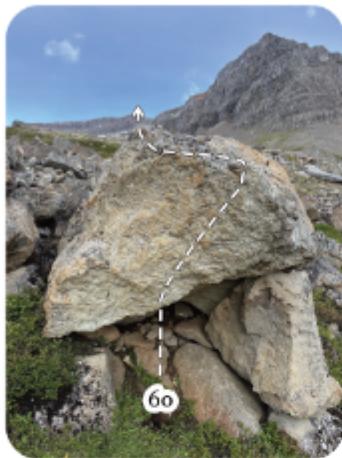
The Cossmear Boulder (48-58) is a play on words from a book series. This boulder is well worth a visit. | GPS: 66.01883, -23.14838

48	An Emerald Sea	V0	Stand	Left hand on a sidepull Right hand on an undercling Step up into it	
49	Spook's Slang	V0	Stand	Left hand on a high gaston Right hand anywhere Step up into it	
50	War Form	V0	Stand	Left hand on the corner jug Right hand on the corner open sloper	
51	Aluminum	VB	Stand	Left hand on the corner Step up into it	
52	Wacko Wayne	VB	Stand	Both hands on the two high crimps Step up into it	Start on top of the buried boulder
53	First of Dawn	V0	Stand	Left hand on a high sidepull Right hand on a center four finger crimp (Same left hand as Sprendily) Step up into it	Do not stand on the rock
54	Sprendily	V0	Stand	Left hand on a center four finger crimp (Same right hand as First of Dawn) Right hand on the corner Step up into it	
55	Night-son-son-Blood	V4	Sit	Left hand on a small slanted slightly bulging crimp Right hand around the corner in a small incut two finger pocket	Good
56	The Dark Sands	VB	Stand	Left hand on the corner Step up into it	Start standing on the rock
57	Slabrial	V6	Sit	Left hand in a low leftside shallow two finger pocket Right hand in a deep two to three finger pocket (Same left hand as Broken By Braize)	Good
58	Broken by Braize	V3	Sit	Left hand in a deep two to three finger pocket (Same right hand as Slabrial) Right hand on a very large triangular undercling	



Björgvin moving up Very Windy (V2)

Photo: Saga Björgvinsdóttir



59	Rise Up	V1	Sit	Left hand on a low four finger crimp Right hand in a sharp sidepull circle like pocket	Good
60	I Need a Dollar	V3	Sit	Left hand on a three finger crimp or drag on the far end edge of the leftside ledge Right hand on a sloping hold at the tip of the of the overhang just below the circular bulge	Good Do not start on the top ledge jug Left heel to left hand
61	Scraggly Bits	V0	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the corner	
62	Access Point	VB	Sit	Both hands on the right corner	
63	Dolo Project	-	Sit	Left hand in the slanted almost vertical pocket that's too small to fit the pointer finger Right hand on a low four finger crimp pinch just above the overhang	Unclimbed Very sharp



Saga getting ready to climb on the Cossmear Boulder | Photo: Björgvin Hilmarsson



The Lakeside Boulder in early spring conditions | Photo: Brenna Mallon

Lakeside Sector

The headquarters of Fossavatn and what eventually became the epicenter of bouldering locally in Ísafjörður.

Recommendations

The Smokeshow, The Show Off, The Year's Complete, Excess Baggage, Spicy Kimchi, Slammin Sushi, Seonsaengnim, Avalanche, Gra Fa Fe Kee, In Your Knickers, Squared Root, Aliens, Lift Off, Leavin' Proud, Rice Hole Rocket, Tippin the Tuna, The Space Between, The Umbrella, The Icon, & The Rebirth

Approach

Take either approach and follow the gravel road until you reach Fossavatn lake. Once there walk to the right side of the lake. 325m | 3 km | 1 hour

Totals (110)

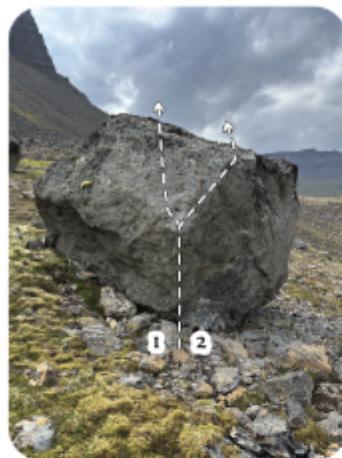
VB - 9 | V0 - 20 | V1 - 17 | V2 - 26 | V3 - 18 | V4 - 9 | V5 - 8 | V? - 3





Hálfán Artur Róbertsson starting The Show Off (V3)

1	Welcome to the Wild Left	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on the large rounded sloping bulge	
2	Welcome to the Wild Right	V3	Sit	Both hands matched on the large rounded sloping bulge	Good Same finish as Big Time Bravery
3	Big Time Bravery	V4	Sit	Left hand on a low left facing sidepull Right hand on two higher crimps that are stacked directly next to each other	Powerful start
4	The Smoke	V3	Stand	Both hands next to each other on the two horizontal crimp ledges	Easier Variation to Smokeshow
5	The Smokeshow Project	-	Sit	Left hand on a left facing incut crimp just before the corner Right hand on a bulge with a small mono pocket in the overhang	Unclimbed
6	Pay Per View	V3	Sit	Left hand on a good slanted left facing crimp ledge on the face Right hand on a right facing small crimp in the overhang around the corner	
7	The Show Off	V3	Sit	Left hand on a left facing circular looking sidepull bulge on the corner Right hand in a large incut finger jug on the right side of the low hollowish flake	Classic
8	The Year's Complete	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on the very large rounded top bulge	Good Same finish as The Show Off



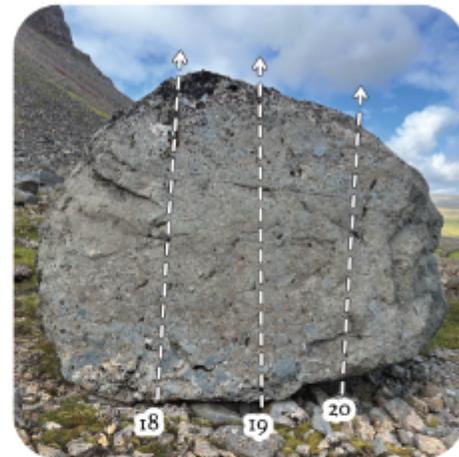
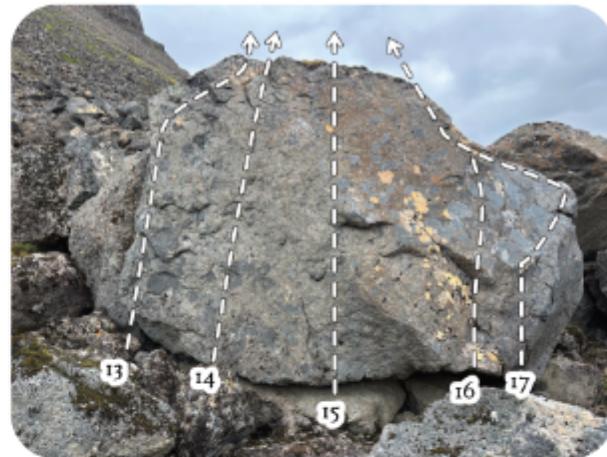
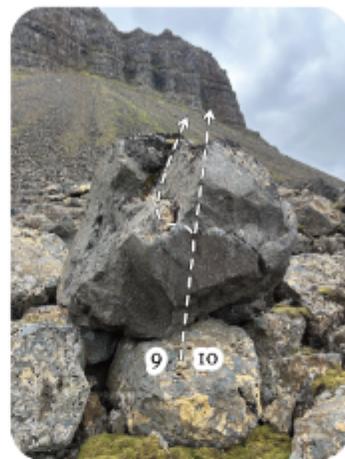
The Seen It All Boulder (1-5) hangs on the edge and can be seen from the approach. It's worth checking out. | GPS: 66.00969, -23.15588

The Grand Finale Boulder (6-8) also hangs on the edge of and can be seen from the approach. Try The Show Off. | GPS: 66.00952, -23.15619





Brendan on Excess Baggage (V5) | Photo: Wade Stinson

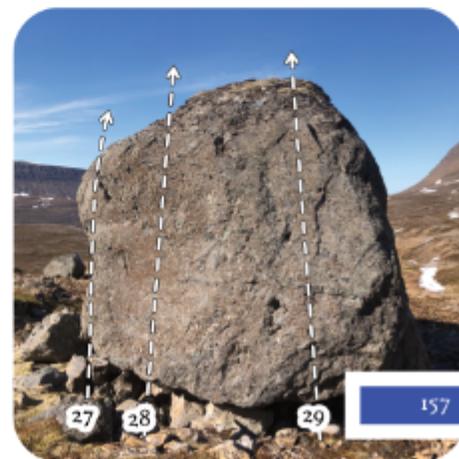
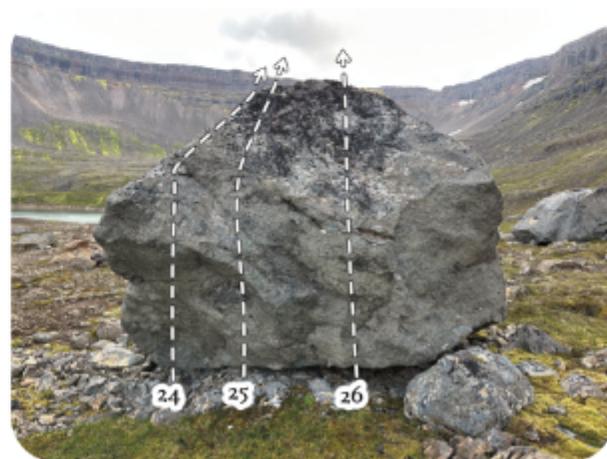
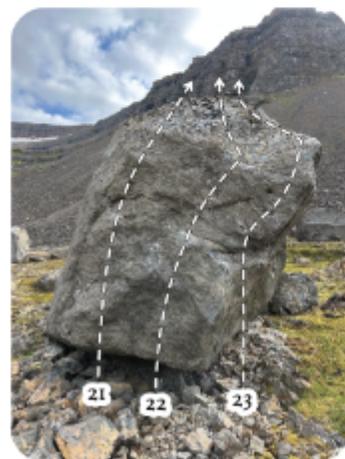


The Check-In Boulder (9-12) has some great climbs and is located in the boulder field above. Try Excess Baggage. | GPS: 66.00902, -23.15711

The Life in the City Boulder (13-17) is also located in the boulder field above. | GPS: 66.00891, -23.15691

The H Bloc (18-29) is a classic boulder with a ton of variety. If you're in the area make sure to check it out. | GPS: 66.00922, -23.15563

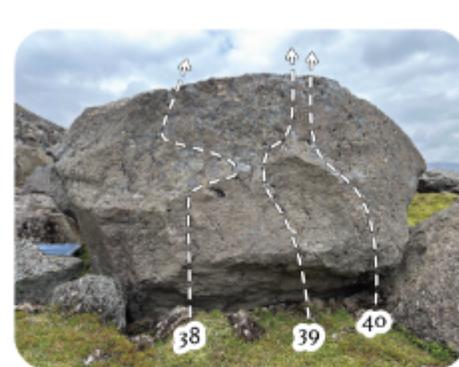
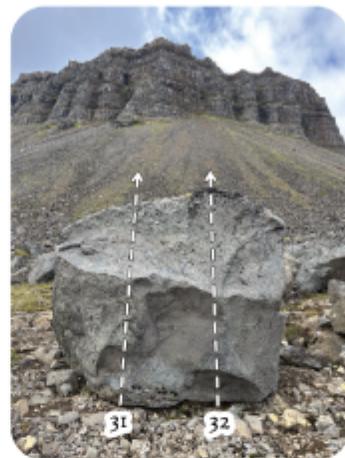
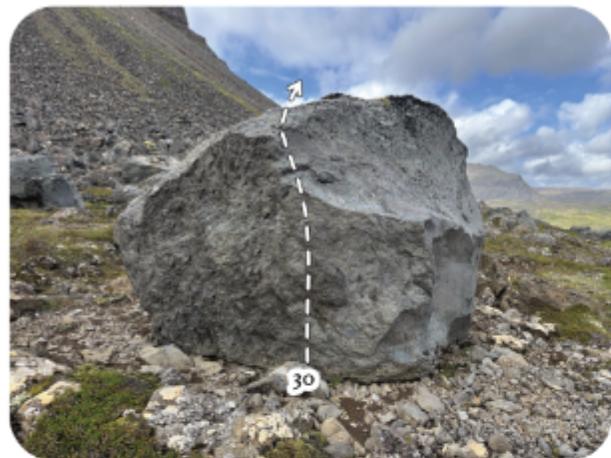
9	Jam Packed Left	V2	Stand	Left hand on the leftmost triangular jug pinch Right hand on the rightmost rounded jug ledge	Go left using the leftmost ledges
10	Jam Packed Direct	V2	Stand	Same start as Jam Packed Left	Go direct using the fin
11	Sneaky Carry On	V2	Stand	Left hand on the large incut and slanted left facing jug rail Right hand on a higher right facing jug on the opposite side	
12	Excess Baggage	V5	Stand	Same start as Jam Packed Direct and Left Same finish as Sneaky Carry On	Classic



13	Zip Codes	V3	Sit	Left hand on a high left facing slightly incut crimp with a separate notch for the pointer finger Right hand on a slightly slanted polished four finger crimp	Reachy start
14	Angry Neighbor	VB	Stand	Hands anywhere Step up into it	
15	The Wink	V2	Stand	Left hand gaston on a small right facing crimp Right hand at the same height or in the large undercling	
16	Ding Dong Ditch	V1	Stand	Left hand on a small crimp Right hand on a higher wide pinch	
17	Tag Your It	V0	Sit	Left hand on a bulging left facing sidepull pinch Right hand anywhere	
18	A Bit Better	V0	Stand	Left hand on a left facing crimp Step up into it	
19	Hi	V0	Stand	Left hand on a left facing crimp Step up into it	
20	Halló	VB	Stand	Start how you like Step up into it	
21	Spicy Kimchi	V3	Sit	Left hand on a low gaston on a V shaped concave hold Right hand on a high slightly incut right facing sidepull at the top of the center vertical bulge	Good
22	Chingu Project	-	Sit	Left hand on a vertical pinch on the center bulge Right hand on a four finger pointy crimp ledge on the direct left of the sloping corner ledge	Unclimbed
23	Slammin Sushi	V4	Sit	Left hand on the sloping corner ledge Right hand on a pointy crimp at the tip of the overhang and below the high corner (Same left hand as Seonsaengnim)	Classic
24	Seonsaengnim	V5	Sit	Left hand on a crimp at the tip of the overhang and below the high corner (Same right hand as Slammin Sushi) Right hand on a sharp two finger ledge below the steeper overhang (Same left hand as Protégé)	Classic Potential for a harder start
25	Protégé	V4	Sit	Left hand on a sharp two finger ledge below the steeper overhang (Same right hand as Seonsaengnim) Right hand on a four finger crimp just above a sloping bulge	Good
26	Hola	V0	Sit	Left hand on a large sloping ledge Right hand on a four finger bulging triangular crimp	The downclimb
27	Swoop	VB	Stand	Left hand in a higher large pocket Right hand on a knob in a weird hole	
28	Sweep	VB	Stand	Left hand in a high left hole Step up into it	
29	Deep in It	V1	Sit	Left hand in a large hole sidepull Right hand on a small bulging ledge	

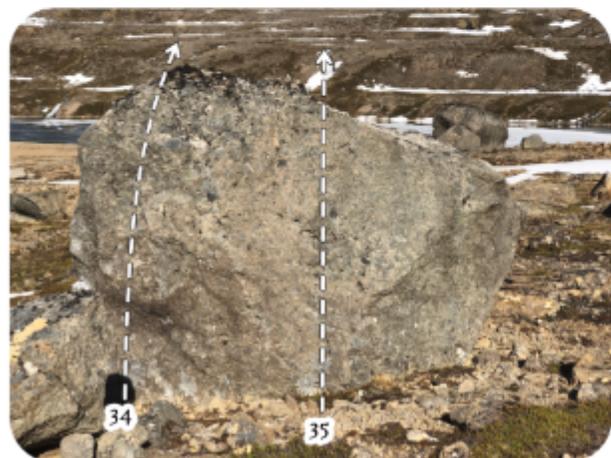


Brendan & Halfdan climbing on opposite sides of The Anchor Boulder | Photo: Corto Pearson

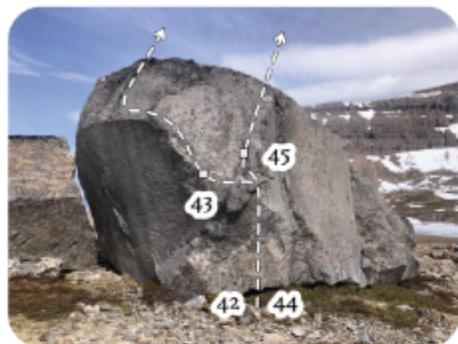


The Anchor Boulder (30-36) has some tricky and unique problems. Try to stay on Pull the Anchor. | GPS: 66.00905, -23.15588

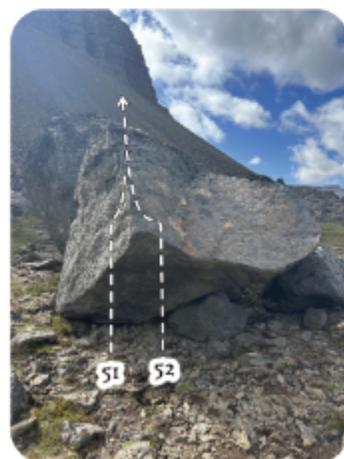
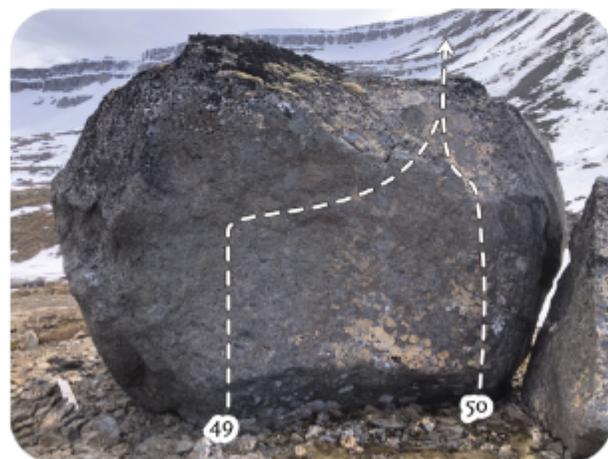
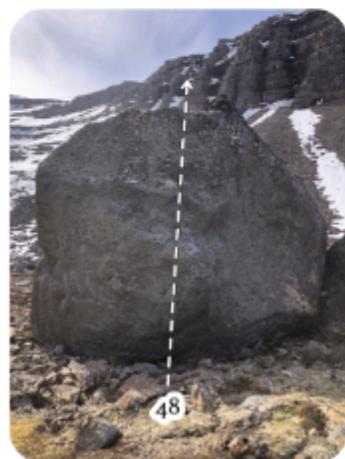
The Mega Mind Boulder (37-41) is a standard boulder with some moderate problems. | GPS: 66.00888, -23.15563



30	Set Sail	V2	Sit	Left hand on a four finger bulging sidepull crimp Right hand on a higher sloping rail	
31	The Movement	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on a triangular ledge	
32	Coral	V1	Sit	Left hand on a triangular slanted crimp above a blank section Right hand on a sloping ledge below a downturned sidepull	
33	Pull the Anchor	V5	Sit	Left hand on a slightly slanted four finger crimp Right hand on the side of a large ledge using it as a guppy	Good Keep balanced
34	Stuck in the Sea	V0	Sit	Left hand in a deep three finger pocket Right hand in a lower right facing small ledge pocket	
35	Barnacles	V0	Sit	Left hand in a large pocket Right hand on a small crimped ledge	
36	Sea Scum	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the lowest large ledge	
37	Worth Remembering	V4	Sit	Left hand on a high corner pinch with a separate small edge for the pinky Right hand in a small three finger pocket with a separate mono pocket for the pointer finger	
38	Level Up	V2	Sit	Both hands at same height Both hands matched on the good center four finger crimp or Left hand on the good center four finger crimp Right hand on a pocketed gaston crimp	
39	Always Learning	V3	Sit	Both hands matched on the best part of the large slanted sidepull rail	
40	Easily Solvable	V3	Sit	Both hands matched on the small centered crimp below the much larger ledge	
41	Useless Information	V1	Sit	Left hand on the lowest edge of the long slanted sidepull Right hand gaston on a small center crimp	



The Lakeside Boulder (42-50) is the first big boulder you will see and is not to be missed. Try all the classics! | GPS: 66.009, -23.15411

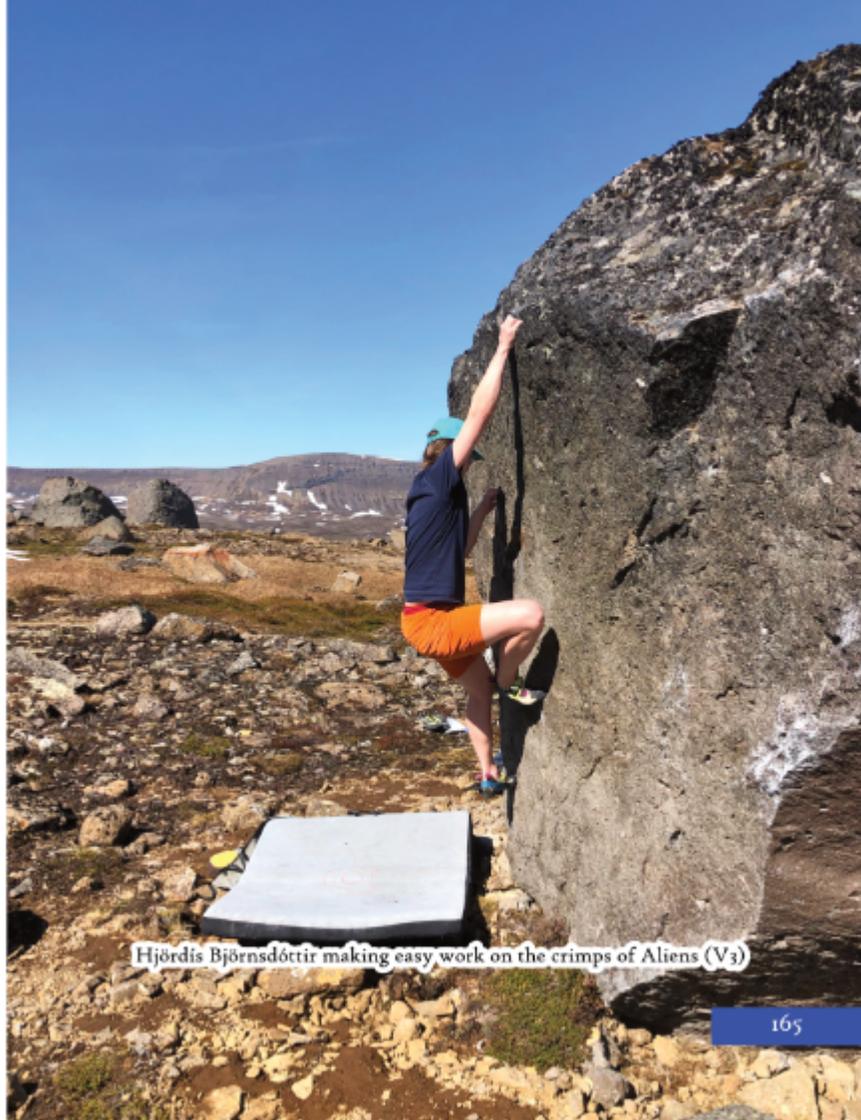
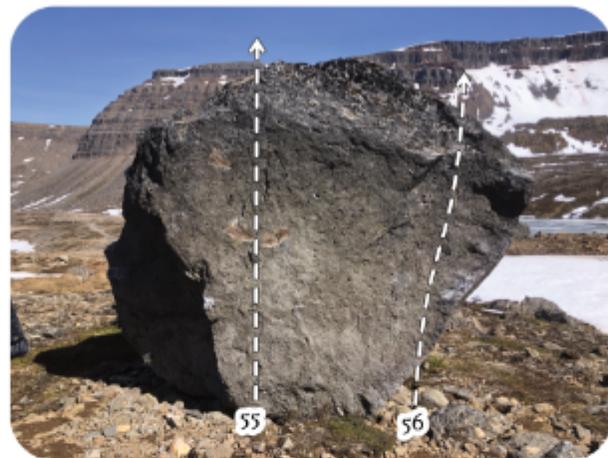


42	Avalanche	V5	Sit	Left hand on an undercling below a bulge Right hand on a slanted sloper out right Same start as In Balance	Classic Finish far left
43	Avalanche Stand	V1	Stand	Left hand on a small crimp along the rail Right hand on the center sloping bulge	Classic
44	In Balance	V4	Sit	Same start as Avalanche	Good Go straight up
45	In Balance Stand	V3	Stand	Both hands matched on a large center left facing sidepull	
46	One Hit Wonder	V1	Stand	Both hands matched along the left facing sidepull	Good
47	Gra Fa Fe Kee	V4	Sit	Both hands on the two stacked ledges One is flat one is curved	Classic
48	In Your Knickers	V5	Sit	Left hand on a left facing sidepull on the left side of a bulge Right hand on a very high right facing incut ledge sidepull	Classic Reachy start
49	Squared Root	V2	Stand	Left hand on a left facing sidepull pinch on a bulging squared hold on the face Step up into it Catch the right hand on a small two finger undercut	Classic Move right Similar finish as The Shelter
50	The Shelter	V1	Stand	Left hand using a wall smear or matched with the right hand Right hand on a high four finger slanted incut crimp	
51	Growing Out	V2	Sit	Left hand on the low corner Right hand on the triangle just above the overhang (Same left hand as the variation)	
52	Growing Out Variation	V2	Sit	Left hand on the triangle just above the overhang (Same right hand as the original) Right hand on the lowest part of the top of the overhang where the rock turns orange	



Quique with a high heel on Avalanche (V1/5)

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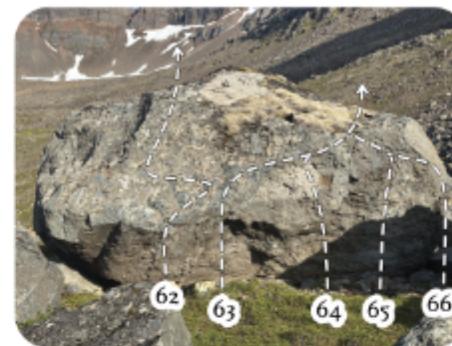


Hjördis Björnsdóttir making easy work on the crimps of Aliens (V3)

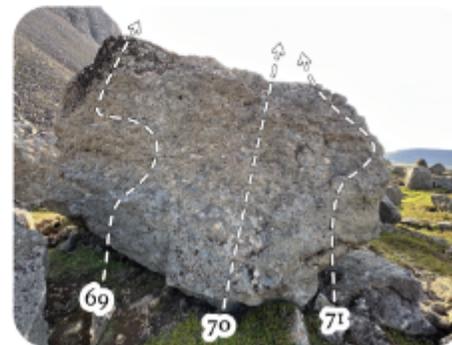
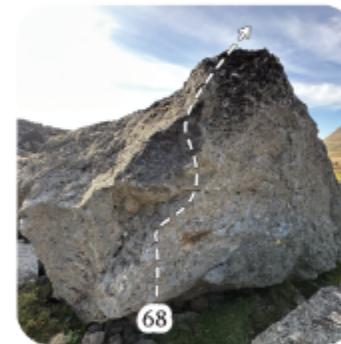
The Three's Company Boulder (53-59) is a popular boulder with a lot of V3's. | GPS: 66.00886, -23.15472

53	Tailwind	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the leftmost ledge	
54	In the Engine	V2	Sit	Left hand on the leftmost ledge (Same as Tailwind) Right hand in a two finger pocket around the corner with a large thumb pinch hole	
55	Aliens	V3	Sit	Left hand in a large pocket around the corner (Same right hand as In The Engine) Right hand on a small three finger crimp with a tiny Incut	Good Crimpy
56	Mission Success	V3	Sit	Left hand on a sloping slanted sidepull Right hand gaston on a left facing corner sloper	
57	Lift Off	V3	Sit	Left hand on a corner sloper (Same right hand as Mission Success) Right hand on a small and sloping right facing sidepull crimp (Same left hand as Leavin' Proud)	Good
58	Leavin' Proud	V5	Sit	Left hand gaston on a small and sloping right facing sidepull crimp (Same right hand as Lift Off) Right hand on the right facing center sidepull (Same left hand as Sonic Boom)	Good
59	Sonic Boom	V3	Sit	Left hand gaston on the right facing center sidepull (Same right hand as Leavin' Proud) Right hand on the best part of the corner	
60	Widey	V0	Sit	Both hands on the center crimp ledges just below the top	

61	Cleaning Frenzy	V3	Sit	Left hand on a slanted left facing ledge on the left side of the bulging corner Right hand pinch on the lower portion of the rectangular bulge	
62	Burnt Rubber	V4	Sit	Left hand on a low four finger ledge that is just above the steep overhang Right hand on a flat four finger crimp ledge on the slab	Good Do not start on the much higher and reachy incut crimp
63	Olivander's Oil	V1	Sit	Both hands on separate high holds that are next to each other Left hand on the smaller incut crimp hold on the slab Right hand on the larger block that has a very good incut sidepull on the slab	Good
64	Rice Hole Rocket	V1	Sit	Left hand on a low incut left facing ledge in the overhang Right hand on a high incut ledge at the top of the downturned right facing wall (Same left hand as Chick-a-Pea)	Good
65	Chick-a-Pea	V2	Sit	Left hand gaston on a high incut ledge at the top of the downturned right facing wall (Same right hand as Rice Hole Rocket) Right hand gaston on an overhung pocket ledge in the center of the wall	Good
66	Tippin the Tuna	V2	Sit	Both hands close to each other Left hand gaston on a small incut pocket on a slanted right facing large ledge Right hand a bit lower on the best part of the slanted right facing large ledge	Move left
67	Rub the Nub	V2	Sit	Both hands directly next to each other on a large protruding bulge Left hand gaston on the slanted right facing crimp Right hand gaston in the vertical and shallow two finger pocket	
68	The Shy Guy	V1	Sit	Left hand on a small ledge pinch on the corner Right hand anywhere or on a high crimp	The low flake is loose
69	The Space Between	V2	Sit	Both hands next to each other at the same height Left hand on a smaller three to four finger ledge Right hand on the left end of the longer ledge	Classic Take care of the boulder behind you
70	Walkabout	VB	Stand	Step up into it	
71	Blissful	V1	Sit	Left hand open hand on small finger catches on the best part of the long slab Right hand on a right facing sidepull just above the steepest part of the overhang	



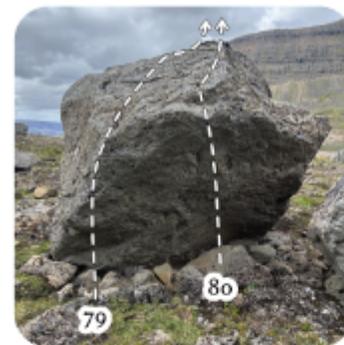
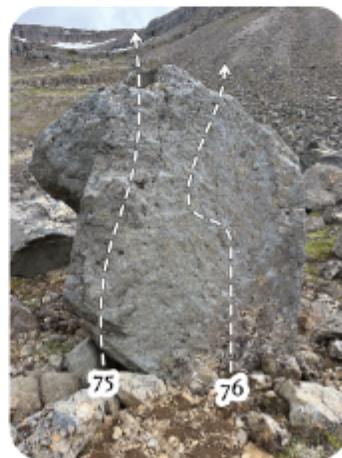
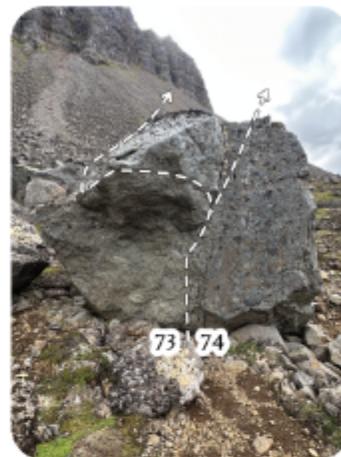
The Hungry Marsh Boulder (61-71) is a perfect beginners boulder with both powerful and slab climbs.
GPS: 66.00833, -23.15405



Pablo Cadenas dialed in on Rice Hole Rocket (V1)

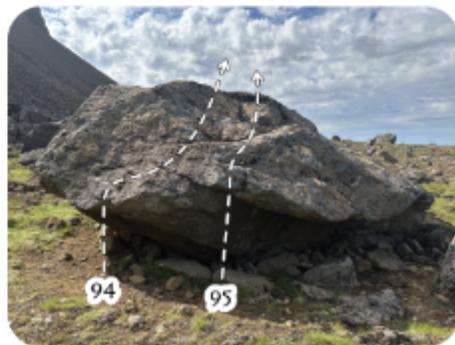
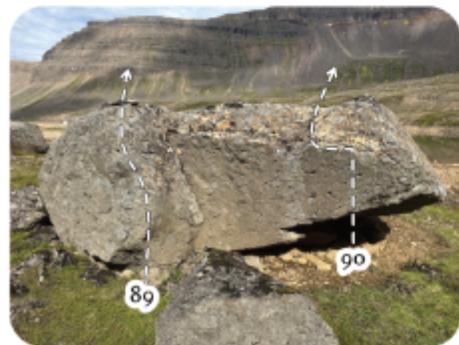
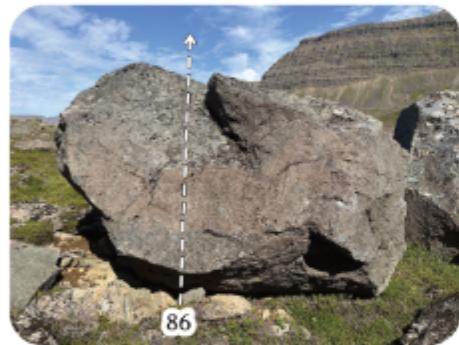


Brendan on The Icon (V2) | Photo: Pablo Cadenas



The La Playa Boulder (72-80) is a smaller boulder with a variety of short fun problems. | GPS: 66.0083, -23.153

72	Respect Those Behind You	V0	Sit	Left hand on a large slanted sidepull around the left corner Right hand on a prickly sidepull around the right corner	
73	The Umbrella	V2	Sit	Left hand on small center four finger crimp Right hand gaston in a vertical open incut pocket	Classic Go left
74	Don't Step on the Bugs	V2	Sit	Same start as The Umbrella	Go direct and right
75	Sand Bucket	V0	Sit	Left hand on a left facing sidepull in the open book of the corner Right hand gaston in a two to three finger pocket	
76	High Moon	V2	Sit	Left hand on a high four finger crimp Right hand below the left on a very small right facing crescent shaped incut	
77	The Pricker Bush	V2	Sit	Left hand on a high sidepull on the corner Right hand on a low incut sidepull	Reachy
78	The Shovel	V0	Sit	Left hand on a low sidepull jug Right hand on a three finger incut pocket crimp	
79	The Manta Ray	V1	Sit	Left hand high on the best part of the overhang corner Right hand anywhere	
80	The Sting Ray	V1	Sit	Left hand in a slightly downturned sidepull incut finger jug in the overhang Right hand on a three finger incut ledge in the overhang	
81	The Icon	V2	Sit	Left hand on a bulging sidepull on the left wall next to the other boulder Right hand on a right facing sidepull crimp on the overhang face	Classic
82	The Director Project	-	Stand	Left hand gaston on a right facing undercling Right hand on a small three finger crimp up high	Unclimbed



The Sun Beam Boulder (83-88) is another standard boulder for this area and has some decent climbs on it.
GPS: 66.00816, -23.15255

The UFO Boulder (89-95) is a good super lowball with awkward starts and powerful moves.
GPS: 66.00822, -23.15213

83	The Sun Beam	V3	Sit	Left hand on the lowest top ledge of the overhang Right hand on a sloping hold at the tip of the overhang that's above the large boulder on the ground	Don't use the hollow rock Move left
84	Tri-Angle	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the triangular pointed ledge	
85	Duality	V0	Sit	Both hands next to each other Left hand on a high ledge Right hand on a high sloping ledge	Reachy start
86	Defense	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the large sloping high ledge	
87	Compress the Sun	V2	Sit	Left hand on a two to three finger open hand sidepull Right hand on a good ledge using it slightly as a sidepull (Same left hand as Sunny D)	Wide start and throw for it
88	Sunny D	V0	Sit	Left hand on a good ledge (Same right hand as Compress The Sun) Right hand on a higher good four finger incut crimp	
89	Monkey to Mars	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the large center ledge	
90	Binary Code	V1	Sit	Left hand in the four finger center pocket Right hand on a good sidepull in the overhang (Next to the left hand of The Rebirth)	Good
91	The Rebirth	V5	Sit	Left hand on a sloped and slanted left facing ledge at the edge of the overhang (Next to the right hand of Binary Code) Right hand on a right facing sidepull with a thumb ledge just over the overhang	Good Technical
92	Abducted	V4	Sit	Left hand on a very sloped spikey open hand hold directly to the left of the right facing sidepull and just above the overhang Right hand on a bulging vertical sidepull pinch just above the overhang	Good Long move
93	The Cockpit	V3	Sit	Left hand on the circular bulge just above the overhang Right hand on a very sharp sloping spikey open hand directly next to the left hand	
94	The Solar System	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on the low right side ledge	Super lowball
95	Beep Beep	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the leftmost large ledge above the small roof	

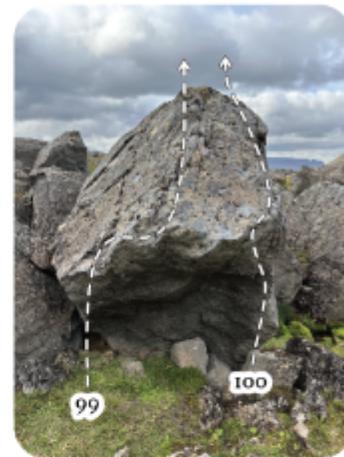
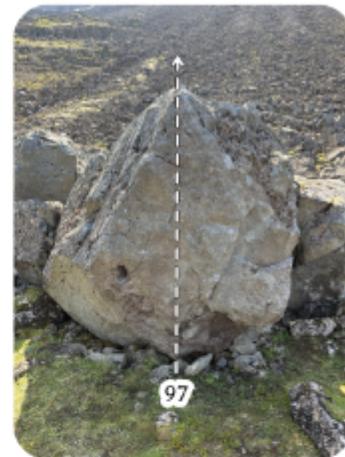


Pablo traversing The Sun Beam (V3)



Pia Ruttner on Sea Sponge (Vo) | Photo: Corto Pearson

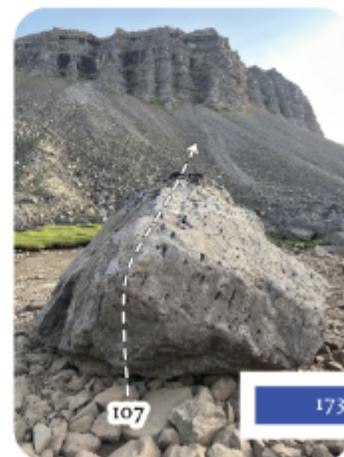
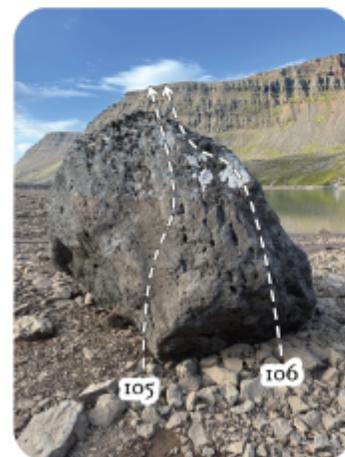
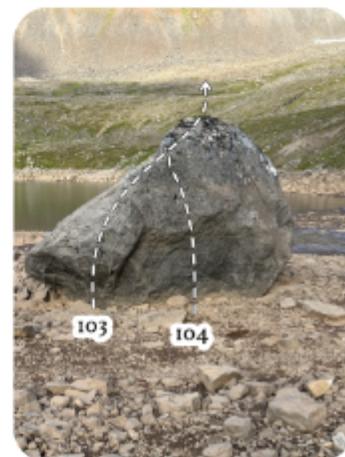
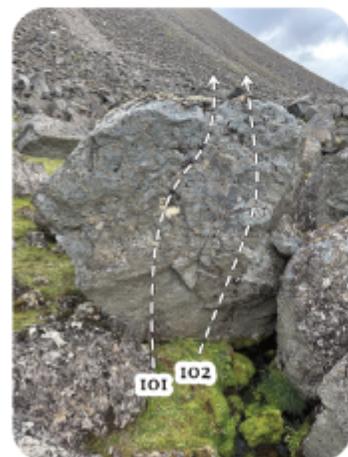
96	Living on the Low Low	V2	Sit	Left hand on a good slanted left facing sidepull on the slab Right hand in the large hole (Same left hand as Rock Wrestling)	Good
97	Rock Wrestling	V3	Sit	Left hand in a large hole (Same right hand as Living On The Low Low) Right hand on a circular bulging pinchy undercling	Classic
98	Broken Emoji	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on a large curved ledge (Right side of the ledge is easier)	
99	The Balcony	V2	Sit	Left hand on a three finger incut pocket on the slab Right hand on the ledge just after the overhang	
100	Slippin Away	V3	Sit	Left hand on the overhung crimp ledge Right hand on the the high corner fin	Good Heel hook
101	Pants Down	V1	Sit	Left hand on a long good crimp ledge Right hand on the other slanted good crimp ledge	Good Start on the buried boulder
102	Waste Case	V1	Sit	Left hand on a large triangular sidepull Right hand on the best part of the sloping slab above the water	Good
103	Island of the Lake	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on a bulge on the top ledge	Go right
104	The Trident	V0	Sit	Left hand in a high vertical sharp pocket Right hand anywhere	
105	Mermaids Are Dope	V1	Sit	Left hand on a ledge with many tiny pockets Right hand on a good right facing sidepull	
106	Sea Sponge	V0	Sit	Left hand in a deep vertical long pocket Right hand on the slanted corner	
107	Buried Treasure	V0	Sit	Left hand on a wide sloping sidepull Right hand in the big and vertical pinky pinching pocket	Reachy Start



The Overnight Oats Boulder (96-98) has some great easy and moderate problems on it. | GPS: 66.00813, -23.15219

The Drowned Boulder (99-102) lies on the edge of a stream. Fall on Waste Case and you'll be wet. | GPS: 66.00811, -23.15225

The Atlantis Boulder (103-107) will either be in the lake or not depending on water levels. | GPS: 66.00816, -23.15116



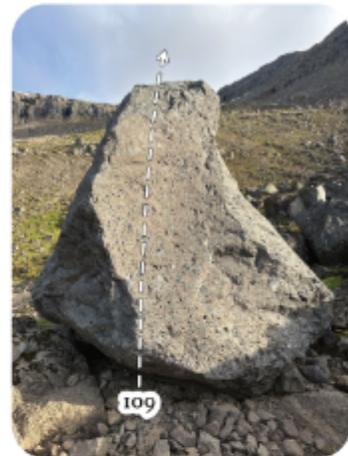


Ingvi bringing the vibes during the 2024 bouldering festival

Photo: Corto Pearson



The Baa Baa Boulder (109-111) is the final boulder in this sector and has some hard starts with technical climbing. | GPS: 66.00772, -23.15108



The arctic fox is not only the largest native land mammal in Iceland, it's the only one. If you get lucky, you could even see a white-tailed Eagle too. There are around 90-100 nesting pairs throughout West Iceland. Let's not forget the sea life either! Humpback whales can be seen from land and seals are regulars around Ísafjörður.

108	Rusty Nails	V2	Sit	Left hand on an open hand crimp on the left corner Right hand on the sloping corner just below the downward facing hollow hold	
109	Lana	V5	Sit	Left hand gaston in a three finger slanted right facing hold Left hand in the three finger incut pocket crimp at the same height	Throw to a two finger pocket Technical
110	Evil Sunflower	V4	Sit	Both hands matched in the moon shaped jug	Technical



Christel Vaka Ívarsdóttir atop of one of the many kids sized boulders

Photo: Ívar Tumi



Looking down on Fossavatn lake with the Wood Pipes Sector in the distance | Photo: Evelina Kaveckiene

At World's End Sector

Behind it all lies the heart of Fossavatn and a plethora of good problems for beginners. Find Ísafjörður's best kept secret at the end of the world.

Recommendations

Renegades, The Ouch, Underrated, Liquid Courage, The Sledge, Throwing Birds, With Nature, Slabalous, Slabaphant Direct, & End of the World Boulder

Approach

Take either approach and follow the gravel road until you reach Fossavatn lake. Once there walk through the Lakeside Sector (right side of the lake) and follow it around continuing up the slope behind the lake. 350m | 3 to 4 km | 1 to 1.5 hours

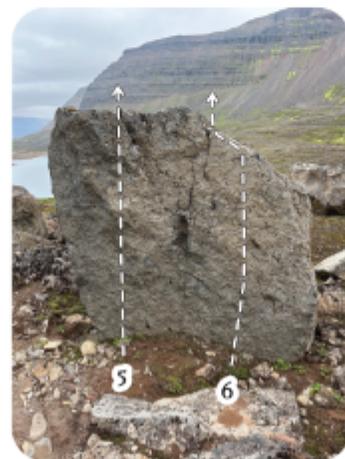
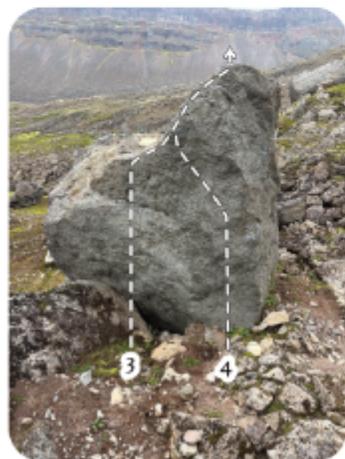
Totals (63)

VB - 22 | V0 - 14 | V1 - 13 | V2 - 6 | V3 - 4 | V4 - 2 | V? - 2



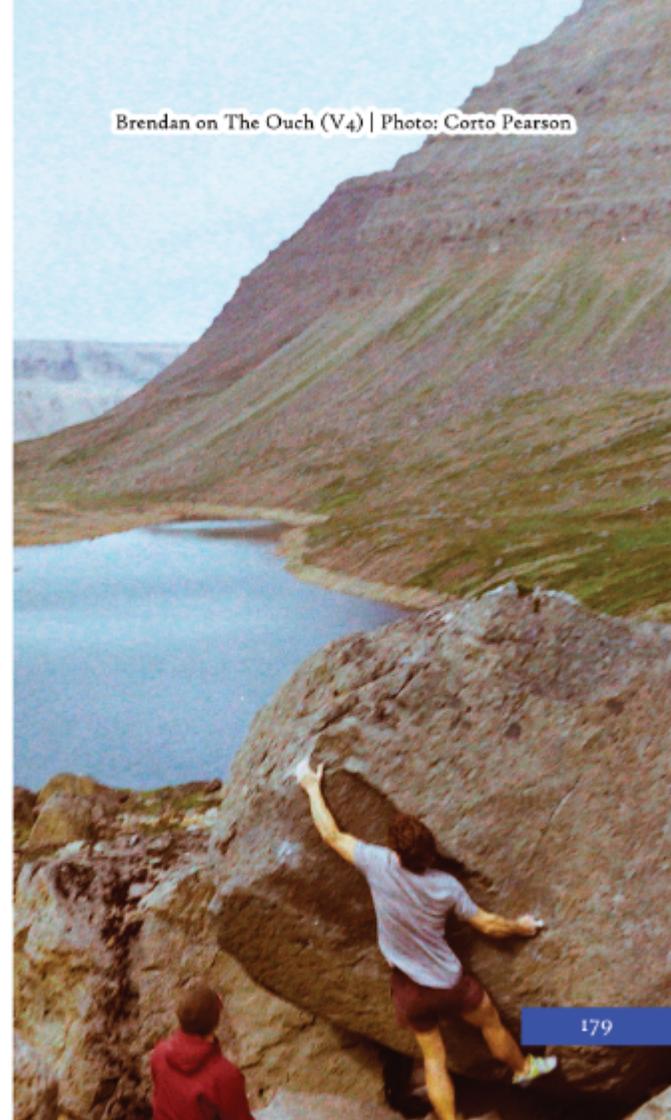


The Moments in Time Boulder (3-7) contains a few easier climbs with an incredible view. | GPS: 66.00611, -23.14644

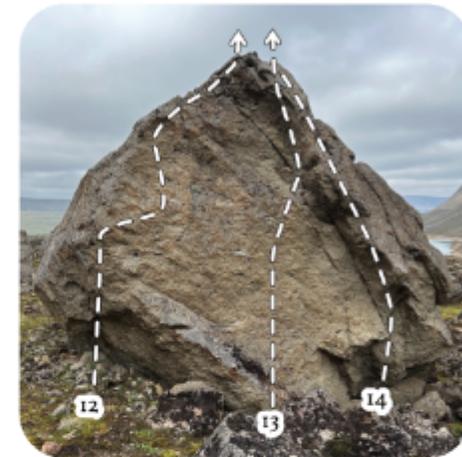
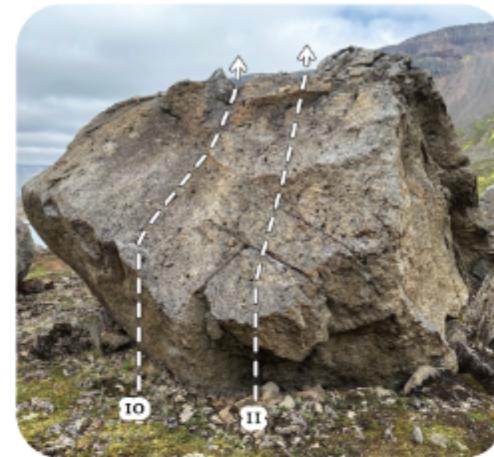
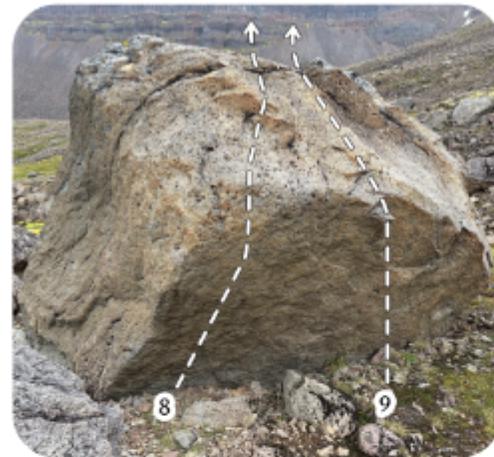


1	Renegades	V4	Stand	Left hand on the bulging and slanted sidepull just above the overhang Right hand gaston on a slightly slanted four finger crimp just above where the overhang ends	Classic
2	The Ouch	V4	Stand	Left hand on a sloping ledge just above where the overhang ends Right hand as a two finger undercling in a sharp and pinchy pocket	Classic Painful Reachy
3	Transition Periods	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on a long horizontal rail	
4	Flight Log	V0	Sit	Left hand on a slanted and long left facing sidepull Right hand on a sloping right facing hold on the corner	
5	Fleeting Dreams	V0	Sit	Left hand on the best part of the corner Right hand on a right facing sidepull in the open hole	
6	This Is the Place	V1	Sit	Left hand on a left facing sidepull in the open hole Right hand on a bulging ledge on the corner (Same left hand as B-Sides)	
7	B-Sides	VB	Sit	Left hand on the corner with a right facing hold for the thumb (Same right hand as This Is the Place) Right hand on a small bulge just above the slab	

Brendan on The Ouch (V4) | Photo: Corto Pearson

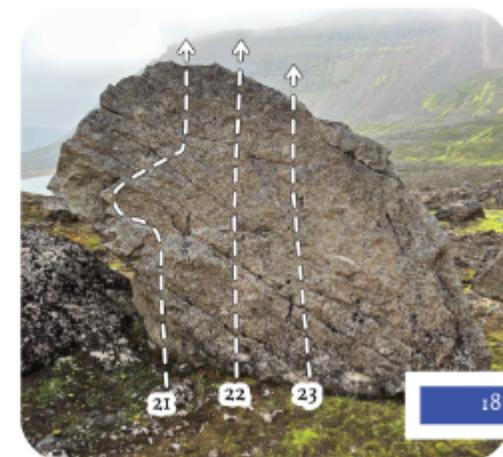
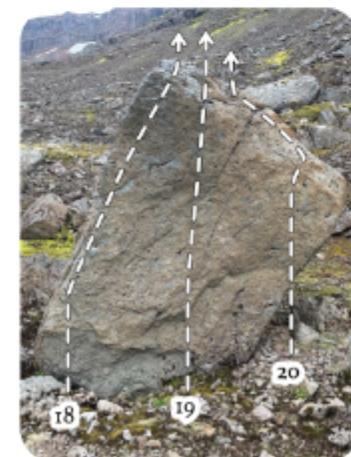
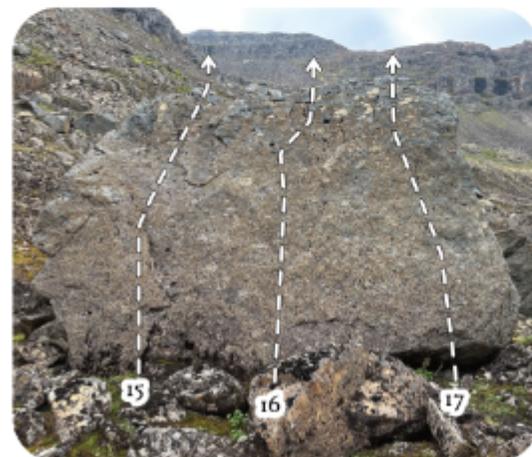


8	Wealth Is Health	V3	Sit	Left hand in a three finger incut pocket on the left side of the overhung corner (Same right hand as Liquid Courage) Right hand on a small right facing crimp at the same height in the overhang	
9	Lost but Found	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on the bulging ledge at the top of the overhang	
10	Underrated	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on the bulging ledge just above the overhang	Good
11	Held Together	V2	Sit	Left hand on a high crimp along the triangular crack Right hand in the large slanted incut crack crimp	
12	Surrounded by Soul	V1	Sit	Left hand on a sloping hold just above and left of the horizontal crack Right hand in a two to three finger pocket out to the right	
13	A Bit Cheeky	VB	Sit	Left hand on the center sloping ledge Right hand on a very low slanted right facing sidepull	Awkward start Not very good
14	Lifelines	VB	Sit	Left hand on the higher large rectangular bulging block Right hand on the lower large right facing wall just above and right of the first roof	
15	Doing Your Head In	VB	Sit	Left hand on the larger rail Right hand gaston on the smaller crimp rail	Reachy start
16	Is It What Is It	V0	Sit	Left hand on the center four finger crimp Right hand on the other center four finger crimp	
17	DK Forever	V0	Stand	Start however you like but do not stand on the large buried boulder	Corner is out
18	Learned	V0	Sit	Left hand on the best part of the corner Right hand anywhere	
19	Stimulation	V1	Sit	Left hand in a thin pocket crimp Right hand on a very small incut crimp	
20	Liquid Courage	V0	Sit	Left hand on the top crimp small ledge along a thin slanted crack line Right hand gaston in a three finger incut pocket next to the overhung corner (Same left hand as Wealth Is Health)	Classic
21	Dim-witted Donkeys	VB	Sit	Left hand on the lowest left facing sidepull ledge Right hand on the small center four finger incut crimp (Same left hand as Elephants Gone Evil)	
22	Elephants Gone Evil	VB	Sit	Left hand on the small center four finger incut crimp (Same right hand as Dim-witted Donkeys) Right hand on the four finger center circular ledge (Same left hand as Conversation Is Controversial)	
23	Conversation Is Controversial	V0	Sit	Left hand on the four finger center circular ledge (Same right hand as Elephants Gone Evil) Right hand on a small and center four finger crimp	



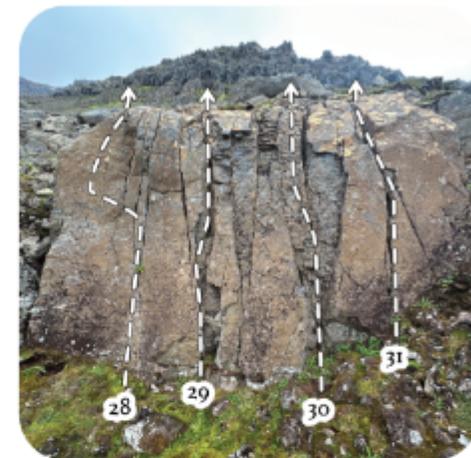
The Gratitude Boulder (8-20) contains a ton of easier problems. It's definitely worth a visit for beginner climbers. | GPS: 66.00624, -23.14608

The Unpolitical Boulder (21-23) is next to the Gratitude Boulder and contains a few very easy problems. | GPS: 66.00624, -23.14588





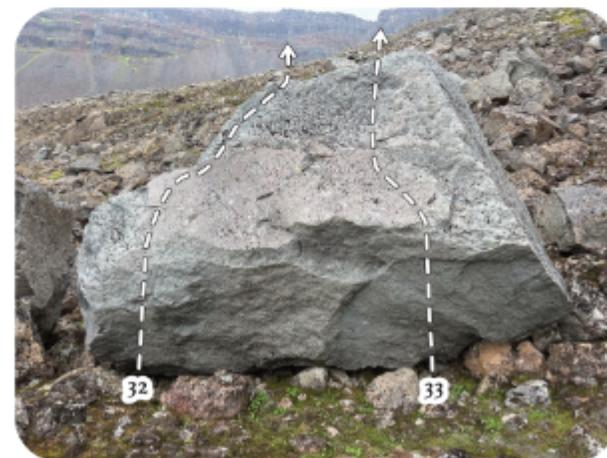
A group of climbers on The Gratitude Boulder during the 2024 bouldering festival. Wade Stinson is climbing Underrated (V1). | Photo: Evelina Kaveckiene



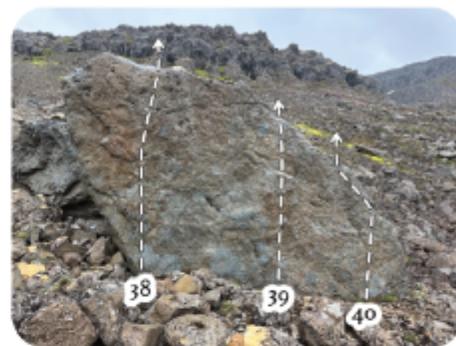
The Sledge Boulder (24-27) is an amazing looking boulder with a few classic climbs. | GPS: 66.00605, -23.14597

The Blockade Wall (28-31) is unique as it's one of the only wall features around. Watch out for loose rock around the top out. | GPS: 66.00566, -23.14638

The Forgotten Boulder (32-34) has a few moderate problems on it. | GPS: 66.00591, -23.14519



24	The Sledge	V3	Stand	Left hand in a high two to three finger incut pocket above the large buried boulder Right hand on a bulging and pinchy block at the tip of the overhang and at the end of a very thin crack	Classic
25	The Wreckage	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on the corner Left hand on the small two finger dish with the right hand directly above the left hand	
26	Throwing Birds	V3	Sit	Left hand in a high two to three finger pocket Right hand on a vertical pinch with a sloping right facing hold	Good
27	With Nature	V2	Sit	Both hands on the two staggered sloping ledges Left hand on the higher ledge and right on the lower ledge	Classic The holds are hidden
28	Tree of Life	V1	Sit	Both hands next to each other in the center crack Left hand on a slanted right facing hold Right hand below the left hand in a vertical finger crack	Finish left
29	All Falls Down	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the right facing sidewall	Avoid the loose center flake
30	One Step at a Time	VB	Sit	Both hands anywhere	
31	Growth Within	VB	Sit	Both hands matched inside the left crack with a small ledge	
32	The Lost World	V2	Sit	Both hands on separate holds next to each other Left hand on a small crimp at the tip of the overhang Right hand on a slightly incut right facing sidepull ledge	Reachy start
33	Marksman	V1	Sit	Left hand on a left facing sidepull above the overhang Right hand gaston on a high incut triangular tipped pocket along the thin crack line	
34	The Fictional Adventure	V2	Sit	Both hands at the same height Left hand on a bulging ledge just above the overhang Right hand on the sloping ledge just above the overhang	
35	Talking to Myself	V1	Sit	Left hand on a low four finger crimp above the right facing rail Right hand high on the best part of the corner and above a mouth shaped hold	
36	Memes	VB	Sit	Both hands next to each other Left hand on a very pointy hold just above the center right facing slanted ledge Right hand below the left on the center right facing slanted ledge	

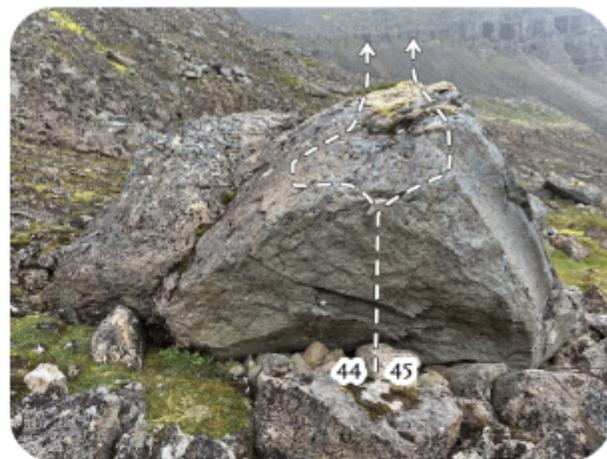
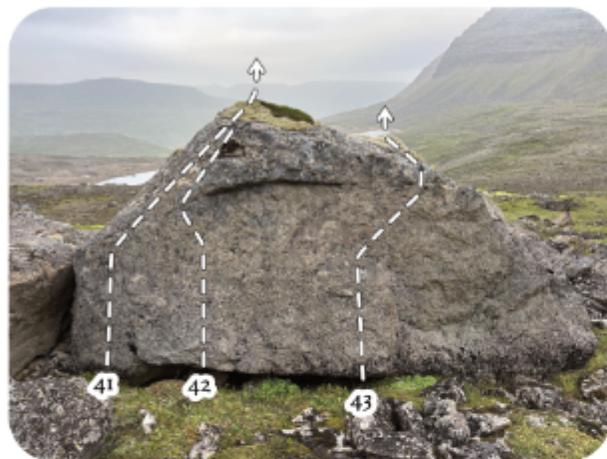


The Balaclava Boulder (37-40) gets its name from the facial feature. | GPS: 66.00583, -23.14463

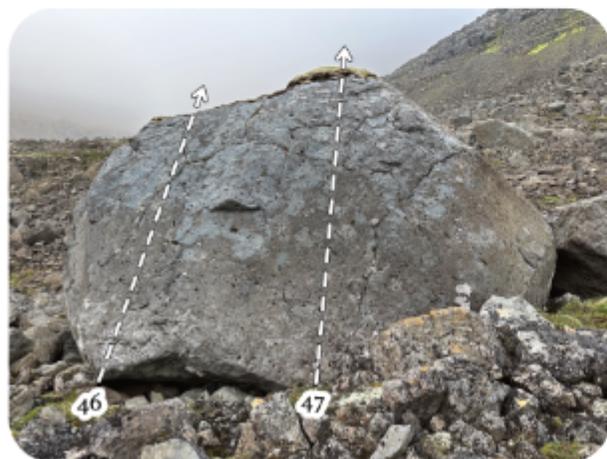
37	Kneecap	V1	Sit	Left hand on a large sidepull jug on left corner Right hand on a high incut crimp at the top edge of the left facing wall	
38	Blowing Up Blowing Out	V3	Sit	Left hand on a high bulging left facing slanted crimp Right hand in a four finger horizontal pocket crimp	Good Reachy start Be careful
39	Pins and Needles	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on the center sloping ledge	
40	The Easy Way Out	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on lowest good top ledge	



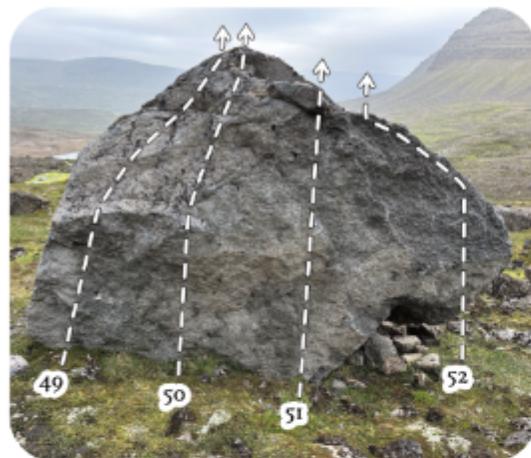
▲ Bit Cheeky (VB) | Photo: Corto Pearson



The Coming to an End Boulder (41-48) contains very easy problems and is perfect for a beginner. | GPS: 66.00605, -23.14472



Hanging around The Gratitude Boulder during the 2024 bouldering festival. | Photo: Corto Pearson

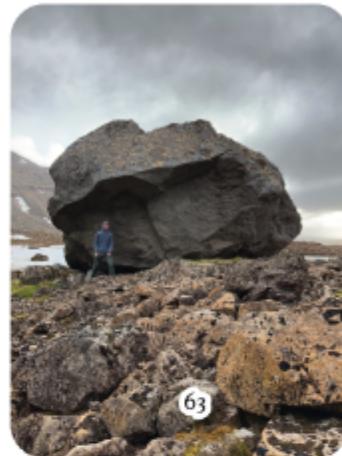
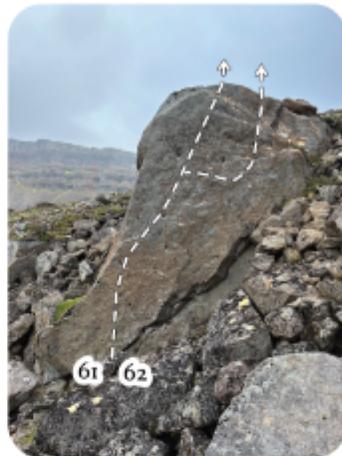


The Maxin Relaxin Boulder (49-58) is an easy boulder with a further walk than the rest but it's worth checking out. | GPS: 66.00622, -23.14425

Hornstrandir is an Icelandic nature reserve covering roughly 580 square kilometers and is located at the northern most point of the Westfjords. It is considered one of Europe's last true wildernesses and can only be reached by an hour ferry or by foot from its southern end as it has no roads. Hornbjarg, the Westfjords most northern point, lies only a few miles from the arctic circle.



41	Meltdown	VB	Sit	Left hand on a bulging sidepull ledge Right hand on a center three finger crimp (Same left hand as Burndown)
42	Burndown	VB	Sit	Left hand on a center three finger crimp (Same right hand as Meltdown) Right hand in a small two tier thin vertical pocket
43	Forced Failure	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the two connected small dish like holds
44	Negative	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the middle large ledge just after the overhang Finish left
45	Double Negative	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the middle large ledge just after the overhang Finish right
46	Turbulence	VB	Stand	Step up onto the small ledge and climb it direct
47	The Goon	V1	Sit	Left hand pinch on a vertical left facing sidepull with a thumb pocket Right hand on an incut right facing sidepull pocket along the crack line
48	Night Sweats	V0	Sit	Left hand on a split sidepull along a vertical crack that is above the large buried boulder Right hand on a high and small two to three finger hold
49	Childs Pose	VB	Sit	Left hand on a sloping pinch on the top corner Right hand on a high and small four finger incut crimp on the slab
50	Oat Flat White With Toast	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the sloping ledge
51	Sliced Apples	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the large slanted right facing rail
52	Cold Pints	VB	Sit	Left hand in a left facing pocket with a bump in the middle above the steep overhang Right hand high on the corner on a good ledge jug
53	Sleepin In	V1	Sit	Both hands matched around the concave ledge
54	Movies by a Fireplace	V1	Sit	Left hand in a two finger pocket on the corner Right hand on a high and small triangular right facing crimp with a one finger pocket
55	Cozy With The Cats	VB	Sit	Left hand on a four finger left facing sidepull along a very thin vertical crack line Right hand in a pocket on the right facing wall (Same left hand as Savasana)
56	Savasana	VB	Sit	Left hand gaston in a pocket on the right facing wall (Same right hand as Cozy With The Cats) Right hand in a deep three finger pocket
57	Biking Eddies	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the large center corner ledge
58	Big Box of Goldfish	VB	Sit	Left hand on an incut crimp on a hollowish hold Right hand on a corner bulge



The Slabaphant Boulder (60-62) is a very large boulder embedded into the side of the hill with long slab problems. GPS: 66.00627, -23.14302

59	Slabalous	VB	Sit	Left hand on the corner Right anywhere	Good Follow the slab moving underneath the large rock on top
60	Slabaphant Front	-	Stand		Unclimbed Highball slab Potentially dangerous fall
61	Slabaphant Direct	V0	Sit	Left hand on the corner with the thumb in a small pocket Right hand on any of the reachable crimps Same start as Slabaphant Right	Good Harder than the right variation but same grade
62	Slabaphant Right	V0	Sit	Same start as Slabaphant Direct	Good Easier than the direct variation but same grade
63	End of the World Boulder	-		GPS: 66.00683, -23.13455	Unclimbed One of the biggest in the guide Lots of potential



Here lies the End Of The World Boulder in an area of awe.



View of Lakeside, Low Valley, and Mountainside Sectors as seen from the approach

Low Valley Sector

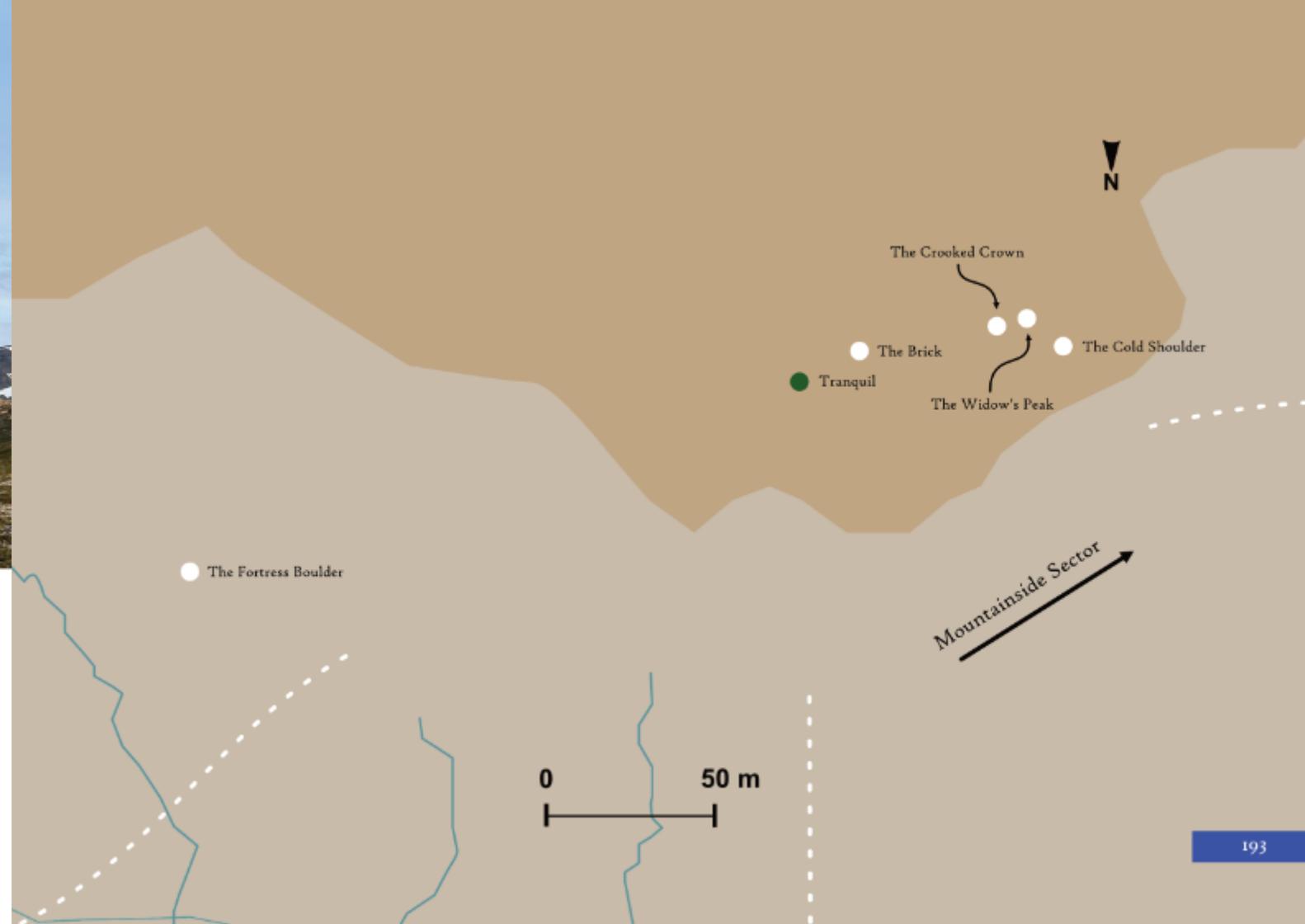
In the space between you will find the veins of Fossavatn waiting to be further explored.

Approach

300m | 3 km | 1 hour

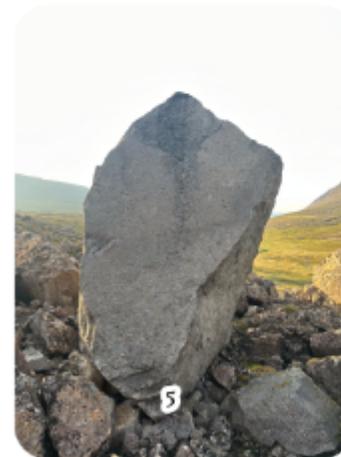
Follow the gravel road until you can see this sector in the distance. Either continue on the gravel road and drop back down or walk directly through the field.

Totals (6) | V1-1 | V2-5





Orla & Gaëlle walking through the Low Valley sector with The Fortress Boulder in the distance



1	The Fortress Boulder	-		66.01105, -23.15825	Unclimbed Looks classic Slab Boggy
2	Tranquil	V0	Sit	Left hand on a lower large crimp Right hand on a higher large crimp	
3	The Brick	-		66.01047, -23.16261	Unclimbed
4	The Crooked Crown	-		66.01041, -23.16352	Unclimbed Steep and looks classic
5	The Widow's Peak	-		66.01038, -23.16369	Unclimbed
6	The Cold Shoulder	-		66.01047, -23.16394	Unclimbed



View of the Lakeside and Mountainside Sectors as seen from behind Fossavatn lake

Mountainside Sector

Enter into a kingdom of bliss amongst a landscape riddled with the remnants of nature's power.

Recommendations

Trippy, Looped, We Go Hard, The Stone Man, The Come Up, Jurassic, SSX Tricky, Air McNare, Stoke Your Fire, Bónði, Appelsín, Jamón, Chorizo, Where It Rises, Miyazaki, Captain Crunch, RPM, Blackoak, Passing Clouds, King for a King, The Hurricane, The EP, Dystopia, Shadow in the Streets, Lightning Bolt, The Wick, Memories of the Mountainside, Stand Up, The Mystery Disease, Tri, & Tveir

Approach

Follow the trail up until you can see the entire area in the distance. Continue off trail through the field to the top of the plateau on your right.

300m | 3 to 4 km | 1 to 1.25 hours

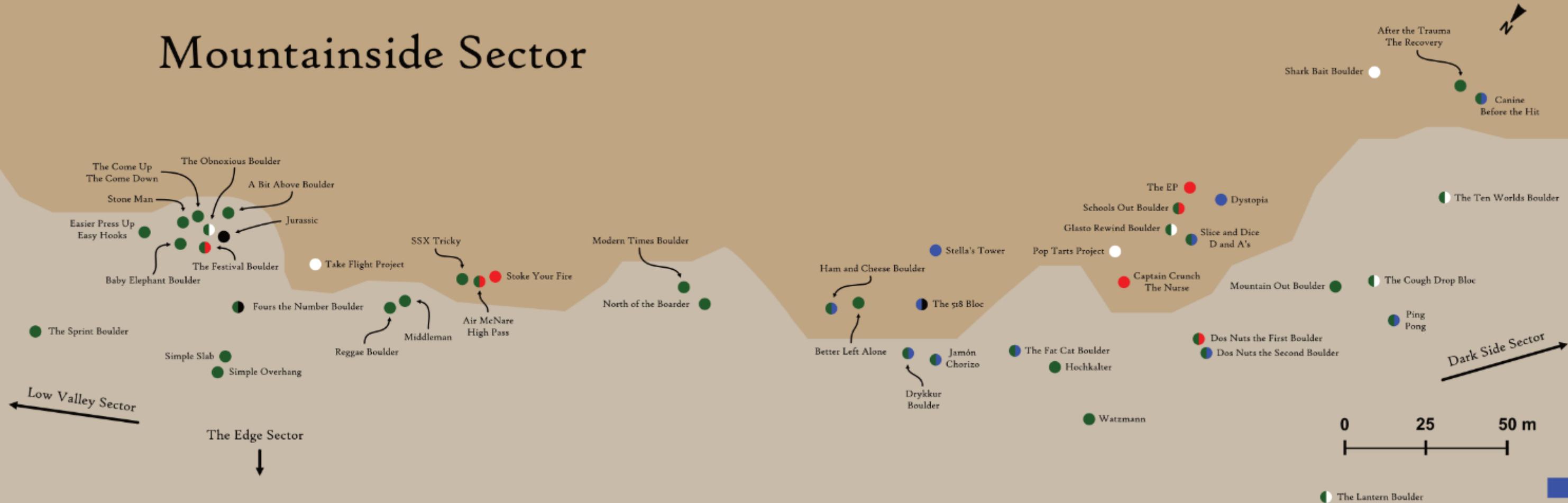
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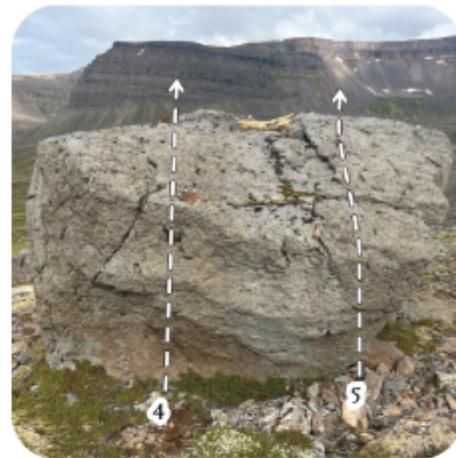
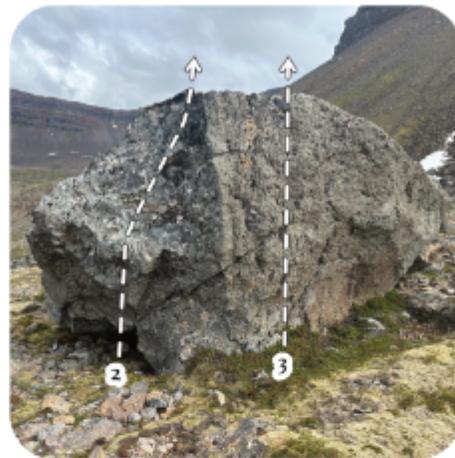
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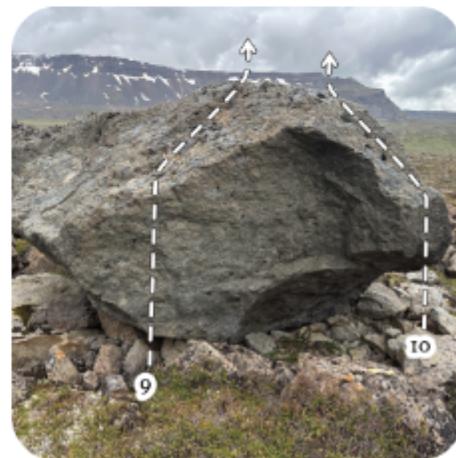
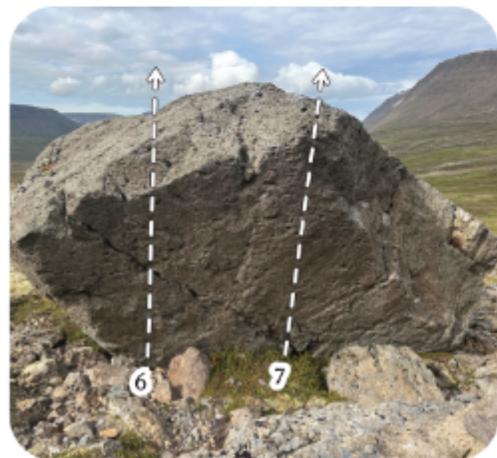
Ivar Tumi taking on Chorizo (V2) with the 518 Bloc behind him

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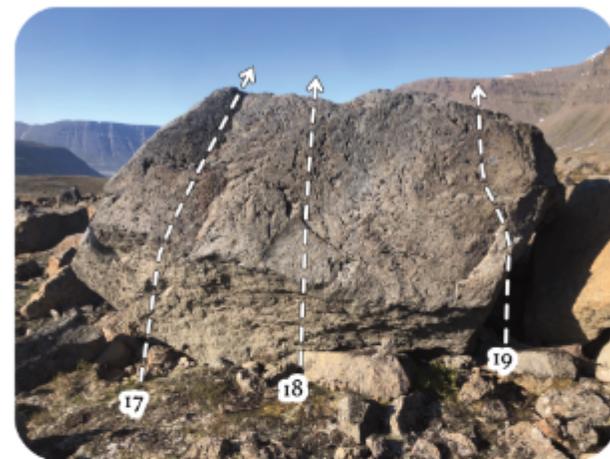
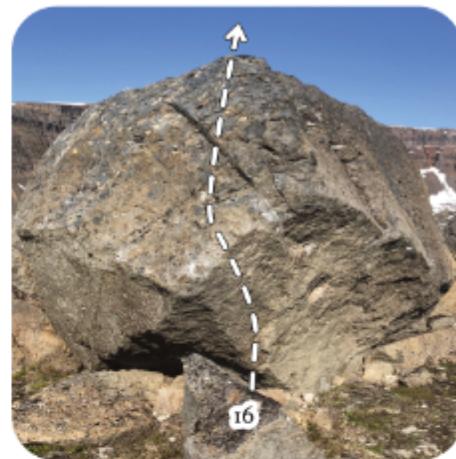
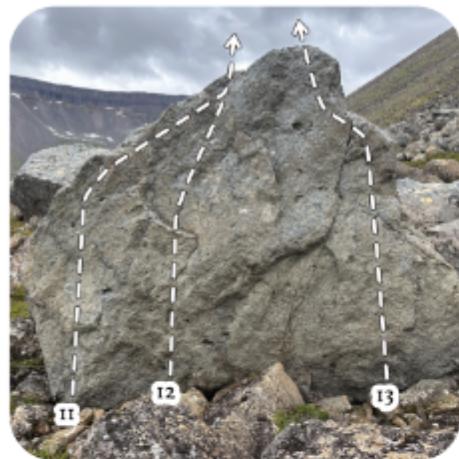




The Sprint Boulder (1-8) is at the front end of the Mountainside Sector and contains quite a few very easy climbs. | GPS: 66.0103, -23.16588



1	Down the Stretch	VB	Sit	Left hand on a sidepull just above a large ledge Right hand on the large ledge at the tip of the overhang
2	On the Turf	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the center bulging rounded ledge
3	Giddy Up	VB	Sit	Left hand in a thin incut finger jug along the crack line Right hand gaston on a low left facing slightly incut ledge
4	The Medal	V0	Sit	Both hands as gastons next to each other just below the top in the slightly darker concave rock
5	Win Place Show	V0	Sit	Left hand on a sidepull just over the slight overhang Right hand on a slanted jug on the corner
6	Holes in the Road	V0	Sit	Left hand on a sidepull on the good triangular block Right hand in a two finger pocket
7	The Dirt Track	V1	Sit	Left hand in the center two finger pocket Right hand on the high right facing wall
8	Hurdles	VB	Sit	Left hand guppy on the high corner Right hand on a lower pocketed wide ledge just above the overhang
9	Easier Press Up	VB	Sit	Both hands on the best holds on the top rail
10	Easy Hooks	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the most prominent buldge above the roof



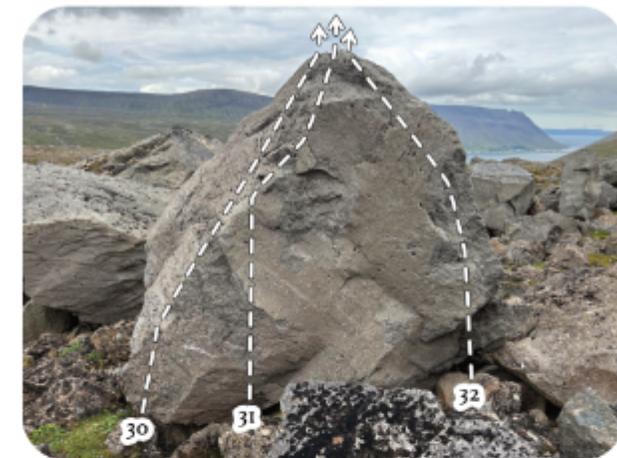
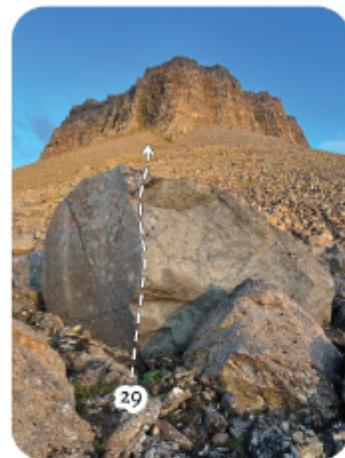
The Baby Elephant Boulder (11-13) is a great beginners boulder with three very easy climbs. | GPS: 66.00988, -23.16636

The Festival Boulder (14-19) has some really good tricky climbs. | GPS: 66.00986, -23.1665

11	Until We Meet Again	VB	Sit	Left hand on a high finger jug at the top of the corner Right hand in a three finger undercling in the shallow but wide concave hole	Easy
12	Without Chains	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the massive crescent jug ledge	Easy
13	A Different Life	VB	Sit	Left hand on a left facing crescent sidepull Right hand on the best hold on the corner	Easy
14	Trippy	V4	Sit	Left hand in the lower of the two undercling pockets in the corner Right hand on an incut crimp on the overhang	Good
15	Dosed	V3	Sit	Left hand in a high pocket on the slab Right hand on a pinchy crimp just above the left slanted hold along the crack	
16	Looped	V3	Sit	Left hand on a sloping bulge right above the overhang and the large rock on the ground Right hand in a high and large sidepull	Good Start sitting on the buried boulder

17	We Go Hard	V3	Sit	Left hand below the overhang in a four finger pocket sidepull Right hand in a circular pocket at the top edge in the overhang	Good
18	Drank It All	V2	Sit	Left hand on a four finger crimp at the top edge of the overhang Right hand in a deep four finger pocket sidepull above the overhang	
19	Lightweight	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on the large ledge jug on the corner	
20	The Stone Man	VB	Sit	Left hand on a wide incut sidepull Right hand on the corner on a slightly higher bulge	Good
21	The Come Up	V1	Sit	Left hand in a large obvious deep hole Right hand around the corner on a lower good sidepull	Good
22	The Come Down	V1	Sit	Left hand on a slanted right facing four finger crimp Right hand on a small four finger crimp	





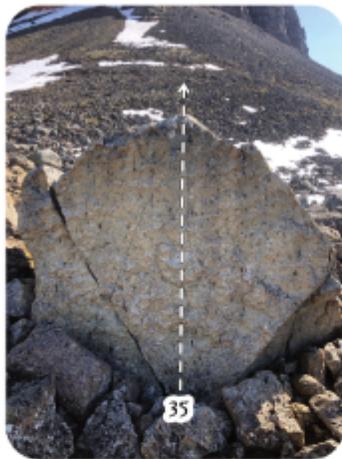
The Obnoxious Boulder (23-28) has plenty of awkward starts to keep you entertained. | GPS: 66.0098, -23.16647

23	Project What The	-	Sit	Multiple ways to start but all are awkward	Unclimbed
24	Hard to Grasp	V2	Sit	Left hand on a high corner open hand pinch Right hand on a small hold in the middle of the face	Hard start
25	The Shouter	V1	Sit	Left hand on a high sloping ledge Right hand on the corner	
26	Mr Annoying	V4	Sit	Left hand in the higher of the two large low pockets Right hand on the lower good sidepull on the corner	Awkward start
27	Too Loud	V0	Sit	Left hand on a high left facing sidepull around the corner Right hand on a sloper with a small two finger incut	Awkward start
28	You Needa Shower	V0	Sit	Left hand on a large slanted left facing sidepull Right hand gaston in a small incut left facing pocket	

A Bit Above Boulder (30-32) is a very easy boulder located just past Jurassic. | GPS: 66.00975, -23.1665



29	Jurassic	V6	Sit	Left hand on a low crimp along a crack line on a blank face Right hand on a four finger sidepull on a bulge just above the overhang	Classic
30	Shorter Is Better	V0	Sit	Left hand on a low open hand downturned sidepull Right hand on a good crimp rail	
31	Piece of Cake	VB	Sit	Left hand on a high incut four finger crimp Right anywhere	Starting sitting on a small boulder
32	Opening Areas	VB	Sit	Left hand gaston on a slanted right facing sidepull Right hand on the slanted corner	
33	Moving and Grooving	VB	Sit	Left hand on a large left facing wall Right hand thumb in small shallow pocket	



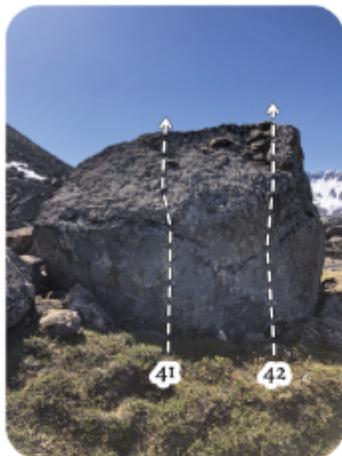
Fours the Number Boulder (36-39) gets its name from having four problems on it. They are all very crimpy. | GPS: 66.00994, -23.16694



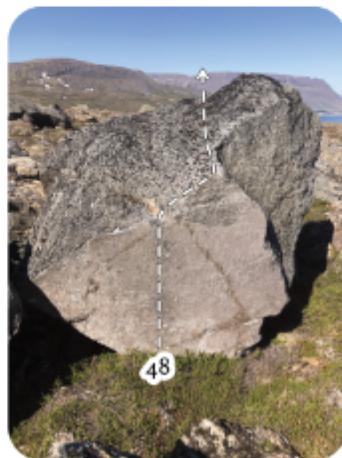
34	Simple Overhang	VB	Sit	Left hand on a horizontal slab fin Right hand on a bulging corner	Easy
35	Simple Slab	VB	Stand	Use any holds Step up into it	Follow the crack straight up
36	Critter Crimps	V1	Sit	Left hand on a low and small four finger sidepull on the left just above the overhang Right hand on the center small four finger crimp on the slab	
37	Mama Crimps	V4	Sit	Left hand on a good sidepull Right hand on a tiny bulging crimp just above a hole at the start of the slab (Same left hand as Papa Crimps)	Cruxy Keep the balance
38	Papa Crimps	V6	Sit	Left hand hand on a tiny bulging crimp just above a hole at the start of the slab (Same right hand as Mama Crimps) Right hand on the triangular slanted sidepull just above the big wobbly boulder	Classic Technical Careful of your right foot
39	Laid Back Kids	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on large slanted ledge	



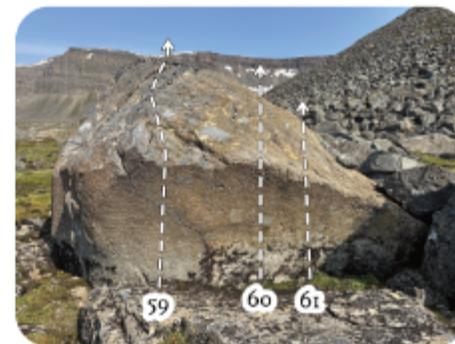
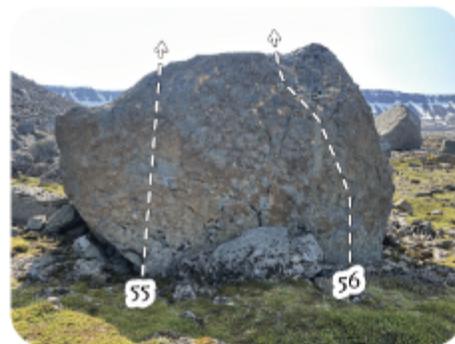
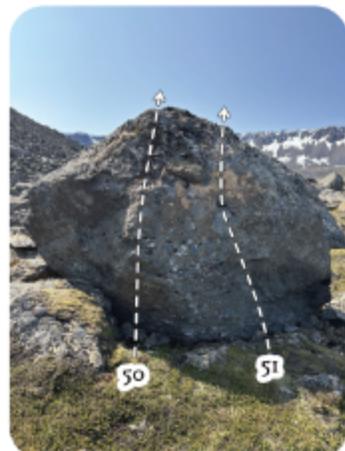
View of Kirkjubólshviltf and Fossavatn as seen from Gleidarhjálli



The Reggae Boulder (41-44) may be one of the first boulders you see. It has a few easy but fun problems. | GPS: 66.00969, -23.16777



40	Take Flight Project	-	Sit		Unclimbed Possible dyno crux Rain cover
41	Da Jah Man	V0	Sit	Left hand on a ledge jug Right hand on a sidepull jug	
42	Rebel Rocker	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the lower part of the large slanted ledge	
43	Roll Another	VB	Sit	Both hands matched along the large ledge with one hand in the good pocket	
44	Soft Green Freedom	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the large triangular ledge	
45	Middleman	V0	Sit	Left hand on a four finger slanted crimp at the tip of the overhang Right hand on an undercling on the flake in the center	
46	SSX Tricky	V1	Sit	Left hand on an undercling bulge on the corner Right hand on an incut sidepull out right	Good
47	Air McNare	V4	Sit	Left hand on a small sloping ledge above the overhang Right hand on a pointed four finger crimp ledge	Classic Slap for it
48	High Pass	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the large center top ledge	
49	Stoke Your Fire	V4	Sit	Left hand on a slanted sidepull out left and above the small buried boulder Right hand on a right corner sidepull at the same height	Good Wide start



The Modern Times Boulder (50-52) is a small boulder with simple problems amongst a sea of other boulders. | GPS: 66.00919, -23.16933

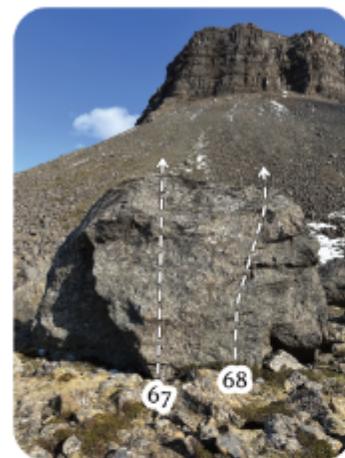
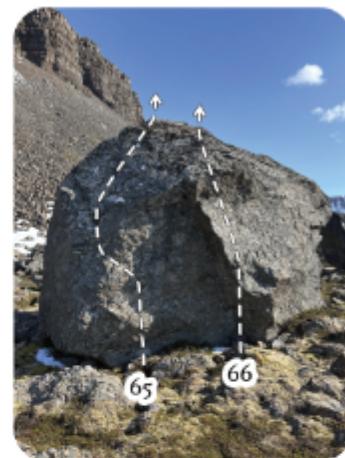
50	Mass Media	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on an obvious large triangular bulging jug	
51	TV Addict	V1	Sit	Left hand in a deep large pocket with the pointer finger in a smaller pocket Right hand on an obvious center sidepull with a ledge	
52	Fake News	V1	Sit	Left hand gaston on a right facing hold on the corner Right hand on a large right facing sidepull	
53	North of the Boarder	VB	Sit	Left hand on a good hold on the corner Right hand on a spikey sidepull bulge above a roof	Reachy start
54	Retro Jammies	V2	Sit	Left hand on a sidepull above a large boulder on the ground Right hand on a spikey buldge above the overhang	Reachy start
55	Dirty Doritos	V0	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the obvious center ledge	
56	Coolest Capri Sun	V0	Sit	Left hand anywhere Right hand on the good corner finger jug	Good Finish left above the boulder on the ground

The Ham and Cheese Boulder (54-61) sits right before some of the bigger boulders and has quite a few problems. | GPS: 66.009, -23.17019

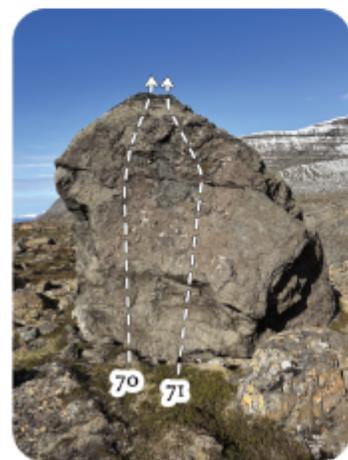


57	Slick Like Butter	V3	Sit	Left hand on the best part of the corner Right hand in a small and high sloping pocket
58	All Go Action Figures	V2	Sit	Left hand on a sidepull on the center bulge Right on a high slanted hold just above the overhang
59	Scratched CD's	V3	Sit	Left hand on a fin like hold above the overhang Right hand on good ledge
60	Knockout	V0	Sit	Both hands on the highest part of the ledge above the overhang
61	Tapout	VB	Sit	Both hands spilt between the two concave dish type holds
62	Better Left Alone	V1	Sit	Left hand on a concave hold within the crumbly rock Right hand on a small sidepull on the right side of the overhang

63	Skry Drykkur	VB	Sit	Both hands matched in a large crescent moon shaped pocket	
64	Gull	V1	Sit	Left hand in a crescent shaped lower pocket Right hand on a pinchy bulge	
65	Einstök	VB	Sit	Left hand in a deep four finger pocket ledge Right hand on a higher four finger ledge	Go left
66	Bóndi	V1	Sit	Left hand on an open handed hold on the inside of the open book Right hand on a right side sidepull just above the slight overhang	Classic
67	Appelsín	V2	Sit	Left hand on a left facing sidepull just above the slab Right hand on a four finger incut crimp ledge just above the slight overhang	Classic
68	Dokkan	V1	Sit	Left hand in a vertical pocket too thin to fully fit the fingers in Right hand in a pocket that is deeper with one finger	
69	Kókómjólk	V0	Sit	Left hand in a sharp open pocket using it as a gaston Right hand on a bulging ledge above the corner fin	
70	Úlfur	VB	Sit	Left hand on the corner triangular fin Right hand on a four finger crimp ledge with a small curve (Same left hand as Bríó)	
71	Bríó	VB	Sit	Left hand anywhere or on a four finger crimp ledge with a small curve (Same right hand as Úlfur) Right hand on a wide large bulge	
72	Collab	VB	Sit	Left hand in an undercling to the right of the small roof under a block Right hand on a four finger crimp on a block out right	
73	Jamón	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on a large ledge	Good
74	Chorizo	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on a large slanted bulge along the corner	Good

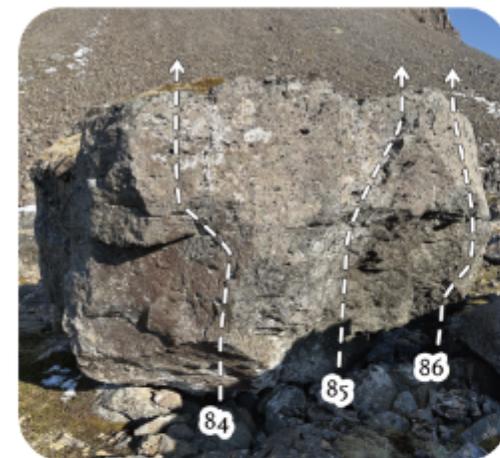
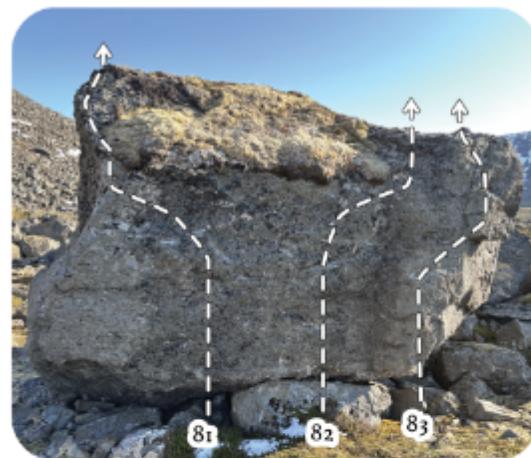


The Drykkur Boulder (63-72) is a classic boulder named after a can of Appelsín found at its base. | GPS: 66.00897, -23.1708

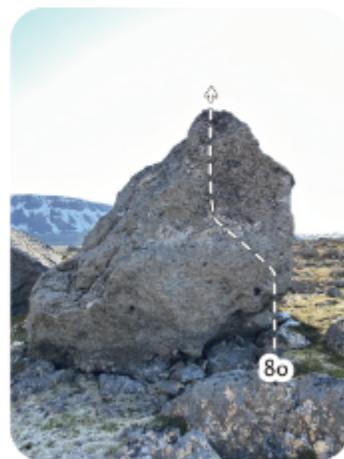




The 518 Bloc (75-77) is named after my hometown of Albany, New York. Scoins is a must try. | GPS: 66.00883, -23.17069



The Fat Cat Boulder (79-86) is named after a famous Japanese icon. This is a great boulder. | GPS: 66.0088, -23.17138



75	Ba Ba Booie	V4	Sit	Left hand on a three to four finger crimp in the overhang Right hand on a large right facing sidepull	Throw for it Cruxy start
76	Em Nacho	V2	Stand	Both hands next to each other on the two small slanted bulging holds just above the roof	Easier variation of Scoins
77	Scoins	V6	Sit	Both hands matched on the small bulging ledge below and to the right of the roof	Iconic Foot jam
78	Stella's Tower	V2	Sit	Left hand on a good corner sidepull Right hand in a very deep large pocket	
79	The Forest Spirit	V1	Sit	Left hand in a deep pocket Right hand in the thinner pocket at same height	
80	Castle in Your Sky	V1	Sit	Left hand in a low and large deep hole Right hand in a four finger ledge pocket	
81	Where It Rises	V3	Sit	Left hand in a low and large deep pocket Right hand on a crimp in line with the long thin crack	Good Technical
82	Feel the Fur	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on the large and long horizontal rail	
83	Toats	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on the center small ledge thats slightly bigger on the left side	Throw for it
84	Miyazaki	V2	Sit	Left hand on the lower of the two pockets on the face Right hand on the higher of the two pockets on the face	Good
85	No Face	VB	Sit	Left hand on a high protruding ledge Right hand on a crimp ledge at same height	
86	Howl	V1	Stand	Left hand in a pocket ledge directly under the roof Right hand on a ledge on the corner at same height	Good
87	Hochkalter	V1	Sit	Left hand on a left side sidepull in the overhang Right hand on a sloping ledge on the right side of the overhang	
88	Watzmann	V0	Sit	Left hand on a large incut finger jug sidepull Right hand on a bulging and sloping ledge just above the roof	
89	Captain Crunch	V5	Sit	Left hand on an incut finger jug along the left facing sidewall Right hand on a four finger crimp above the large pocket and below the small pocket	Good but sharp
90	The Nurse	V4	Sit	Left hand in a long deep pocket Right hand on a good sidepull in the slightly darker rock	
91	Pop Tarts Project	-	Sit	Left hand on a small open hand above the overhang Right hand on a small three finger sidepull crimp at the edge of the overhang	Unclimbed



Ivar on the start of Scoins (V6)



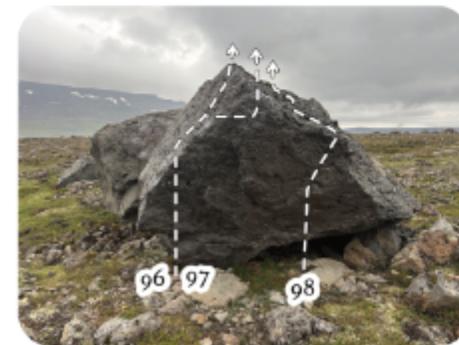
Dos Nuts the First Boulder (92-94) leans on the second and has a some tricky problems with hard starts. | GPS: 66.0085, -23.17233

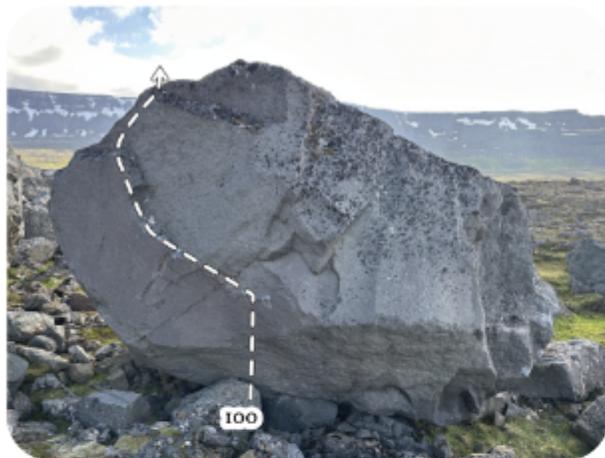
92	Saggy	V1	Sit	Both hands next to each other Left hand on the center incut protruding bulge ledge Right hand gaston on the sloping ledge next to the left hand	
93	One Arm One Hole	V1	Sit	Left hand in the large and center four finger sidepull pocket Right hand anywhere	
94	Fully Dropped	V5	Sit	Left hand on a very small crimp along the high slanted crack line Right hand next to the left hand on the very sloped open handed jibs	Crux start One move wonder
95	The Trickle	V1	Sit	Left hand on the large left facing slanted ledge Right hand on the good ledge with a two finger pocket on the left side	
96	The Morning Happy Variation	V1	Sit	Same start as The Morning Happy	Finish left
97	The Morning Happy	V2	Sit	Left hand on a high four finger vertical sidepull pocket on the slab Right hand anywhere Same start as The Morning Happy Variation	Finish up the center and right
98	L 7 Weenie	V1	Sit	Left hand on a left facing sidepull in the center of the overhang Right hand on the small square looking bulge	
99	Smooshed	V1	Sit	Left hand on a center sloper just after the overhang Right hand on a slightly left facing gaston further out right	



Walking off the Mountainside Sector | Photo: Chris Pfüll

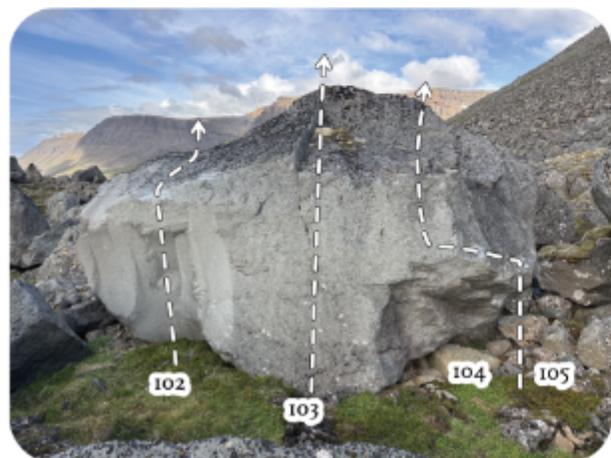
Dos Nuts The Second Boulder (95-99) leans on the first and has some easier overhung problems. | GPS: 66.0085, -23.17244





The Glasto Rewind Boulder (100-105) is one of the best boulder in this sector. Try the traverse of RPM. | GPS: 66.00827, -23.17177

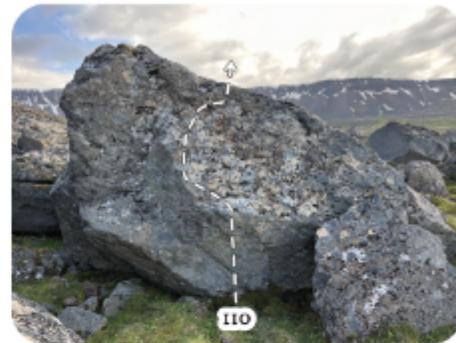
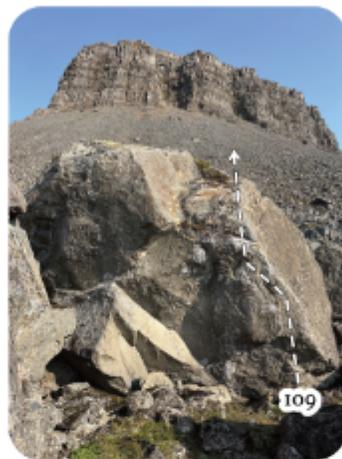
The Schools Out Boulder (106-108) sits next to the Glasto Rewind Boulder. Do not miss The Hurricane. | GPS: 66.00822, -23.17175



100	RPM	V2	Stand	Both hands matched on the furthest right ledge	Classic Move left and up following the rails
101	Blackoak	V5	Sit	Left hand on a left facing sidepull just above the overhang with a separate incut for the pointer finger Right hand in an overhung right facing sidepull below a small roof	Good
102	Passing Clouds	V3	Stand	Step up into it and grab the top sloping ledge	Classic Tough top out
103	I Don't Feel Like Dancing	VB	Stand	Step up into it and grab the big ledge	
104	King for a King Stand	V1	Stand	Both hands matched on the most prominent bulging ledge around head height	Good Move left
105	King for a King Project	-	Sit	Left hand on a small bulging sidepull in the overhang Right hand on a four finger crimp around the corner in the overhang	Unclimbed
106	Untersberg	V1	Sit	Both hands matched in a long vertical crack line	
107	The Hurricane	V5	Sit	Left hand on the lower sloping overhung ledge Right hand in a good incut three finger bulging dish ledge	Classic
108	The Downfall	V1	Sit	Left hand on the highest reachable ledge Right hand on a lower ledge to the right of the left hand	



Orla making quick work of Jamón (V0)



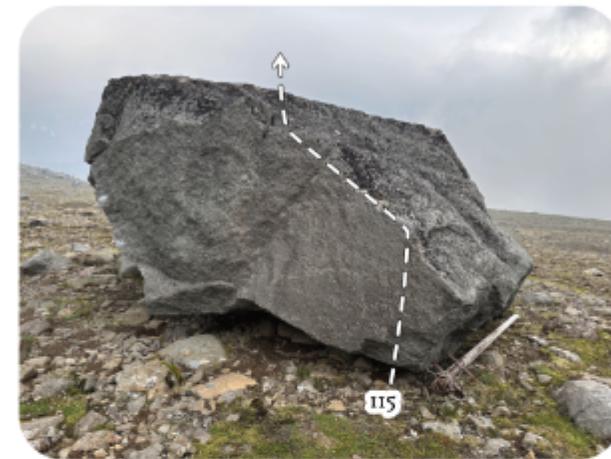
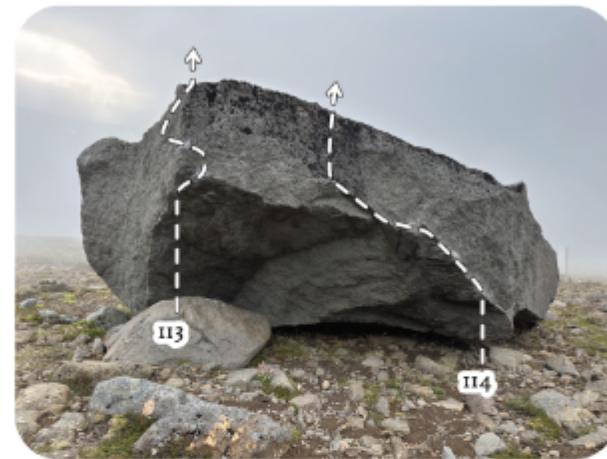
109	The EP	V4	Stand	Left hand gaston on a small and slanted right facing ledge Right hand close to left hand on a small sidepull crimp on the corner	Classic Tricky top out
110	Slice and Dice	V3	Sit	Left hand next to a sloping ledge in a pocket with a thumb pinch Right hand on the sloping ledge with the thumb in a pocket	
111	D and A's	V0	Sit	Left hand on a good horizontal crimp ledge Right hand on a slightly slanted incut crimp ledge	
112	Dystopia	V3	Sit	Left hand on a good left facing blocky sidepull just above the boulder on the left Right hand on a ledge above the pointed corner	Good



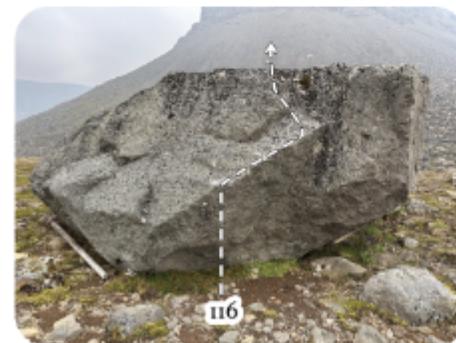
One of a few beautiful swimming holes along the approach



Pablo on the Lightning Bolt (V3)



The Lantern Boulder (113-118) just happened to fall further than the rest. This is an amazing boulder worth climbing. | GPS: 66.00863, -23.17366

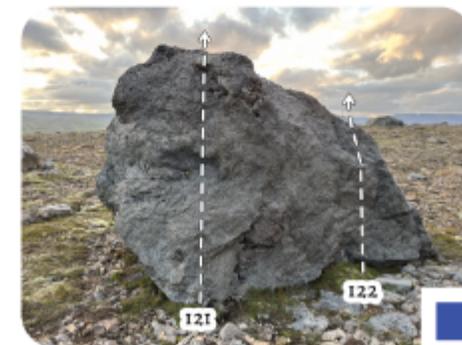
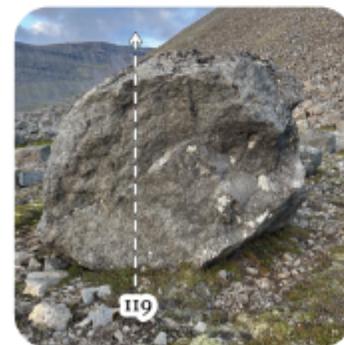


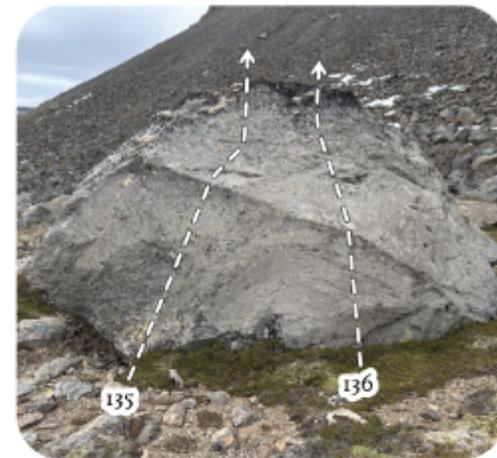
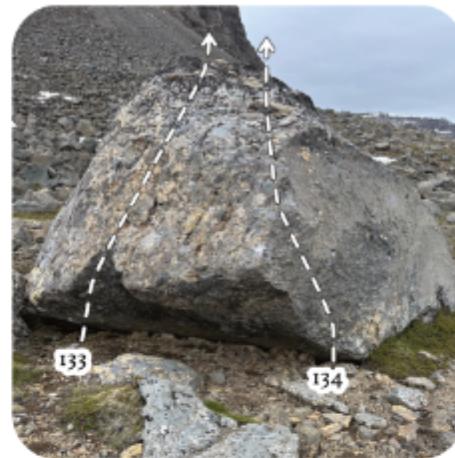
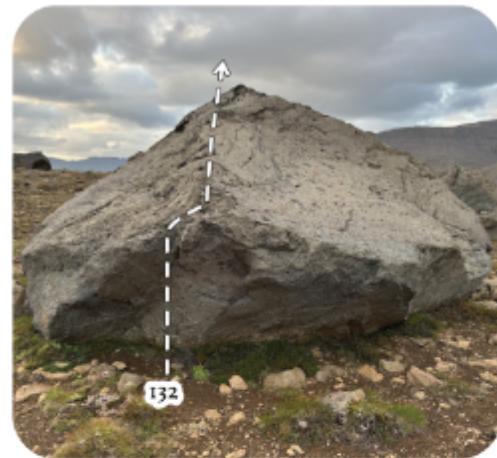
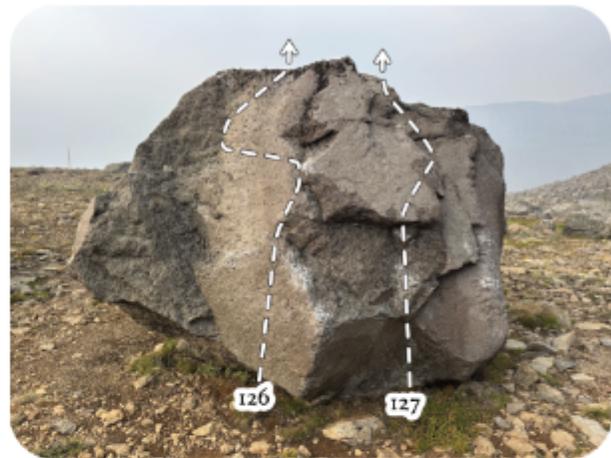
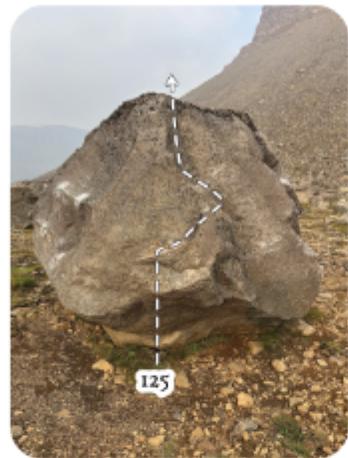
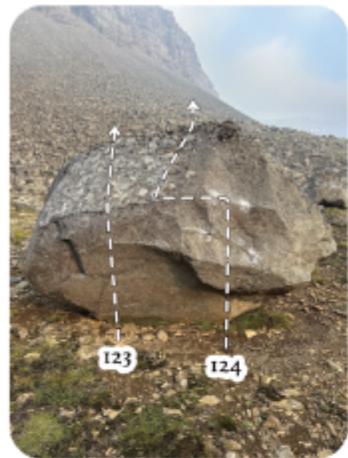
113	Shadow in the Streets	V6	Sit	Left hand on a slanted left facing slighty incut crimp just above the overhang and directly above the left corner Right hand on a sloping four finger crimp in the overhang just before the top	Classic Start on the buried boulder
114	Lightning Bolt	V3	Sit	Both hands matched on the lowest good ledge	Classic
115	Hot Wax	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the widest flat ledge	
116	The Wick	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on the lowest good and wide ledge	Good
117	Neibla Meona	V5	Sit	Left hand in a low pocket incut crimp just above the overhang Right hand on the center right facing sidepull	Cruxy start
118	Shattered Glass Project	-	Sit	Left hand on a two finger sloper on the corner Right hand on a slanted right facing three to four finger crimp on the corner just below the left hand	Unclimbed Sharp
119	Won't Let Me Go	VB	Sit	Left hand on the lower center ledge Right hand on the higher ledge	One move wonder
120	Memories of the Mountainside	V1	Sit	Left hand on the sloper at the left edge of the fin just above the overhang Right hand on a three finger open pocket circular sidepull	Good
121	Stand Up	VB	Sit	Left hand in an undercling on the left side of the overhang Right hand as an undercling in the crumbly crack	Good
122	The Throw Away	VB	Sit	Left hand on the ledge Right hand on the corner	Very easy



A few boulders near the end of the Mountainside Sector (problems 113 - 132)

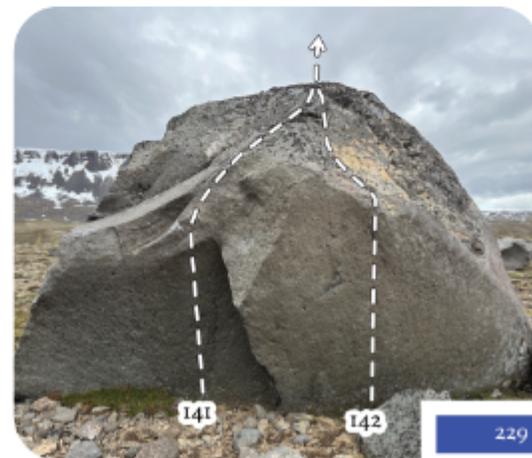
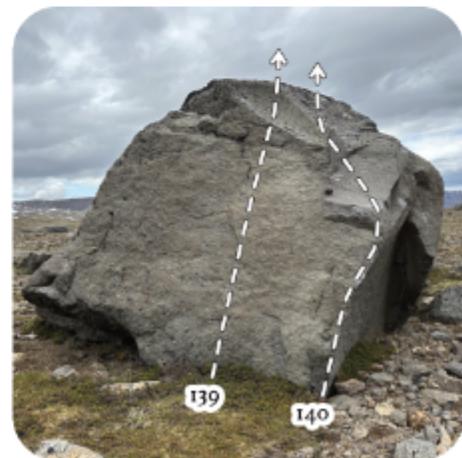
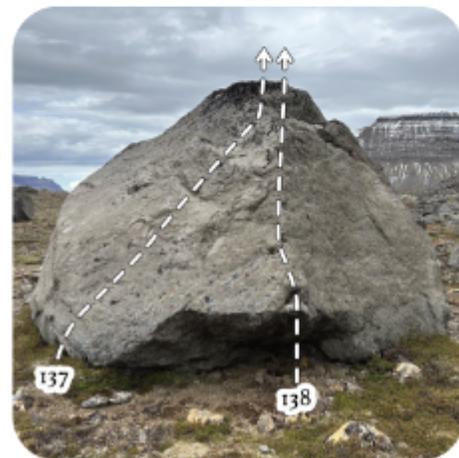
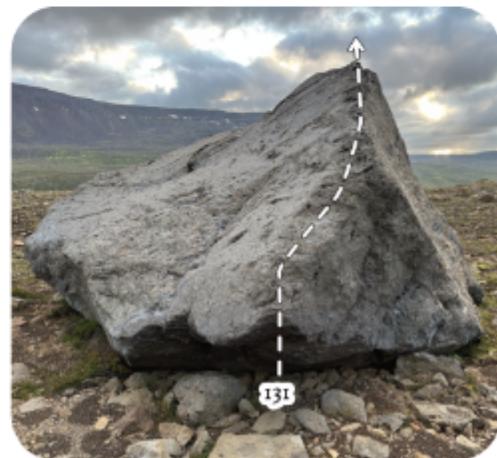
The Mountain Out Boulder (119-122) was the last boulder climbed in this sector. It holds many memories. | GPS: 66.00813, -23.17291





The Cough Drop Bloc (123-130) is a small boulder with lots of climbs. Try the Mystery Disease. | GPS: 66.00808, -23.17311

The Ten Worlds Boulder (133-142) is a homage to different languages. | GPS: 66.00777, -23.17319



123	Snapped Project	-	Sit		Unclimbed
124	The Mystery Disease	V4	Sit	Left hand on a three finger sloping ledge with a small incut Right hand on a sloping ledge at the bottom of a thin vertical crack line	Classic
125	Peeled Scabs	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on a large crimp rail	
126	The Healing Process	V3	Sit	Left hand on a long sloping center ledge Right hand on a large right facing slanted corner ledge	The flake is potentially loose
127	Shaved Tips	V1	Sit	Left hand on a sharp high triangular and incut downturned sidepull with the thumb on top Right hand gaston below the left hand on a left facing bulge	
128	The Chemical Ballerina	V3	Sit	Left hand on a high corner pinch with a ledge for the thumb Right hand on a right facing sloping sidepull	
129	The Plague Slab	VB	Stand	Both hands matched on a crimp ledge just below the top	
130	One Pinch Man Project	-	Sit	Left hand on the center high triangular shaped pinch Right hand anywhere	Unclimbed
131	Ping	V2	Sit	Left hand on the lowest good bulging and sloping sidepull Right hand on the higher sloping ledge above the left hand	
132	Pong	V0	Sit	Left hand on the smaller top ledge to the left Right hand on the higher and bigger ledge on the right	
133	Shí	VB	Stand	Both hands on any holds Step up into it	
134	Neun Project	-	Sit	Left hand on the high corner just after the overhang Right hand in a two to three finger pocket	Unclimbed
135	Huit	VB	Stand	Step up into it	
136	Sette	VB	Stand	Step up into it	
137	Yeoseot	VB	Stand	Step up into it	
138	Penki	V2	Sit	Both hands matched in the large deep triangular hole	
139	Cuatro	VB	Stand	Step up into it	Very easy



140	Trí	V1	Stand	Both hands next to each other along the curved corner	Good
141	Tveir	V2	Stand	Left hand as an open hand pinch using the right facing sidepull and the sloper Right hand on a four finger crimp at head height	Good
142	One	V0	Stand	Both hands matched on a right facing sidepull at the start of the slab	
143	Shark Bait Project	-		GPS: 66.00761, -23.1723	Unclimbed Highball
144	Canine	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on an overhung corner fin	
145	Before the Hit	V0	Sit	Both hands next to each other on and above the rightmost ledge	
146	After the Trauma	V1	Sit	Left hand on any hold Right hand on a corner sidepull pinch	
147	The Recovery	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on a large possibly loose ledge	



Dark Side Sector

Fall deep within a land of true folklore.

Recommendations

The Ark, The Hermits Hideaway, By Pure Luck, Inside Out, Encore, Live by Your Word, & Truth Above All

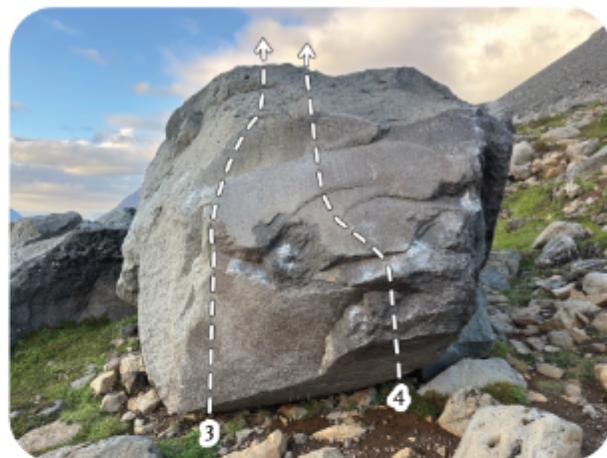
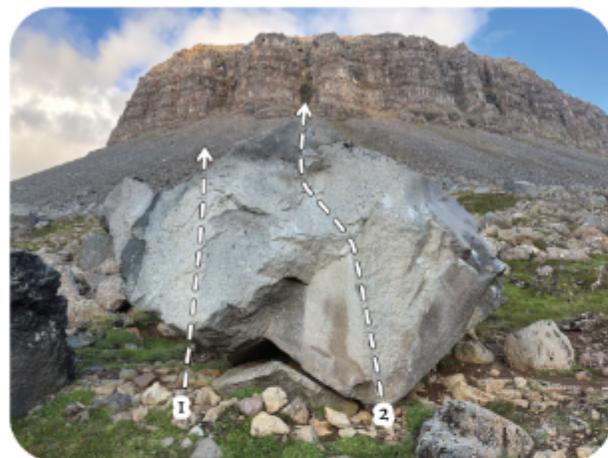
Approach

Follow the trail up until you can see the entire area in the distance. Continue off trail to the top of the plateau on your right. Walk through and past the Mountainside Sector to reach the Dark Side Sector. 300m | 4 km | 1.25 to 1.5 hours

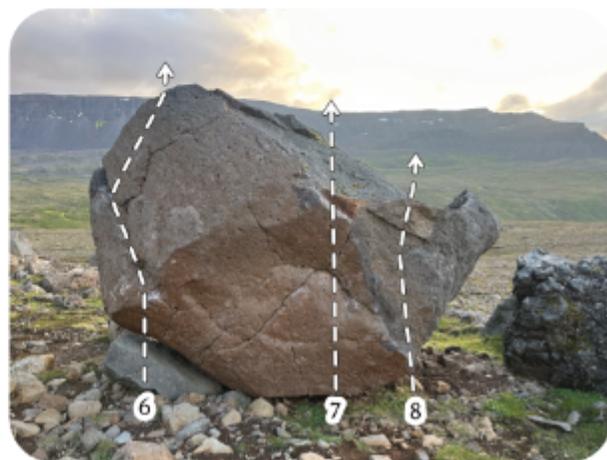
Totals (28)

VB-1 | V0-6 | V1-3 | V2-6 | V3-5 | V4-1 | V5-2 | V?-4

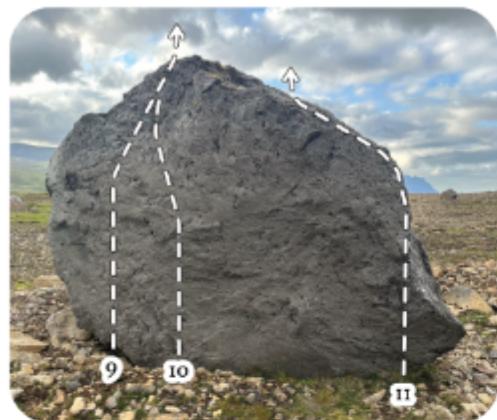




The Oceans Away Boulder (1-8) is a beautiful boulder with a few projects. Do not miss The Ark, it's classic. | GPS: 66.00663, -23.17433



1	Floodgates	VB	Stand	Left hand on the middle high ledge Right hand gaston in a two finger vertical pocket	
2	The Ark	V5	Stand	Left hand on a sloping left facing sidepull above the steepest small roof Right hand on a right facing tiny crimpy sidepull to the direct left of the long large ledge out right	Classic Wide and reachy
3	Breathe	V2	Sit	Both hands at the same height Left hand on a sloping bulge Right hand on the left side of the large sloping ledge using the left facing hold for the thumb	
4	Icing Over Project	-	Sit	Left hand on the lowest good bulge just above the steepest part of the overhang Right hand on a higher slightly slanted right facing sloper to the right of the slab	Unclimbed
5	Distant Ocean	V3	Sit	Left hand pinch on a very high block Right hand on a lower sloping crimp below the left facing wall	Start sitting on the buried boulder Reachy
6	The Ladle Project	-	Sit	Left hand on a sloping four finger crimp on the left face Right hand on the lowest good triangular shaped protruding block	Unclimbed
7	In Your Depth	V1	Sit	Left hand on the largest sloping hold along the center crack line Right hand on a small incut crimp along the right facing darker rock wall	
8	Out of Your Depth	V3	Sit	Left hand on a good left facing sidepull at the bottom of the left facing crescent crack line Right hand on a very small three finger crimp on the right side face	



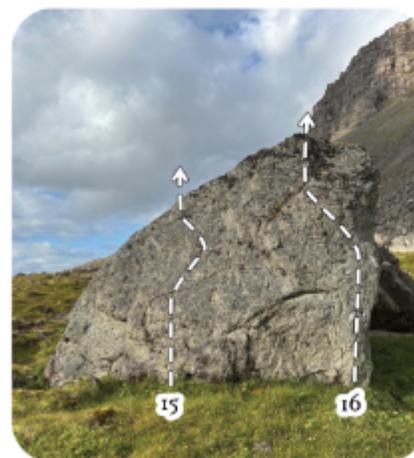
The Open Lands Boulder (9-12) sits alone in the middle of the field. It has a few very easy problems on it. | GPS: 66.00638, -23.17622

9	Owens All	V0	Sit	Left hand in the center and deep four finger pocket Right hand gaston on a very small left facing crescent like hold at same height	
10	Owens All Variation	V0	Sit	Left hand anywhere Right hand in the center and deep four finger pocket	
11	The Stalker	V0	Sit	Both hands along the corner Better for the right hand to be higher and left hand to be lower	
12	No Control	V0	Sit	Both hands at same height Left hand on the smaller and slanted left facing sidepull ledge Right hand on a slanted right facing open handed hold	
13	The Hermits Hideaway	V3	Sit	Left hand on a left facing sidepull (In line with a shallow one finger pocket) Right hand on the lowest point of the higher blocky right facing sidepull	Good
14	Lava Boulder	-		GPS: 66.00177, -23.17444	Unclimbed
15	A New Home	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on good long crimp rail	
16	The Days Ahead	V2	Sit	Left hand on a slanted left facing sidepull pinch Right hand gaston in a three finger pocket	
17	By Pure Luck	V2	Sit	Left hand in the large obvious center pocket Right hand on a small four finger incut crimp	Good
18	Us Together	V0	Sit	Both hands matched along the large right facing sidepull flake	



The Lava Boulder (14) will have climbs on all sides. | GPS: 66.00177, -23.17444

As It Goes Boulder (15-18) is a solid and fun boulder. | GPS: 66.00144, -23.17497

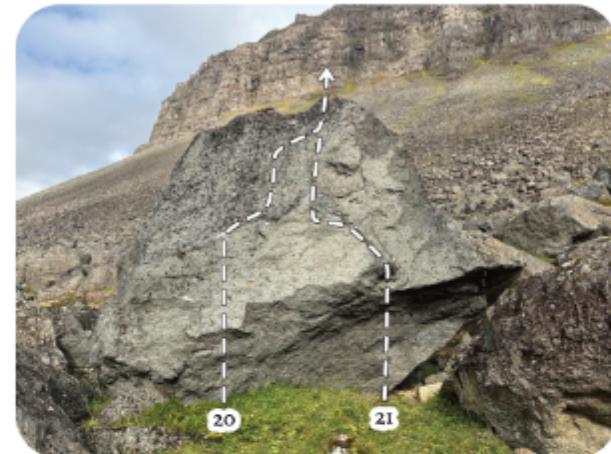
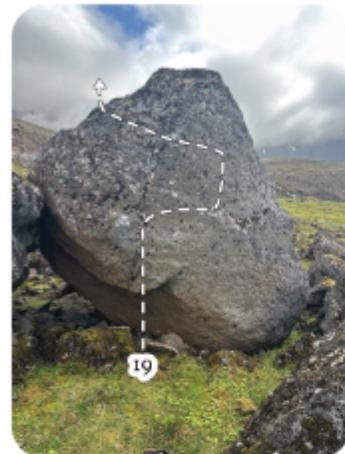


Intense color contrasts of the Dark Side Sector.



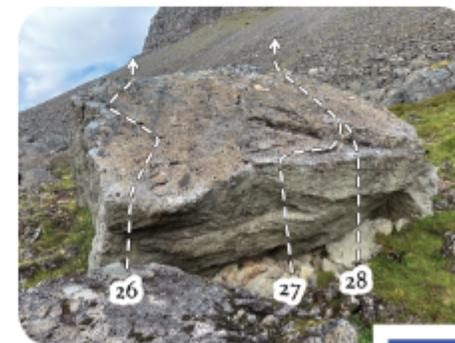
Fossavatn approach | Photo: Ross Szendrei

19	Inside Out	V2	Sit	Left hand on a sloping three finger drag with a right facing incut hold for the thumb Right hand gaston on a slanted left facing crimp	Classic Move right then back left
20	Atmospheric	V2	Sit	Left hand on a good slightly incut ledge Right hand on a smaller pinchy and bulging crimp with a left facing slanted hold for the thumb	
21	Uplifted	V1	Sit	Left hand on a sloping hold on the right facing slab at the tip of the overhang Right hand on the right facing slab at the tip of the overhang	
22	The Slab of Butter	-	Stand		Unclimbed
23	Encore	V5	Sit	Left hand on a high sloping ledge at the edge of the overhang with an incut for the pointer finger Right hand on the lowest bulging and pointed left facing sidepull at the tip of the overhang	Good
24	The Remix	V3	Sit	Left hand gaston on a slanted ledge at the tip of the overhang next to a crack Right hand on a sloping ledge at the tip of the overhang directly below a thin horizontal crack line	Do not start in the incut horizontal pocket
25	Fake Preachers	V2	Sit	Left hand in a high three finger open pocket ledge Right hand in the higher of the two pockets on the right side	
26	Live by Your Word	V1	Sit	Left hand guppy on the first bulge on the corner Right hand as an undercling on the edge of the overhang	Good
27	Truth Above All	V4	Sit	Left hand in an incut four finger hold just above the overhang Right hand on the best part of the top ledge	Extension to Purposeful Propaganda
28	Purposeful Propaganda	V3	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the top ledge The holds are just below a crescent	Good



A Long Ago Boulder (19-22) has a few cool problems including an unclimbed slab. Give Inside Out a go. | GPS: 66.00119, -23.17483

The Dark Times Boulder (25-28) is the final boulder in this sector and has some good but short overhang problems. | GPS: 66.00116, -23.17433





View of the Coastline area as seen from Gleidarhjalli

Coastline

Be one with the ocean, search for seals, and explore the lowball unique rock formations.

Parking

From Ísafjörður town drive route 61 towards Súðavík for 10 km. You can park in a gravel road pull off on your left just after the mountain on your right ends.

GPS: 66.0915, -23.05913

Approach

Walk the coastline passing a series of lowball boulders along the way. The furthest climb is a flat but rocky 1 km or a 30 minute walk.

Recommendations

Cyclops, Sunny Lemon Daze, & Opening the Oyster

Totals (17)

VB - 3 | V0 - 4 | V1 - 5 | V2 - 3 | V3 - 2





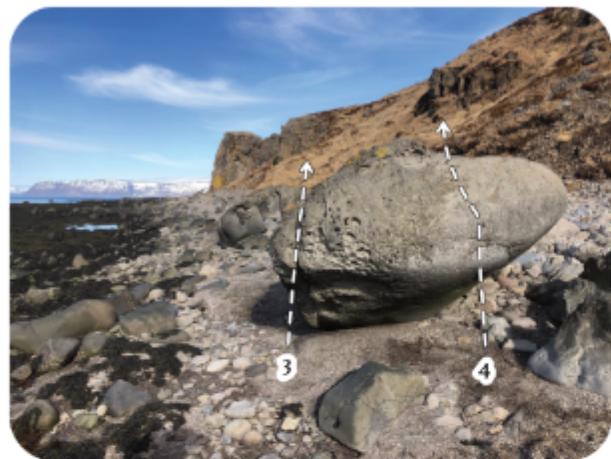
The Coastline approach with Klýkir in the distance



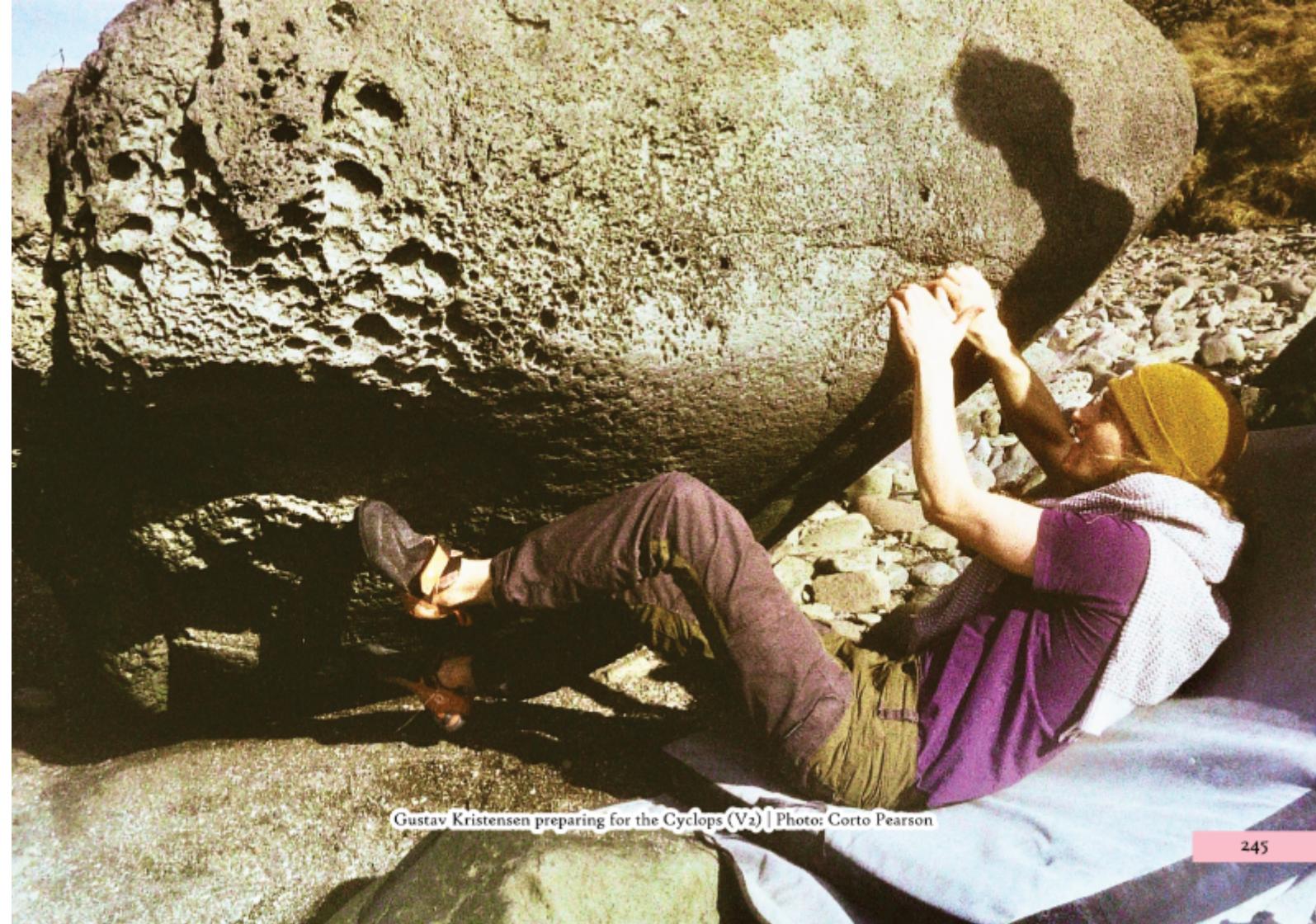
1	Low Tide	V0	Sit	Left hand on the large top ledge Right hand on a sidepull on the right side	One move wonder
2	Sheep Herder	V1	Sit	Left hand on a sidepull Right hand on a sidepull	Same grade if you finish left or right
X	Klýkir	X	-		Beautiful and delicate



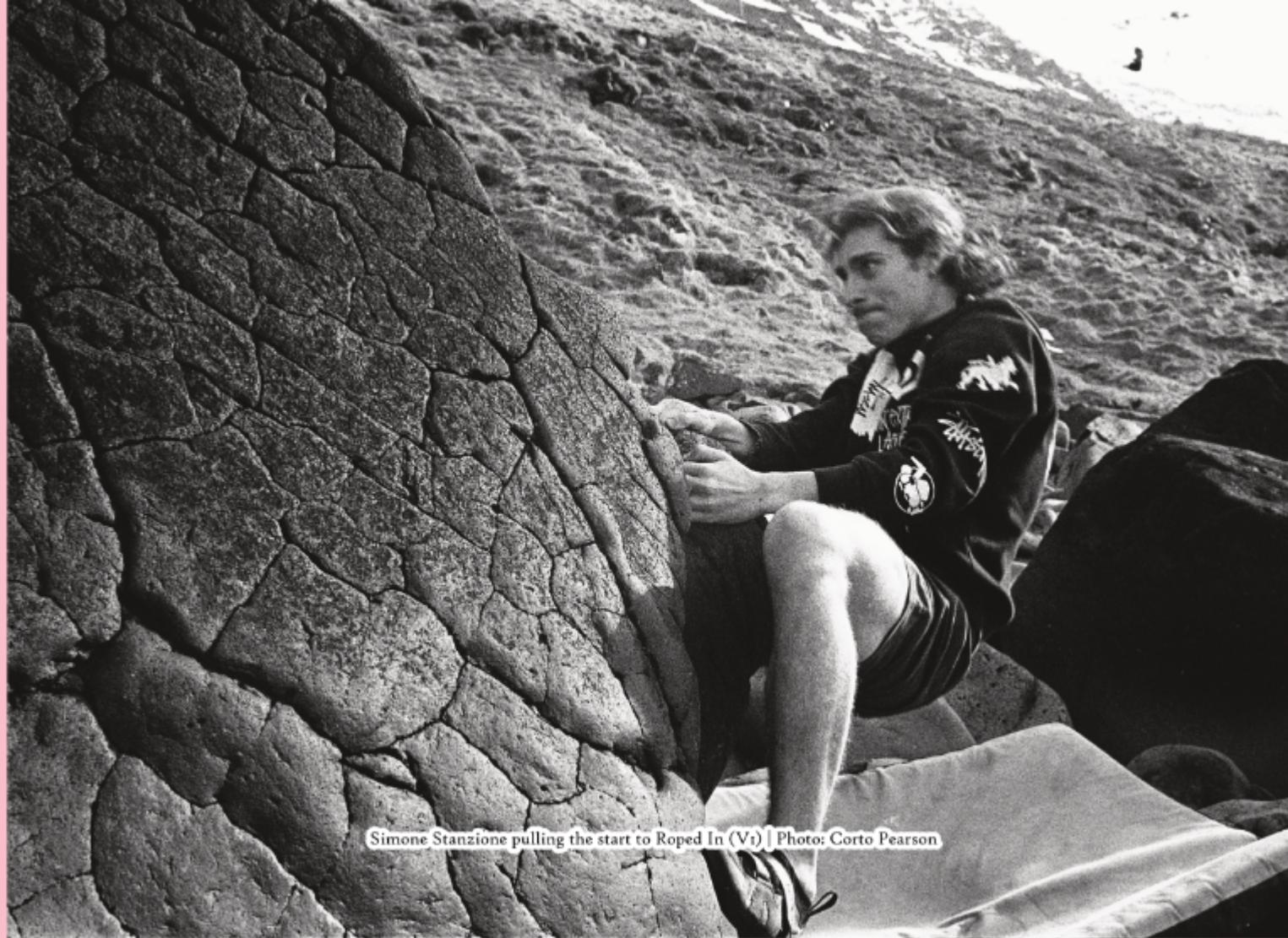
Klýkir is a one of a kind sculptured boulder in Ísafjörður



3	The Clam	V1	Sit	Left hand in a shallow pocket Right hand on a big bulging jug	
4	Cyclops	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on the ledge below the cyclops eye like pocket on the right side	Good
5	Pen Pals	V0	Sit	Left hand on the center sidepull horn Right hand on a crimp on the top of the corner	One move wonder
6	The One	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the large ledge	
7	The Only	VB	Sit	Left hand on a large slanted sidepull jug Right hand on the opposite sidepull	



Gustav Kristensen preparing for the Cyclops (V2) | Photo: Corto Pearson



Simone Stanzione pulling the start to Roped In (Vr) | Photo: Corto Pearson



8	Gambas	V2	Sit	Left hand on a crimp directly after the overhang Right hand on a triangular crimp next to left hand directly after the overhang	Other boulder is out One foot starts above your head
9	Pulpo	V0	Sit	Both hands in any of the large holds	One move wonder
10	Three Little Birds	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the large slanted ledge	
11	Beached Whale	V2	Sit	Left hand on the center ledge Right hand on a high crimp near the top where it rounds out	



12	Sea Weed	V0	Sit	Left hand in a deep four finger pocket Right hand on a large bulging crimp	Not very good Polished feet
13	Roped In	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on the large jug ledge or Left hand on the large jug ledge Right hand on an incut crimp	One move wonder
14	Baby Seal	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on the large horn on top	Sit start below the ground boulder not on it Very small
15	Sunny Lemon Daze	V3	Sit	Left hand on the highest part of the sidepull above the other boulder Right hand along a line on a small incut on the bulge	Good
16	An Ocean and a Rock	V1	Sit	Both hands on the two biggest low holds	
17	Opening the Oyster	V3	Sit	Both hands matched on the center layback pinch	Good



Corto Pearson on Opening the Oyster (V3) | Photo: Simone Stanzione



Hnífsdalur

Hide along the mountainside or visit our neighbor in the exposed Knife Valley.

Parking

From Ísafjörður town drive route 61 towards Bolungarvík and park in a pull off on the side of the road at *GPS: 66.09061, -23.11491* for the Phantom Boulder. For the Bench Boulder, park anywhere in Hnífsdalur where allowed and walk for a few minutes. Otherwise, walk from Ísafjörður town for 30 minutes.

Approach

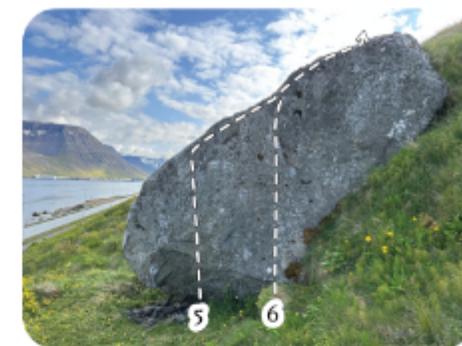
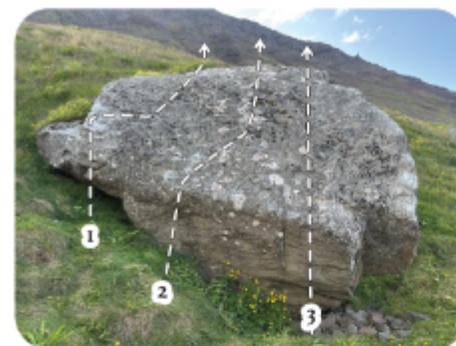
Cross the road from the car park or walk to the edge of Hnífsdalur. For Skarfasker, park as you would for Seljadalur.

Recommendations

The Second High, Very Well Hidden, My Style, Your Style, Double Tap, Fish Hook, Elbow Grease

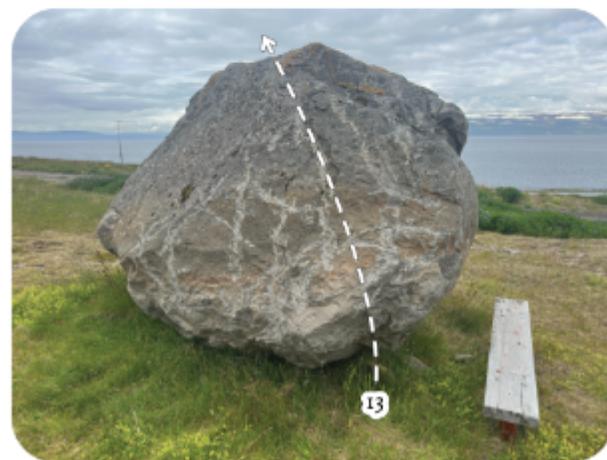
Totals (13)

V1-4 | V2-1 | V3-1 | V4-1 | V5-2 | V6-1 | V?-3



The Phantom Boulder (1-6) is hidden just off the road and walking path. It's a classic boulder. | *GPS: 66.09247, -23.11413*

1	The Magic Step	V5	Sit	Both hands matched on the sloping ledge next to and right of the one finger pocket You can also use the pocket if preferred	Very technical and balancy There may be an easier beta
2	Tyrants Project	-	Sit	Left hand in a small oddly shaped pocket or just above the pocket on a sloper Right hand next to the left hand on a very small two finger coin sized sloper	Unclimbed Difficult overhang to slab
3	Phantom Project	-	Sit	Left hand on either one of the the sloping holds on the tip of the overhang Right hand on an open handed bumpy ledge along the horizontal crack line	Unclimbed Difficult overhang to slab
4	The Second High	V6	Sit	Left hand on a sloping open handed hold at the tip of the overhang on the corner Right hand on a very low four finger sidepull pocket with a separate pocket for your thumb at edge of a small roof	Iconic
5	Very Well Hidden	V1	Sit	Left hand on a slightly downturned left facing sidepull or on a small slanted crimp above it Right hand on a slanted right facing crimp with a bump in the middle (Same left hand as Well Hidden)	Classic Potential for a harder start
6	Well Hidden	V1	Sit	Left hand on a slanted right facing crimp with a bump in the middle (Same right hand as Very Well Hidden) Right hand on a right facing sidepull bulge	Start sitting on a grassy boulder



The Bench Boulder (7-13) has some great moderate climbs with almost no approach. | GPS: 66.10705, -23.11425

7	My Style	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on a large slanted right facing sidepull	Good
8	Your Style	V1	Sit	Left hand on the lower of the two right facing sidepulls along the vertical crack line Right hand on the higher of the two right facing sidepulls	Good
9	Double Tap	V4	Sit	Left hand on the sloping ledge with slightly lighter rock Right hand on a slightly incut sidepull at the same height	Good Balancy
10	Fish Hook	V5	Sit	Left hand on a sloping ledge with a left facing sidepull Right hand gaston on a small slanted ledge above a downward left facing hold	Classic Reachy
11	Wrench Project	-	Sit	There is a small one to two finger pocket and a few small crimps	Unclimbed Hard start
12	Elevator	V1	Sit	Left hand on a sloping crimp along a wavy line on the slab Right hand on a higher small three to four finger crimp	
13	Elbow Grease	V3	Sit	Left hand on an open handed left facing sidepull pinch Right hand on a four finger ledge above the bench and to the left of a right facing sidepull	Good Reachy

Relaxing next to the Phantom Boulder



Saga traversing Skarfasker | Photo: Björgvin Hilmarsson



Skarfasker

Skarfasker is a short cliff band located just below the car park for Óshlið and Seljadalur. | GPS: 66.11941, -23.12013

There are no graded climbs here but this location is perfect for traversing around and to bring children.

The approach is extremely short and it offers beautiful views of the fjord.

Seljadalur "The Valley"

Follow roads long forgotten to a place of solitude where myth meets magic.

Recommendations

The Settlers, Cave Dwellers, Unsympathetic, Eighteen Wheeler, Saxophone, Slay-Dee, Hellisbúinn, Chocolate Frosts, The Learning Curve, Once You Know It, Critical Thinking, Headshot, Whack-A-Mole, Juggling Jigsaws, Freaky Funnels, Bullseye, The Full Trip, The Navy Seal, Twiddle Dee Boulder, Thruster, Massage, Partial Paradise, Papa's Got a New Chalk Bag, Semisonic Movements, The Momba, A Silence of Three Parts, Svarti Kassinn Boulder, The Mercenary, The Sniper, Pinky Promise, The Sinister Minister, The Bermuda Triangle, Onto Bigger Things, Sword of Luckchan Left, Rune 2-Hander, Vivi, Nans House, Manhunt, Slide to the Left, Baffled, Mohawk, Fixing Your Flexors

Parking

From Ísafjörður town drive route 6r for 5 km towards Bolungarvík. Before the tunnel turn right onto Óshlíð "the old road" and park at the lookout.

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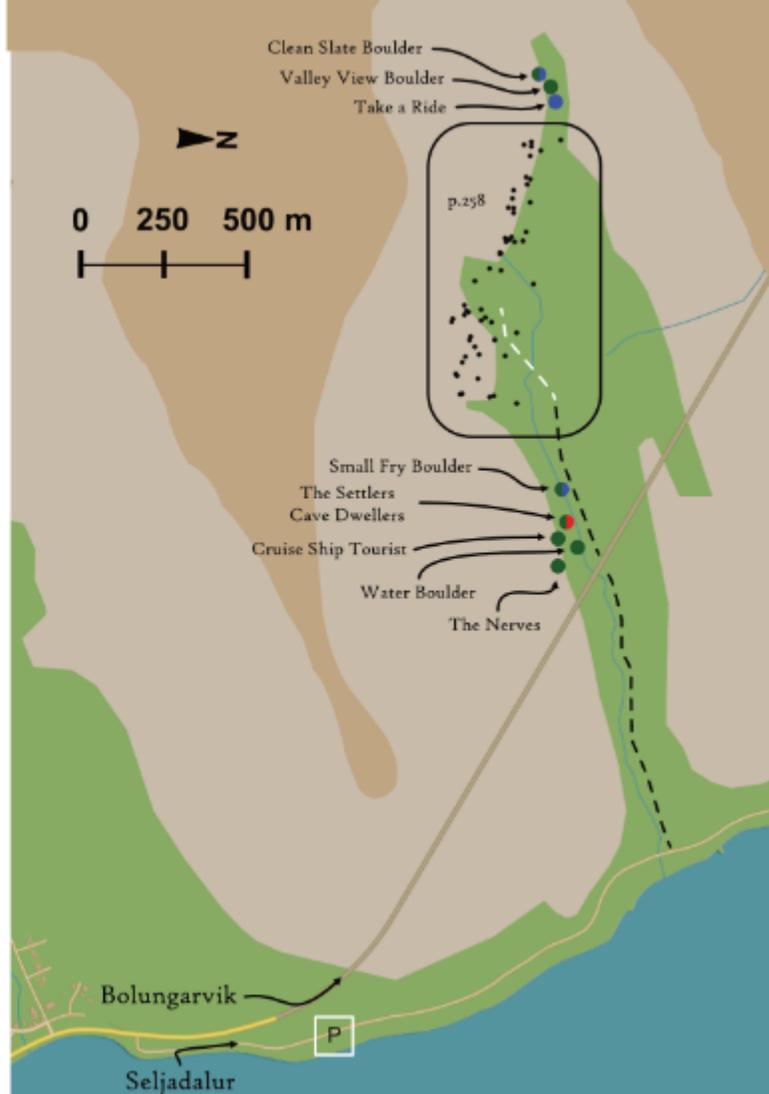
Approach

300m | 3 km | 45 minutes to 1 hour

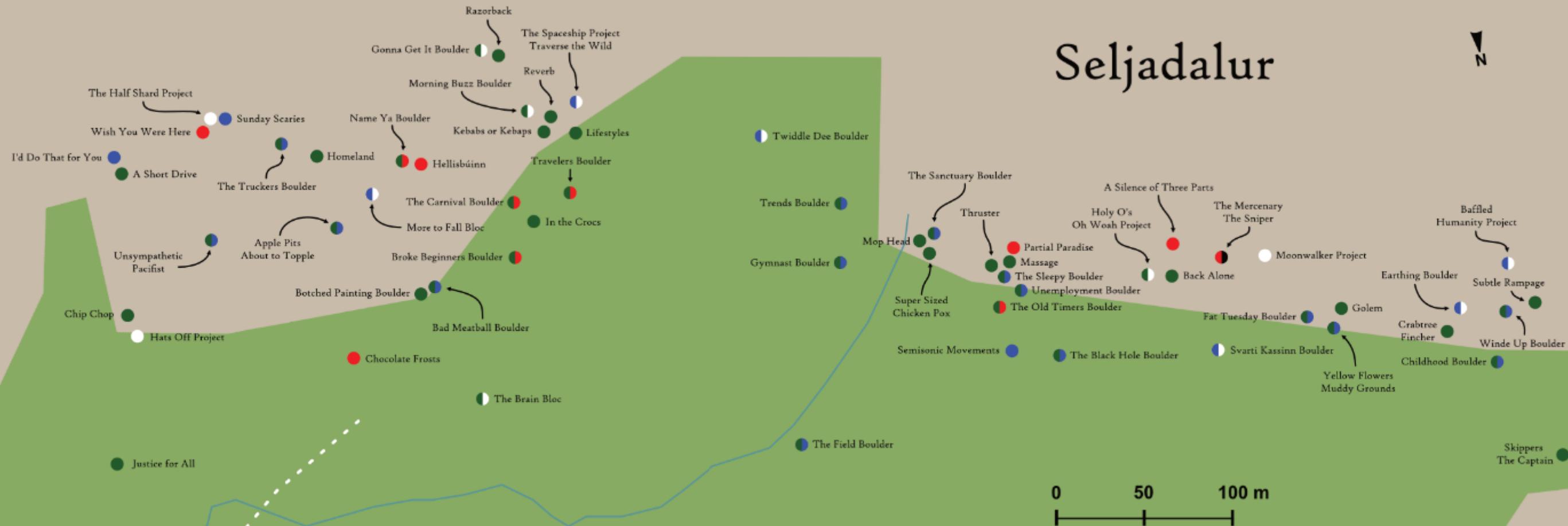
From the car park follow the old road for roughly 1 km until you see the large valley on your left. Walk up the valley on the right side of the river and follow a sheep trail until you see the boulder field in the distance.

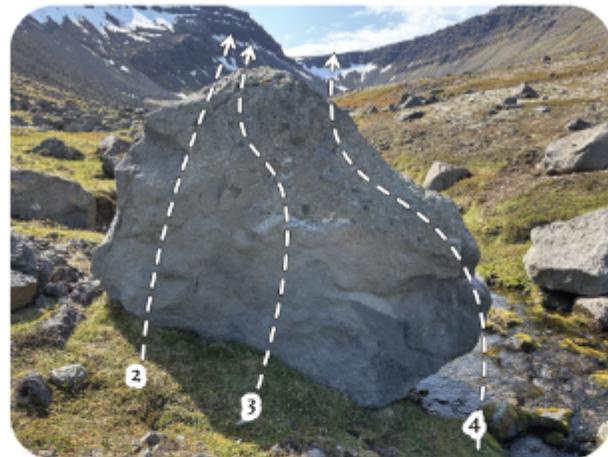
Totals (198)

VB - 33 | V0 - 27 | V1 - 39 | V2 - 39 | V3 - 22 | V4 - 13 | V5 - 7 | V6 - 2 | V? - 16



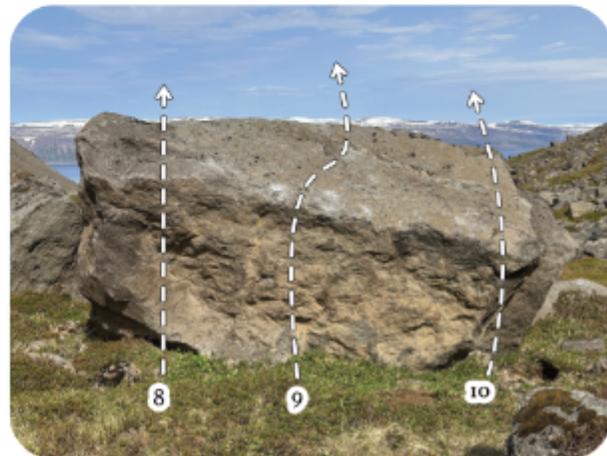
A group of climbers on Óshlíð approaching Seljadalur | Photo: Sofia Martins Rodrigues





The Water Boulder (2-4) can be found on the edge of the stream during the approach. | GPS: 66.12577, -23.15269

The Small Fry Boulder (8-10) is a smaller boulder that lies just off the trail on the approach to the main boulder fields. | GPS: 66.12519, -23.15641



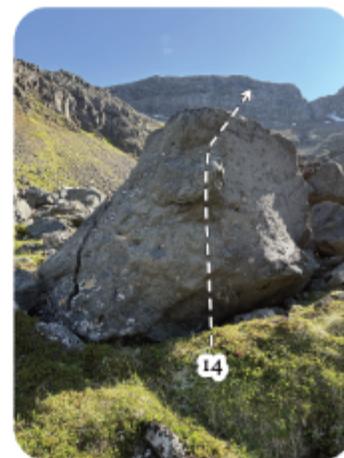
1	The Nerves	V1	Sit	Left hand on a left facing sidepull Right hand on a small three finger crimp above a large ledge	
2	By Design	V0	Sit	Left hand on a large sidepull along the crack line Right hand on a four finger crimp	
3	Purity	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the left side of the large ledge	
4	Bobsled Time	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on the large sloping ledge	If water level allows
5	Cruise Ship Tourist	VB	Sit	Left hand on a large blocky jug Right hand on a slightly slanted ledge on the top	
6	The Settlers	V1	Sit	Left hand as an open hand on the corner Right hand on a crimp with a bump in the middle	Good
7	Cave Dwellers	V5	Sit	Left hand in a tiny two finger pocket crimp Right hand on the high corner fin	Good
8	Aioli	V1	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the top lip	
9	Ketchup	V2	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the top lip Left hand on the sloping ledge Right hand on a small sloping crimp	
10	Mayo	V0	Sit	Left hand anywhere Right hand around the corner on a finger jug at the top of the slab	



Orla throwing up a high foot on Juggling Jigsaws (V2)



A look back down the approach with Snæfjallaströnd in the distance | Photo: Sofia Martins Rodrigues



11	Justice for All	V1	Sit	Left hand on the best part of the corner Right hand further around the corner on a slightly downturned three to four finger right facing sidepull	
12	Hats Off Project	-			Unclimbed
13	Chip Chop	V0	Sit	Both hands below the top ledge Choose between the lowest good four finger crimp, the middle large ledge, or the higher slightly slanted incut four finger crimp	Very small
14	A Short Drive	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the large slanted ledge	
15	I'd Do That for You	V2	Sit	Both hands on the large obvious ledge	
16	Unsympathetic	V3	Sit	Both hands next to each other Left hand on the large protruding obvious center ledge Right hand on the lowest top ledge next to the left hand	Good
17	Pacifist	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the large slanted left facing ledge rail	
18	Wish You Were Here	V3	Sit	Left hand in a circular open pocket ledge Right hand on a sidepull next to the pocketed ledge	
19	The Half Shard Project	-			Unclimbed
20	Sunday Scaries	V2	Sit	Left hand in the higher of the two pocketed slanted holds Right hand gaston on a bulge at the bottom of a thin crack line	

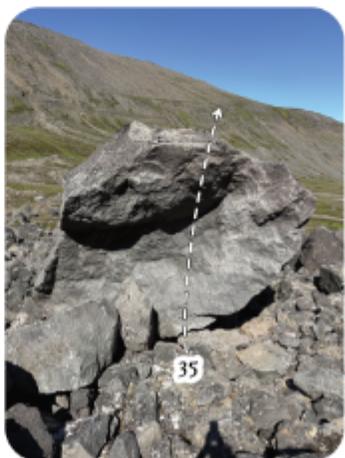
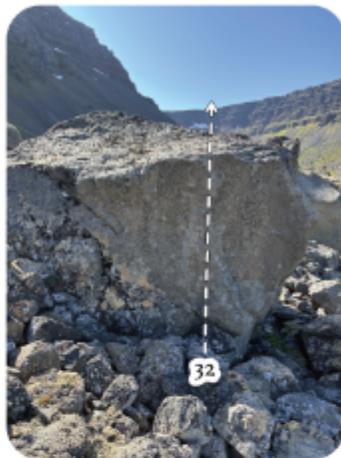




The Truckers Boulder (21-25) is a cool boulder with some weird starting positions. Try Eighteen Wheeler. | GPS: 66.12266, -23.16483



21	Eighteen Wheeler	V3	Sit	Left hand on the slightly incut corner Right hand in a two to three finger pocket crimp	Good Wide start
22	Overhauled	V0	Sit	Left hand on a long large slanted right facing ledge Right hand on a center incut crimp on the corner	
23	Stashed Goods	V1	Sit	Left hand on a crimp above the large buried boulder on the left Right hand on a right facing sidepull above the buried boulder on the right	Wide start Sandwich your crash pad between the rocks
24	Dump the Cargo	V1	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the two center crimp ledges on the face	Start on the on rock with your crash pad behind you Potentially dangerous fall
25	Blown Tire	VB	Stand	Both hands on any of the good crimps on the face	
26	Homeland	V1	Sit	Both hands next to each other Left hand on the lower longer top ledge Right hand on the higher top ledge with a small incut	
27	Apple Pits	V2	Sit	Both hands on the sidepulls along the right corner	
28	About to Topple	VB	Stand	Left hand on a bulging pinch Right hand on a good high right facing slanted ledge	May actually topple one day



The More to Fall Bloc (29-31) offers a great taste of this area. | GPS: 66.12299, -23.16583

The Name Ya Boulder (32-34) also offers good problems, especially Slay-Dee. | GPS: 66.12286, -23.16627

29	Project Pure Pressure	-			Unclimbed
30	Saxophone	V5	Sit	Left hand on a ledge Right hand on a four finger crimp	Good
31	This Is It	V2	Sit	Both hands as a wide compression on both corners	
32	Orly	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on a large right facing sidepull Right hand above the left hand	
33	Cap-a-Rizzo	V4	Sit	Left hand on a low pinch Right hand on a pinchy undercling knob	
34	Slay-Dee	V2	Sit	Left hand on the lowest long ledge Right hand on a right facing sidepull with a thin crack at its tip (Do not start on the high ledge)	Classic
35	Hellisbúinn	V3	Stand	Both hands matched on the center ledge	Classic
36	Chocolate Frosts	V4	Sit	Left hand on the leftmost center sloping four finger crimp Right hand on the low four finger crimp just above the roof at the right edge	Good

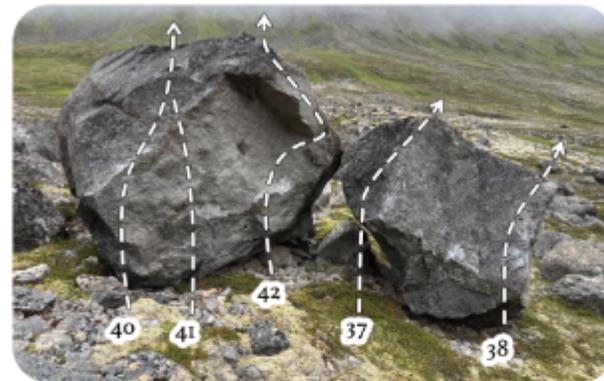


Alberto Roldán working Slay-Dee (V2)

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Brendan throwing for the top of Hellisbúinn (V3) | Photo: Björgvin Hilmarsson



The Botched Painting Boulder (37-39) is a reachy lowball.

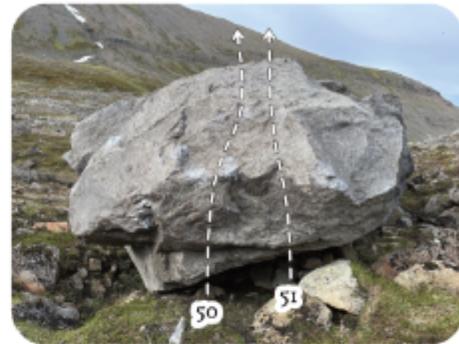
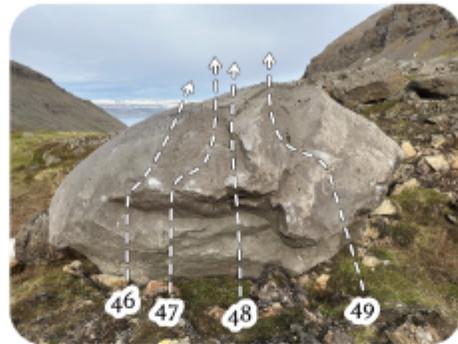
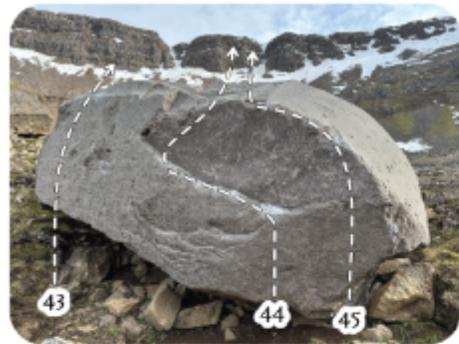
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The Bad Meatball Boulder (40-42) is a typical lowball.

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37	Inked	VB	Sit	Left hand gaston on a sloping ledge close to the other boulder Right hand on a wide fin arete above the roof	Reachy
38	Marked	V1	Sit	Left hand as a sidepull or an undercling on a V shaped left facing sloping sidepull on the left side Right hand on a high three finger crimp on the right side	Reachy
39	Scribbled	V1	Sit	Left hand on an open handed corner hold with the thumb in the small horizontal pocket Right hand gaston higher on the corner	Reachy
40	Bolognese	VB	Sit	Both hands matched along a slanted left facing slab ledge	
41	Bolognese Variation	VB	Sit	Left hand on a slanted left facing slab ledge (Same as original) Right hand on a small right facing sidepull in the center	
42	It's Magically Delicious	V3	Sit	Multiple ways to start or Left hand in very low large pocket Right hand gaston in the center shallow pocket	

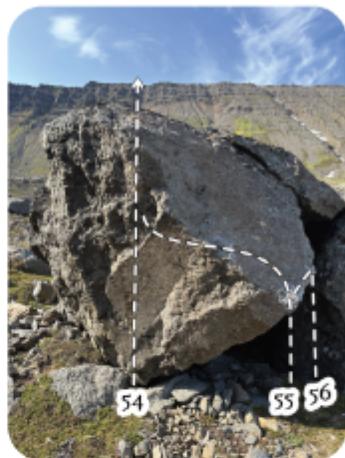


The Brain Bloc is a large rounded boulder with quite a few tricky climbs and many projects. Climb The Curve. | GPS: 66.12411, -23.16675

43	Bookmarked	V1	Stand	Left hand on a jug at the top of the boulder Right hand on an open handed sloper anywhere to the right of the jug Pull up and go for it	
44	The Curve	V4	Sit	Both hands matched on the rightmost hold on the long jug rail	Classic Campus start
45	Genuine Project	-	Sit	Left hand on the rightmost hold on the long jug rail Right hand on an obvious blocky ledge on the corner	Unclimbed Difficult overhang to slab
46	Frontal Lobe Project	-	Sit	Left hand on the leftmost hold with a small triangular ledge Right hand on a sloping pinch at the bottom of the long bulging line (Same left hand as Speak Before You Listen but using it differently)	Unclimbed Difficult overhang to slab
47	Speak Before You Listen	V4	Sit	Left hand gaston above the overhang at the bottom of the long bulging line (Same right hand as Frontal Lobe Project but using it differently) Right hand on a crimp ledge at the tip of the overhang	
48	Once You Know It	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on a large bulging ledge	Good
49	Critical Thinking	V4	Sit	Left hand sidepull on low left facing sidewall Right hand on the far side of the blank face on a downturned sidepull below a small crimp	Classic
50	Clarified Confusion Project	-	Sit	Both hands next to each other Left hand a on center sloping hold at the top of lip Right hand on a sloping right facing ledge at the top of the lip (Same left hand as Mushy Peas Project)	Unclimbed
51	Mushy Peas Project	-	Sit	Left hand on a sloping right facing ledge at the top of the lip (Same right hand as Clarified Confusion Project) Right hand on a triangular sloping hold at the top of the steepest part of the overhang	Unclimbed

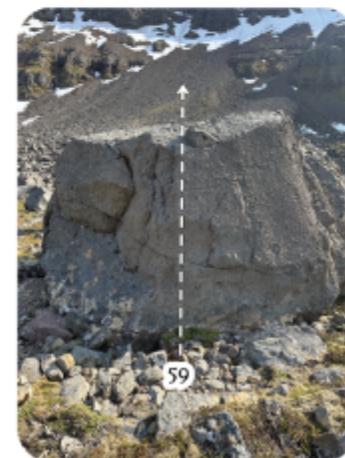


A group of climbers on Óshlið approaching Seljadalur | Photo: Björgvin Hilmarrsson



The Broke Beginners Boulder (52-60) is a good boulder for beginners. | GPS: 66.12344, -23.16744

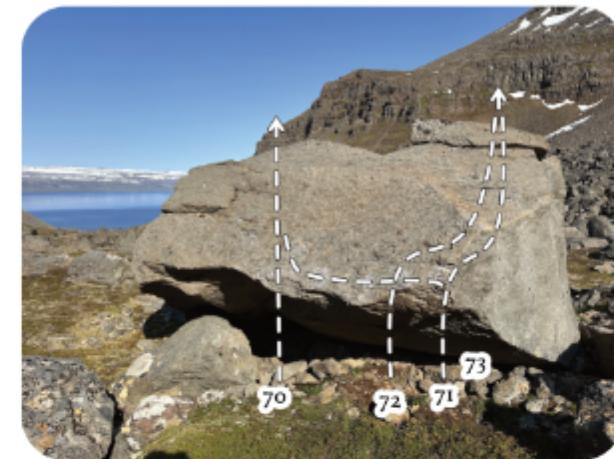
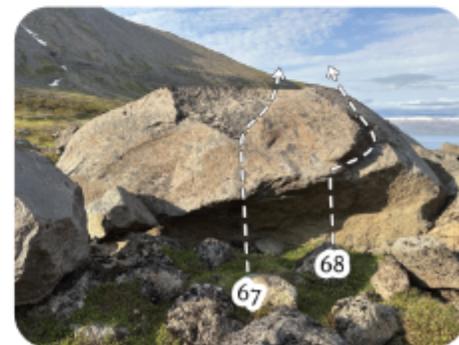
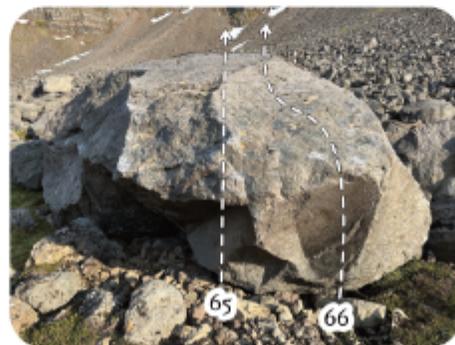
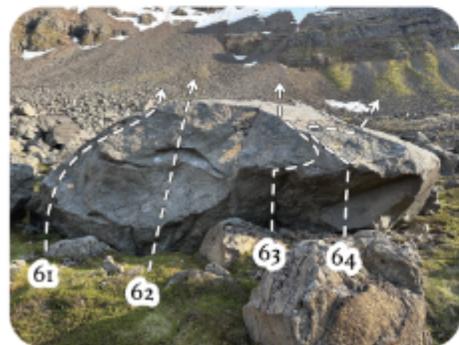
52	First Time on the Sticks	VB	Sit	Left hand on a good hold on the top Right hand on the other good hold on the top	A bit awkward
53	No Armor	V1	Sit	Left hand on a good high incut crimp Right hand on a good high ledge	A bit hallow
54	Building the Skills	V1	Sit	Left hand on the lower left facing slanted ledge Right hand on the higher incut left facing slanting rail ledge	
55	Double Shot	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on the bottom corner ledge	Good Removes Headshot crux
56	Headshot	V4	Sit	Both hands matched on the furthest right ledge on top of the steepest part the overhang Left hand using the ledge with a small mono pocket Right hand directly to the right of the left hand	Classic Move left
57	The Noob	VB	Sit	Left hand on the higher ledge Right hand on the lower ledge	
58	The Random	VB	Sit	Left hand in a small incut ledge above the buried boulder Right hand anywhere	
59	Zero XP	VB	Sit	Left hand high on the left facing corner Right hand gaston on the flake	
60	Bronze Scimitar	VB	Sit	Left hand gaston in a vertical right facing sidewall Right hand on the corner	





The walk out of Seljadalur in early spring conditions | Photo: Björgvin Hilmarsson

The Carnival Boulder (61-68) is a wide boulder containing unique climbs. Don't miss the very technical Whack-a-Mole. | GPS: 66.12316, -23.16755

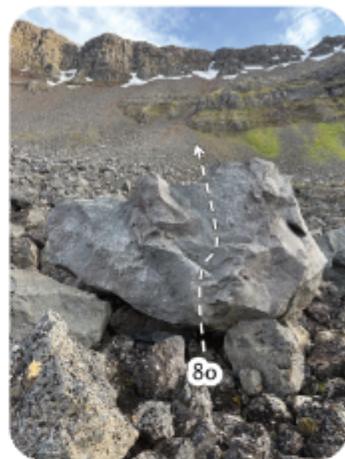


The Travelers Boulder (70-73) has a few problems with similar starts. The Full Trip is worth a climb. | GPS: 66.12316, -23.16827

The Gonna Get It Boulder (74-78) sits within the larger boulder field. It's worth checking out. | GPS: 66.12238, -23.16747



61	Slaps Machine	V2	Sit	Left hand on the slanted corner just above the tip of the overhang with a thumb catch Right hand on either a good ledge or a slanted crimp rail	
62	Whack-a-Mole	V5	Sit	Left hand on a low crimp sidepull Right hand on a small two to three finger ledge to the right of the bigger one	Classic Technical
63	Slam Dunk	V2	Sit	Left hand in a deep incut crimp in the overhang and above the buried rock Right hand in a small pocket above the overhang	
64	Juggling Jigsaws	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on the left ledge just above overhang	Good
65	Frogger	V2	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the best holds just above the overhang	
66	Topsy Turvy	V1	Sit	Left hand on a good open hand bulge above the right hand Right hand on a good slanted ledge	
67	Freaky Funnels	V3	Sit	Left hand on an obvious four finger crimp Right hand on a smaller incut crimp in the overhang	Good
68	Bullseye	V4	Sit	Left hand in an obvious small pocket Right hand on the slanted sidepull between the overhangs	Good
69	In the Crocs	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the furthest left ledge	
70	Half the Trip	V3	Sit	Left hand on a left pointed horn in a concave area just above the overhang Right hand on the center sloping ledge just above the overhang (Same left hand as But Different)	Shorter version of The Full Trip
71	The Full Trip	V4	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the two ledges that stick out on the right side	Classic Traverse left
72	But Different	V2	Sit	Left hand on the center sloping ledge just above the overhang (Same right hand as Half the Trip) Right hand on a ledge above The Full Trip's starting holds	Variation of Same Same but different
73	Same Same	V2	Sit	Same start as The Full Trip	
74	Many Shades	V1	Stand	Left hand on a staggered crimp ledge on the left most vertical line Right hand on a high but small center pocket ledge near the top	
75	They Say You Know	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on an obvious large and low horizontal ledge	
76	They Say You Don't	V3	Sit	Both hands matched on a center sloping ledge at the tip of the overhang	

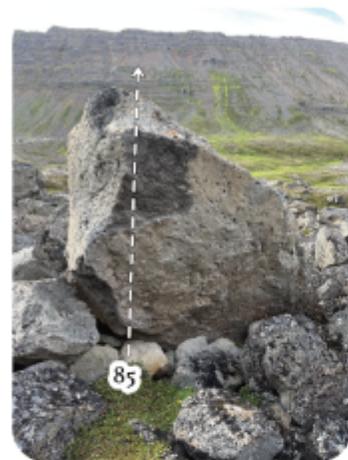


The Morning Buzz Boulder (80-84) is somewhat hidden within the larger boulder field. | GPS: 66.12272, -23.16791

77	The Navy Seal	V6	Sit	Left hand on a large left facing wall in the overhang Right hand on a sloping pinch on the corner just above the overhang	Good Burly
78	Star Gazing Project	-	Sit	Left hand spilt between a small two finger crimp and a two finger sidepull Right hand on a lower large crimp ledge	Unclimbed
79	Razorback	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on a pointy ledge at the tip of the overhang	
80	Peppermint Tea	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on a large slanted ledge	
81	Coffee Black Project Left	-	Stand	Both hands on or in a big pocket and a sloper	Unclimbed
82	Coffee Black Project Right	-	Sit	Both hands on a sidepull and a gaston or as open hands on the corner	Unclimbed
83	Coffee With Cream	V1	Sit	Left hand on a slanted left facing crimp above the large boulder on ground Right hand on a center high crimp ledge	Reachy start
84	Coffee With Cream Variation	V0	Stand	Both hands matched on a center high crimp ledge	



Quique mid dyno on the The High Note (V4)



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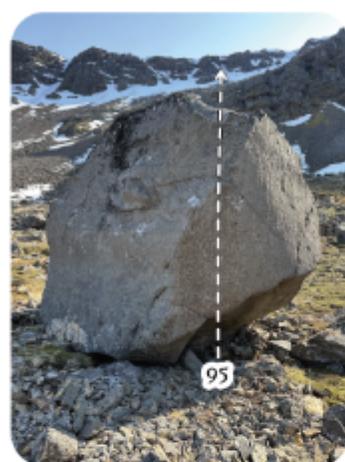
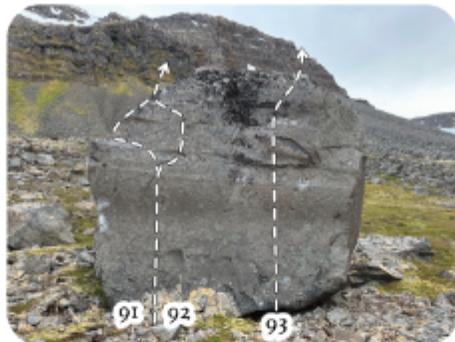


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85	Kebabs or Kebaps	V0	Sit	Left hand on a sloping hold on the corner Right hand on a center incut crimp rail	
86	Reverb	V0	Sit	Left hand on a low bulging three to four finger sidepull crimp Right hand pinch on the high corner	
87	Lifestyles	V0	Sit	Left hand on a four finger crimp directly below the jug Right hand on a ledge below the left hand crimp	
88	The Spaceship Project	-	Sit	Both hands matched on a ledge in the overhang	Unclimbed
89	Traverse the Wild	V3	Sit	Both hands next to each other Left hand on a leftmost large ledge Right hand on a smaller ledge slightly higher	Classic

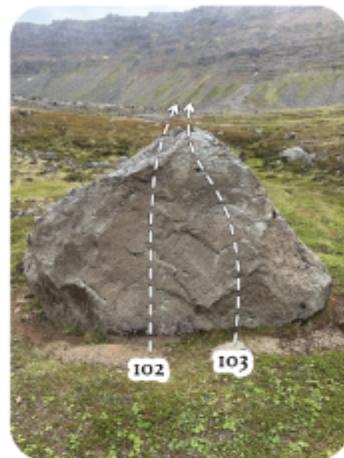
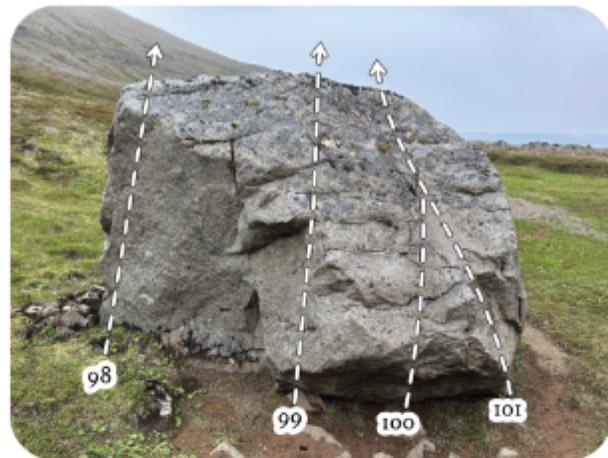
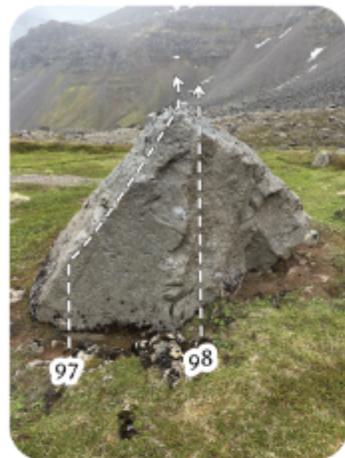


The Twiddle Dee Boulder is one of the best boulders in Seljadalur. It's home to many classic problems. | GPS: 66.12299, -23.17013

90	The Squeeze Box	V4	Sit	Left hand as a reverse undercling on the overhang or in the one finger pocket on the slanted crack line Right hand on the wide pinchy corner	Classic
91	The Fiddler	V2	Stand	Left hand in the deeper pocket Right hand in the incut pocket crimp above the deep pocket Same hands as In Tune but swapped	Classic
92	In Tune	V2	Stand	Left hand in the incut pocket crimp above the deep pocket Right hand in the deeper pocket Same hands as The Fiddler but swapped	Classic Large ledge out left is out Go direct
93	In Rhythm	V3	Stand	Both hands at the same height and step up into it Left hand on a shallow sloping crimp pocket Right hand in a shallow sloping pocket (Same left hand as The Bridge)	Classic
94	The Bridge	V5	Stand	Left hand in a shallow sloping pocket (Same right hand as In Rhythm) Right hand on a high pinch next to the corner (Same left hand as The High Note)	Classic Traverse
95	The High Note	V4	Stand	Left hand on a bulge (Same right hand as The Bridge) Right hand in a high pocket	Classic Dyno
96	Broken String Project	-	Sit		Unclimbed



Brenna making it look easy on In Tune (V2)



The Field Boulder (97-103) lies alone in the middle of the field further away than most boulders. | GPS: 66.12455, -23.16994

The Gymnast Boulder (104-106) has a few easier but fun problems. | GPS: 66.12369, -23.17083

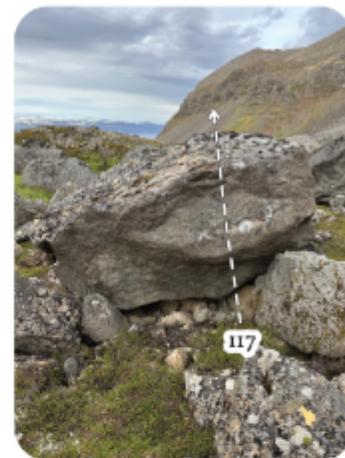
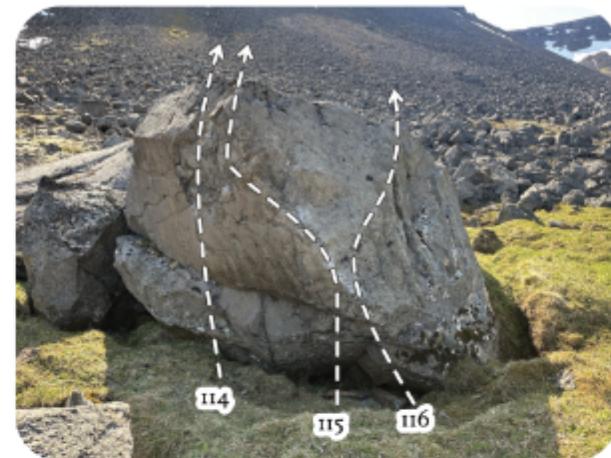
The Trends Boulder (107-110) is a small boulder containing a few problems. | GPS: 66.12338, -23.17094



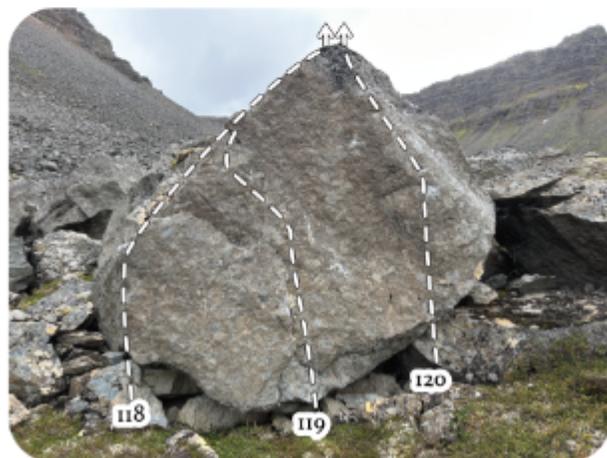
97	A Bit Foggy	VB	Sit	Both hands on the slabby corner
98	Subtle Ambience	V2	Sit	Left hand around the corner on a sidepull undercling Right hand gaston on a crimp on the face
99	Awkward Duck	V1	Sit	Left hand in one of the two leftmost low pockets Right hand on the the left edge of the long horizontal crimp line
100	Fine Line	V2	Sit	Left hand on the long horizontal crimp line Right hand on the crimp directly above the pointy triangular bulge
101	Ran Off	V1	Sit	Left hand on a pointy triangular bulge Right hand on a small ledge on the high right side of the slab
102	Stiff Fingers	V0	Sit	Left hand on a circular ledge that gets smaller on the left side Right hand on a smaller higher crimp
103	Motionless	VB	Sit	Left hand on a good horizontal crimp with an opening in the middle Right hand on a better higher crimp
104	Give It a Go	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on a large right facing sidepull
105	Balancing Beams	V2	Sit	Left hand on a slightly downturned hold on the corner using a small two finger incut on left side Right hand on a high four finger crimp with an incut for the pinky
106	Pole Vaulting	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on the center ledge with a small squareish dish in the middle
107	Free of Charge	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on a bulging ledge above the fin
108	Fast Fashion	VB	Sit	Both hands matched on the lowest large triangular ledge
109	Old Fashion	V2	Sit	Both hands next to each other on two very close four finger slanted crimps just after the overhang
110	Bargain Bin	VB	Sit	Left hand gaston on a right facing sidepull on the low slab Right hand on an open handed right facing sidepull

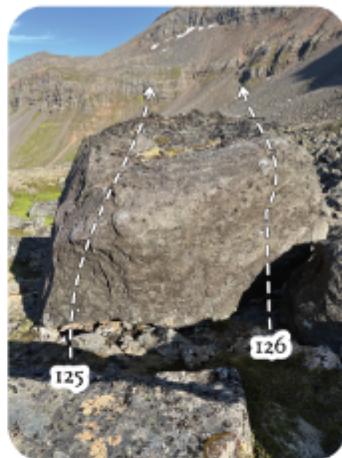
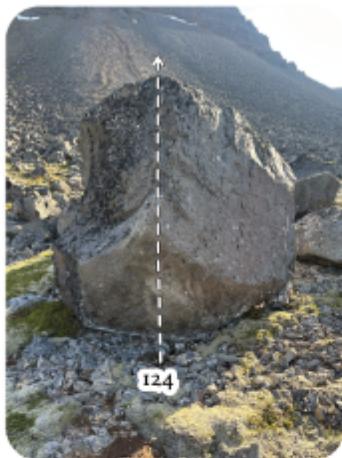


111	Mop Head	V1	Sit	Left hand on an open handed left facing bulging sidepull above the overhang Right hand on a sloping right facing sidepull or on a sloping open handed pinch on the corner just above the overhang	
112	Super Sized	VB	Sit	Left hand in the lowest of the very large holes Right hand in the highest of the smaller pocket	
113	Chicken Pox	VB	Sit	Both hands in any of the pockets to the left of the large open hole	
114	All Is Still	V3	Sit	Left hand on a low triangular ledge Right hand on a three finger sidepull on the block with the horizontal crack through it	
115	The Sanctuary	V3	Sit	Both hands matched on the slanted corner using it as an undercling or a sidepull	
116	Moving Slowly	VB	Sit	Left hand on the corner Right hand on a good bulge	
117	Thruster	V1	Sit	Left hand on a right facing incut finger jug Right hand on a left facing ledge	Classic
118	Night-time Naps	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on a high ledge	
119	Dreary Dreaming	V3	Sit	Left hand gaston on a large right facing sidewall Right hand on a good slanted crimp sidepull	Reachy
120	One Last One	V1	Stand	Left hand on an undercling Right hand on a high two finger sloping open handed hold on the slab	Technical
121	Massage	V1	Sit	Left hand on a lower slanted ledge Right hand on a higher triangular slanted ledge	Good Hard to read
122	Partial Paradise	V5	Sit	Both hands matched on the highest slightly slanted left facing ledge	Good Hard start

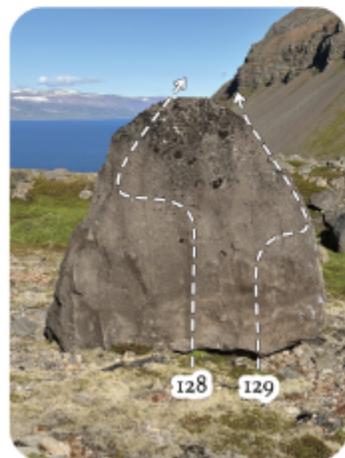


The Sanctuary Boulder (114-116) is a slightly overhung boulder with a few moderate climbs. | GPS: 66.12366, -23.172
 The Sleepy Boulder (118-120) is a cool boulder with a single small face. Try the technical One Last One. | GPS: 66.12391, -23.17283





The Unemployment Boulder (123-126) is a standard boulder with some easy problems. | GPS: 66.12397, -23.173
 The Old Timers Boulder (127-134) has plenty of climbs with hard starts. Don't miss Papa's Got a New Chalk Bag. | GPS: 66.12405, -23.17269

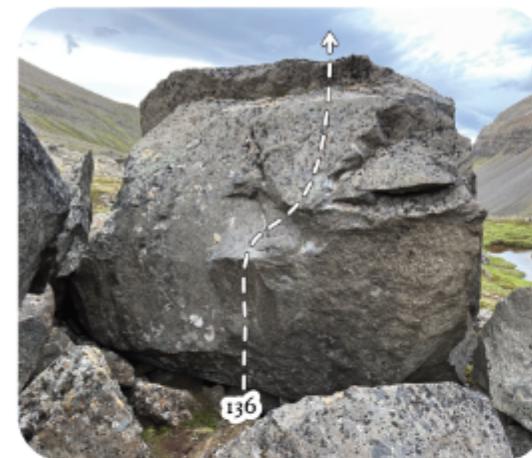


123	Doin Time	V2	Sit	Left hand on a circular ledge above the far leftside of the overhang Right hand on a triangular right facing sidepull on the far right side above the overhang	
124	Clocked Out	VB	Sit	Left hand as an open hand just after the overhang and below a four finger crimp Right hand in a pocketed sidepull just after the overhang on the right side	Do not start on the good high ledge
125	Custodian Life	VB	Sit	Left hand on a good crimp just above the slight overhang Right hand on a good blocky sloper that has a small left facing hold at the top of the slight overhang	
126	Pull the Plug	V2	Sit	Both hands in the two biggest pockets next to each other Use the left hand in the lower pocket and the right hand as a gaston in the higher pocket	
127	Midnight Madness	V1	Sit	Left hand on a left corner sidepull Right hand on a small crimp on the right side at the same height	
128	Papa's Got a New Chalk Bag	V5	Sit	Left hand on the center vertical four finger crimp with a slight incut at the top edge Right hand gaston on a high left facing triangular bulging sidepull	Good Cruxy start Crimpy
129	Skip the Medicine	V2	Sit	Both hands at the same height Left hand on a high left facing triangular bulging sidepull (Same right hand as Papa's Got a New Chalk Bag) Right hand on a sloping and bulging ledge (Same left hand as No Soap Needed)	
130	No Soap Needed	V3	Sit	Left hand on a sloping and bulging ledge (Same right hand as Skip The Medicine) Right hand on the rounded corner as an open handed pinch	Powerful start
131	Hairy and Scary	V3	Sit	Left hand on a very low and wide pocket pinch around the corner Right hand on a slightly downward facing sidepull with a two finger wide ledge at the top	Wide start
132	Don't Tell Me What to Do	V1	Sit	Both hands matched around the first obvious large ledge	
133	Still Got It	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the large slanted ledge	
134	Full of History	VB	Stand	Either hand on the four finger crimp in the middle The other hand anywhere else	

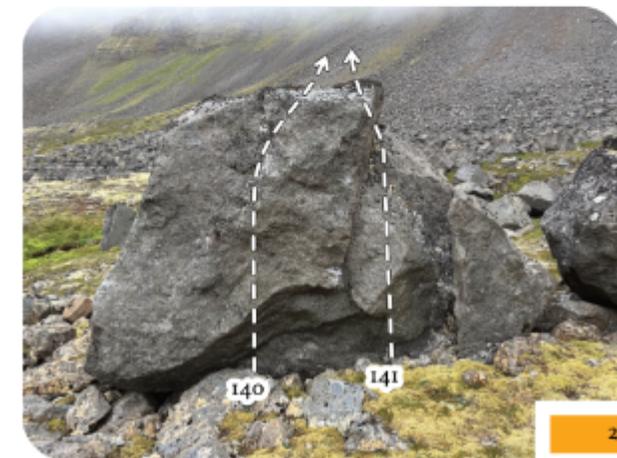


The jump off Svarti Kassinn
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135	Semisonic Movements	V2	Sit	Left hand in a shallow two to three finger pocket just after the overhang Right hand on the lowest slanted corner ledge just after the overhang	Classic
136	The Momba	V2	Sit	Left hand on a large ledge next to the left facing sidewall Right hand on a small triangular crimp	Good
137	Slippery Slope	V1	Sit	Left hand in a large circular hole Right hand on a small slanted crimp along a crack line	
138	The Quick One	V0	Stand	Both hands matched on an obvious large ledge	
139	Complicated Venom	V0	Sit	Both hands matched around the V shaped ledge on the corner	
140	Snake Bite	V1	Sit	Left hand on a center left facing sidepull with a small thumb ledge Right hand on a large low ledge just above a small overhang (Same left hand as Blade Runner)	
141	Blade Runner	V0	Sit	Left hand on a large low ledge just above a small overhang (Same right hand as Snake Bite) Right hand on a right facing incut sidepull along the right facing wall	

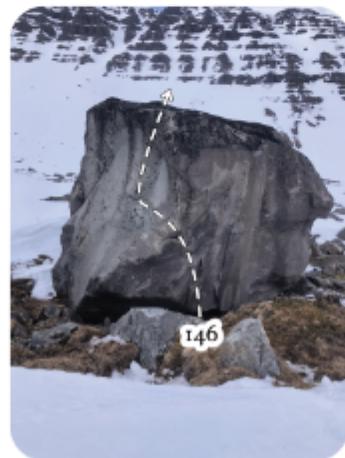


The Black Hole Boulder (136-141) has a variety of problems. The Momba is a good one. | GPS: 66.12436, -23.17333

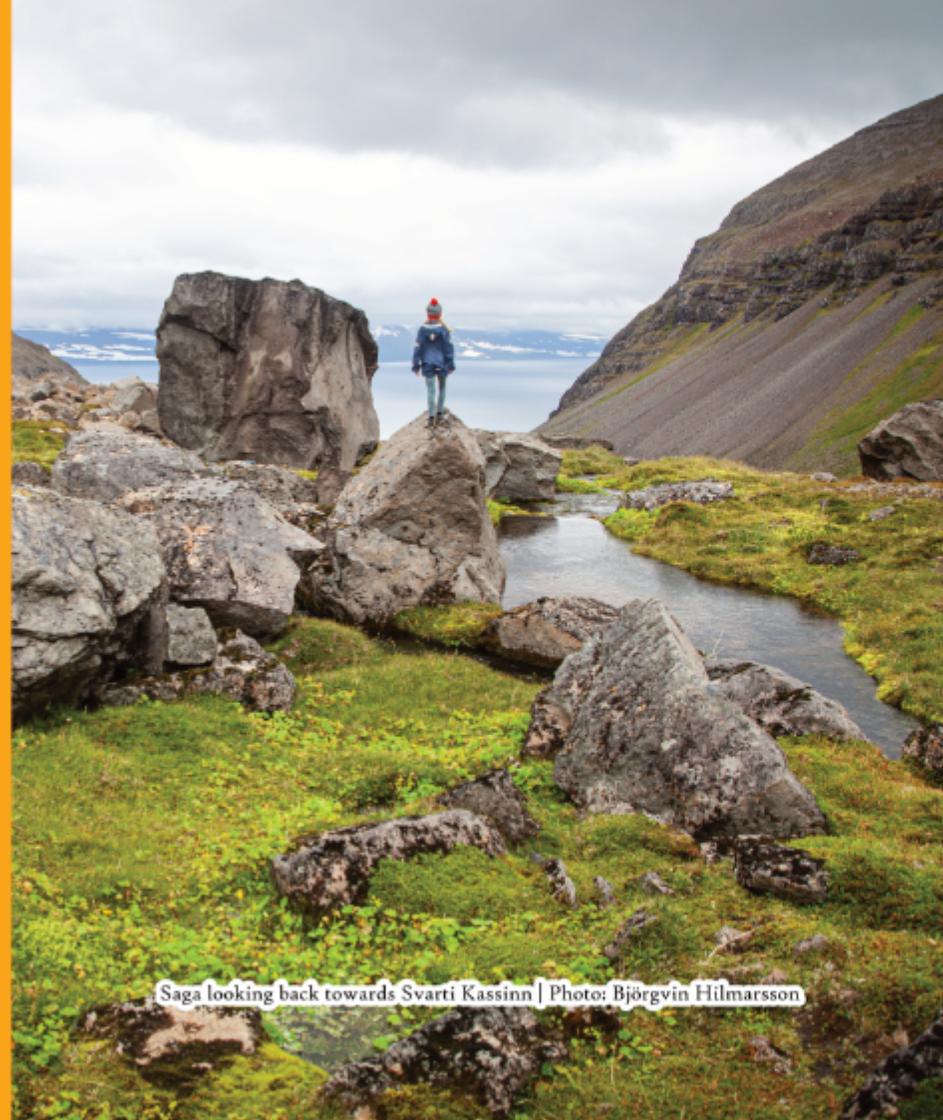




The Svarti Kassinn (146-147) is iconic. This boulder stands out amongst the rest. There is much more potential here. | GPS: 66.12447, -23.17527



Ívar on Reach For The Sky (V4) - Svarti Kassinn | Photo: Björgvin Hilmarrson



Saga looking back towards Svarti Kassinn | Photo: Björgvin Hilmarsson

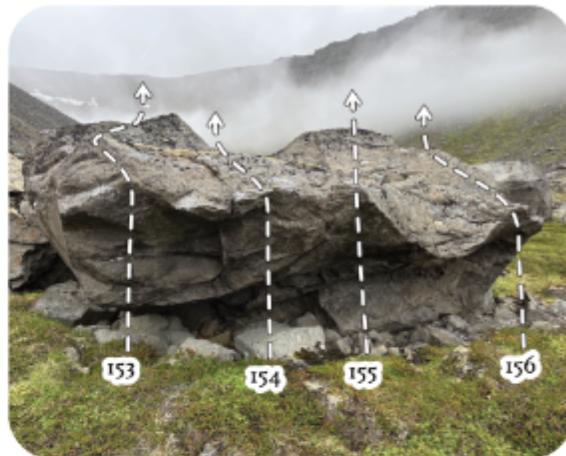
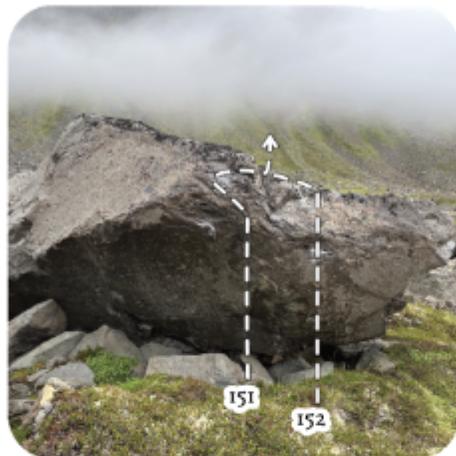
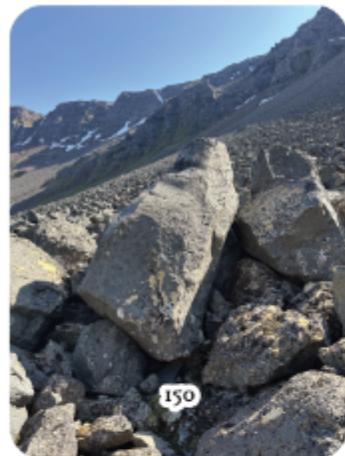


142	Holy O's	VB	Sit	Both hands in any of the pockets	
143	O Woah Project	-			Unclimbed
144	Back Alone	V0	Sit	Both hands next to each other after the overhang Left hand on a ledge next to the two finger pocket Right hand in the two finger pocket	
145	A Silence of Three Parts	V4	Sit	Left hand on the best part of the lower left facing slanted holds Right hand on the sloping four finger crimp on the right side	Classic
146	Rokrassgat	V3	Sit	Both hands on the stacked ledges	Classic
147	Reach for the Sky	V4	Stand	Left hand on a sidepull crimp Right hand gaston on a sloping ledge	Classic
148	The Mercenary	V5	Stand	Both hands matched on the large pointy ledge at the tip of the overhang	Good
149	The Sniper	V6	Stand	Same start as The Mercenary	Iconic Gym style

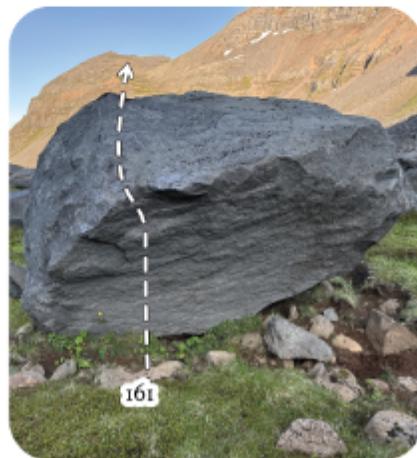
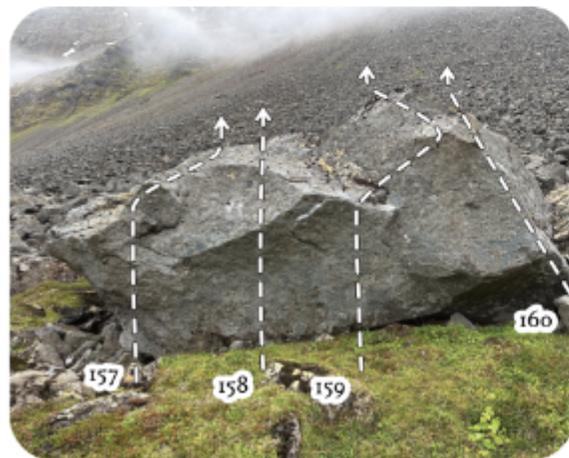


Brendan throwing for it on The Sniper (V6)

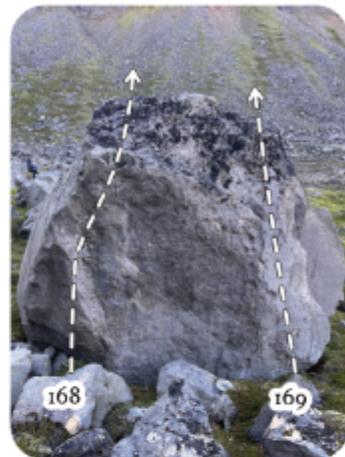
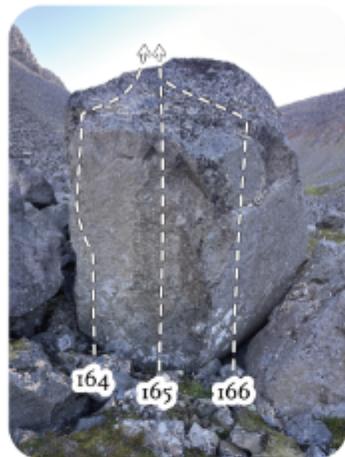
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The Fat Tuesday Boulder (151-160) is a low but wide boulder with plenty of short overhang problems. | GPS: 66.12438, -23.17644



150	Moonwalker Project	-			Unclimbed
151	Slaty	V2	Sit	Left hand on a ledge with a right facing sidepull in the overhang Right hand on a large crescent shaped ledge in the overhang	
152	Tossing on the Toppings	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on the center large crescent shaped ledge in the overhang	
153	Saucy Be Bossy	V2	Sit	Left hand on the rightmost part of the sloping ledge just above the roof Right hand on a crimp at the rightmost part of the other sloping ledge	
154	Plain as Cheese	V2	Sit	Left hand on a small ledge just above the roof and to the right of the thin crack Right hand on the slightly higher ledge to the right	
155	Rushy McRusherson	V1	Sit	Both hands matched on the large ledge just above the steep overhang	
156	Deep Dish	V0	Sit	Both hands anywhere on the highest top ledge	Single tricky mantle move
157	Dirty Dishes	VB	Sit	Left hand on the slanted left facing top ledge Right hand on a slanted right facing ledge around the same height	
158	Pinky Promise	V2	Sit	Left hand in a shallow vertical pocket Right hand gaston on a large left facing slanted ledge (Same as The Sinister Minister)	Good
159	The Sinister Minister	V2	Sit	Left hand on a large left facing slanted ledge (Same right hand as Pinky Promise) Right hand on a flat ledge above a crack at the same height	Good
160	Undercooked	V1	Sit	Left hand on a high circular bulge Right hand on the sloping ledge directly to the right of the left hand	Start sitting on the buried rock Reachy
161	Yellow Flowers	V2	Sit	Both hands on the top of the overhang or on the slanted corner	
162	Muddy Grounds	V3	Sit	Left hand on a good four finger ledge crimp on the left side of the corner Right hand on a sloping sidepull on the right side of the corner	

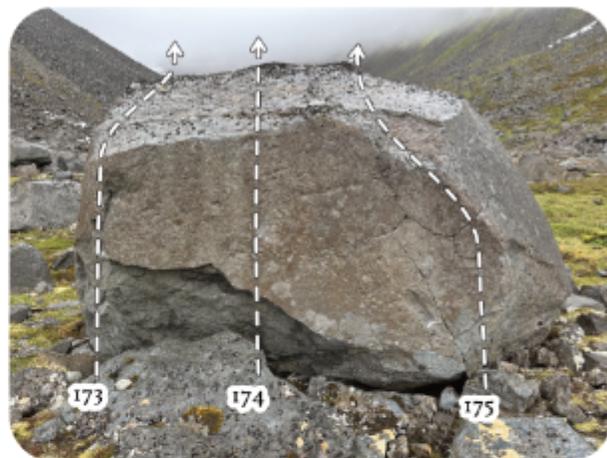
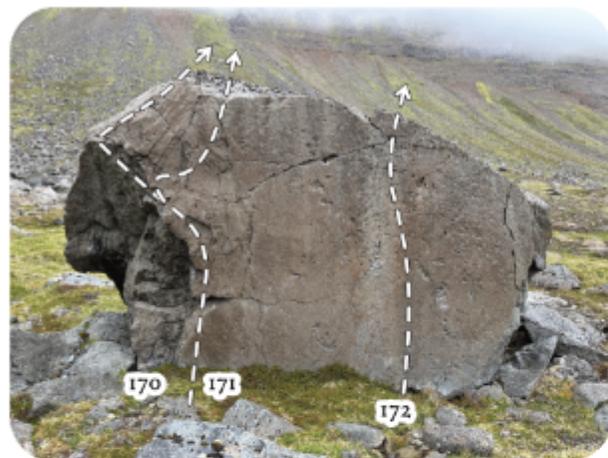


The Earthing Boulder (164-167) is a big rounded boulder with some good problems. | GPS: 66.12447, -23.1783

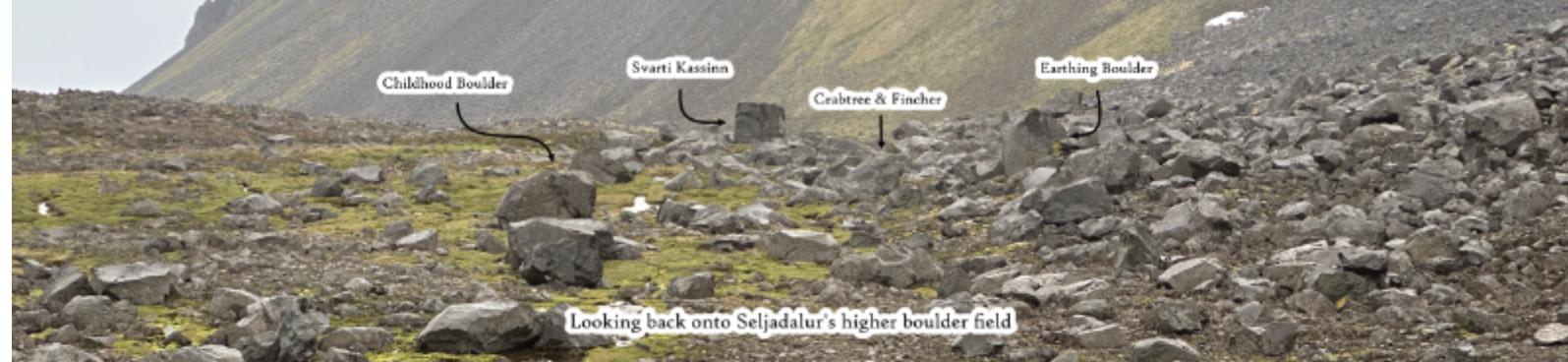
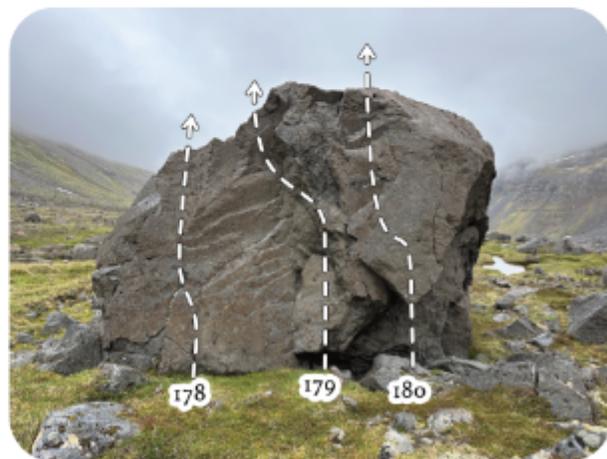
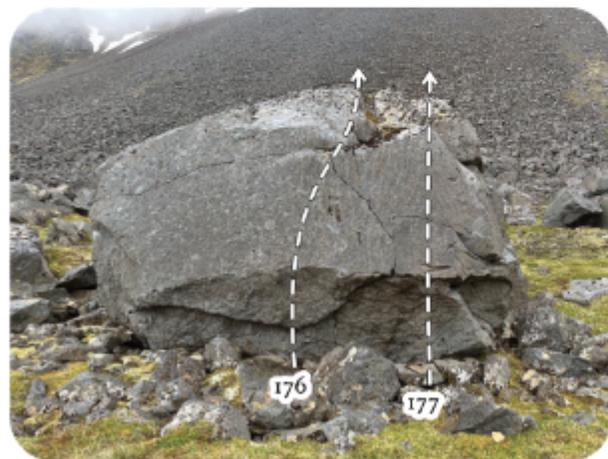
163	Golem	V1	Sit	Left hand on a high large ledge Right hand on a lower slanted ledge	
164	Throwing Bows	V4	Sit	Left hand on a high and shallow pocket pinch on the corner above the other boulder Right hand on a slanted right facing crimp on the face	Watch your elbow
165	The Bermuda Triangle	V2	Stand	Left hand on a high and slanted left facing four finger incut crimp pinch Right hand on a small four finger crimp slightly lower on the face	Good
166	Onto Bigger Things	V3	Stand	Both hands matched on the leftmost part of the large high ledge	Good
167	The Earth Ain't Flat Slab	-			Unclimbed
168	Crabtree	V0	Sit	Both hands next to each other on the best pockets on the right facing wall	
169	Fincher	VB	Sit	Left hand on a left facing crescent incut sidepull Right hand on either a four finger crimp or on a right facing sidepull next to it	



The Svarti Kassinn in early spring conditions | Photo: Corto Pearson



The Childhood Boulder (170-180) is a great boulder full of moderate climbs. | GPS: 66.12474, -23.17863



170	Sword of Luckchan Left	V1	Sit	Same start as Sword of Luckchan Direct	Good Finish left using the jug
171	Sword of Luckchan Direct	V2	Sit	Both hands on the same left facing open bottom hold Left hand as a sidepull Right hand as a massive undercling	
172	Guadosalam	V3	Sit	Left hand on a high and center sidepull Right hand on a small finger ledge	Reachy
173	Rune 2-Hander	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on a large block using the left hand as a sidepull and the right hand as an undercling	Good
174	Vivi	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on the large slanting crimp ledge	Good Start on the large buried rock
175	Nan's House	V3	Sit	Left hand on a low slightly incut crimp Right hand on a large slanted sidepull	Good
176	Monk	V3	Sit	Left hand in a small two finger pocket using it as a finger stack Right hand on a small crimp at the top edge of the overhang	
177	History of Trunks	V1	Sit	Left hand on a large ledge just below the long crack line Right hand on a good sidepull with a loose but well wedged rock above it	
178	No Jelly Bye	VB	Sit	Left hand on a large V cut hold Right hand on a left facing sidepull	
179	Tok a Le Bye	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on a good left facing hold	
180	Manhunt	V1	Sit	Left hand in a massive undercling on left side of the roof Right hand as an open hand on the right side of roof	Good



Ívar heel hooking the first move of Rokrassgat (V3)

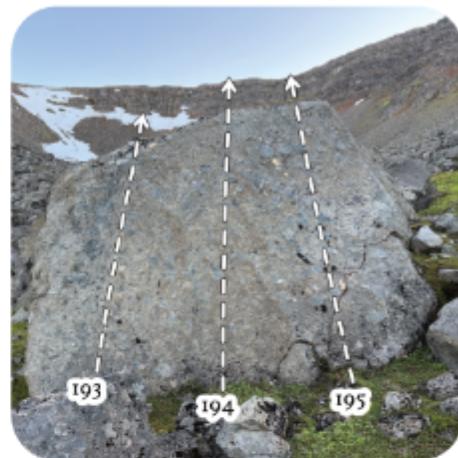
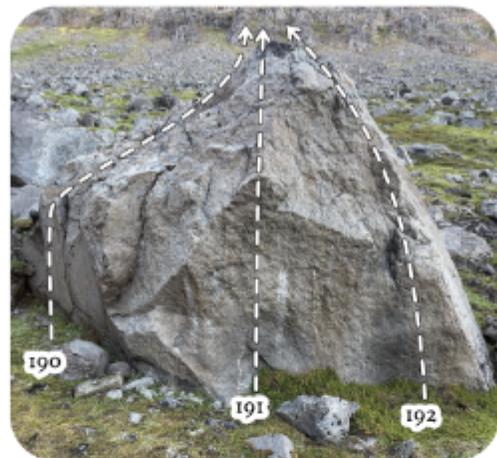
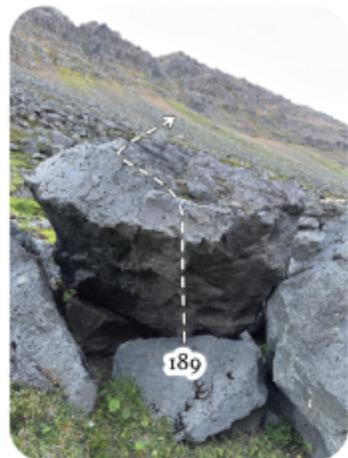
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181	Peaking	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the lowest prominent ledge	
182	Get Funky	V3	Sit	Left hand on a low sidepull just above the overhang Right hand in a deep four finger sidepull jug	Weird start Right high heel
183	Slide to the Left	V0	Sit	Both hands matched on the sloping ledge above the roof	Good
184	Baffled	V2	Sit	Both hands on the long slanted left facing crimp rail Left hand near the bottom Right hand near the top	Good Reachy finish
185	Humanity Project	-			Unclimbed
186	Subtle Rampage	V1	Sit	Both hands next to each other Left hand on the large left facing slanted ledge Right hand on the sloping ledge	
187	Skippers	V1	Sit	Left hand on a high left ledge Right hand on a larger ledge out right (Same starting ledge as The Captain)	There's a loose but pinched block near the top
188	The Captain	V1	Stand	Both hands on the long ledge Left hand on the left side Right hand on the right side	



The Winde Up Boulder (181-183) has a few unique climbs. | GPS: 66.1245, -23.17891





The Valley View Boulder (190-195) is a slab boulder with some of the best views looking back down the valley. | GPS: 66.12491, -23.18316

The Clean Slate Boulder (196-198) has a few really fun problems and is just a bit past the Valley View Boulder. | GPS: 66.1248, -23.18338



189	Take a Ride	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on the leftmost part of the top ledge	Other boulders are out
190	Away From It All	VB	Sit	Both hand matched on a massive ledge	
191	The Hiker	VB	Sit	Left hand on a high left facing slanted hold Right hand on a high ledge above a right facing hold	A bit hollow
192	Fork in the Road	V1	Sit	Left hand on a large left facing sidepull Right hand on a right facing sidepull at the same height	
193	Just Because	VB	Stand	Step up into it	Very easy
194	Up and At 'Em	VB	Stand	Both hands on the large ledges	Very easy
195	Valley Views	VB	Stand	Step up into it	Very easy
196	Mohawk	V1	Sit	Both hands matched around the high pointed fin	Good
197	Fixing Your Flexors	V2	Sit	Both hands matched on the left facing crescent shaped slanted ledge	Good
198	Freshly Shaved	V2	Sit	Left hand on a high four finger crimp Right hand on a low sloping pinch	





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The Future...

Bouldering around Ísafjörður and the entire Westfjords in still in its prime. There is plenty of opportunity for the next keen adventurer to get out, explore, and take in this truly epic landscape.

Most of my findings were by happenstance during scouting or hiking missions. Photos were taken and GPS coordinates were marked for nearly every boulder I encountered until a network was created. These locations were later revisited and climbed throughout my time here.

My honest recommendation, after first chatting with local climbers, is to just get out and go for a walk in the mountains. Many boulder fields around the Westfjords will be located in mountain depressions or 'seats' as well as by steep mountainsides where rockfall is most common. Please share any new findings with the local gym in Ísafjörður so that we can keep future information up to date.

There are also incredible aerial mapping systems available online. These maps, in both 2D and 3D, include high quality satellite imagery for all of Iceland.

The more time you spend in the Westfjords the more you'll realize you're never too far away from another secluded valley, or a secret shoreline, and at times you'll genuinely feel as if you're at the end of the world.

Good luck and happy climbing!



The aurora borealis over Ísafjörður and Skutulsfjörður | Photo: Björgvin Hilmarsson

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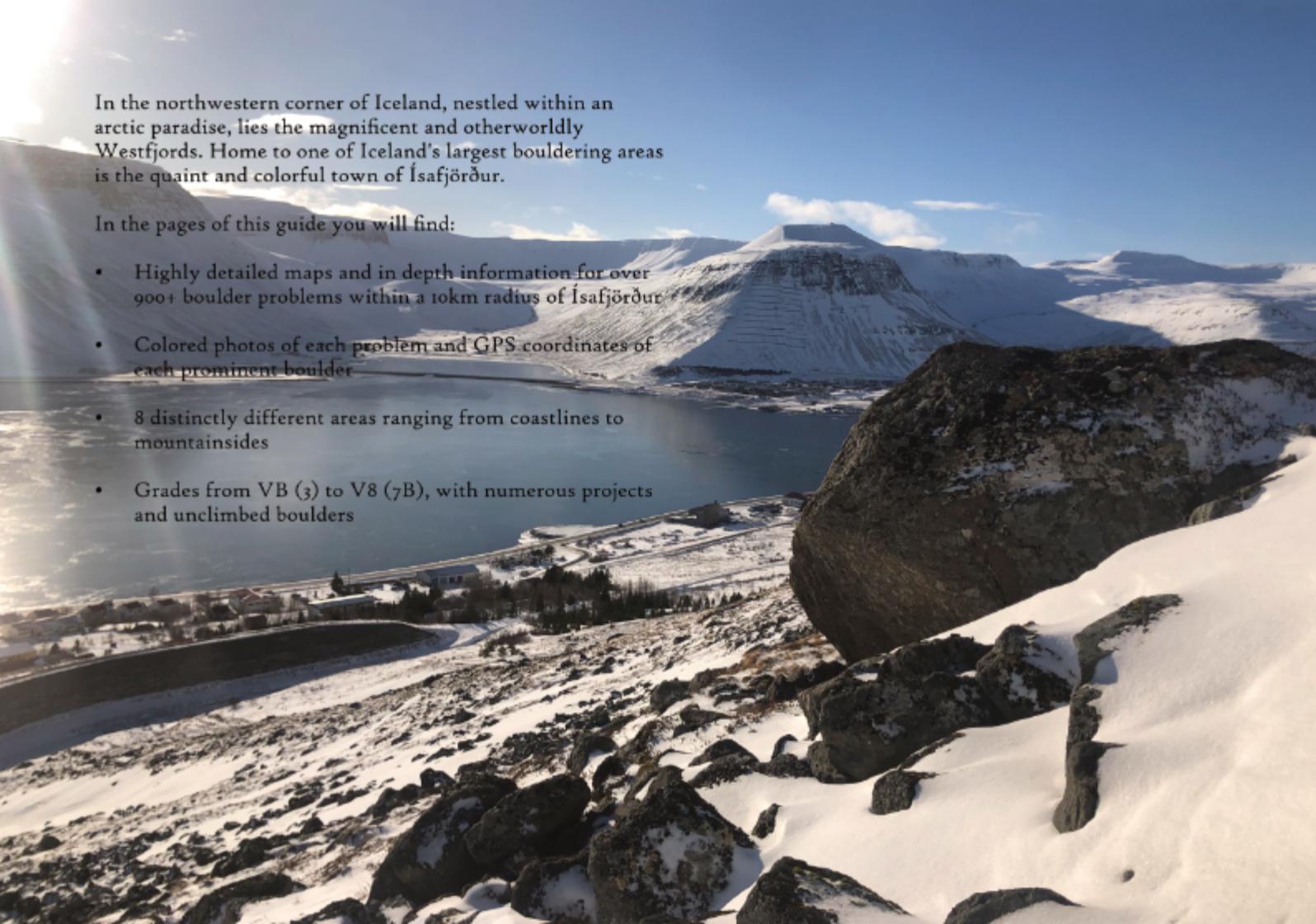
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