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# Betsy Crag Slabs OS Ref: NY 305 020

# Alt: 360m



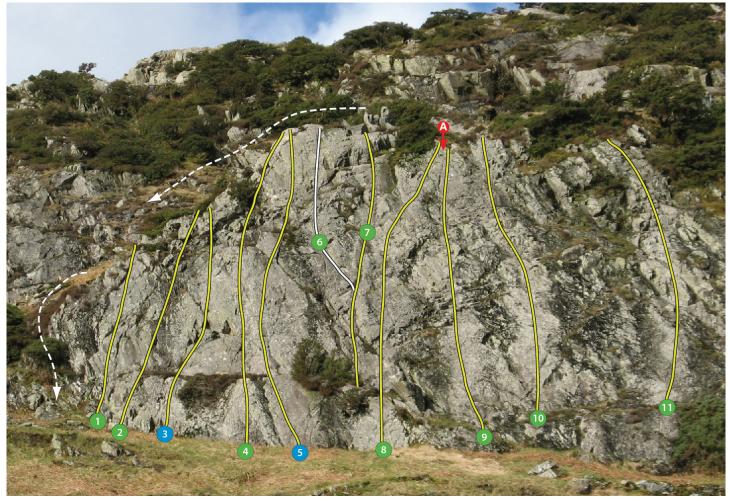
A pleasant situation, fine views and easy access. These steep 20m slabs face south-east and provide some enjoyable low-grade lines on good fast-drying rock. All the routes are worthwhile; some are very good.

## Approach

Park at Tilberthwaite. Follow the footpath that traverses directly in front of the Tilberthwaite Cottages. After passing through a wooden gate, keep right at the junction to follow the track signed High Fell Quarry. 200m past the second of the two metal gates encountered on the uphill track, the crag can be clearly seen up on the left.

## Descent

Easily to the left, plus abseil anchor in place.



**Betsy Crag Slabs** 



# 1

# Route 67 HS 4b 11m

Brief but satisfying. The short broken wall on the extreme left side of the crag. 19.03.2022 M Scrowston Solo

# Bloodline S 4a 17m

Start below a bulging wall 2m right of <u>Route 67</u>. The problematical wall leads to a large ledge. Follow the rough wall above on good holds passing the protruding block on its right to finish as for *Like a Slab but Steeper*. 5.9.2024 F Scrowston, M Scrowston



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# Like a Slab but Steeper. VS 4b 17m

Start 2m right of *Bloodline* below a stepped wall. The lower wall leads to a large grassy ledge and a large boulder. From behind the boulder follow the clean wall above to finish up a short bulge. 26.03.2022 M Scrowston, P Bennett

# 4 Age Concern HS 4b 24m

Start below a short clean wall. Climb the wall to a grassy ledge. Follow a left-slanting blind crack on good holds to gain a sloping ledge. Move right to ascend the steep headwall by its left edge.

11.03.2024 M Scrowston M Withers

## Slava Ukraini MVS 4c 25m

Start by a left-slanting diagonal crack that leads to a large grassy ledge. A fine steep slab leads to some broken ledges, finish up the bulging wall above.

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## Lateral Flow S 4a 18m

Start as for *Central Groove*. After 4m, take the compelling left-slanting shallow groove passing ledges to finish up the headwall. 26.03.2022 M Scrowston, P Bennett

## Central Groove VD 18m

The obvious groove. Starts from behind a juniper bush on the large grassy ledge. Climb the groove on big holds to finish left up a bulging wall. 25.01.2022 M Scrowton Solo

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## Slow Flow HS 22m

Start below a large boulder that is perched on the right end of the grassy ledge. Pass the boulder on its left. Climb the slab direct to a small spike, move rightwards to finish right of a green groove.

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## 9 Protuberance HS 4b 20m

Start at a clean slab 2m right of the perched boulder. Climb the slab then move up left to gain an unusual rock protrusion. Follow steep pocketed slab above.

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## Fragile Thoughts S 20m

Start 3m right of *Protuberance* below an immaculate pocketed white slab. The slab leads to some broken ledges, step left to ascend the rough wall above.

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## 11) Homeground MS 4a 23m

A direct line up the right-hand slab. Start from a heather ledge at the right side of the crag. A short slab leads to a broken wall then follow the stepped wall to exit through crag-top junipers.

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