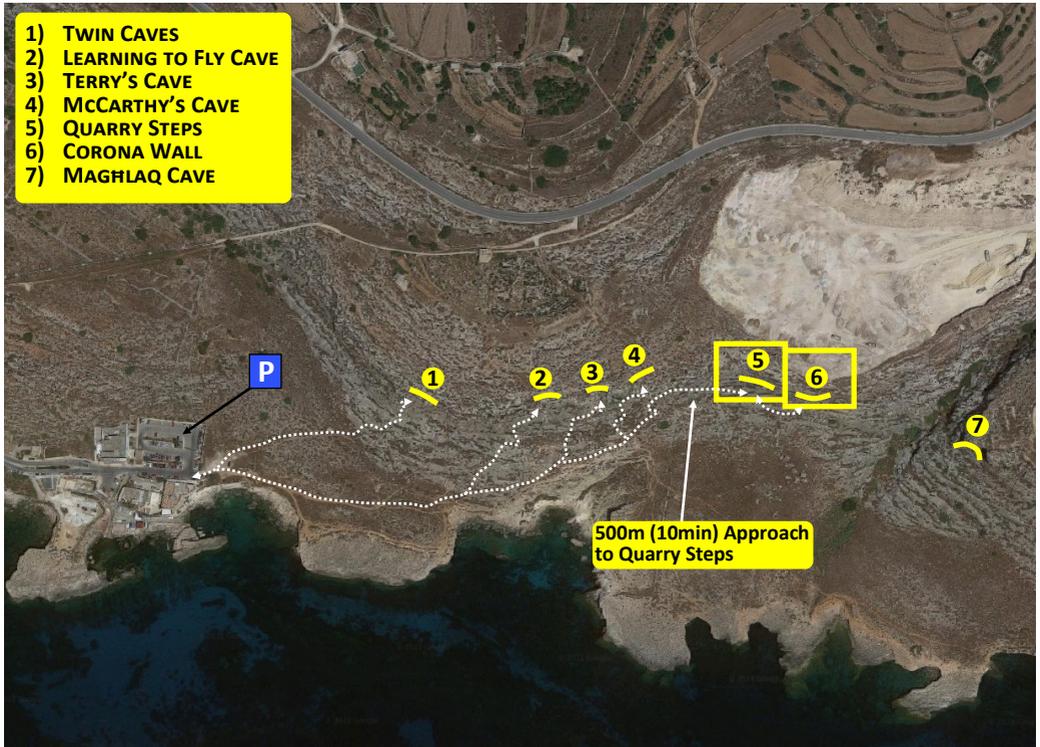


QUARRY STEPS & CORONA WALL CRAGS (CLIMBING AREA: GHAR LAPSI)

TOPO, MAP & ACCESS INFO (UPDATED - 11/04/2021)



THE CRAGS: Quarry Steps (an already established trad climbing crag), and the adjacent Corona Wall are both within the popular 'Ghar Lapsi' climbing area.

CLIMBING: Both crags are mostly vertical face climbing with occasional slight overhangs and slabs.

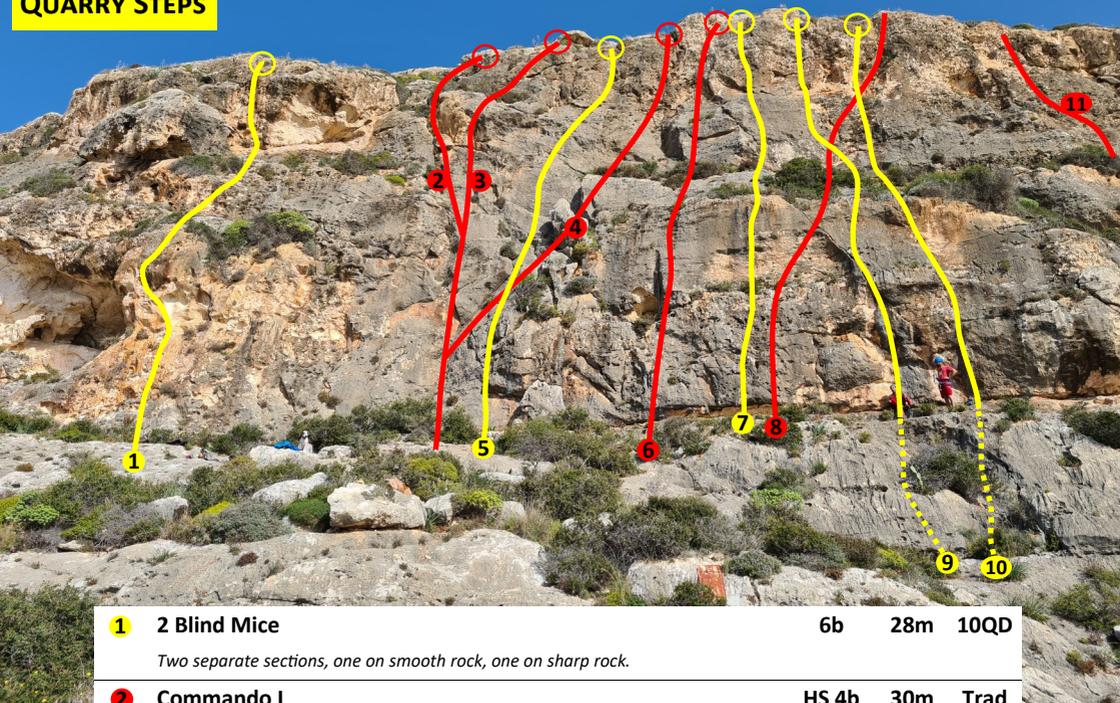
EXPOSURE: Both walls are South facing so sunny most, if not all, day.

ACCESS: Same as with the other Ghar Lapsi sectors, park at the Ghar Lapsi car park and walk eastwards with the sea on your right 100m past Terry's & McCarthy's Cave.

All routes have been bolted with titanium bolts and anchors provided by the Malta Rock Climbing Club (MRCC) and sponsored by the MTA and various climbers' donations.

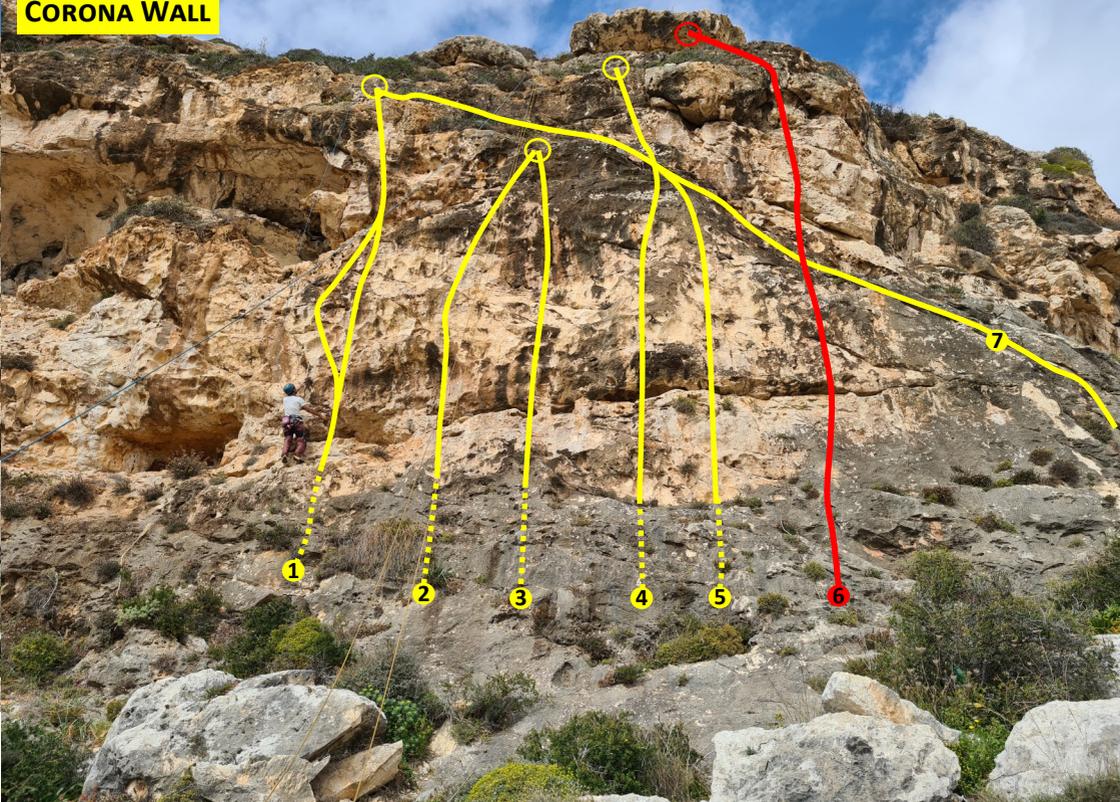


QUARRY STEPS



1	2 Blind Mice	6b	28m	10QD	<i>Two separate sections, one on smooth rock, one on sharp rock.</i>
2	Commando I	HS 4b	30m	Trad	<i>The left fork of a Y shaped crack finishing up another crack which overjangs at its base.</i>
3	Civilian Route I	E1 5b	30m	Trad	<i>Start up the Y shaped crack as for Commando I but continue over the front face between the cracks and the bulge above, exiting right. Take the overlap and the final bulge above a ledge.</i>
4	Commando II	MS 4a	30m	Trad	<i>The right fork of the Y then right to a large flake, follow the shallow crack above to finish. Alternately, start beneath the large flake and climb direct.</i>
5	All the Thyme in the World	6a	28m	10QD	<i>6a going straight on the bolts, easier (5b/c) staying right of the bolts at the slabby crux.</i>
6	Chi Commander, Fire Engine	VS 4c	30m	Trad	<i>An easy but enjoyable long line starting on a slab below a craggy hole, then continuing up easy slabs to follow the obvious crack (nuts) to the top</i>
7	Thymeless	6c+	28m	11QD	<i>A first tricky section at the beginning, but nothing compared with the puzzling crux at the end, with too many crimps to choose from!</i>
8	Commando III	VS 4c	30m	Trad	<i>Start about 10m to the right of the 'Y' over a shallow undercut. Climb the wall to gain a narrow ledge then right to a scoop, and up to a shallow red cave. Layback the crack on the right to finish.</i>
9	Summer Thyme	6b+	28m	10QD	<i>33m if belaying from better stance below. Similar finish to Thymeless, but with a couple of life-saving holds more.</i>
10	Walk in the Park	5c+	28m	?QD	<i>33m if belaying from better stance below. A great warm up route with good holds all the way ending at a small overhang.</i>
11	Perched Blocks Crack	VD	35m	Trad	<i>Up the chimney to exit via perched blocks.</i>

CORONA WALL



1 Covid Rising	6a+/6b	20m	7QD
<i>1st 5m scramble. Vertical wall with tufas and some classical sharp holds towards the top. 6a if you steal to the jugs on the left.</i>			
2 Pfizer	6b+/6c	15m	5QD
<i>1st 5m scramble. Vertical wall on crimps.</i>			
3 AstraZeneca	6b	15m	5QD
<i>1st 5m scramble. Vertical wall with interesting features.</i>			
4 Moderna	6a+	18m	8QD
<i>1st 5m scramble. Vertical wall then easier at the top on sharp holds.</i>			
5 Sputnik V	6a	18m	8QD
<i>1st 5m scramble. Vertical wall then easier at the top on sharp holds.</i>			
6 Antivaxxers Unite	VS 4c	20m	Trad
<i>Start at the slab past two shallow horizontal & diagonal cracks and on into the steep, broken overhangs to end in the cave formed by the capping boulder.</i>			
7 Herd Immunity	4a	25m	?QD
<i>Lovely ramp up from the right coming across all the other routes. Nicely exposed for a beginners' experience.</i>			