

# Thimble Stones

Altitude 392m a.s.l -Faces SW

## Crag features

A small set of boulders close to the summit of Ilkley (Rombald's) Moor providing a few short but pleasant problems in a fine location. The Ripples Block has interesting rock.



## Access notes

The Tarmac road on the Keighley side of the moor leads to a parking place by the Whetstone Gate Arial. Follow the path towards the summit - the boulders are obvious and on the other side of the wall. Cross the wall at a convenient boulder that forms a natural stile. **Problems described from left to right**

### Central Block



Situated towards the centre of the group!

#### 1/ Little Greeny f3

Step off the block and green your way upwards.



#### 2/ A Stitch in Time

f6c+ \*\*

Tackle the two rounded arêtes just right of the small block from a low sitter.

#### 3/ Reap and Sew f6b+ \*

Left hand on right of the two arêtes and right in low undercut. Crouch/sit start and slap. Rock-up left to finish. A standing version is **Small Circle of Fiends** f4

#### 5/ Little Slip of Horrors f6a+ \*

SDS up the arête direct. Also worthwhile from standing.

#### 6/ Strangeness in a Strange Way f5

Arête on its right side.

#### 4/ Impetuous before His Time f6c \*

SDS up holds on wall left of the arête. No using the arête.

#### 7/ Imp-poster F4+

Wall in the gully just to the right of the last problem.

## Ripples Block

The right-hand block has a lovely rippled wall facing towards the valley.



**1/ Micro-chasm f2 \***  
The fine flake on the left.

**2/ Small Wonder f6a+ \***  
SDS off horizontal pinch and up.

**3/ Atom Craft f6a \***  
SDS. Low hold to flakes.



**4/ Tom's Thumb f2**  
Left side of easy slab.

**5/ Teeny Tim f2**  
Right side of easy slab.

**6/ Small Sacrifices f5 \***  
SDS. Right side of slanting arête.

**7/ Happiness in Small Doses f6c \*\***  
SDS. Low undercut ripple to top. Fun!

**8/ Tweeking the Nipple f6b \***  
As it says! SDS just in from right arête.

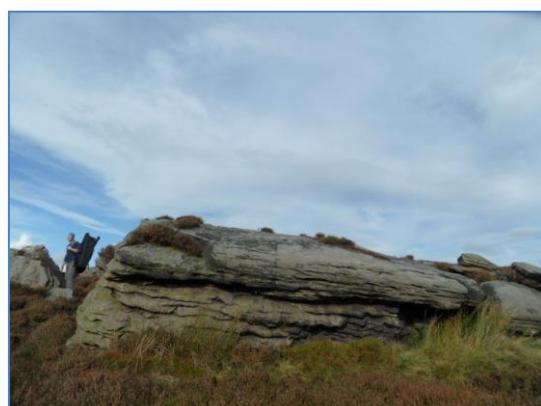
**9/ Little Rascal f4**  
Right arête from SDS.

**10/ No Small Affair f6c \*\***  
R to L traverse using only holds below the top. F6a if top is allowed and still good.

## Fat Lip Block

75m to the right and past one set of small boulders is a very low sloping slab sat on a plinth.

**1/ The Power of the Pullover f5+**  
Leftish end of slab, right of the notch. Low SDS to lip and up.



**2/ Chinless Wonder f6b**

Similar but harder. Middle of slab.

**3/ Rude Not Ta f4+**

SDS under the nose on the left end to pull over for the big crack.

**4/ Something a Little Less Sensible f6b \***

Feet up traverse from right to left finishing at obvious notch. Easier using the bottom of plinth for feet (6aish).

All problems FRA P Clarke, John Hunt Oct 2014 (some will have been done before)

**A Stitch in Time and Reap and Sew** P Clarke Oct 2014