

Logbook account of the Torno trip, 12/11/2015 by Dave Gledhill and Jon Pemberton, written by Dave Gledhill

[Note: Previously surveyed by Barney and DG in August 08 but scale of dots on printout made it impossible to draw.] *This appears to be batch 2366_08_16 - JSC*

Checked out some possible climbs and previous leads from 2008. Through boulder choke at start of *Road to Riaño* - turn left up muddy, narrow rift passage; slight stream (trickle) out. Up to far end then climb up to roof of passage. Squeeze through flowstone then stal restrictions. Climb up into continuing rift passage to a three-way junction (**Right**, **Up Left** and **Up Behind**).

Up Behind

Passage to well decorated rift / choke. Climb up left wall to check for way on up through choke - nothing - end.

Right

Tight, thrutchy rift to aven - flowstone coming in from two holes in roof on right. Well decorated passage / chamber / "something" seen beyond. Needs a more focused approach. Climb up continuation of aven on loose stacked boulders into large chamber. Hole in left wall 6m up entered after bolt climb: unfortunately smaller than it appeared - ends at 2m. Climb up loose slope to top right of chamber - large fallen blocks wedged on near vertical wall prevents access to obvious continuation of aven upwards. Again, this needs a more focused approach with bolting gear to climb up right hand side of boulders or traverse up and around then up left side of boulders or up back wall and into very steep V groove into space above. Walls muddy, calcited choss or combination of both. Probably 15 - 20m of bolting required.

Up Left

Bridge up over fallen slabs (10m?). At top continue climb into large opening above - no way on. Passage to left - climb on right in final chamber leads to space in fallen blocks - no way on - no draught. Passage to right - descending tube on right wall choked with smallish rocks - easily moved to start with - but limited space + no draught + headache = fairly pointless. Further along the passage, just before solid fall blocks way, is possible way on upwards checked out by climb up into apparent opening, but all closed down fairly quickly. No sign of a possible way on, although air in this area is much fresher than elsewhere in this section.

Summary

One of the leads still promising, but will need bolting upwards to make any further progress. The two squeezes into this section may preclude some people from entering it.