

Tham Phap Khan

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Khao Huk Phai

fault

20m.

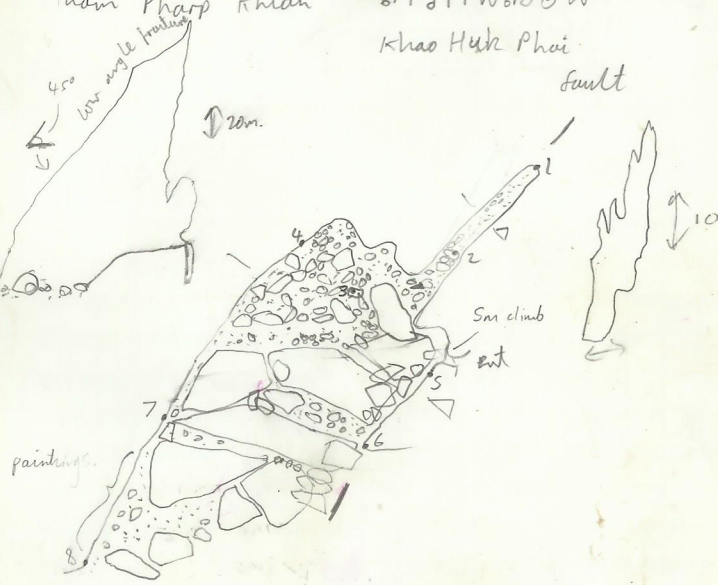
45°  
low angle faulting

paintings

5m climb

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cave found at top of long steep slope, c. 1.5 km boat ride from Ban Khao Khan Man Dai. c. 300m above <sup>orchang</sup> Thing is cliff. cave is formed where clabs have fallen away from cliff. + extends into cliff along fault (fossil phreatic). Some guano (bats) + crickets. some evidence of mining overhanging wall at entrance has some ~~very~~ prehistoric paintings mainly red ochre, a few are red ochre + pale, whitish ochre on a black, soot covered, limestone background.

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2 → 1	11:34	165	+04
2 → 3	15:30	000	-20
3 → 4	7:00	020	+02
3 → 5	13:25	270	+11
3 → 6	19:20	303	+12
7 → 6	14:55	217	+11
6 → 8	21:68	345	-13

people, animals + abstract shapes are represented. Preservation not perfect but recognition still possible in most figures. Some pictures are out of reach, 4m off floor. A search of floor sediments for pottery or tools revealed nothing of interest. pictures need documenting properly, before they deteriorate further, cave is not worth developing for tourists.

\* Near to village of Ban Khao Khan Man Dai is another cave Tham Seda, said to be long, but not visited.