

ROUTE AND BOULDER GRADES.

- » The grade of a climb is a reflection of how difficult it will feel to complete.
- » When routes are graded consistently climbers can measure their progress.
- » Routes at the Oval are graded based on both qualitative and quantitative aspects.
- » Our routesetting team strives to create enjoyable climbs for all climbers while still providing the opportunity for everyone to achieve their goals in climbing.

There are six levels of routes and boulders you will find at the Oval. The tags posted at the base of the routes will show the level of difficulty. The colour of the Oval logo will be the same as the colour of the holds used in the route.



LEVEL 2

EXPLANATIONS OF GRADES

5.13 V8		ELITE	Highly complex, technical, and strenuous movement in a competitive style. Sending one of these routes is a major accomplishment.
5.12+ V6		LEVEL 5	Formidable and uncertain movement that will require advanced levels of technique and power.
5.12 V5		LEVEL 4	Complex and demanding movements that will require above average technique and strength.
5.11 V3		LEVEL 3	Significantly technical movement, requiring above average body control, strength and endurance.
5.10 V1		LEVEL 2	Some technical movement, challenging the climber's balance, footwork and endurance.
5.8 V0		LEVEL 1	Simple movements, positive comfortable holds, and plenty of solid feet.