

"Beautiful Century"

230m 7 Pitch 5.10a All Bolted

Bow Corridor, Nanny Goat

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8 quick draws, 4 long slings, 2 anchor slings. 60m rope.

This is a multi-pitch route on the right side of Nanny Goat Buttress just left of the winter route "Coire Dubh" and left of the routes "Less Art, More Pop" and "The Bell Route" - as described in the new "Sport Climbs in the Canadian Rockies". "Beautiful Century" is a moderate multi-pitch route that is fully bolted. It was established ground up.

Approach:

Park as per Kid Goat and walk in. Stay low in the valley until below the large drainage between Nanny Goat and Goat slabs (Not the Kid Goat descent). Hike up the drainage on trails at first then on rock slabs until the waterfall. Angle up and left about 40 meters until a dead tree. This is where "Less Art, More Pop" and "The Bell Route" start. Follow the wall down hill another 50m to a steep slab. Above the slab a corner rises to a large tree; the slab and corner are the start of the route "Beautiful Century".

The climb

1. **55m, 5.8 (11 bolts).** Climb the slab to the corner (rappel anchor). At the top of the corner climb up and left to belay on the higher of two ledges.
2. **40m, 5.10a (9 bolts, 1 fixed piton).** Climb up and right to a difficult mantle at the second bolt. Continue up then traverse left along a seam to a break. Climb easily up and right to a short left facing corner and a bolted and chained belay below a small roof.
3. **30m, 5.7 (6 bolts).** Pass a small roof on the right then angle right to a head wall. From the third bolt climb right then up and left to a bolt above a slab. Climb up slabs and headwalls before stepping left to a chain belay below a treed ledge.
4. **15m, 3rd class.** Scramble up on slabs to a bolt belay at the left end of the large treed ledge. It is possible to follow the ledge right and drop into "Coire Dubh" and scramble down to the base.
5. **40m, 5.9 (10 bolts).** Climb up along bolts towards a small overhang traversing left under it, almost to the large right facing corner, then up to a bolt belay on a small ledge below an overhang.
6. **25m, 5.8 (6 bolts).** Pass the overhang on the right and weave up to a hanging belay.
7. **25m, 5.9 (5 bolts, 1 fixed piton).** Continue up to the top of the large right facing corner where the wall gets steep at a bolt. Step right and climb the undercut wall to a crack right of the second headwall bolt. Continue up slabs to a ledge then a layback feature to a fixed piton below a small roof. Pass the roof to a bolted belay on a small ledge. Either rappel from here or angle right 10m to scree and a tree belay.

The descent

Recommended:

Top out and do the Nanny Goat descent. From the top of the route, hike up a short distance and walk down to the drainage between Nanny goat and Kid goat. There is a short rappel or class 3 down climb at the bottom.

Rappelling:

The route can be rappelled in 8 rappels on a single 60m rope. Knot the rope ends – especially for pitches 2 and 5.

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8 quick draws 4 slings
Nanny Goat Buttress
~150m left of Coire Dubhe

