Approach: Temple Crag From Big Pine, drive west to backpacker's parking just Sun Ribbon Arete before Glacier Lodge. Hike IV, 5.9+ or 5.7 past two lakes to camp at third, or head directly up valley toward Temple from ® Bruse Bindner & Gary Clark 2002 the east side of Second North American Classics Lake, to camp (dry) below 1000' to summit naclassics.com route in wash area. 3-4 hrs. Descent: descent From top of route or from summit, head East directly 5.4 chimney, toward the obvious pass or other options below. Don't take the big gully that develops to your over top and right - stay left, and pick 3rd along left side Gendarme (ignore) up segments of trail. It of several small gets steep as you approach towers the pass. Scramble down Tyrolean, or rap 40' to a fixed rappel (80') to the pass. As you descend rap to notch the big talus slope past the 2nd traverse around other buttresses, stay left Gendarme to east to or right - NOT in the 5.7 deep notch middle, where there are dangerously unstable boulders. 50m Rack: Arete 5.5 Regular alpine rack, med. to 3.0" Gendarme Pitch 10 detail 50m (5.9+ option) Arete 5.5 nut 50m slot Arete 5.7 5.5 Arete 5.9 thin 1st Gendarme 5.9 Arete 5.6 several rope 3.5" lengths, 3rd & 4th class 5.7 steep East 5.7 steep Face Arete obvious Var. dihedral Snowledge, 5.9+ filled 4th Cl. gully (crampons) on rock to avoid snow (late season) talus deep notch cone