NEAT WALL

Intro

The Neat Wall is a small crag at the edge of the Giant Forest. The routes are one pitch and somewhat hidden in the forest but they are fun and have the benefit of easy and relatively quick access for anyone visiting or staying in the Giant Forest area. All of the routes were put up in the early 90's by Jeff Scheuerell and/or his friends when they worked in the park. Most routes require minimal gear up to about 3", some stopper and a few runners. There isn't really a good spot to get an overlay picture of this rock, I tried.

Directions

Park near the Giant Forest Museum and locate one of the trailheads that leads to Sunset Rock. After roughly half a mile there is a small meadow on the right, leave the trail here and head left down to the top of the Neat Wall above Deer Creek. The left side (as you descend) is the easier approach. If you go too far on the trail you will find low angle slabs, if you leave the trail too early you will descend to the creek without seeing the wall.

1. 5.10b 1 pitch Wide Crack

Start on a ramp on the far left side and follow it into the wide crack in a left facing corner.

2. **5.10b** 1 pitch **Knob**

Climb a short crack to the left of the chimney in the block at the base. Continue on knobs to the top of the block, then along another short crack and up the face. Pull a 10a move over the roof at a large knob.

3. 5.10b 1 pitch Knob alternate finish

Start the same as knob but take the leftmost crack from the ledge up and left.

4. 5.10a 1 pitch That Really Really Really Neat Crack

Find the chimney in the block at the base and climb the 5.9 crack to the right of it. At the top of the crack, traverse right and take the crack in the corner to the right of the gully/open book.

5. 5.10a 1 pitch Heart of Gold

Climb the bolted, knobby face in between the chimney and the large bush at the base of the ramp. Continue up a short right facing corner and pass three bolt up the face. Step left and go over the roof, past one more bolt and to the summit.

6. **5.10a** 1 pitch **Wow.**

Several ways to start to the right of the large bush, all are 5.9 or easier. Past a small roof is another bolt and the route continues up a crack, then through one more bolt and a few small gear placements.

7. **5.8** 1 pitch Mostly Harmless

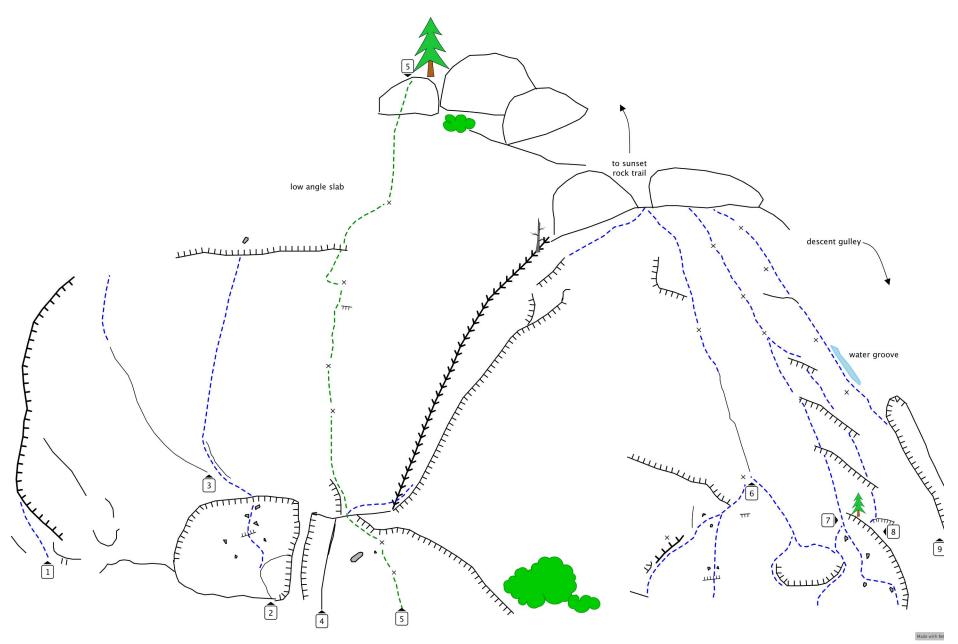
Find a right facing corner with a tree partway up, either climb knobs to the left of the corner or start under a roof to the left of the knobs. Pass the tree and stay on the left end of the small ledges until you pass three bolts before the summit.

8. 5.8 1 pitch Mostly Harmless alternate start

Climb the right facing corner with a tree at the top and follow the right side of the small ledges. Meet up with the other start at the bolts.

9. **5.9** 1 pitch **Unknown**

Take the left facing corner at the far right end of the wall. Face climb above the corner through the water groove and four bolts with a 0.5" placement between the second and third bolt.



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