
Wheeler Mountain - 11/24/07

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Access from Boulder, CO
93 South
I-70 West
9 South
Blue Lakes Road West to Gate

Run

I skinned up Monte Cristo Creek to the bottom of Wheeler Mountain's Northeast Couloir finding touchy windslabs. I noticed that the couloir had already slid and decided to climb it. When I reached the crown of the slide about halfway up the couloir, I decided to retreat. The maximum slope angle in the couloir is 48 degrees, but averages around 40. Skied Elevation: ~1500'

Wheeler Mountain from Monte Cristo Creek. Wheeler Mountain is on the left and the Northeast Couloir is hidden behind a rock wall and probably never receives direct sunlight. The couloir in center is another option.

<http://www.backcountryclub.org/1/images/rsgallery/original/wheelerpeak.jpg>

Northeast Couloir from Monte Cristo Creek.

<http://www.backcountryclub.org/1/images/rsgallery/original/northeast.jpg>

Wheeler Mountain, its Northeast Couloir and my descent route.

<http://www.backcountryclub.org/1/images/rsgallery/original/wheelerline.jpg>

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