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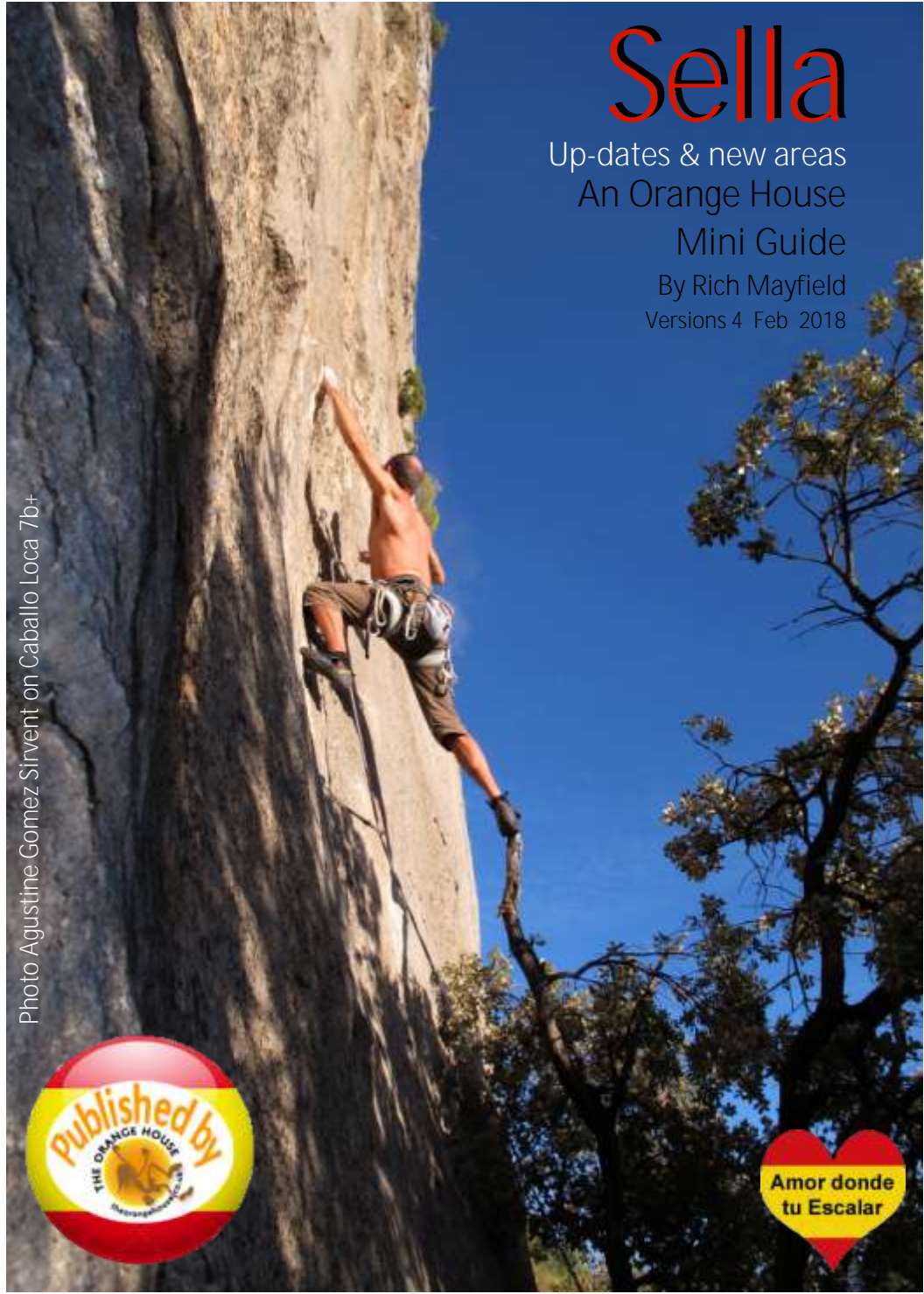
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Sella

Up-dates & new areas
An Orange House
Mini Guide
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Photo Agustine Gomez Sirvent on Caballo Loca 7b+



Roger at Sector Doggy Guantanamo on Sucio Hombre Viejo 6a+

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History

There has been rock climbing at Sella for many years, but the cliffs above Sector Final have always been restricted. The Property changed hands at the end of December 2012 and is now co-owned by Tony Pearson and the Orange House. New routing started instantly with the easier lines at the New Years Day Sector.



Access

These areas are now open for everyone to enjoy. To enable the area to stay in perfect condition: Please do not park at Sector Final, you may be issued with a parking ticket if you do. Please respect the area at the base of the routes and the surrounding areas, by not using it as a toilet or a rubbish tip. Please do not light fires. This is an incredibly beautiful area to climb in, lets keep it that way!

The Bolts

The bolts used in this area are Fixe galvanized 10mm expansion bolts, with a twin bolt chain and ring for lowering off. If you wish to contribute to the sustainability of the **sport climbing at Sella or the Costa Blanca**, donations can be made at **Tony's house**, the Orange House bar or online.

The Routes

Some of these routes are brand new, so the rock will be sharp, and the grades are open for discussion, so if you think we have over or under graded something please let us know.

Love where you climb!
Leave nothing but foot steps.
Take nothing but memories.
Help to keep this area in
Pristine condition.



Amor donde escalas!
No dejes nada más que pasos
de pie. No tomes nada más que
recuerdos. Ayuda a mantener
esta área Condición prístina.



El Cajon de Los Cuartos

1 Espolon Immaculada 40m 5 6 Con mallas y a lo loco 15m 3+

Traditionally protected. Climb the arête on loose rock to a stance and a very old bolt at 25m. Stay on the arête and easy scrambling to the top 15m. Easy scrambling around the rim to the top of Pequenecos III the abseil anchors are under the bush a metre below the edge. Abseil off in one 38m go or two shorter pitches. Loose rock.

2 Happy Feet 15m 4

Loose and dusty needs some traffic.

3 Callum 15m 4

A very nice unpolished line.

4 Dime dime 15m 4

One of the older routes which is showing its age in the polish.

5 Mr Goodey 15m 4

Another recent and very worth while addition. I am sure Colin would be thrilled to have his name on a route like this.

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7 Senor Nesbit Rides again 18m 5



Techo del Rino

1 Route1 28m 6a

An ok climb, but take great care in the last 5 m there are huge detached blocks resting on shattered rock.

2 Route 2 28m 6a+

A good independent line on good rock. Non standard lower off so be careful.

3 Route 3 28m 6a+

A very contrived line which starts up Route 2 and finishes on Route 4. Homemade bolts.

4 Route 28m 6b+/c

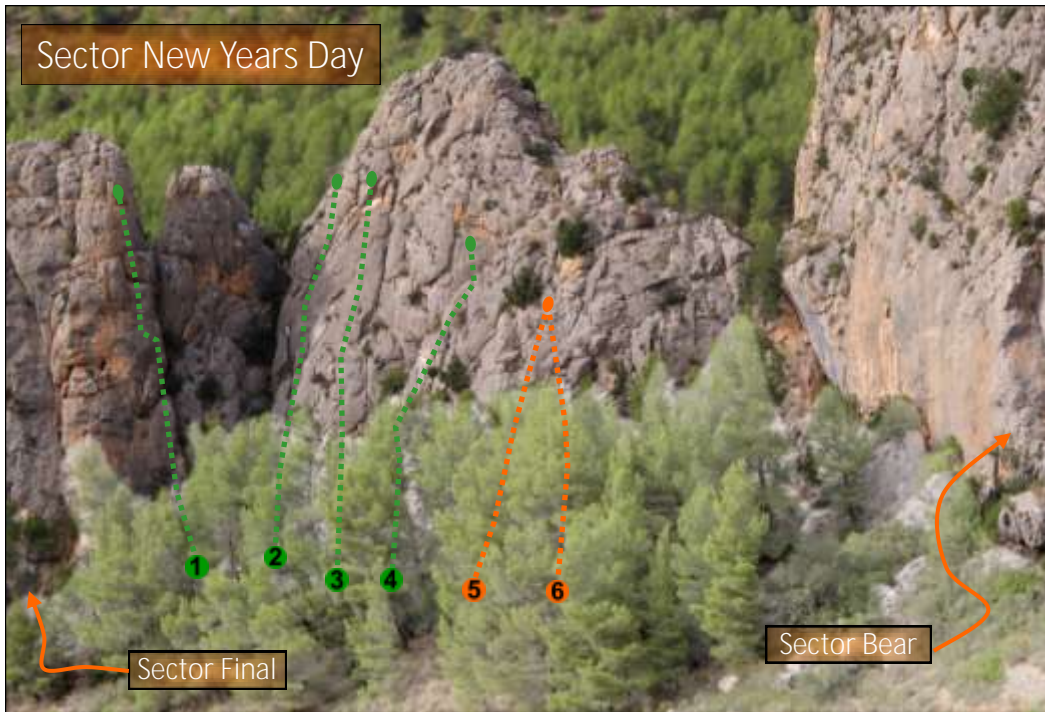
Best of the new routes here, good rock and cool moves, with a tricky to read crux at the small roof

5 Zig Zag Atomica 12m 6b

A short old line up the crack, was 6a up graded by the polish.

6 Route 6 12m 6b+

A short new line on crimping moves.



1. New years day 20m 4+
A steep but easy line up the pillar, on good rock.
FA: R Mayfield & J Emmett 01/01/2013

2. Fiscal cliff 24m 5
Climb the left hand side of the main buttress with a low crux.
FA: R Mayfield & J Emmett & N Andrews Jan/13

3. New Beginnings 24m 5
Good climbing and steeper than it looks. High in the grade and a little run out at the top.
FA: R Mayfield & N Andrews & J Emmett Jan 2013

4. Legally bolted 18m 5
Climb the steeper rock to the corner and easier ground to the top.
FA: R Mayfield & N Andrews & J Emmett Jan 2013

The next two routes were bolted in 2002 by myself and a Swiss climber called **Eve we didn't know** of the restrictions. But since I now own it, I will own up to the first ascents.

5. Macha 15m 6a
The most compact part of the wall so the climbing is slightly thinner and harder.
FA: R Mayfield & Eve Aug 2002

6. Sinch 15m 6a
Slightly harder than Macha, finishing at the same lower off.
FA: Eve & R Mayfield Aug 2002



1. Basically a Bear 14m 6c
Very thin and vertical climbing on sharp rock hard to read.
FA: R Mayfield & J Emmett Jan/Feb 2013

2. Don't Bear Left 12m 6a
Scramble up the slab to the arête, staying on the steep arête climb direct to the lower off. Going left does make it much easier.
FA: R Mayfield & J Emmett & N Andrews Jan/Feb 2013

3. Bear Necessities 18m 6b
Go up the slab to the first bolt then gain the wall to the right, tricky moves on a blank looking section leads to easier ground
FA: J Emmett & N Andrews Jan/Feb 2013

4. Bear Essentials 18m 6b
A great direct line with a long and difficult reach in the middle.
FA: J Emmett & N Andrews Jan/Feb 2013

5. Bearing Up 16m 6c
Thin climbing to a difficult to read crux which can be done several ways. FA: R Mayfield & J Emmett Feb 2013

6. Barely a Bump 16m 6c+
Thin climbing to the tufa blob and a long reach to the next tufa blob. Sharp and crimpy.
FA: R Mayfield & J Emmett Jan/Feb 2013

7. Bearable 15m 6a+
Climb the groove which then steepens but with good holds. FA: R Mayfield & N Andrews Jan/Feb 2013

8. Bearly worth it 15m 6a
An eliminate which shares a lower off.
FA: Dylan Murphy (age 2¾) & Gaston (the dog) apparently.

9. Thoughtful Paws 18 6c
Great technical climbing with a difficult and thin move near the top. FA J Emmett 2015

10. Mit Ruhe Und Gemütlichkeit 18m 6a+
Slab leads to some short lved steep climbing.

11. Goldilocks 30m 6a
A good easier climb which spans both buttresses.
FA: A Pearson

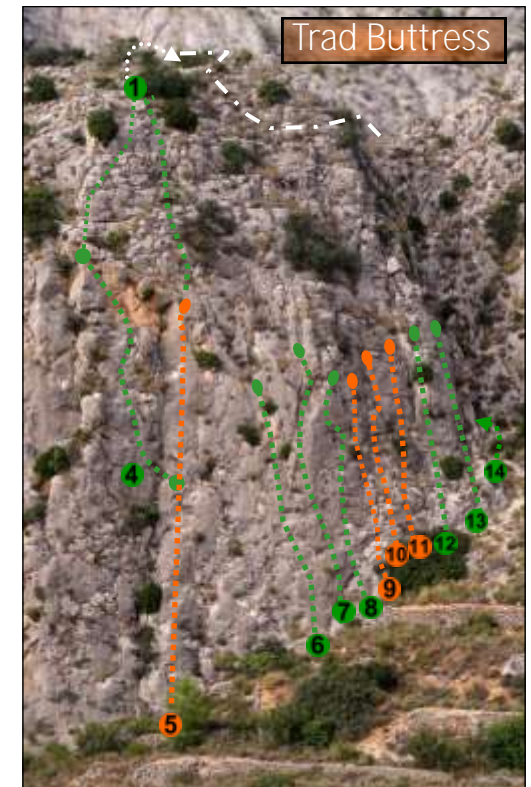
12. Barely a Bitch 30m 5+6b
Easy climbing leads to a good top section.
FA J Emmett 2015



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| 1 | Tufa Dog | 28m | 7b | 8 | Alhambra | 26m | 7a |
| Easy climbing leads to a very good tufa and steep ground tricky moves high up. FA J Emmett 2016 | | | | A somewhat eliminate route, on good rock. | | | |
| 2 | Sueño d'Oro | 28m | 7b | 9 | Doggy Guantanamo | 25m | 7a |
| Technical climbing on the smooth walls leads to steep but easy ground. | | | | Thin to start but try and think laterally it may help. Stay left to avoid loose rock near the top. FA: R Mayfield & S Mayfield Oct 2013 | | | |
| 3 | Clown School Reunion/Dropout | 24m/32m | 6a/7a | 10 | Langkofel in Memeriam | 20m | 6b |
| A good lower pitch with a thin and sharp upper. | | | | A meandering and sustained line with steep climbing near the top. FA: R Mayfield & C French Oct 2013 | | | |
| 4 | Piss on a pooch | 20m/34m | 6b/8a | 11 | Sucio Hombre Viejo | 22m | 6a+ |
| A vertical route on the left hand side. A super thin and extremely sharp top pitch. FA: A Person May 2014 & Sebastian Schwertner Jan 2018 | | | | Climb the groove passing two trees with some long powerful reaches for the grade. FA: A Pearson & R Mayfield Nov 2013 | | | |
| 5 | Climbing Contradiction | 35m | 6c+ | 13 | Lang way fre yam | 18m | 6c |
| A very long and worth while line. FA A Pearson Dec 17 | | | | Thin climbing on compact grey rock. FA Craig Naylor | | | |
| 6 | La Bilyruina | 35m | 7a | 14 | Cara Escama | 26m | 6b+/6c |
| Climb the tufa to it's top and good holds, to a thin groove. FA: Juan Jose Tomas Amoros Apr 2015 | | | | Climb the hollow sounding flake to thin moves. Easier as height is gained. FA: R Mayfield & S Mayfield Sept 2013 | | | |
| 7 | Caballo Loca | 26m | 7b+ | 15 | Kim White | 24m | 6a+ |
| Climb the tree and rock until the second bolt. Dyno out the tree then make a very tricky-some raising traverse to easier ground. Make a desperate move through the leaning wall. Spaced bolts to finish. FA: R Mayfield Oct 2013 | | | | Thin and reachy climbing to a long pull to the left. Easier climbing to the top. High in the grade. FA: R Mayfield & S Mayfield Sept 2013 | | | |
| 16 | Charlie's Angle | 20m | 6b | 17 | Mi marra me | 22m | 6a |
| A nice route, low in the grade. | | | | Better than it looks, on good rock. FA L Dervey | | | |



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| 1 | Gravitational Horizal | 25m | 5+ |
| A good line which gets steep near the top on huge holds. FA J Beigang | | | |
| 2 | Kris's Route | 25m | 5 |
| Easiest of the routes but very worth while. FA K Beigang | | | |
| 3 | Another Yan | 25m | 6a |
| Tricky for the grade, climb up the slab and crack. FA A Pearson | | | |
| 4 | Sin Tabaco | 65m | 5 |
| 1st: Climb the rib to belay at 18m. Bolted
2nd: Cross the corner and climb the wall on good holds to an exposed arête. Trad
3rd: Easy scrambling leads to the top. Trad
FA: R Mayfield & A Perason April 2013 | | | |
| 5 | Zapatillas | 65m | 6a |
| 1st: Fully bolted through some very good rock.
2nd: easy scrambling to the top walk off. Trad
FA R Mayfield & S Mayfield April 2013 | | | |
| 6 | Traditionally bolted | 18m | 4 |
| A very good easy climb with a sting in the tail. | | | |
| 7 | Status quo on speed dial | 18m | 5 |
| Climb the slab to the arête and small roof. | | | |



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| 8 | Plastic Gangster | 18m | 5 |
| Fine climbing with a high crux. | | | |
| 9 | Fundamentalment inofensivo | 16m | 6a |
| Easy climbing leads to a steeper finish. | | | |
| 10 | Failin but not dead | 16m | 6a |
| Easy climbing leads to a tricky corner | | | |
| 11 | Nialist | 16m | 6a |
| Easy climbing leads to a very clean wall better than it looks from the ground. | | | |
| 12 | Los Pantalones Equivocados | 12m | 4+ |
| Easy start leads to a good corner and slab. | | | |
| 13 | Stuck in the middle | 12m | 4 |
| Nice steady climbing steep for the grade. | | | |
| 14 | Clowns and jokers | 12m | 4 |
| Hidden in the flanks of the gully | | | |



1 Han 18m 6a
Nice route but the lower off is way off to the left making it dangerous to top rope or lower off.
FA J Emmett Apr 2016

2 Bolted Sunset 16m 5
Direct up the slab. FA J Emmett Apr 2016

3 Napoleon 18m 5
The open corner and crack. The lower off is in the wrong place so best to use the last bolt to save your rope. FA J Emmett Apr 2016

4 Solo Sunrise 20m 5
The slab leads to the arête which looks steeper than it is, then scramble 5m to a lower off.
FA J Emmett Apr 2016

5 Appetite for Construction 20m 4
Climb the corner with some fine positions. Be careful the lower off is over a sharp edge.
FA J Emmett Apr 2016

6 Carolyn Rocks 16m 4+
A nice route passing the hollow sounds block
FA J Emmett Apr 2016

7 Smuggling Canadians 16m 6a
A low crux leads to easier climbing.
FA J Emmett Apr 2016

These routes are brand new so you may encounter some loose rock!

Up-dates

Sector Techo el Rino

Between Cardo Borriquero and Acrobata Porcino. A new bolted line up the tufas which is often dripping. FA: unknown

Acrobata Porcino has lost part of the finishing jug making the move passed the sloppers slightly harder.

Sector Competicion

Between El Gran Coscorrón and Nido de Piratas. A new bolted line which has a disproportionately hard move near the top. FA: Unknown

Sector Ojo de Odra

Ojo de Odra has a direct start which is easier than the original start, called **"Adam Oddra"** FA: J Emmett

Sector Final

Left of La Verguenza is another F3 pitch Called **"Dim Parcio"** FA: R Mayfield

Left again is another easy line up the corner which is harder than it looks and **doesn't have a lower off.**

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