Christmas Break DV Trip #2

Just returned from our second of two amazing trips to Death Valley! Here are some photos; more detailed trip reports to follow.

Undertaker Canyon and Widowmaker Dryfall



u-turn in the incredible narrows between the boulder jam and widowmaker dryfall



widowmaker dryfall

Borax Mountain (between 20-Mule-Team and Artist's Palette)



Panorama photo looking down towards artist's palette from the top of borax. While we were at the top, we discovered that the cell phone service appears to be much faster up here than down at Furnace Creek!

"Fall 2" Canyon/Major Canyon between large alluvial fan and Titanothere Canyon



entering a narrow stretch of the canyon

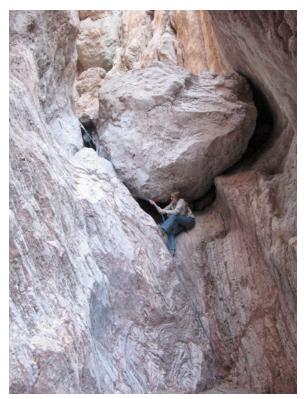


The 25-foot dryfall topped with a chockstone that we stopped at; we spent some time looking for a workaround but there didn't appear to be one.

Red Wall Canyon



impressive red walls



The 25-foot fall; as you can see, the rope is still there. It was easy to get up the first stage to just under the chockstone, but I didn't trust the rope (or my skill) enough to go around the chockstone, so we stopped there.



the local coyote



One of the slots in this canyon. It appears to be well known by horseback riders; there are a lot of hoof-prints and other traces of horses in the wash and main canyon. The slots are nowhere near as good as those in Funeral Slot Canyon, and they end abruptly at steep falls, but overall it is definitely an interesting canyon.