

### Electric Earth (III, 19, 750m)

**Pitch 1. (8, 60m)** Climb diagonally right up slabby crack system to big ledge. Belay bolt at right end.

**Pitch 2. (18, 60m)** Step down right, then climb diagonally up right, traversing past plants and bulges to ledge. Belay on natural pro or at bolt up and left on ledges.

**Pitch 3. (10, 60m)** Climb and right from bolt (or straight up if on natural belay) then up broken ground to belay bolt.

**Pitch 4. (16, 60m)** Thin moves and pro off belay, then easier to ledge. From ledge climb up cracks and slabs to 2 bolt belay below big overhang/recess.

**Pitch 5. (Scramble)** Traverse left around arête and corner to grassy ledges. At drainage gully climb up approx. 50m to belay bolt in right wall. (Simulclimbed – 100m total).

**Pitch 6. (13, 60m)** Climb out of gully via right wall and up arête then grass, trending right to bolt.

**Pitch 7. (18, 55m)** Tricky moves through overlap above belay, then slabby rock and arête to belay bolt in top of corner.

**Pitch 8. (17, 60m)** Grassy at first, staying near arête then up to a left-facing corner crack – climb this and over bulge to a bolt.

**Pitch 9. (10, 55m)** Move right around arête and into grassy gully. Climb directly up to base or prominent ramp that slices the arête/headwall. Bolt at base of ramp.

**Pitch 10. (19, 60m)** Climb featured ramp/wall, keeping right (spaced pro), to slopy arête. Up arête and behind massive jammed block, then up final corner and crack to bolt/belay on slab.

*Scramble up to base of next wall, belay on cam and nut.*

**Pitch 11. (12, 60m)** Short wall and grassy steps to bolt belay on left wall of loose gully.

**Pitch 12. (18, 50m)** Climb slab then chimney/bridge to ledge and final short overhanging corner.

*Route is fully equipped for abseil descent (16 abseils). Bolts have been placed with abseiling in mind rather than belaying, so at some belays/stances it will be more comfortable to belay on natural pro. Take a full rack (1 set cams to #4 Friend, and double set of wires).*

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