

New Routes: The climbs are situated on the main face of **Saddle Mountain** midway between *Flashback* and *Saddle Spire* (p. 405-406 of the *Banff Rock* guidebook). They were established by different first ascent parties at roughly the same time and follow parallel lines which at times are quite close to one another. Both are sport climbs which are entirely bolt-protected and can be descended in 30 m rappels.

Fools in the Rain 110 m, 5.11c (sport) [Y] ** (dotted red line)

Sonnie Trotter, Derek Galloway and Lydia Zamorano, 2012

From a highpoint where the trail crosses a small promontary, scramble up and left to a bay with a single bolt belay directly below the line.

Follow the bolts for three pitches to the top of the main face and the start of the shale band. Descend in four 30 m rappels using a station on the left to split the first pitch - see photo.

- 1. 50 m, 5.11a.** Climb the prow left of a big, right-facing corner to a bolted station.
- 2. 30 m, 5.11b.** Climb the shallow corner above to an overhang and then move out right onto the prow. Climb this, passing an overhang on its left side, to a ledge, above and left of the base on the big, left-facing corner on the last pitch of *Jungle Book*.
- 3. 30 m, 5.11c.** Continue straight up the wall past several small overlaps to an obvious break in the large overhang above. Climb through this and continue up to a rappel station just below the shale band.

Dodging Wives 125 m, 5.11b/c (sport) [X] ** (dotted yellow line)

Jesse Horne, Evgenii Kozhushko and Ben Greenwood, August 2013

The climb starts about 3 m left of *Fools in the Rain*.

- 1. 50 m, 5.10a.** 23 quick draws
- 2. 20m, 5.11a.** 10 quick draws
- 3. 30 m, 5.11b/c.** 14 quick draws
- 4. 25 m, 5.10a.** 11 quick draws

Saddle Mountain – Main Face Centre

