ascent of Andavite's south face. We think that conditions were extraordinarily dry, and under different conditions the seracs might be even more dangerous. The difficulties were varied, and we climbed most of the route simultaneously. We descended the southwest ridge, with one rappel from snow anchors.

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Editor's note: Antonio Gómez Bohórquez reports that Peruvian guide José A. Castañeda and his Swiss client Catherine Bertui climbed a route on Andavite/Chopiraju Central in 2000 that may be similar to the above route. Further details could not be verified.



Tobi Lochbühler near the top of the final serac barrier on Fight Club. *Moritz Wälde* 

*Itsoc Huanca, Dominguerismo Vertical.* The wall is situated in the Quebrada Rurec. To

get there obtain transport to Olleros. Here you can get burros to carry gear to base camp, four hours' walk from town. Three hours into the hike the walls become visible, and Itsoc Huanca [a.k.a. Risco Ayudin—see note below] (4,700m) is located to the right as you ascend the Quebrada, the third of three small peaks (the second is Punta Numa).

The rock quality is exceptional, though perhaps a little dirty at the beginning where it is hard to get in pins or camming units. We (Jordi Barrachina, Daniel Gutierrez, Jorge Ferrero, Maria Lopez, and I, all from Spain) put in 13 days in July to climb 700m up the west face, 10½ days spent actually climbing, using five bivy sites. We placed bolts, and from the top we descended the route, using the same anchors as on our ascent, apart from pitches 17, 12, 5, and 4. Gear: two sets Camalots, 1½ sets Aliens, 10-15 pitons, a variety of small hooks. We named the route Dominguerismo Vertical (ED- 6b A2).

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Note on naming: Antonio Gómez Bohórquez reports that Itsoc Huanca is the native (Quechua) name of the crag reported above and below. The reporting climbers, presumably unaware of the original name, called the formation Risco Ayudin.

Quebrada Rurec, Pietrorrrago: Vaffanculo; and Itsoc Huanca, Libertad es Partecipacion. On August 12, after some preparation, Italians Enzo Arciuoli, Giulio Canti, and Roberto Iannilli put up Pietrorrrago: Vaffanculo! (420m of climbing: 6a/6a+) up the middle of the northwest-facing compact slabs that lie at the start of the Rurec Valley (on the right side, upon entering, under Cerro Pumhauagangan). The route is sustained and on perfect granite, but with little in the way of protection (13 bolts were placed; take quickdraws and small wires and RPs).

Beginning on August 15 Canti and Iannilli put up Libertad es Partecipacion on Itsoc Huanca's northwest aspect. The route ascends the wall immediately left of the corner system that sepa-