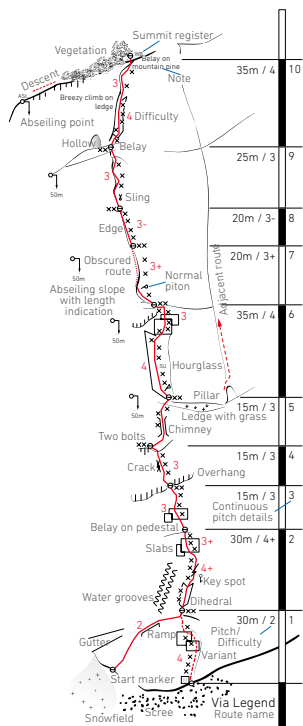
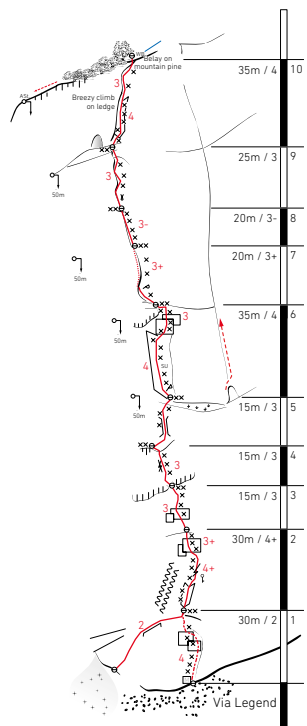


# TOUR PLANNING TOPOGRAPHIC MAP

Like a map, a route topographic map uses symbols to represent the rock formations. Climbers can orient themselves on the basis of these symbols, the climbing direction, the length of the pitch and the number and type of belay points illustrated. Further indicators that can help with orientation include a sensible route, the rock quality as well as tracks on the rock.



The standardized symbols on the topographic map provide important information about the course and nature of the route. An overview of all common symbols:

Chimney	Chockstone	Crack	Gutter	Dihedral	Edge
Slabs	Overhang	Roof	Ramp	Ledge	Pedestal, shoulder
Cave	Water streaks	Boulders, rubble	Snow, firn	Cornice	Mountain pine
					Visible route
Tree	Grass	Fixed wire rope	Pendulum		Obscured route
					Variant
Belay	Rappel point	Bivouac site	Key spot		Bolt
					Piton
					Hourglass