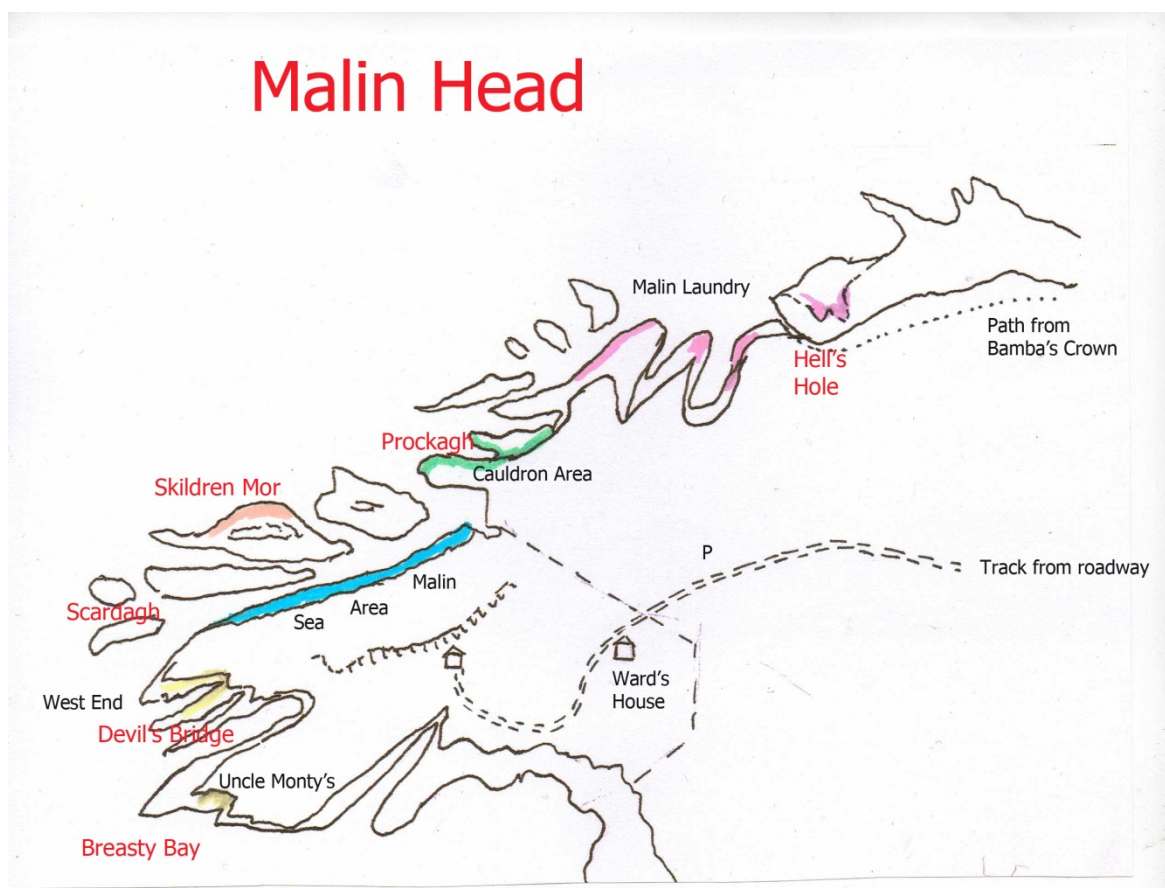


Malin Head

West End
Sea Area Malin
Skildren Mor
The Cauldron
Malin Laundry



Malin Head



Malin Head West End

Travelling on the loop road around the head in an anti clockwise, or Westerly direction, take the right turn just after the road up to Bamba's Crown (the prominent tower which marks Ireland's most northerly point), follow this track to park before the boundary fence, before the first house.

Access to this, and Sea Area Malin, is now subject to application and currently denial of the landowner John Ward, email john@headland.ie, but the land is currently for sale, so things can only get better!

Devils Bridge Area Gr C383 590

Approach as for "Sea Area Malin" but walk along a minor path directly west, until you reach the well known, picturesque but modest, "Devil's Bridge". The climbs are mainly on the south facing wall of the next zawn, immediately North.

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| A. Andy's Route*, HS 4b. | Andy, Alan Tees, 04 |
| B. Oversight, Sev 4a. | Tees, Smith 04 |
| C. Sea Bird*, HS 4a. | P. Smith 04 |
| D. Car Door HVS 5a. | Cooper, Wingham 04 |
| E. Tyrolean Dyke, HVS 5a. | Cooper, Thomas 08 (basaltic dyke right of Car Door) |
| F. Lay off the Chips, VS 4c. | Hartley 12 (climbs the detached flake/pinnacle at the back of the zawn at low tide). |
| G. Stormy Days. E2 5c. | Miller, Cooper 06 (shallow east facing corner |



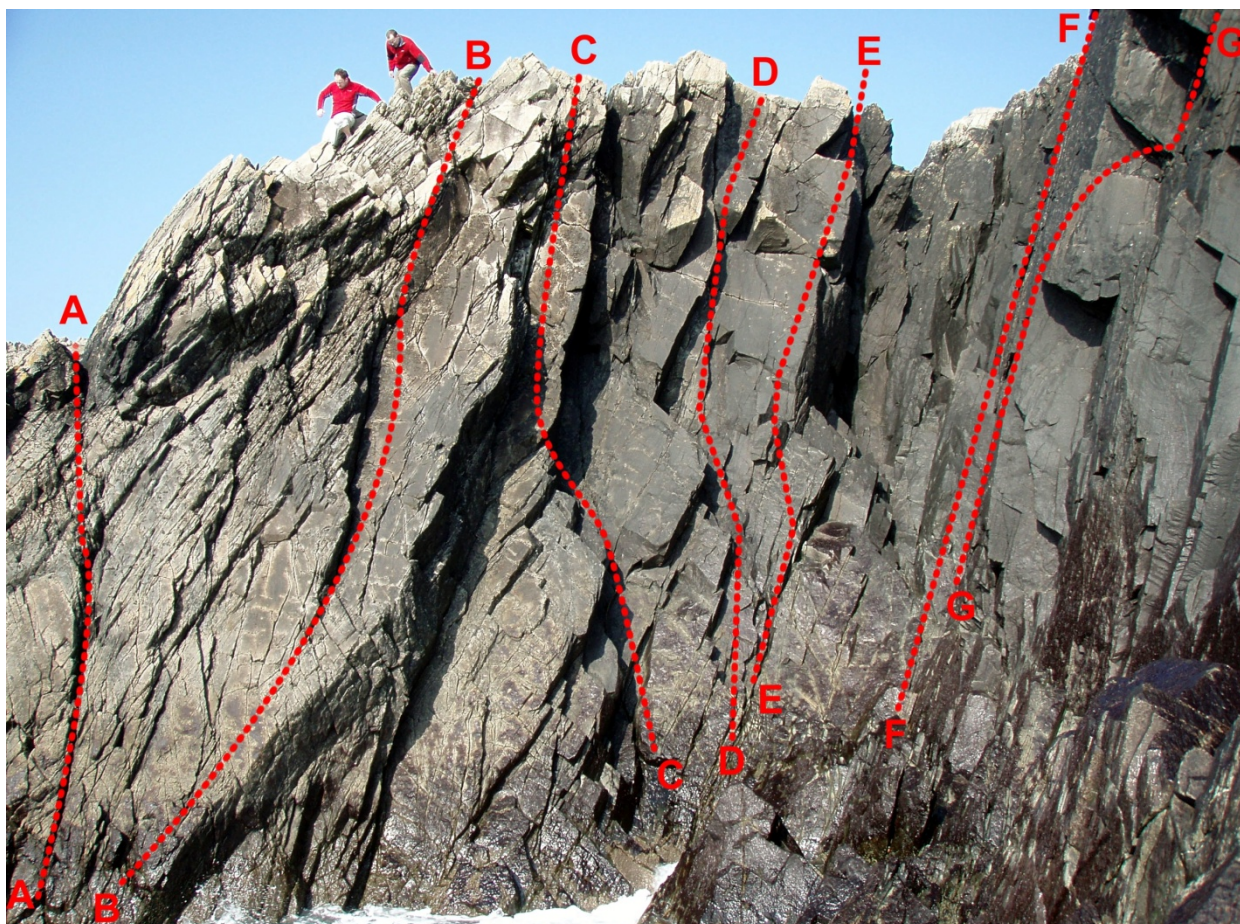
Uncle Monty's Wine Cellar Gr C3819 5884

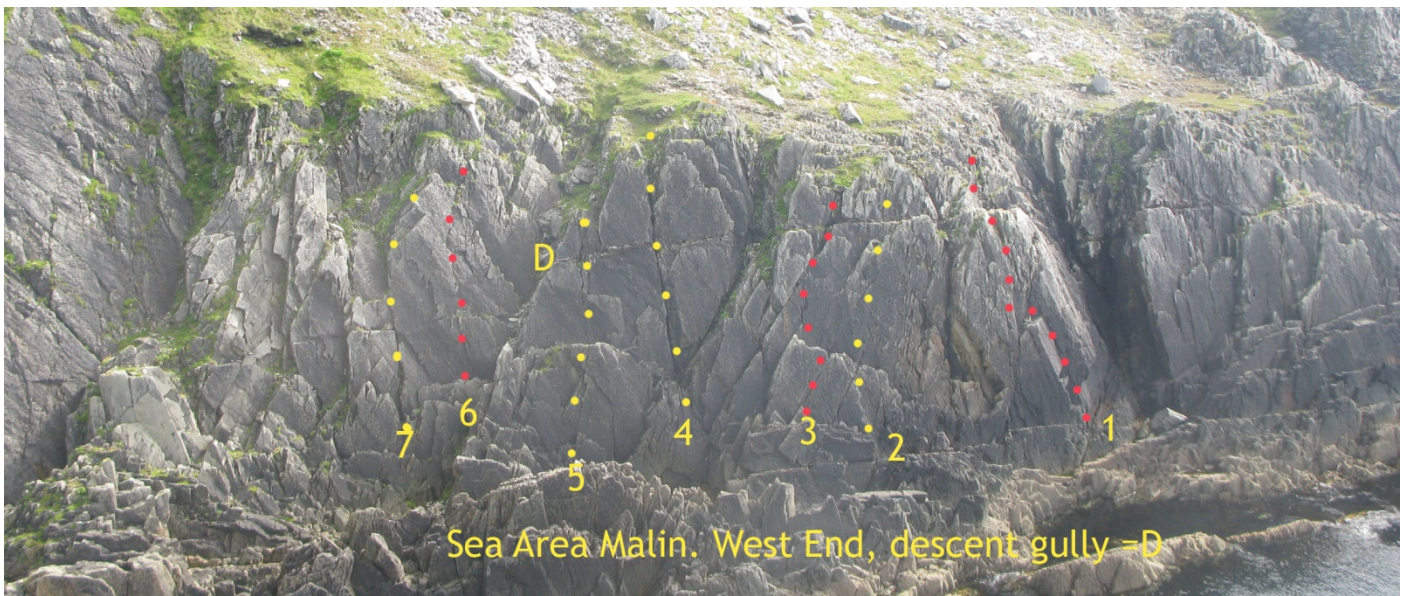
Approach as for Sea Area Malin, parking by Breasty Bay. Follow pathway in front of the angular bungalow, then head towards 'The Devil's Bridge' but veer west (left) along the rocks; aiming towards a small isle off the tip of the peninsula to an area of short clean walls. You'll either be standing on the top of the crag or looking back at the faces, easy to miss on your 1st visit. Short routes.

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Routes

A. Malin, V.Diff.	Magowan, Smith 04
B. Extracting Teeth, V.Diff.	P. Smith, Magowan 04
C. Schoellar, Sev 4a.	Tees, Magowan 04
D. Flies In Love, V.Diff.	P.Smith, Magowan 04
E. Woof said Gaspod, VS 5a.	Wingham, Cooper 04
F. Perfumed Ponce, HVS 5a.	Cooper, Thomas 04
G. Montague H Withnail, E1 5b.	Cooper, Thomas 04





Sea Area Malin Gr 384 592

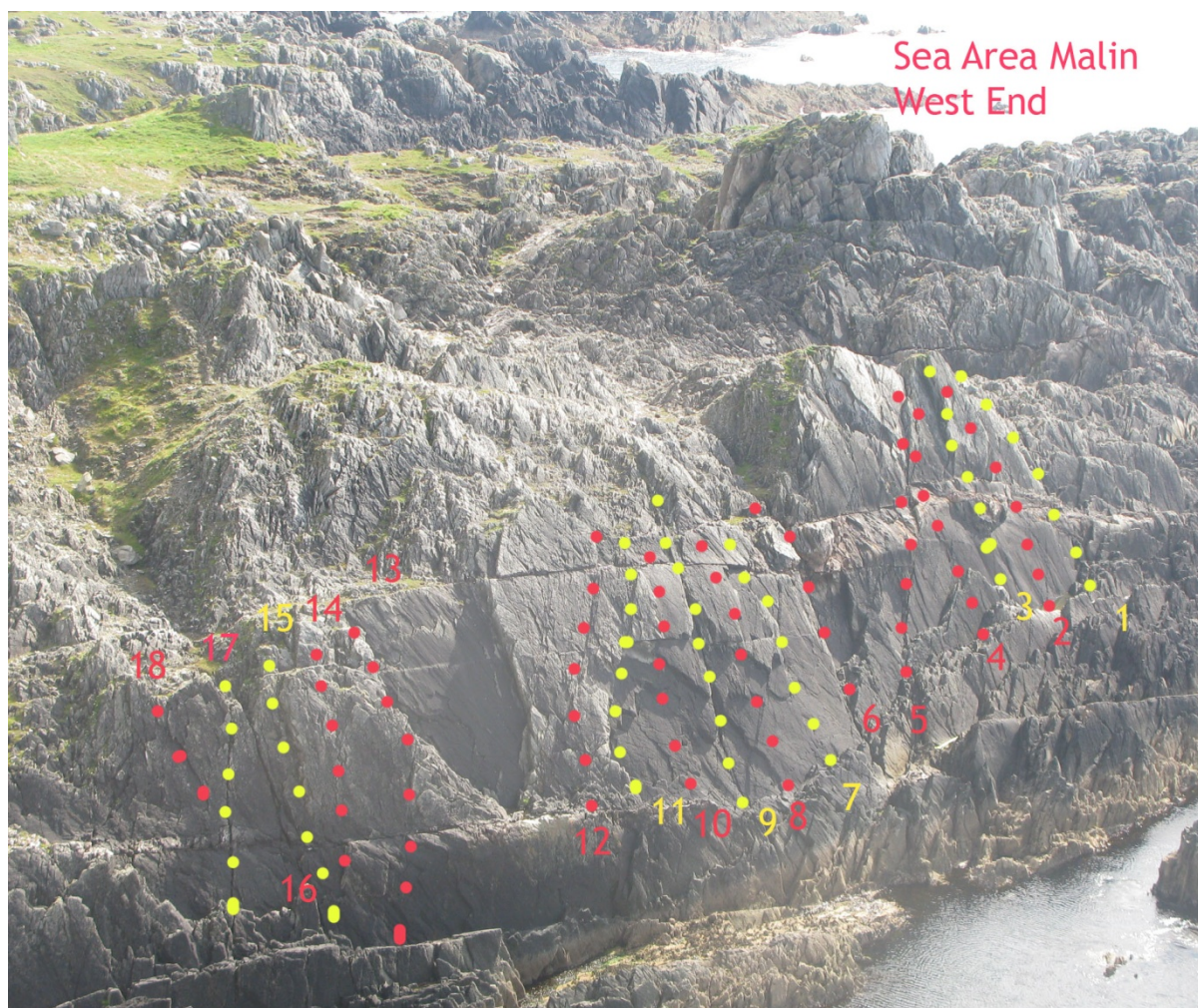
This is the name given to the large area of north facing slabs at the west end of Malin Head. At the west end the slabs are shorter and steeper giving short, sound, and mainly easy routes, excellent for beginners, as any loose rock has been swept away by the powerful winter storms, frequent in this area. Further east, the rock deteriorates in the upper reaches of the climbs, usually with steep grass at the top to add to the adventure. Also there are no belays on top, so a stake hammered in is the only alternative to a belay so far back as to make communication with the second impossible!! There were in situ stakes which were removed on the instructions of the landowner.

Approach, either as for Malin Head West, or walk along the clifftops from Bamba's Crown, about 10-15 mins.

Routes Sea Area Malin West

1. Duffer's Diff*. Diff 15m.	Ryan, Fraser 05
2. Gannet. V.Diff, 15m.	A. & M. Tees 06
3. Above the Weir*. HS 4b, 10m Gr 38226 59102.	Frazer, Ryan 05
4. Phaorah's Pyramid. V.Diff, 10m.	Conn, Hartley 12
5. Girly Craic. VS 4c, 15m.	Ryan, Brennan 05
6. Wan Move Wander. V.Diff, 8m.	A. & M. Tees 06
7. Early Primrose*. Sev 4a, 8m.	Tees, Magowan 05

8.Raging Decrepitude . E1 5b, 15m.	Cooper, Wingham 05
9. Help the Aged**. V.Diff, 8m Gr 38246 59115.	Smith, Cooper 05
10.Step it Up*. E1 5b, 12m.	Cooper, Smith 05
11. Voluntary Euthanasia. HS 4a, 10m.	
12.The Gulls, The Gulls! VS 4a, 10m.	Conn, Hartley 11
13.Forth Route. Sev 4a, 6m.	Conn, Niven 12
14.Census. Diff, 6m.	Conn, Hartley 11
15.Olympiad.Diff, 6m.	Conn, Niven 12
16.Trendy Right A. Diff, 6m.	Hartley, Conn 11
17. Trendy Left A. Diff, 8m.	Tees, PJMonaghan 06
18. Shinty Pad. V.Diff ,7m.	Conn, Hartley 11

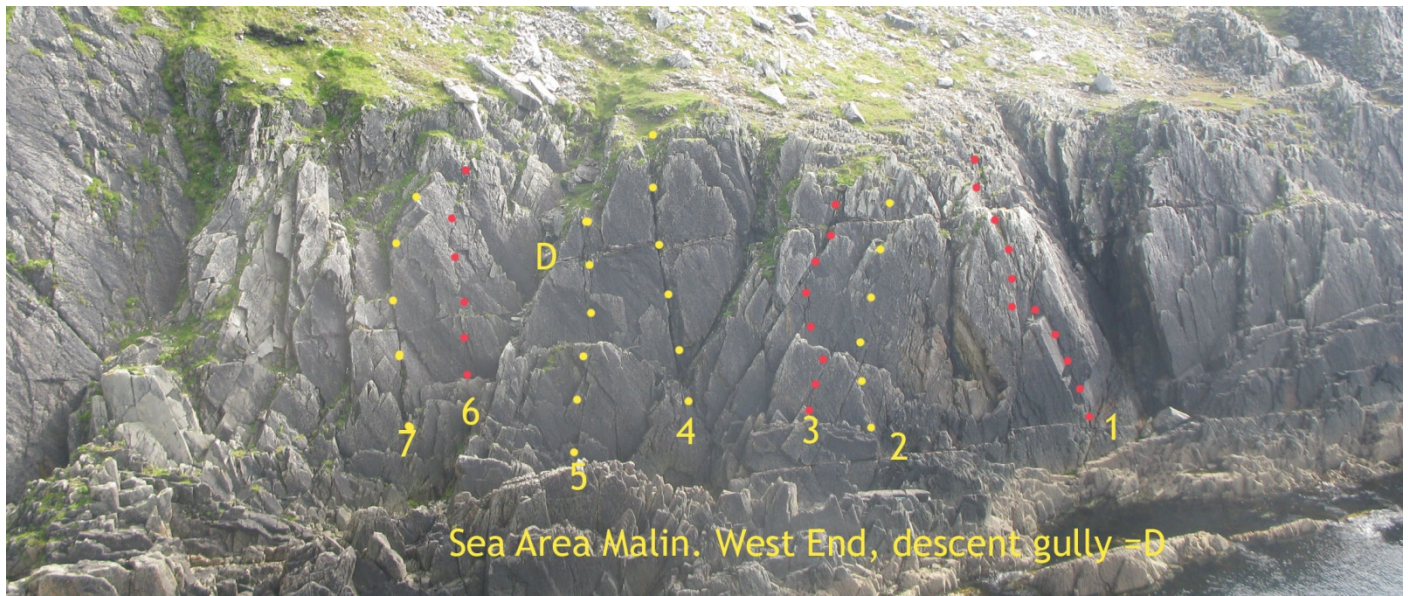


Descent Gully Area

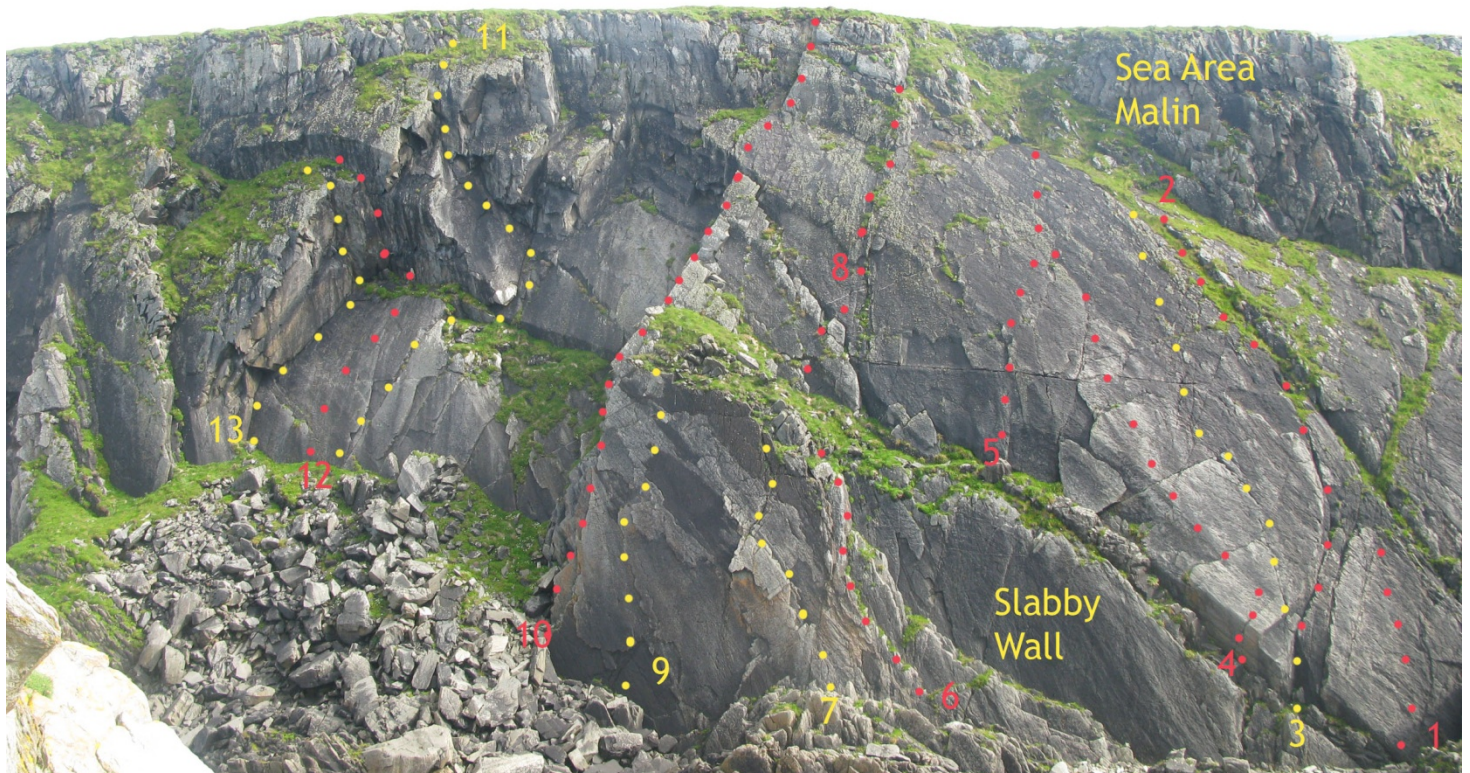
Further East, the last area of rock before the slabs, also has the usual descent gully at Gr 38331 59133.

1. Holy Gull*, HS4b,12m, Gr 38312 59121.
2. Improbability Drive, Sev,3c, 8m.
- 3.Heart of Gold, HS 4a, 10m.
- 4.Fishure, Sev 4a, 10m.
- 5.Wills and Kate, V.Diff, 10m.
- 6.Festival Slab, Sev 3c, 12m.
7. Festival Crack .Diff, 12m.

A. Miller, Ryan 06
Conn, Hartley 11
Hartley, Conn 11
A.& M.Tees 06
Hartley, Conn 11
Conn, Hartley 11
Hartley, Conn 11



Swedish Slab Area



The main area of slabs.

Beware of loose rock and grass higher up. Swedes and Gaels is quite alpine!! Adventurous stuff.

1. Birthday Party, HVS 4c,15m.	Cooper, Machon 06
2. German Bite, Sev 4a,20m.	Tees, PJ Monaghan 06
3. Sillygan Suzy, Sev 4a, 20m.	Magowan, Tees 05
4. Inishowen**, VS 4b, 20m.	Cooper, Thomas 06
5. Yer Haverin*, E1 5a, 25m.	McDaid, I. Miller 08
6. Delectable Dyke, V. Diff, 20m.	Ryan, Brennan
7. Nor Wee Gin, Sev 4a, 30m.	Tees, Magowan 05
8. A Bald Proposition, E1 5a, 50m.	I. Miller, McDaid 08
9. Fred Astaire, E2 5a, 30m.	Cooper, Ryan 06
10. Swedes' n Gaels*, Sev 4a, 30m, Gr 38389 59153.	Tees, McGuigan 05
11. Centipede Slabs**, VS 4c, 30m.	Tees, Smith 05
12. Skylark*, HVS 5a, 30m.	McGuigan, Tees 05
13. Centipath Corner*.VS 4c, 30m.	Tees, Smith 05



Detail

(A.) Swedes and Gaels. Sev4a (or 'Inflatables' HVS 4c, on the slab only)

(C.) Nor Wee Gin, Sev 4a

(D.) Climbed by D Ryan & P Cooper at about Sev

(E.) Germaine's Bite, HVS 5b .

(F.) Optimist's Corner E1 5a, 10m

(G.) And a Bang on the Ear E1/2 5b

(H.) Not a good climb.... don't bother

(I.) Gale Warning, E1 5b, 10m.

(J.) Shark Bait, E2 5c , 10m.

(K.) Crease Climb, VS 4c, 10m.

(L.) Inishowen, VS 4b

(N.) Sillygan Suzy, Sev 4a

(O.) German Bite, Sev 4a

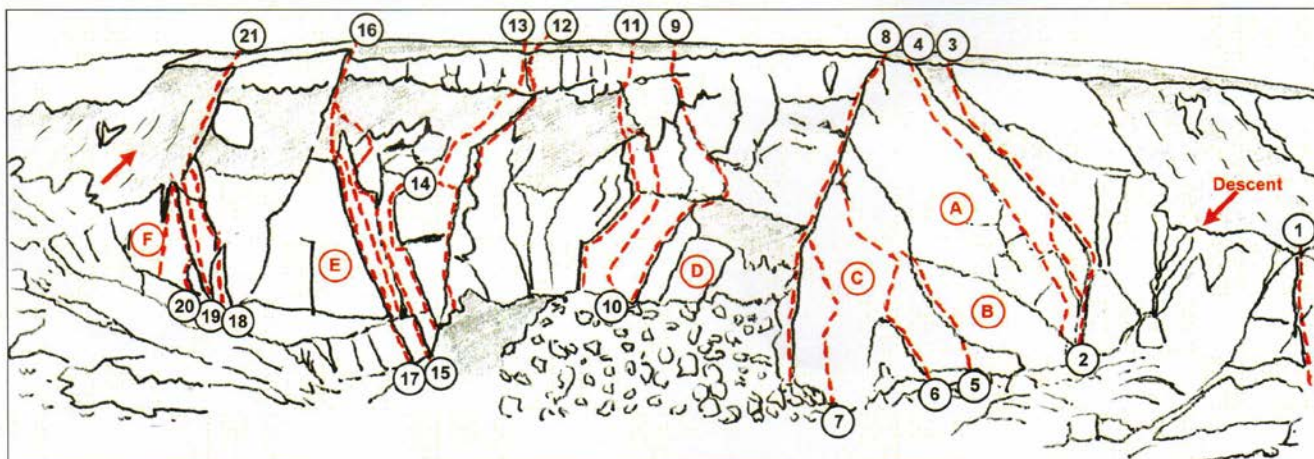
Cooper, Ryan 06

Cooper, Thomas 06

Cooper, Ryan 06

Cooper, Wingham 06

Cooper, Thomas 06



Sea Area Malin

List of routes

1. Fishure, MS
2. Sillygan Suzy, Sev.
3. German Bite, Sev
4. Inishowen, VS 4b
5. Delectable Dyke, VD
6. Nor Wee Gin, Sev
7. Fred Astaire, E1 5b
8. Swedes & Gaels, Sev

9. Centipede Slabs, VS 4c
10. Skyelark, HVS 5a
11. Centipath Corner, VS 4c
12. North Utsire, HS 4b
13. South Utsire, HVS 4c
14. Viking 7.10, HVS 5a
15. Sweet Rock All, VS 4b
16. Finis Stair, Diff

17. Bill's Bailey, MS
18. Dogger, Sev
19. Crayfish Crack, Sev
20. Crayfish Arete, HVS 5a
21. Cromarty Crack, VS 4c
22. King Conger, HS 4b
23. Moray Foray, Sev

Sea Area Malin East end

These, mainly longer, routes are east of Centipath Corner.

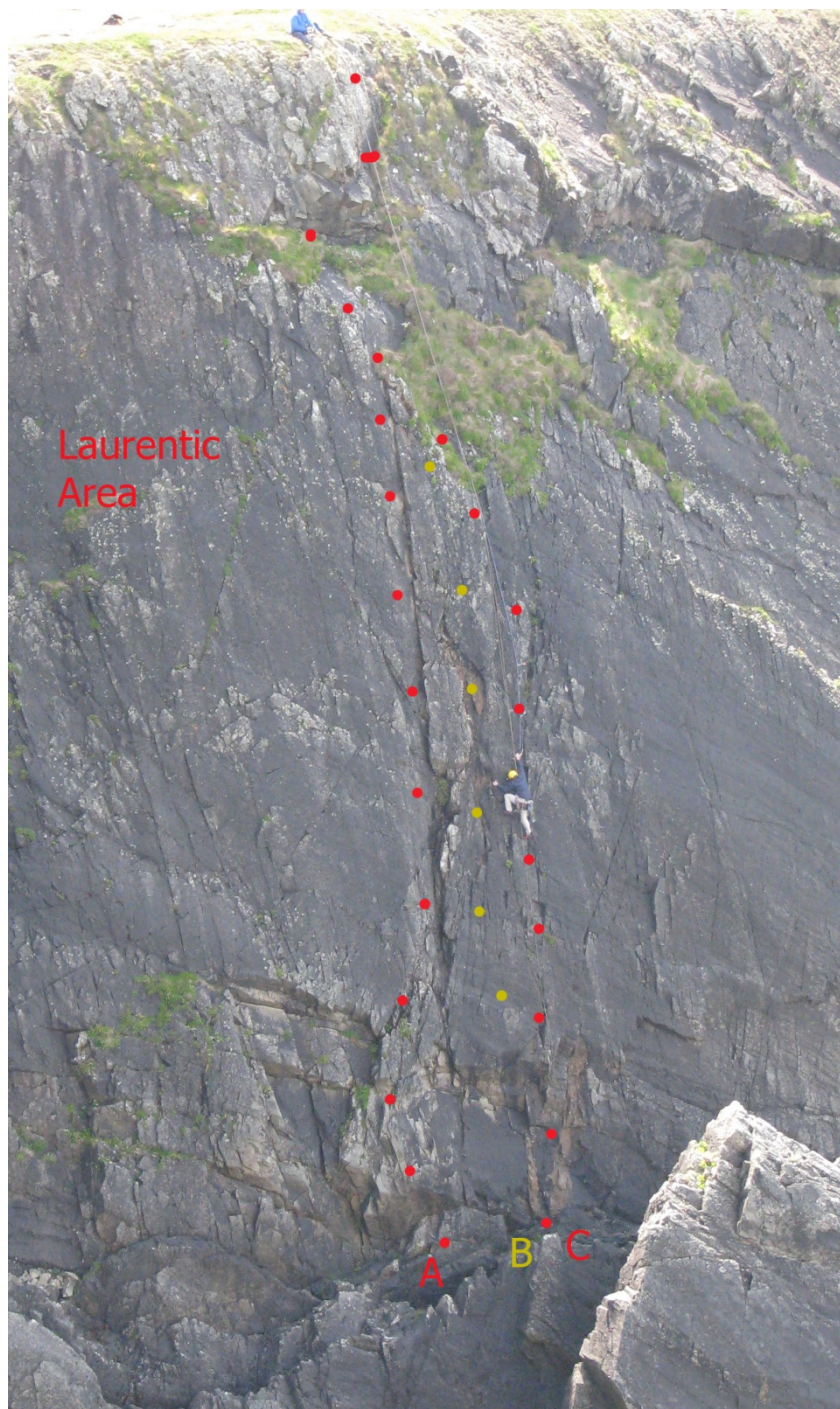
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| 12. North Utsire*, HS 4b, | Tees, Magowan 05 |
| 13. South Utsire, HVS 4c, | Tees, Magowan 05 |
| 14. Viking 7.10*, HVS 5a, Gr 38425 59150 | Tees, Magowan 06 |
| 15. Sweet Rockall*, VS 4b, | Tees, Magowan, 05 |
| 16. Finis Stair, Diff, | A&M Tees 05 |
| 17. Bill's Bailey, MS, | Magowan, Tees, 06 |
| 18. Dogger, Sev 4a, | Tees, Magowan 06 |
| 19. Crayfish Crack*, Sev 4a, Gr 38465 59159 | Tees, Magowan 06 |
| 20. Crayfish Arete*, HVS 5a, | Tees, Cooper 06 |
| 21. Cromarty Crack**, VS 4c, | Tees, McGuigan 06 |
| 22. King Conger**, HS 4b. Gr 38537 59176 | Andy Tees, Magowan 05 |
| 23. Moray Foray, Sev 4a, | Tees, Magowan 05 |

Laurentic area

This refers to a small group of high quality routes, beyond "King Conger" near the eastern end of Sea Area Malin. Abseil down from Gr 38634 59195, or traverse in from the west, past the above routes.

Routes

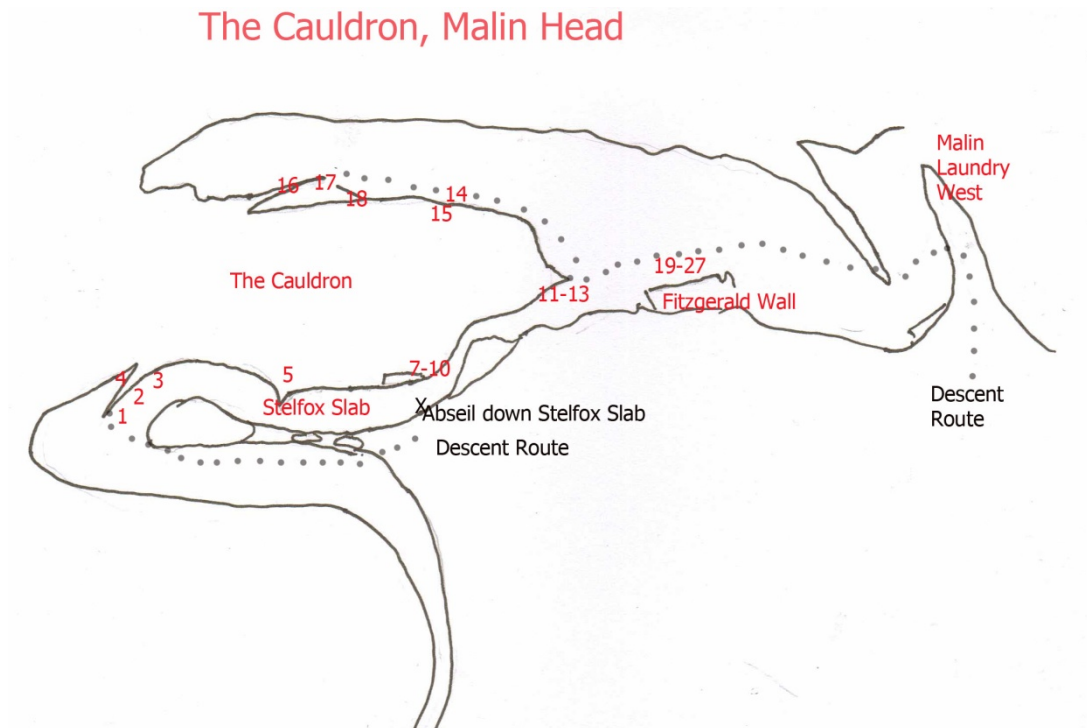
A. Laurentic**, Sev 4a, 35m	Tees, McGuigan 12
B. Wolfepak*, VS 4b, 35m	Tees, Conn 12
C. Skua**, VS 4b, 35m	McGuigan, Tees 12
D. Rum Rations and Eviction, VS 4b, 35m	Tees, McGuigan (Ab from Gr 38657 59209).



The Cauldron, Gr 38661 59330

The Cauldron is a name given to climbs around the highest cliffs of Malin Head. Just north of the pinnacled Prockagh promontory, the cliffs plunge 60m into a narrow bay they share with the thundering waves of the north Atlantic. An awesome place to be, and even more impressive to climb!

The Cauldron, Malin Head



Prockagh Routes. Access is by careful descent along the south side of the promontory, and a scrambling traverse to gain the NW side. Abseil into 'Conn's Sheugh', a narrow gully, from where the climbs are accessed. Good quality climbing.

A. Infinity and Beyond ** VS 4b, 35m.

C. Fernest the Void, HS 4b, 20m.

D. Razorbill*** VS4b, 35m.

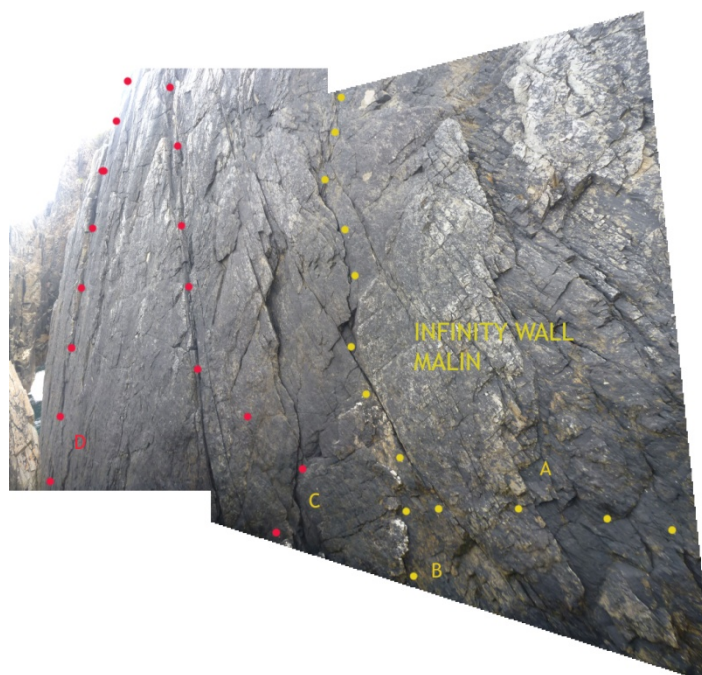
4. Pelican, VS 4b, 15m.

Hartley, Conn 12

Tees, McGuigan 12

McGuigan, Tees 12

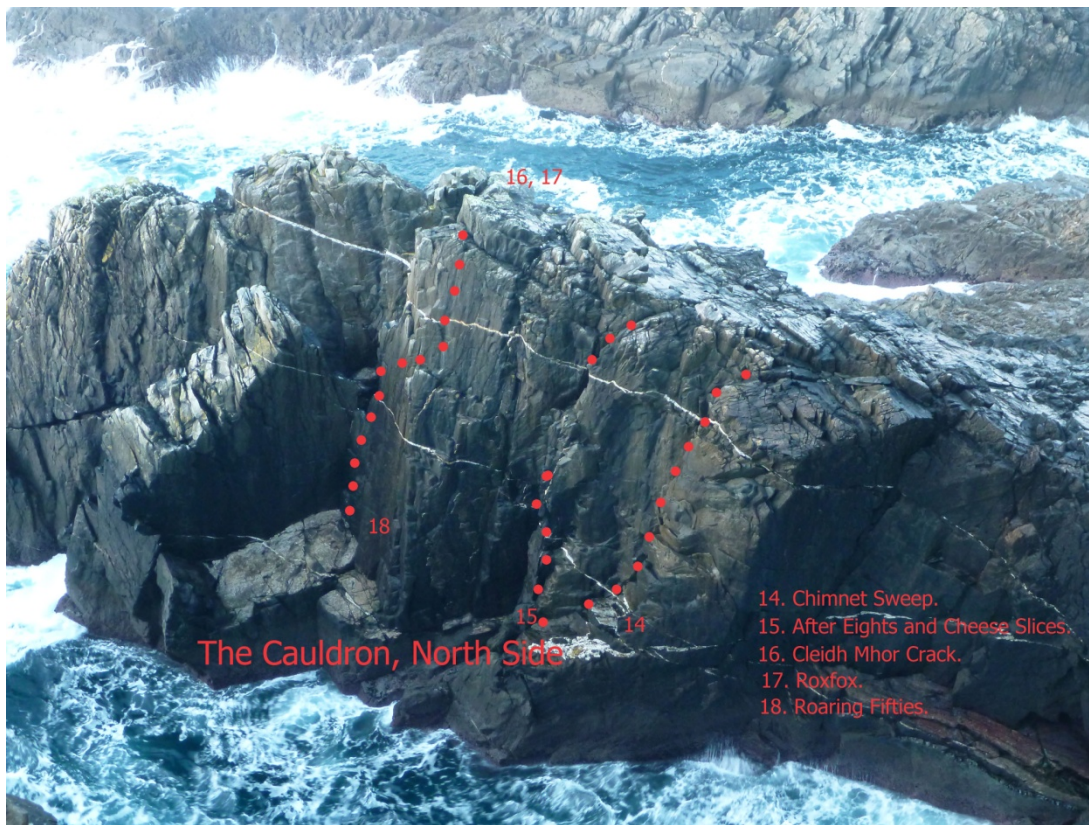
McGuigan, Tees 13 (Opposite Razorbill).



The Cauldron, South side. Big routes in an impressive situation, especially with a sea running!

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| A. Malin Headcase* Sev 4a, 60m. | Tees, Magowan 11 |
| B. Northern Exposure**, VS 4b, 60m. | Tees, McGuigan, Conn, Magowan 11 |
| Stelfox Slab Routes (Abseil Descent from Gr 38661 59330) Committing! | |
| C. Ulysses, VS 4b, 60m. | Tees, Boomer 12 |
| D. Finnegan's Rake*, VS 4b, 60m. | Tees, Boomer 12 |
| E. Rebel Yell* HS 4b, 60m. Conn, Hartley 11 | |
| F. Dawson's Diedre**, Sev 4a. 50m. | Stelfox, Fenlon, McAlinden 07 |
| G. Lizard Line/ The Cutting Edge*** V.Diff, 120m. | Conn, Hartley 10 |
| H. Black Betty, VS 4b, 30m. | Tees, Conn 12 |



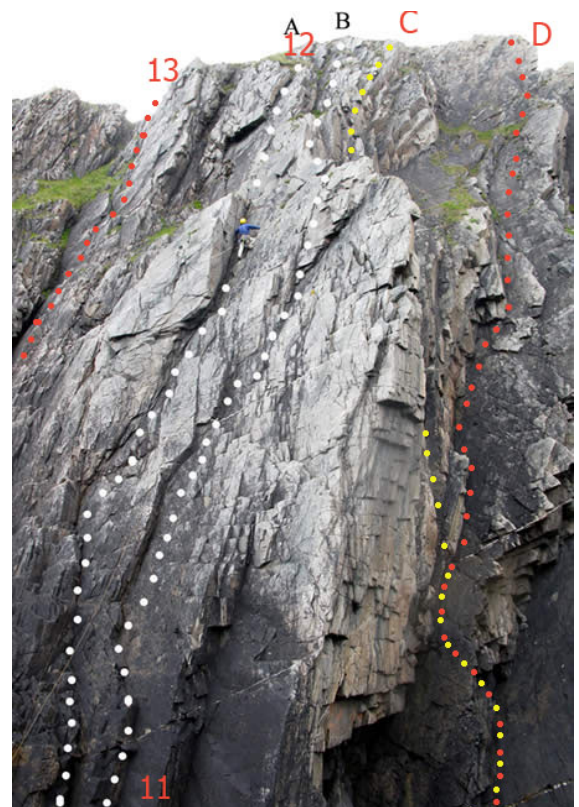


Cauldron Northside routes

Varied climbing.

The descent arete is to the east of Fitzgerald Wall (Gr 38791 59426), scramble down the spiky ridge, descend left (West) and clamber your way across, keeping below Fitzgerald Wall. The first three routes are north facing and beside Stelfox Slab, while the others are on the promontary forming the north side of the Cauldron.

11. Northern Exposure**, VS 4b, 60m.	Tees, McGuigan, Conn, Magowan 11
12. Malin Headcase* Sev 4a, 60m.	Tees, Magowan 11
13. Voluntary Youth in Asia, Diff, 60m.	Conn, Hartley 13
14. Chimney Sweep, V.Diff, 12m.	Hartley, Conn 13
15. After 8s & Cheese Slices, Sev 4a, 12m.	Tees, Magowan 13
16. Cleidh Mhor Crack*, VS 5a, 12m.	Tees, Thomas 11
17. Roxfox*, VS 4b, 10m.	Tees, Thomas 11
18. Roaring Fifties*, HVS 5a, 20m.	Thomas, Tees 11



Malin Headcase Area

Fitzgerald Wall

Mainly easy routes on good rock in an impressive situation. The descent arete is to the east of Fitzgerald Wall (Gr 38791 59426), scramble down the spiky ridge, descend left (west) and clamber your way across to the bottom of this small wall, which is climbable in everything but a full on Malin Head gale (or Gael).

A. No Holds Barred, V.Diff, 10m.	McGuigan, Tees 11
B. Geoff's Route, HS 4a,15m.	Thomas, Tees 11
D. Sunningael*, V.Diff, 10m.	Tees, Thomas 11
E. The Drying Game, V.Diff, 10m.	Tees, Thomas 11
F. Garrett's Groove, Diff, 10m.	Tees, Thomas 11
G. Cafe Bamba, Diff, 10m.	Tees 11
H. Fine Gael blowing, Diff, 10m.	Thomas, Tees 11



The west side of the descent arete to the east of Fitzgerald Wall (Gr 38791 59426) is a jagged mass of holds perfect for scrambling, with a couple of easy gullies. There is a short steep wall at the back with a crackline up right of centre.

28. Twenty Eight, HS 4a, 12m.	Magowan, Tees 12
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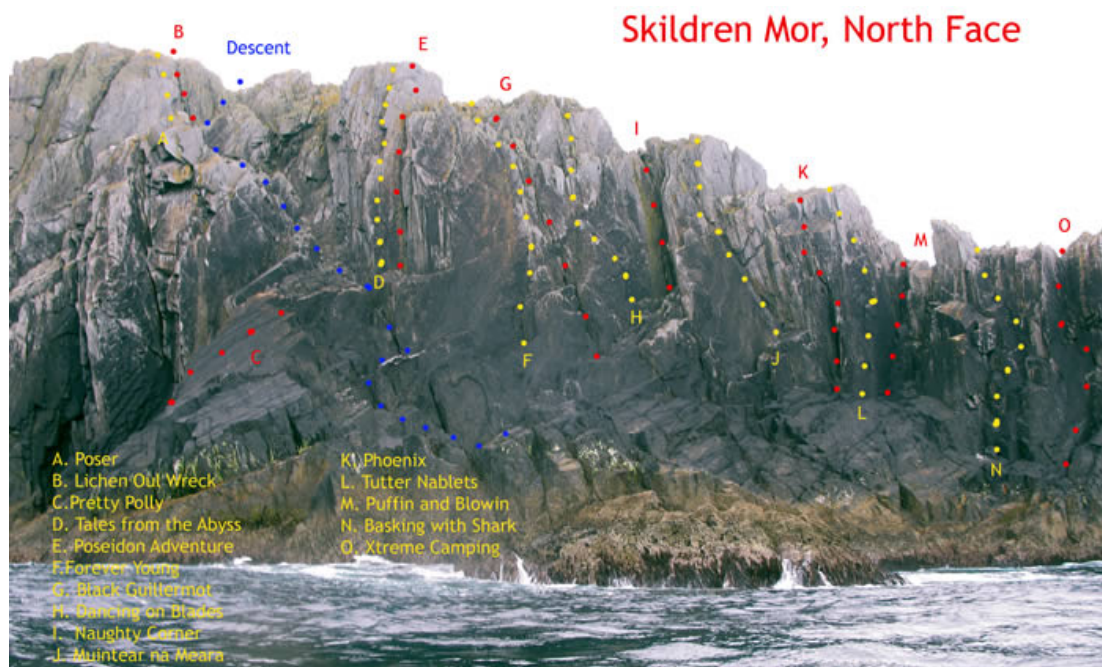
East, and beyond the arete, begins the 'Malin Laundry' Area, with its immaculata rock and white foam!

Skildren Mor Gr C 383592

The huge sea stack just off Sea Area Malin crag. Descend as for Sea Area Malin, and cross the zawn whatever way you can. Most days this is not possible.

On reaching the stack, scramble up to reach a grassy ledge, traverse left over a quartzite ledge and slab, to steep grass and rock leading to the top. The north wall gives superb climbing on solid black rock, whilst the north eastern side is higher, more committing, but with more dubious quality rock. This is a fragile environment with birds nesting from April to the end of July, therefore any visits should be outside this period. Combine this with the fact that crossing is inadvisable most days, this is not an easy place to climb!

Ownership of the stack is not known, but access to the channel is across John Ward's land, who does not appear to object to walkers (only climbers), so we presume permission does not have to be sought to climb on the stack.



Routes

A. Poser, Sev 4a, 8m.	Tees, Magowan 12
B. Lichen Oul Wreck, Diff, 8m.	Magowan, Tees 12
C. Pretty Polly, Sev 4b.	Cooper, P.Tees 07
D.Tales from the Abyss** E1 5b, 26m	Miller, Thomas, Cooper 07
E. Poseidon Adventure, E1 5c, 20m	Miller, Cooper 07
F. Forever Young,** HS 4b, 25m	Tees, McGuigan 07
G. Black Guillermot* HS 4b, 25m	McGuigan, Tees 07
H.Dancing on Blades* HS 4b, 25m	Tees, McGuigan 07
I. The Naughty Corner* HS 4b, 25m	Andy & P.Tees 07
J.Muintir na Meara** E1 5b,30m	Cooper, Miller 07
K. Phoenix** HVS 5a, 25m	McGuigan, Tees 07
L. Tutter Nablts, E1 5b, 35m	Cooper, Miller 07
M. Puffin 'n Blowin, Sev 4a, 30m	McGuigan, Tees 07
N. Basking with Shark, HS 4a, 30m	McGuigan, Tees 07
P. Extreme Camping, Sev 4a, 30m	Tees, McGuigan 07

Malin Laundry

This is the name given to the outcrops east of the Cauldron Area. The quirky name is derived from the fact that the rock, though mostly black, is scrubbed clean by the white foam of the Atlantic. This includes the Magdalen Walls, further east again, Hell's Hole, and the Knobble Amphitheatre. Malin Laundry West is about 200m East of the top of Dawson's Diedre. At Gr 38790 59424, descend spiky ridge, and down towards the sea, there is a small sea facing wall, (hidden from view higher up). Approach from the left to a ledge at the bottom.

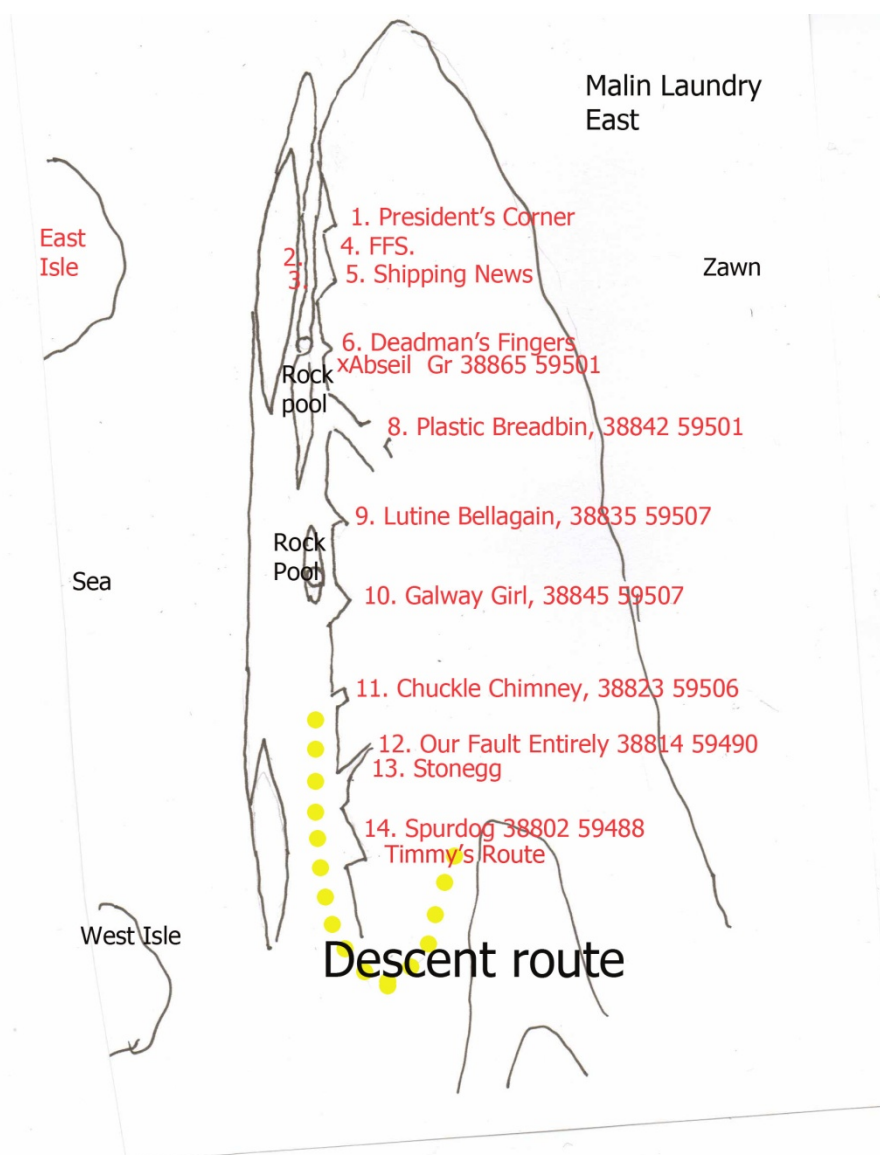
Routes On Malin Laundry West

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| 1. Crocodile, V.Diff, 11m. | Hartley, Conn 12 |
| 2. Suds, HVS 5a, 11m. | Cooper, Thomas 08 |
| 3. Magdalen Maid, Sev 4a, 12m. | Tees, Magowan, 08 |
| 4. Hangover, Sev 4a, 12m. | Conn, Hartley 12 |



"Malin Laundry East" is approx 100m East of "Malin Laundry West". Descend grassy/rocky ridge at gr 38822 59428, parallel with the sea, to opposite the most easterly and largest of three offshore islands. Either scramble down, or abseil to a long narrow pool/trough of seawater, separated from the sea by a fin of rock. Routes are described east to west, as it is usual to abseil down towards the east end.

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| 1. President's Corner, HVS 5a, 10m. | Cooper, Tees 09 |
| 2. 2009, Rising, Diff, 15m. | Tees 09 |
| 3. Thirty foot Wall, Diff, 9m. | Conn, Hartley 13 |
| 4. FFS, E1 5b, 13m. | Cooper, Tees 09 |
| 5. Shipping News** VS 4b, 18m. | Tees, Cooper 09 |
| 6. Deadman's Fingers*, VS 4b, 18m. | Tees, Magowan 10 |
| 7. Arial. HS 4b, 12m. | Hartley, Conn 13 |
| 8. Plastic Breadbin, Sev 4a, 14m. | Tees, Cooper 09 |
| 9. Lutine Bellagain, Sev 4a, 20m. | Tees, Magowan 10 |
| 10. Galway Girl, Sev 4a, 14m. | Tees, Cooper 09 |
| 11. Chuckle Chimney, Diff, 8m. | P.J. Monaghan 10 |
| 12. Our Fault Entirely, Sev 4a. | Tees, Monaghan 09 |
| 13. Stonegg, VS 4c, 15m. | McGuigan, Tees 10 |
| 14. Spurdog/Timmy's Route, V, Diff, 8m. | Conn, Hartley 13 |



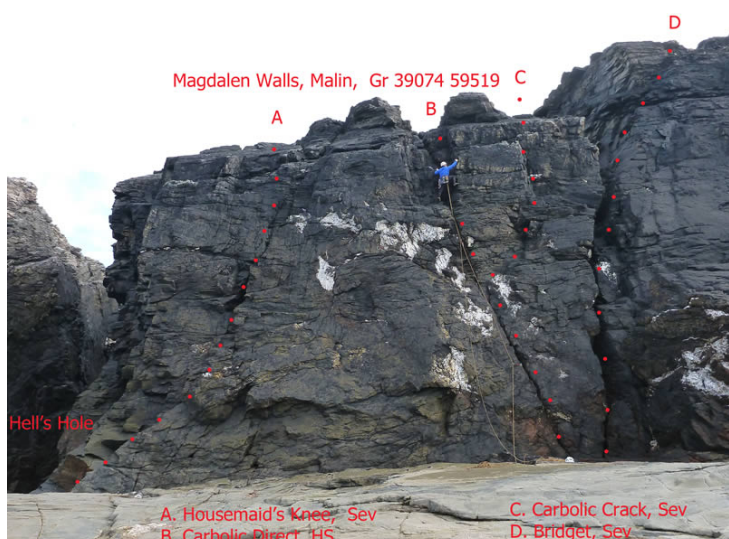
Magdalen Walls

Wash board Wall

- A. Holier Than Thou, E1 5a, 15m.
Tees, Magowan 13
- B. Washboard Wall** VS 4a, 15m.
Tees, Magowan 13
- C. Poor Claire in the Corner, V.Diff ,15m.
Magowan, Tees 13



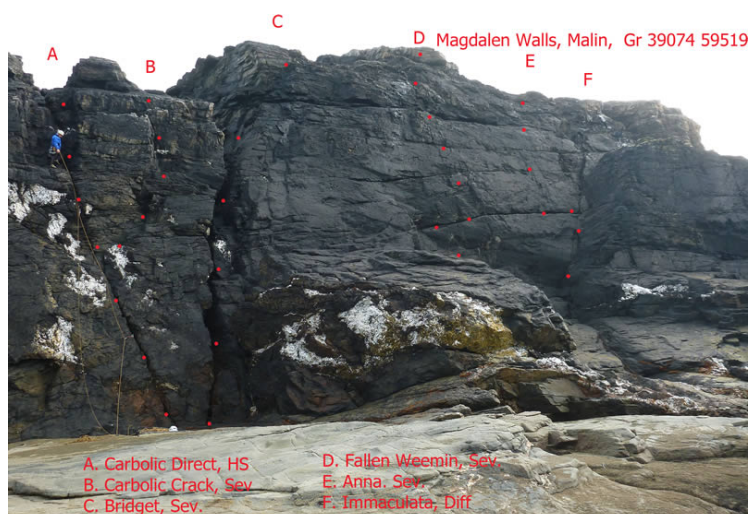
Washboard Wall, Malin



Magdalen Walls, Malin, Gr 39074 59519

A. Housemaid's Knee, Sev
B. Carbollic Direct, HS

C. Carbollic Crack, Sev
D. Bridget, Sev



D Magdalen Walls, Malin, Gr 39074 59519

A. Carbollic Direct, HS
B. Carbollic Crack, Sev
C. Bridget, Sev.

D. Fallen Weemin, Sev
E. Anna, Sev
F. Immaculata, Diff

Magdalen Wall West

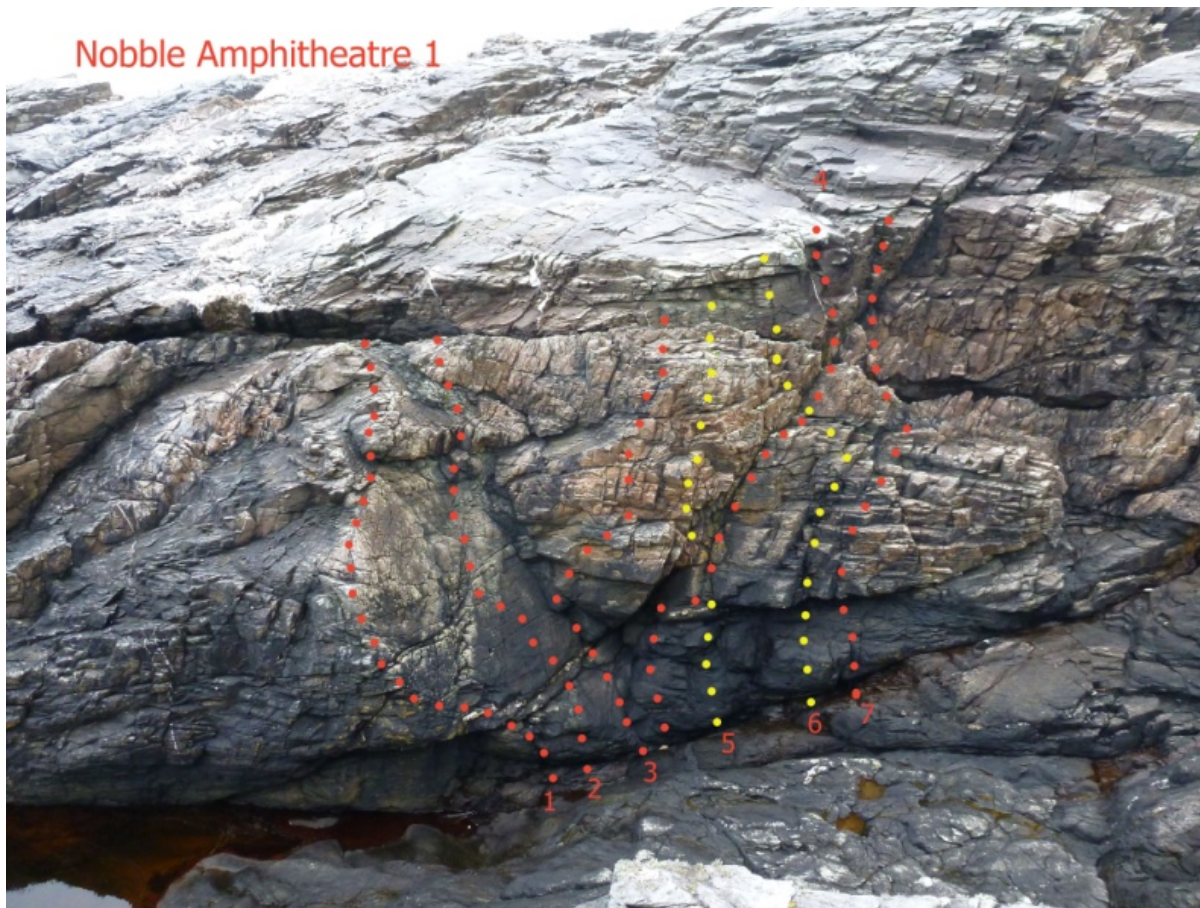
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| A. Carbollic Direct, HS 4a, 12m. | Conn, Hartley 13 |
| B. Carbollic Crack* Sev 4a, 12m. | Tees, Magowan 13 |
| C. Bridget, Sev 4a, 12m. | Tees, Magowan 13 |
| D. Fallen Weemin, Sev 4a, 10m. | Tees, Magowan 13 |
| E. Anna, Sev 4a, 10m. | Tees, Magowan 13 |
| F. Immaculata, Mod, 10m. | Tees 13 |

Magdalen Wall East

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| A. Housemaid's Knee, Sev 4a, 12m. | Tees, Magowan 13 |
| B. Carbollic Direct, HS 4a, 12m. | Conn, Hartley 13 |
| C. Carbollic Crack* Sev 4a, 12m | |
| D. Bridget, Sev 4a, 12m. | |

Hell's Hole is the narrow inlet bounding the above wall, to the East.

Nobble Amphitheatre 1



Nobble Amphitheatre Gr

Just East of 'Hell's Hole' descend into a rocky recess divided by a nobbly lump, with a large pool of water on it's right. Routes are short, but solid, and tend to be sheltered, when little else is at Malin Head. All routes climbed 2013.

1. Neat Feet, Diff.	Conn, Thomas
2. Clean Hands, Diff.	Conn
3. Manicure, Sev 4a.	Hartley, Conn.
4. Cry Misty, V Diff.	Hartley, Conn
5. Geoff's Route, Sev.	Thomas, Conn.
6. Mucky Paws, V Diff.	Conn, Thomas
7. Dirty Nails, V Diff.	Conn Hartley
8. Port, Diff.	Conn Hartley.
9. Amidships, Diff.	Conn, Hartley
10. Starboard, Diff.	Conn, Hartley
11. The Nobbler, Sev 4a.	Hartley, Conn
12. The Nose, 5b.	Hartley
13. Bowel Infection, Diff.	Conn, Hartley
14. Between the Lines, HS 4b.	Carleton, AN Other
15. Black Magic, HS 4b.	Hartley, Conn

