

Preliminary Report

Abstract

A team of six established a base camp in the South Kurai Range of the Russian Altai and successfully climbed to five summits. All peaks are thought to be first British ascents and it is possible that four of these had not previously been climbed.

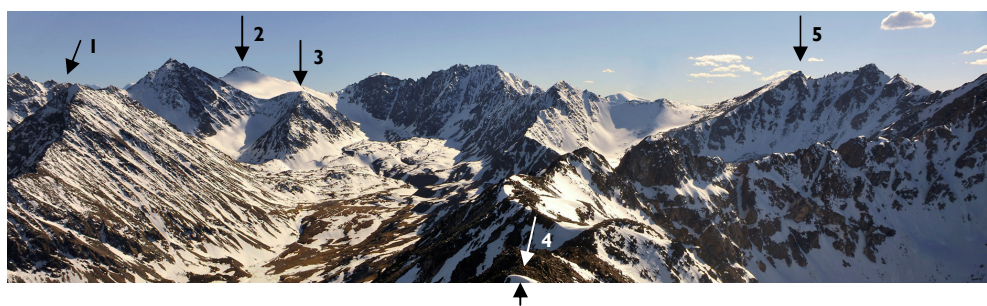
Itinerary – 21st May → 11th June

Two days in Barnaul acquiring provisions. One day driving to Kurai village (near Aktash) along Chuysky Trakt. Transfer by 4x4 and two days walk to our base camp assisted by horsemen. Eight days in the base camp area, establishing two advanced base camps and making single day ascents. Walk out completed in a single day before transfer back to Barnaul. Two team members spent three additional days in the Northern Chuysky range.

Expedition Area



The Mountains



No.	Lat & Long	Height	Grade	Climbers	Date
1*	50° 22.41' N / 87° 47.01' E	3,089m	PD	MF, TM, DT	02 / 06 / 09
2	50° 21.93' N / 87° 45.84' E	3,259m	PD	MB, MF, MR	31 / 05 / 09
3	50° 22.34' N / 87° 45.83' E	3,071m	PD	MB, MF, MR	30 / 05 / 09
4*	TBC	TBC	F	DT, NP, TM	29 / 05 / 09
5	50° 23.93' N / 87° 45.05' E	3,167m	F	NP, MR, MF, TM, DT	03 / 06 / 09

*Summit not visible in photograph

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