

Crystal cave "Telendos south coast"

Firstly discovered and bolted from the bottom in autumn 2007 by Gaetan Raymond, routes N° 1 and 2. This sector is located at the wild south coast of Telendos.

The other routes until 20/04/08 – listed hereunder – were bolted principally from the bottom by Gaetan Raymond, Thibault Saubusse, Quentin Jaillard and Quentin Chastagnier. They went especially from Grenoble city, the capital of the French Alps. The gear was provided by the help of local funds, thanks to all the people for giving us the opportunity to open such an awesome place.

Sector name: Crystal cave (why? Because the first time I went to this cave guided Pandelis Dounia (waiter at the Naftikos café at Telendos), we found an oven full of crystal, very beautiful)

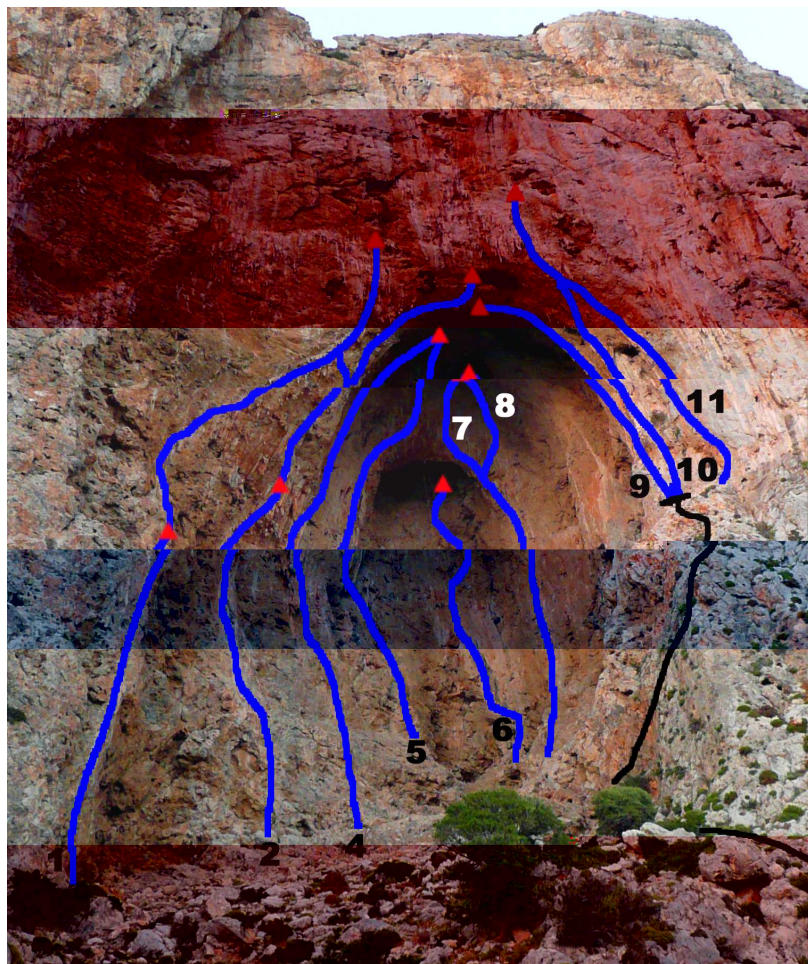
Approach: From the village, take the street leading to the beach “Hohlaka” just before the restaurant “Zorba” (at your left when you look at the island), at the ruin, take the path on the right of the ruin and follow the yellow dots. Then the path goes on the seaside (south coast), easy at the beginning and then not so obvious between boulders and bushes. After 1h walking, you reach an olives tree on a stone drain; here you have to follow the red dots which go up just above this tree. From this point the cave is not visible. Follow the red dots leading to the cliff and then traversing until the cave. **Total: 1h30 walking.**

Advices, the routes are quite new, so some stalactites may still break. Thus do not stay below the climber, helmet is more than advised.

All the routes are more than **30m high until 50m.**

Rope of 100m is mandatory, be care full! And the longest routes need at least **25 quickdraws,** long slings will be appreciate to reduce the rope drag.

The routes level need to be confirmed, estimated after few red point.



1 : Telendos ô Telendos	L1 : 6b+, L2 : 7c	***	Nice first pitch following by a stellar end.
2 : The nose of the Princess	L1 : 6c, L2 : 7c+	**	Incredible boulder connection. 2 ropes advised to avoid rope drag.
3 : George's	8a+	♪	Terrifying and amazing route, keep energy for the end. 2 ropes advised to avoid rope drag, 25 quickdraws.
4 : Avis	7b+	♪	Varied climbing, surprising !
5 : Sun Rise	7b	♪	Huge colonnettes and potatoes/stalactites field.
6 : Stalas	6b	**	For girlfriends !
7 : Sea view	7c	***	Incredible route location. Take long slings.
8 : Nectarios	7b	***	Beautiful travel.
9 : Es pontas	7c	♪	Roof climbing, amazing view !!
10 : Typhoon	7c	***	Link with Vespa.
11 : Vespa	7c+	♪	Sustained with colonnettes and stalactites.
12 : Flying Dutchman	7b	***	The only vertical route, boulder crux.

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