

## 6 What's My Line 5.6+R, AO★★★

This is one of the classics that everyone comes to climb. The line diagnols across the face comnnecting the largest chickenheads. For most people the crux is finding the start of the route. Start the route nearly halfway up the face from a huge ledge which can be gained on the far left side of the face. Look for a ramp with a crack on the right side. Head up this feature to where it levels out. Stay in the gully heading under a huge boulder and continue to scramble up gully till it dead ends at a chimney. Climb up this chimney to gain the ledge and set up belay as your pendulum bolt is to your right at the end of the ledge.

## Pro to 4", lots of long runners

P1-From the belay step right to clip the pendulum bolts with chain. Then lower, no more then 20' and stretch far to the right to reach the chickenheads. Be aware to not place any gear or sling a chickenhead until about 50' above the pendulum bolts to prevent the follower from a swing. It is possible to avoid the pendulum move by climbing straight right from the pendulum bolts at about 5.10+ or downclimb a little and then go right at about 5.10-. Continue straight up and belay on chickenheads or use the anchor on Let's make a Deal (#7). 5.6+R, AO, pro to ½", long slings, 130'

Variation: To avoid the scramble up the gully and the pendulum it is possibl to do a direct start. See route #9 for descritpion of this alternative first pitch.

**P2**-This long pitch diagonals up and right across the face following the best chickenheads passing below a set of anchors continuing to the massive chickenhead patch on the upper right face of the formation. Ensure to set up belay below the last few good chicken heads so on the next pitch the leader will have protection (chickenhead slung) between the anchor and the crack. **5.6**, **140**′

**P3**-Climb up the last few chickenheads, then a few slab moves to obtain the seam. Traverse almost straight left past a bolt to the obvious chimney at the end of the ledge. Belay here. **5.6+, 1 bolt, pro to 4", 90'** 

**P4**-Continue up right leaning ramp to sub summit and anchors. **5.6**, **50**′

A bolt has been placed on the south face of the summit block. To really "summit" and rap off a double bolt rap anchor. Descent: requires one rope and two rappels down the east side of the rock off bolt anchors (see photo).

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