

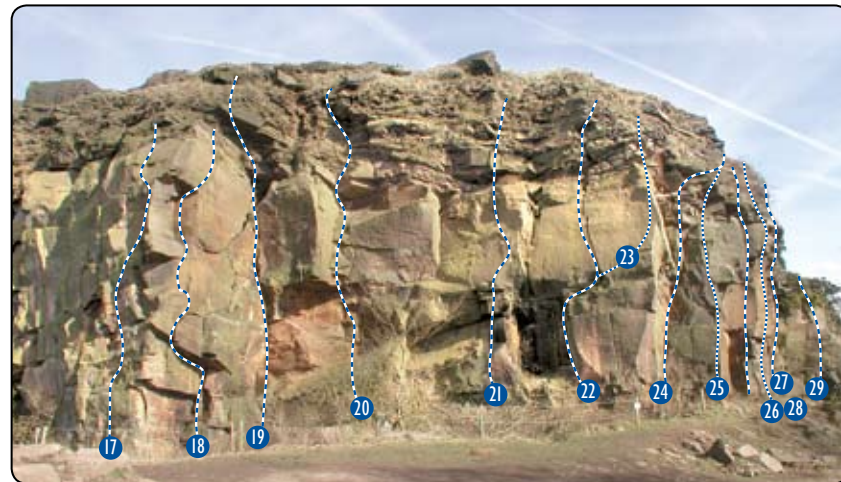
Harthill Quarry

O.S. ref. SK 217615 Alt 260m

Based on David Simmonite (1996 guide)

An interesting, and seldom-visited quarry, which, in the past, has attracted Joe Brown, Wilf White and Johnny Dawes to add new routes. With minimal approach and super-sunny, seepage-free aspect, it has its good points. However, the rock is a little friable, and the last metre or so can be horrible loose. Hanging rope seriously advised. In summer, foliage can get a bit much on certain routes, but its aspect makes it a good winter venue. It is approached easily, from parking at the sharp bend between Elton and the upper parking for Robin Hood's Stride. Park near the water trough, avoiding any obstruction of gates. Follow the track to the quarry in 1 minute. The quarry is owned by the Stanton Estates as part of the Duchy of Lancaster and it is advisable to keep a low profile and not to use the quarry when it is being used for M.A.T.A. motor cycle scrambling meets, which are usually held monthly. A left to right girdle traverse is E3 6a, but has shed sections. For full route details, see the BMC website (see pXX for details.)

1	Barmaster	VS 4c	1986
2	Perhaps	VS 4b	1969
3	Pourquoi Pas	E2 6a	1970s/84
4	Grovel Over	VS 4c	1969
5	The Aorta	VS 4c	1982
6	Grip	HVS 5a ★	1981
7	Dolmen Groove	HVS 5a	1986
8	Trial Master	HVS 4c	1986
9	Dune Rider	E2 5b	1986
10	The Duke	VS 4c	1983
11	Kata	E1 6a	1984
12	Tender Kisses	E3 6a	1986
13	Demented Dentist	E3 6a ★	1984
14	Thumper the Rabbit	E4 6c ★	1986
15	Afterbird	HVS 5b	1985



16	Brown and White	HVS 5a, 4c	1957
17	Lichen Arête	HVS 5a	1984
18	Buffalo Bill	HVS 5a, 5b ★	1983
19	The Wender	VS 5a	1969
20	Duckhams	HVS 5a	1983
21	Prince of Thieves	E1 5b ★	1991
22	Bill Bloore	HVS 5b	1983
23	Buddha Mouth, Snake Mind	E4 6b ★	1984
24	Yellow John	HS 4b	1983
25	Rosehip	VS 4c	1983
26	Game for a Laugh	HVS 5b	1983
27	Like a Good Turkish Wife	VS 4c	1991
28	The Bogmailer	HVS 5b	1991
29	Why Bother	HVD	1991

Harthill Quarry First Ascents

1957 May **Brown and White** Wilf White, Joe Brown, Nat Allen **1969** **The Wender, Grovel Over** TM Clarke, Tom Corker **Perhaps** Tom Corker, Chris Worthy, Colin Peters **1970s** **Pourquoi Pas** (2pts) Jim Ballard **1981 Aug. Grip** Gary Gibson, Alison Hargreaves, Richard Hargreaves **1982** **The Aorta** Chris Calow **1983** **Yellow John** Terry Gifford, Norman Elliott, David Craig **Bill Bloore, Rosehip, Duckhamsn, Buffalo Bill** various combinations of Steve Wigmore, Martin Heath, Chris Hope **Game for a Laugh** Bill Wintrip **1984** **Lichen Arête** Chris Hope, Steve Wigmore **Buddha Mouth, Snake Mind, Kata, Tender Kisses** Paul Mitchell **Demented Dentist** Andy Barker, Paul Mitchell **Pourquoi Pas** Ian Parsons FFA of Pourquoi **1985** **Afterbird** Chris Hope, Martin Heath Girdle Traverse Steve Wigmore, Chris Hope **1986** **Feb. 23** **Thumper the Rabbit** Johnny Dawes **May** **Dolmen Groove, Barmaster** Tom Bolger, Chris Hope **Dune Rider** Steve Wigmore **Trial Master** Tom Bolger, Steve Wigmore **1991** **Like a Good Turkish Wife** Roy Bennett, Tim Usherwood, David Simmonite **The Bogmailer** David Simmonite, Tim Usherwood **Why Bother** Tim Usherwood, David Simmonite, Roy Bennett **Prince of Thieves** David Simmonite, Roy Bennett