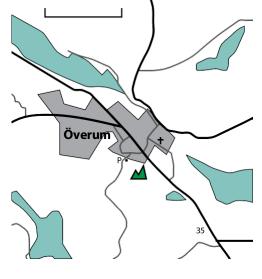
### **Characteristics**

A very nice sport climbing crag with lots of high quality routes for climbers of all levels. It is especially a challenge for more advanced climbers. The crag consists of firm reddish granite. There are several types of climbing here – vertical, slab, overhanging. The crag is 20 m at its highest. Sadly it has not yet been discovered by sport climbers but that is bound to happen in the future. The place has no brushwood and few trees which makes it easy for sun, light, and air to reach the crag. The Middlewall has been reopened and there you find several easy routes. Ingmar Petterson's overhanging wall, earlier called the Boulderwall, is newly equipped and cleaned. Ingmar, who did much to develop the climbing in Västervik, died tragically in a car accident during the Swedish Climbing Championship in Västerås 1997. The 'Dancing with Flies'-route, grade 7a, has become the template for grading. All the more difficult grades are based on it. Jim Wasmuth did the first on-sight climb the same year the route was created. Climbing pioneer Johan Luhr created the first 8a routes which led to a higher climbing standard in the area at large. Johan has made a big impact on the climbing in Västervik with all the new routes he has created. The crag is facing south west and the sun reaches it after 11.00 a.m. in the summer. The crag has 11 routes that are especially recommended. See the ones marked with a star . There are three walls, **Branta väggen** north, **Mellanväggen** och **Ingmars vägg** south.

#### Directions

The crag is located about 44 km north west of **Västervik**. From Västervik follow the E22 towards Gamleby and then drive towards Överum. You will pass a cemetery on your left before you reach Överum. Turn left onto the asphalt road and continue up the hill until you reach the top, then turn left and then immediately right. Continue down the hill and you will see the sports centre on your left. Park on the gravel area on your left in front of the grasspitch. Follow the trail on left side. The crag is located about 70 km from **Linköping.** Take road 35 and drive past Åtvidaberg. Turn right after the kiosk on your left in Överum. Continue up the hill. See the above. You can also take the train from Linköping and Västervik to Överum. The crag is within walking-distance (900 m) from the train station. See the above.





**Coordinates** To the parking lot: 57.982313, 16.318027 Crag: 57.982938, 16.317170

### Accommodation

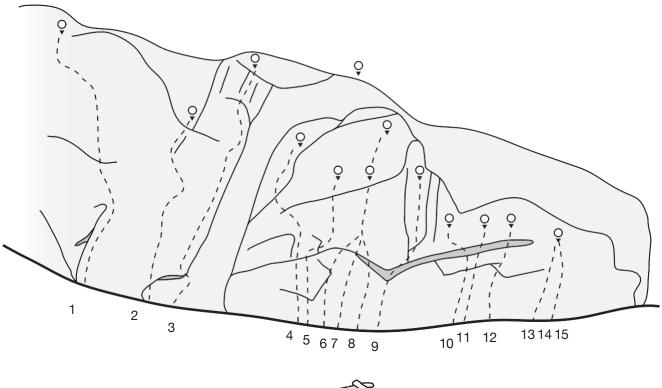
Cottages and camping, KustCamp in Gamleby, +4649310221 www.campa.se, Watch <u>www.vastervik.com/boende</u>,

#### Shops

The closest grocery store, Coop, is located in Överum about 400 m from the crag. The closest petrol stations, Bilia and Preem, are located in the centre of Gamleby 13 km from the crag.

#### **Climbing centre**

The climbing centre in Västervik is the main meeting point for climbers. It is located next to COOP on Kristinebergsgatan 12.There is free Wi-Fi internet access. It is a place where you can meet, trade stories, read climbing magazines. The latest information on climbing and other outdoor activities in the area is available there. There is also a climbing gym available, where you can climb and get to know other climbers. Call +46730213838 or +46704237229 for more information.



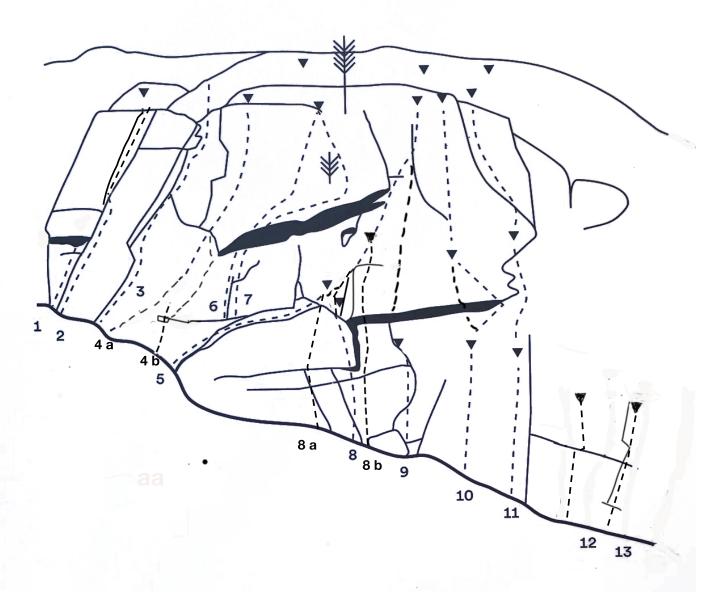
### Branta väggen



There are several new and variants routes that are not included. In June in June we hope to include them the guide

	Name	Grade	First Ascender	Height	Bolts	Comment
1	Ostkusten pärla	7a+	Stefan Rasmussen -92	20 m	8 bb	hard top out
2	Tjustkruxet	6c	Jim Wasmuth -92	15 m	5 bb	
3	Stefans arete	7a	Stefan Rasmussen -92	18 m	8 bb	
4	Pk:s vals	6b+	Stefan Rasmussen -92	16 m	6bb	
5	Dansa med myggor	7a	Fredrik Östin -92	15 m	6 bb	mosquito-repellent is rec- ommended in summer
а	Variant	7a	Stefan Rasmussen -93			to the left of route 5
b	Variant	7a	Stefan Rasmussen -93			traverse to Parador
6	Parador direkt	7b	Johan Luhr -92	16 m	8 bb	
7	Parador	7c+	Stefan Rasmussen -92	16 m	8 bb	
8	Evigt ung	8a+	Johan Luhr -93	16 m	7 bb	
9	Full fräs	8a	Johan Luhr -93	16 m	7 bb	
10	Den hänsynslöse	8a	Johan Luhr -93	12 m	7 bb	
11	Livet är en fest	7b	Jim Wasmuth -92	12 m	6 bb	
12	Tills döden skiljer oss åt	8a+	Johan Luhr-93	12 m	5 bb	
13	Kingfish	8a	Patrik Andersson -92	10 m	5bb	
14	Änglagård	7b	Johan Luhr -92	9 m	5 bb	
15	Sista dansen	7b	Johan Luhr -92	9 m	5 bb	

### Mellanväggen



A partially new opened crag with easier routes and good slabclimbing in pleasant environment.

### Warning: Bolts are missing on overhangs of the climbing routes 9 and 10. Work in progress.

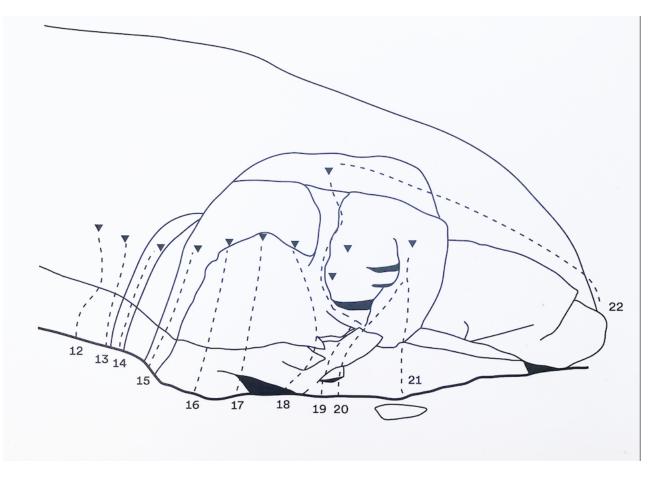
Name	Grade	First Ascendant	Height	Bolts	Comment
1 Desperata Pelaren	7-	Jacob Sjöstrand -83	7 m		Trad, very hard to secure
2 Smålensk Granit ★	5 a	Jim Wasmuth -12	18 m	8 bb	
3 Bråttom	5	Per Normark -83	18 m		Trad
4a Dolda Kameran left	4 c	Jim Wasmuth -13	18 m	11 bb	Start to the left
4b Dolda Kameran right	4 c	Jim Wasmuth -23	18 m	11 bb	Pass the big stone in the beginning to right, the route joins in the middle

5 Transport led				8 m		Use the f	fixed rope to a	the shelf
6 Aljazeera ★	6 a	Jim Wasmuth	-13	16 m	8 bb			
7 Med kallt blod	6+	Jacob Sjöstra	nd -83	16 m		Trad, very	hard to secur	e
8a Sirte left	4 a	Jim Wasmuth	-13	25 m	12 bb	Avoid the middle of	loose rock to the route	the left in the
8 Sirte ★	4 c	Jim Wasmuth	-12	25 m	12 bb	_ *	-	
8b Sirte right	4 c	Jim Wasmuth	-23	25 m	12 bb	- "	-	
9 <b>Gaza</b> Easy climbing to the first anchor,	5 c 2 c	Jim Wasmuth	-23	25 m	13 bb	No bolts a progress.	at the overhang	n, Work in
10 Sparris	4a, 5 c	Jim Wasmuth	-11	28 m	17 bb	No bolts a progress	at the left overh	nang. Work in
11 Arabisk vår ★	4a, 4c+	Jim Wasmuth	-11	28 m	17 bb			
12 Sharm el Shake	6 a	Jim Wasmuth	-11	8 m	4 bb			
13 Nilen	3 c	Jim Wasmuth	-11	8 m	4 bb			
Grades 3a-3c		4a-4c	5a-5c	6a	-6c	7a-7c	8a-8c	Total
Amount 1		7	4		3			15



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### Ingmars vägg



A overhanging wall with several good routes. The wall dries up quite quickly.

	Name	Grade	First Ascender	Height	Bolt	Comment
14	Green Crack	6 a	Jim Wasmuth -12	7 m	4 bb	Two topanchors
15	Undercling	6 a+	Jim Wasmuth -12	8 m	5 bb	
16	Oldman river	6 c+	Ingmar Pettersson -95	9 m	5 bb	
17	River	7 a+	J.Luhr/S.Rasmussen-95	9 m	5 bb	
18	Gas I magen	6 b+	Ingmar Pettersson -94	9 m	5 bb	
19	Smålensk dynamit	7 a	Pär Fluor -95	9 m	5 bb	
19	Insteg t.h.	6 b+				
20	Björnbajset	6 c+	M.Fyrsten -12	9 m	5 bb	
21	Björnen	7 a	CJ.Fredriksson/S.Rasmussen -19	9 m	5 bb	

22 Ascent path

Follow the rope to topanchors