

Try a little harder

Ario 2024



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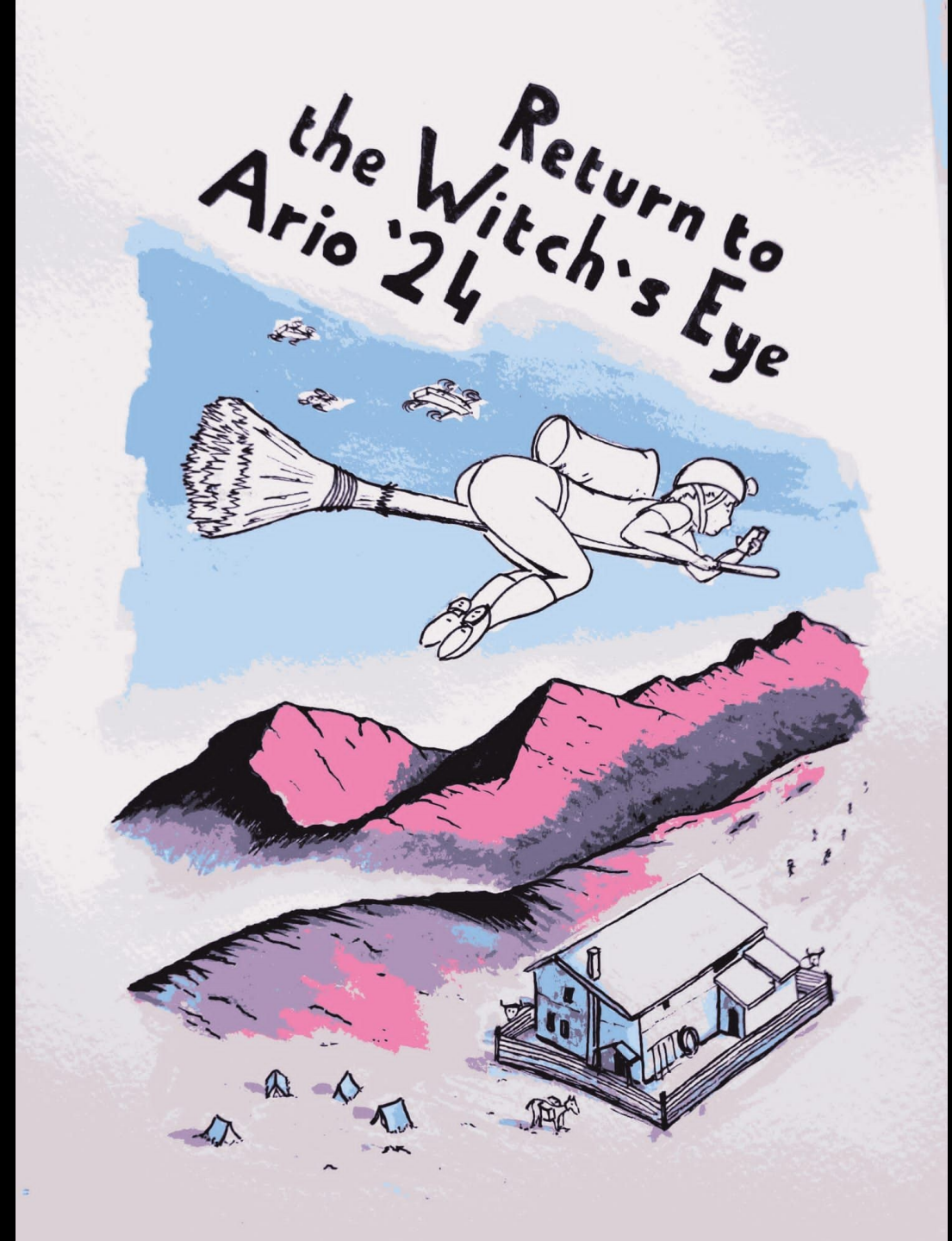
Background

Upstream 2/7: Return to the Witch's Eye

Tras La Jayada: Try a little harder

Other caves

What's next?



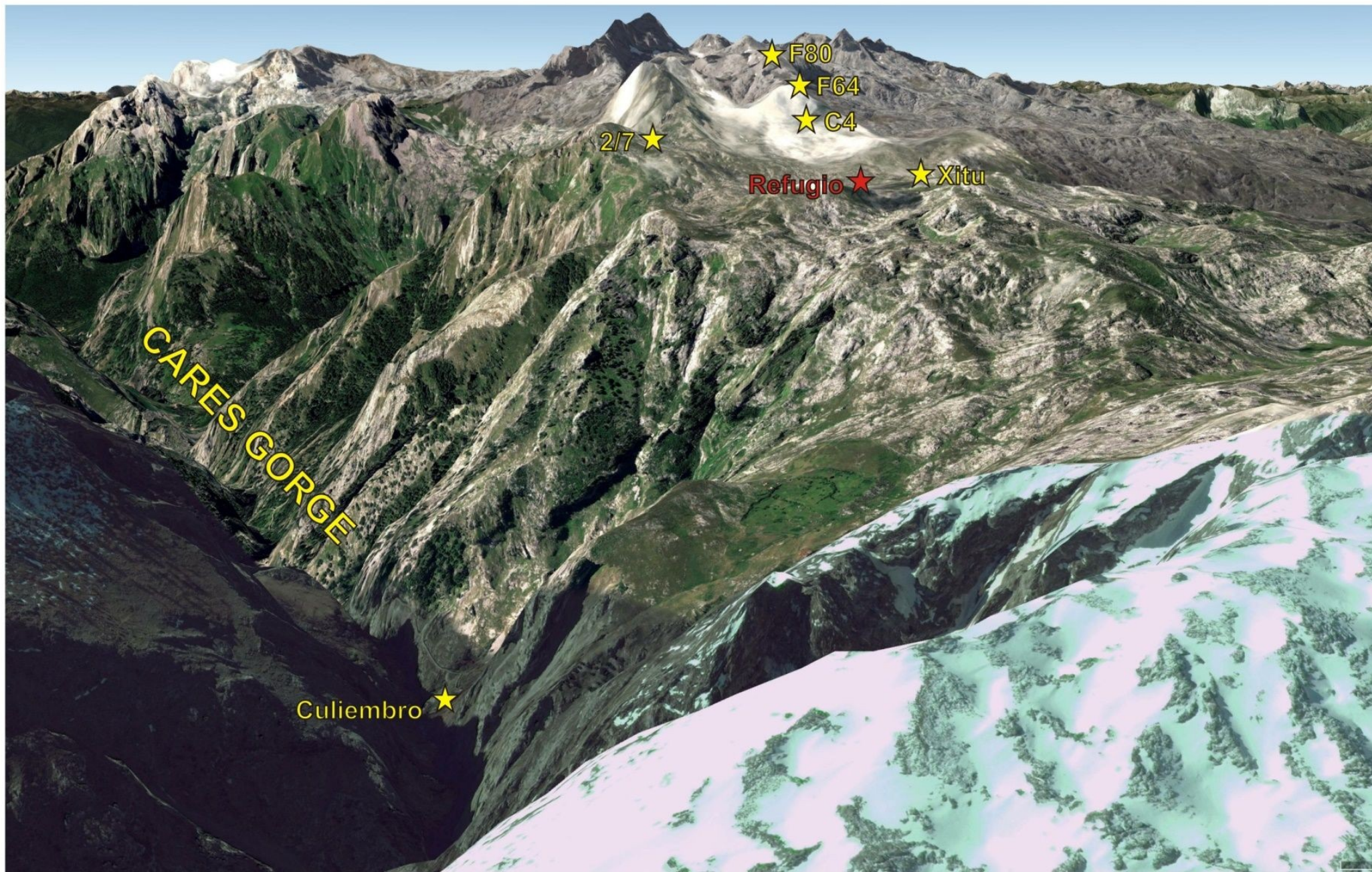


Algiers
مدينة الجزائر





1,800 m +



Xitu: 1979-81

2/7: 1986-98
(Pozu Jultayu,
Cave of the
Witche's Eye)

C3/4: 1995-97
(Sistema
Verdelluenga)

2010: Culiembro-
Xitu connection

2017: C4 to 2/7
diving
connection

2019-23: Bill's
Cave (27/9)
connection to 2/7



**2/7 via Bill's
Cave (27/9)**

**Oxford University Cave Club
Expedition to Northern Spain**

July 1998



FINAL REPORT



















PSS Ran. apl. (6)

HCG, LJM

3. 8. 2000



P50-1

Pandora

11/1/11

5.8.2000

ADS 374/207

C4 Sump!

Hew
2023-07-08 RTH & CJC
from 27/4



Pozu del Xitu



53/5

TR2

Tapeworm

Bill's Cave

Holier than Thou

Tras la Jayada

C4

64

C3

Canals on Mars

2/7

















**A Savage
Journey to the
Heart of the
American Dream**



2/7 via Tras La
Jayada ??









"FROM THE ARCHIVES"

TRAS LA JAYADA.

Expedition logbook 1985 Arico p. 18 -
Dave R, Phil R, Fred

"A FLAT FLOORED MATI BLACK MOSTLY INVISIBLE CATHEDRAL CHILLED
BT THE SNOW WATER ENDING ITS HISSING IN A DEEP CLEAR POOL.
THE SID'S LITTLE CONTINUATION WAS NOTICED, AND LIKE THE
SHAFT FLOORED BY DENSE, IMPENETRABLE CHOKÉ."

Tras La Jayada

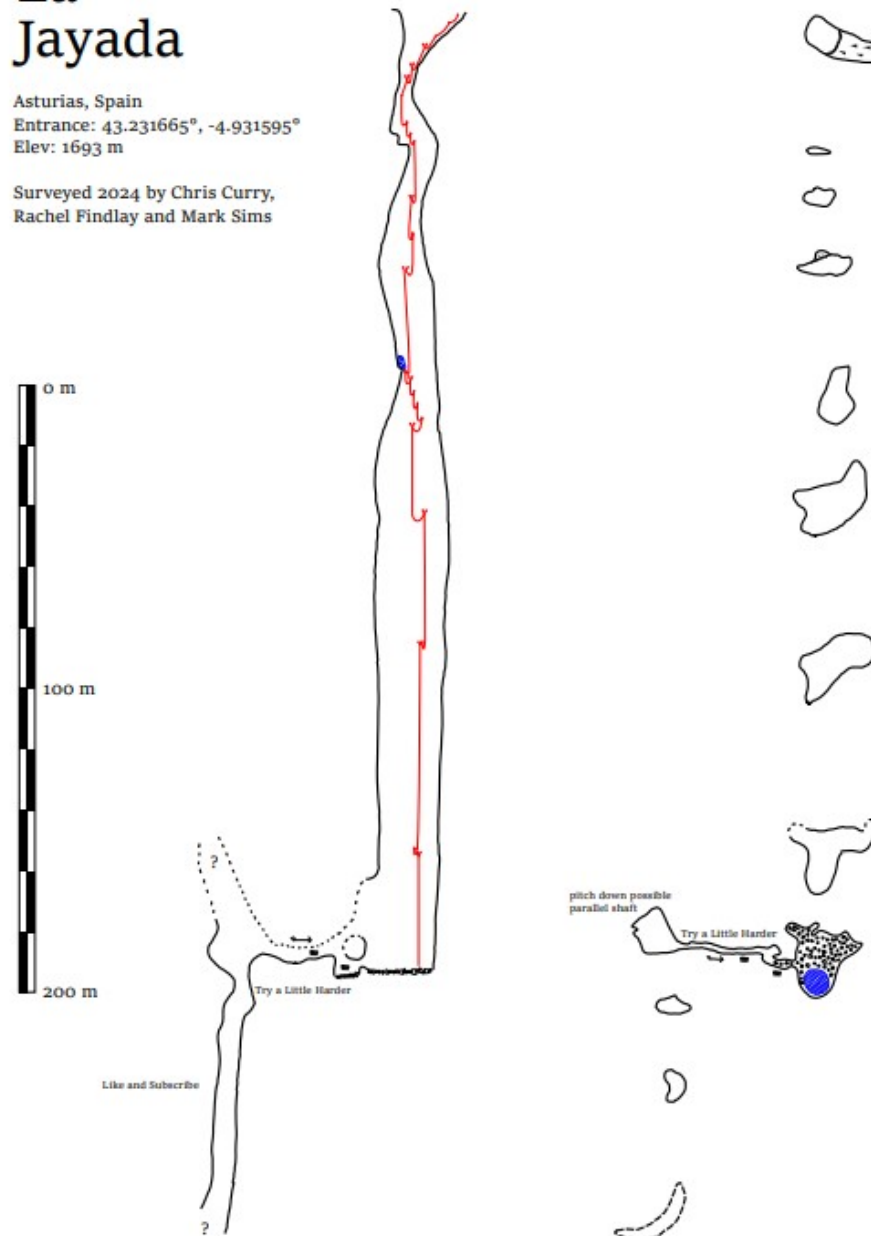
Asturias, Spain
Entrance: 43.231665°, -4.931595°
Elev: 1693 m

Surveyed 2024 by Chris Curry,
Rachel Findlay and Mark Sims

Elevation facing E

Plan sections

N ←



Picos Prophecy



On 7 August 2010 13:45, Rob Garrett wrote:

So I was looking back through some past expedition reports and I was reminded of something I'd noted at the time. The 'Holier Than Thou' inlet in 2/7 ends at a rising sump directly below Tras La Jayada. Checking the 1999 report, confirms that HTT inlet was notable for an extremely cold draught, *"in particular, around 50m back from the sump there is a climb up through boulders that appears to take most of the strong draught that makes the whole of Holier Than Thou so cold."*

Doubters:



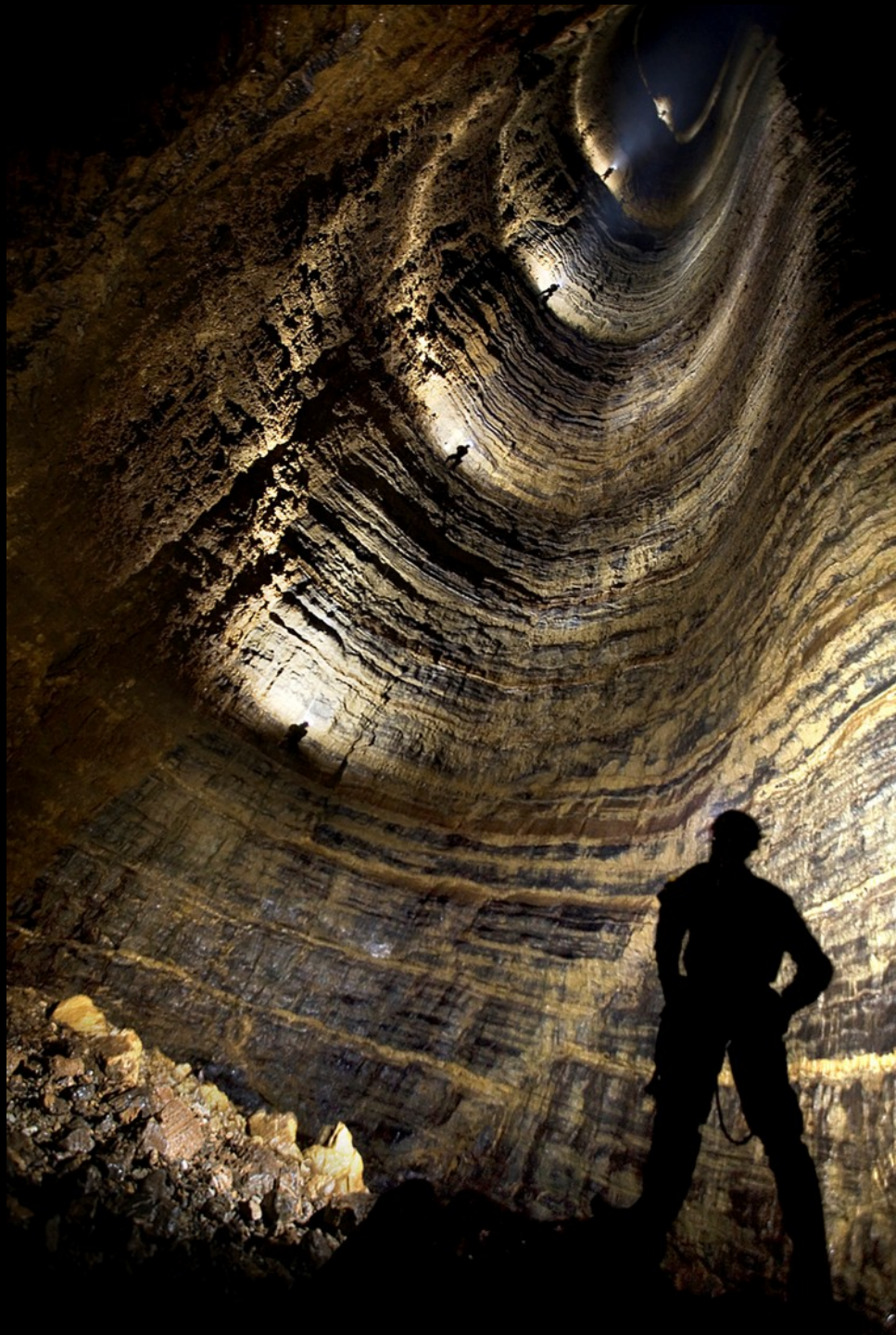
I don't think TLJ is a good lead, alas. The parallel shaft ends in a solid sand choke with no visible way on.

The shaft is quite dangerous thanks to the falling lumps of ice.



Not sure if the TLJ lead is as interesting to me as a C/3 + C/4 exped that attempts to dive downstream to make the 2/7 link and also bolt upstream towards the bottom of caves with higher entrances.

If TLJ were an option I'd seriously consider wearing an armchair instead of a harness, the psychological and physical damage of getting to the bottom of Miao Keng is still fresh...



The downstream gap







**TR2 – The
Cave of the
Old Men's
Dreams**



Remote Prospecting



Next Year:

**TLJ
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**High levels
upstream 2/7**

**Canals on
Mars**

**Sima
Oliseda ??**

**The elusive
downstream
gap**

**Downstream
2/7 ??**



Sima Oliseda



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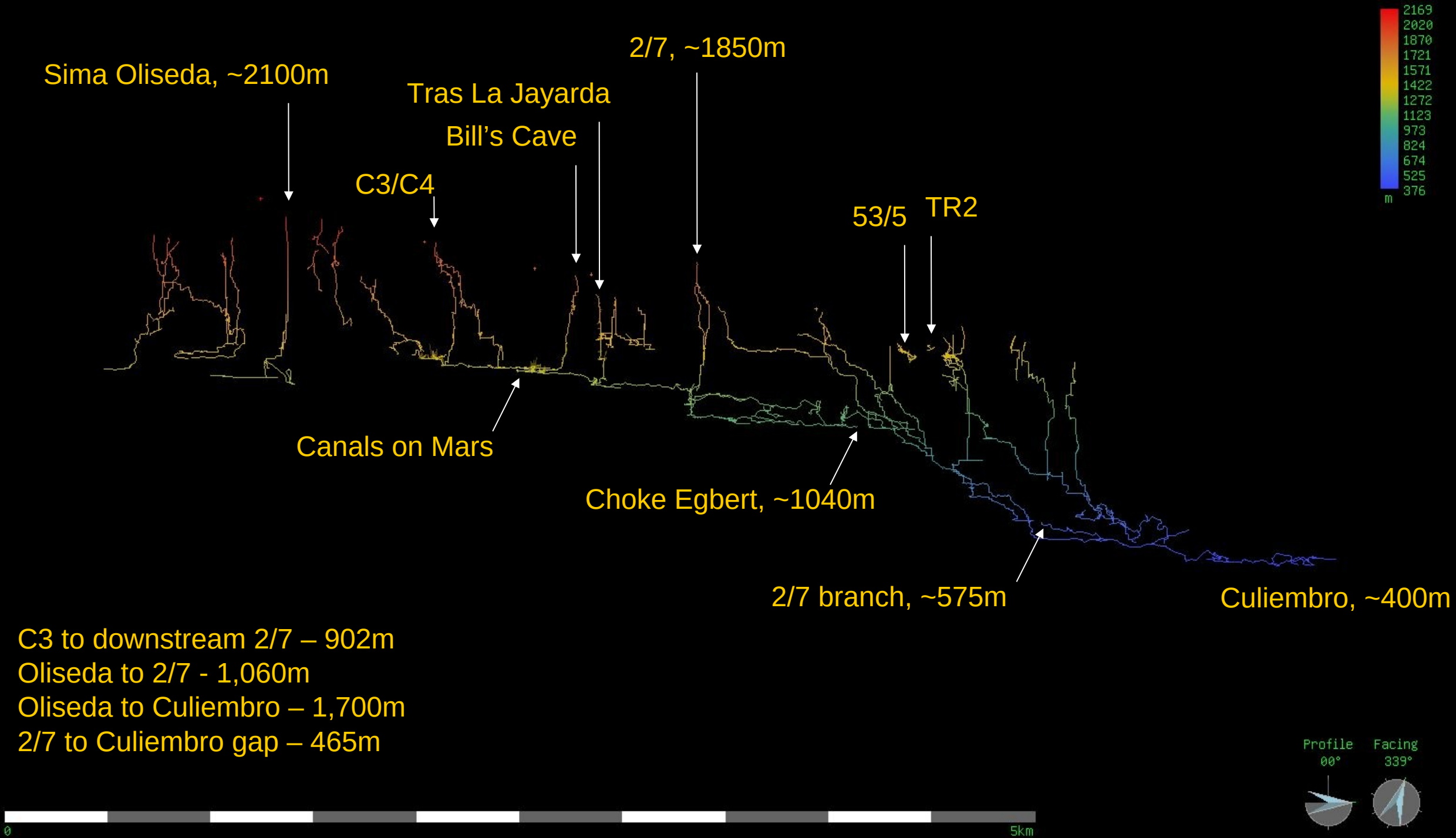
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Thank you!

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