

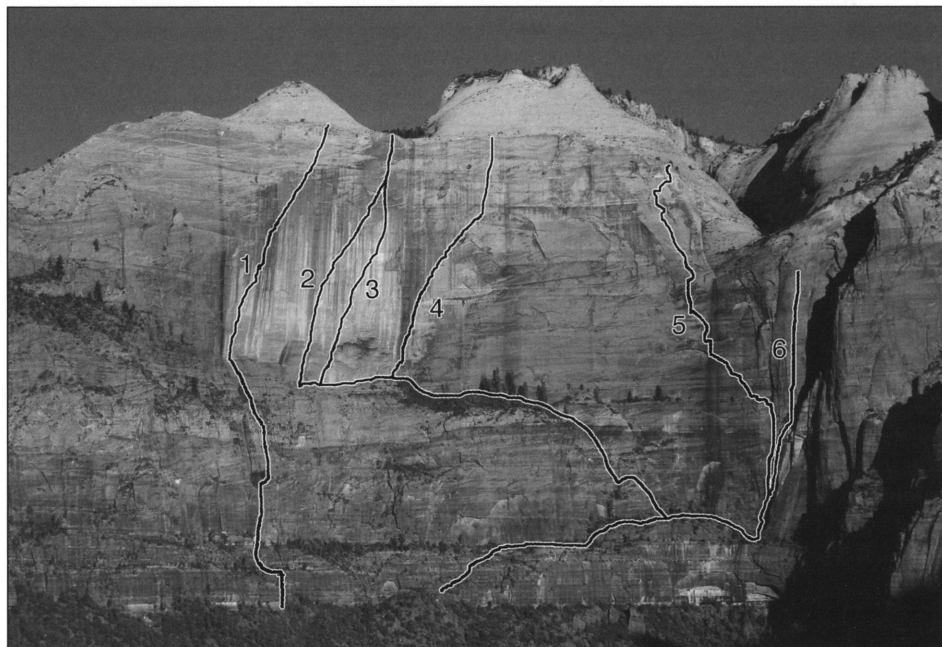
Zack rope-gunned 200' of white sandcakes, and we untied for the final 400' of 4th-class, which included step-kicking up a snowfield. Joe brought a summit register, which we signed at 11 p.m. And then the real danger began: a sleep-deprived descent of the Mountaineer's Route, where we endured a forced bivouac. Red Chamonix Ridge (V 5.9 A4).

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Streaked Wall, Lord Helmet. According to www.alpinist.com and confirmed by Brian McCray, he and Chad Umbel established Lord Helmet (9 pitches, VI 5.9 A4) over 11 days in May, spread over two trips. They drilled about 60 holes (including belay anchors), mostly on the final two pitches.

Streaked Wall, Wet Stone Wall. This high-adventure route climbs through the site of the seasonal flash waterfall on the right side of the wall. Ryan Frost, Joe French, and I stole a few precious days (October 9–13) from our busy schedules to race up the wall. The climbing was generally hard (1,700', VI 5.10 A4), with lots of difficult nailing, technical hooking, run-out free climbing, and serious vertical bushwhacking. The bivy ledge atop the arch is one of the finest I have laid bags on. We placed 45 bolts, 30 for anchors. Future parties should bring a bolt kit, as we left about 20 or so holes unfilled, for hooking. Most of the holes are on the ladder pitch. The route is equipped for rappel descent.

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The Streaked Wall: (1) Rodeo Queen. (2) Tale of the Scorpion. (3) Latitudes. (4) Lord Helmet. (5) Wet Stone Wall. (6) Farmer Brown. Nathan Brown