



Walks

In and around Gwel an Mor

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With special thanks to Roselyne Veranneman-Eyre Gwel an Mor's own gardener. Roselyne is available for guided walks (by appointment) please ask at the reception desk.



Portreath to Porthtown coastal path
Approx 4 hours return walk

Walk 9

About 4 hours return walk (you might want to stop for a rest in Porthtown as this is quite a strenuous walk)

Walk down to Portreath following the directions for walk 1, through the Farmyard and down the wooded valley as far as "The Square" (where the shops and the Portreath Arms are situated). Cross over to the Front car park of the pub and walk along the pavement past the B&B and the row of Victorian cottages on your right hand side.

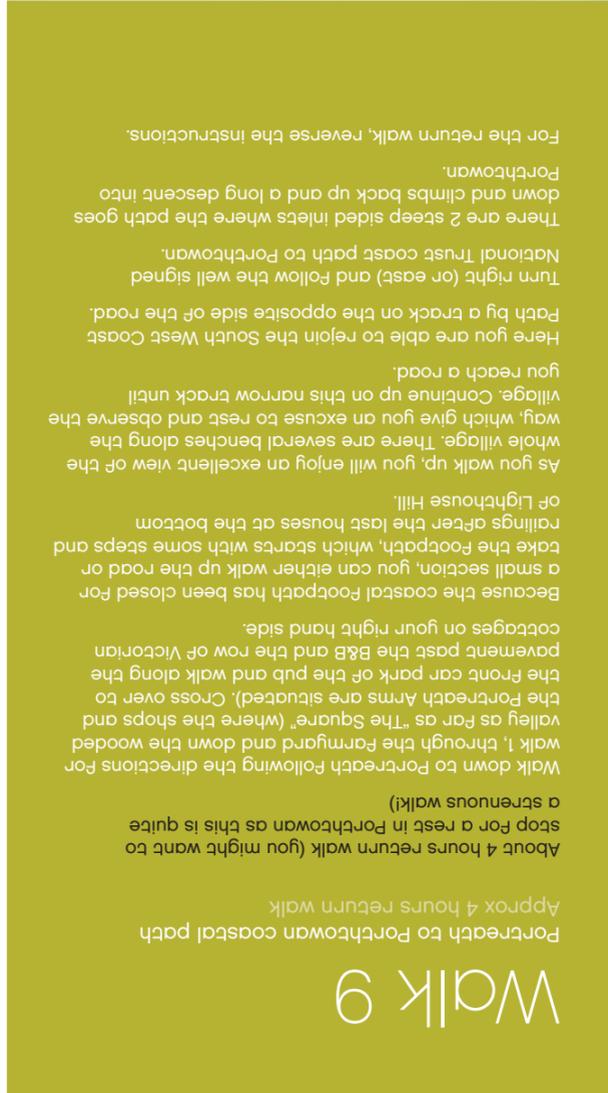
Because the coastal Footpath has been closed for a small section, you can either walk up the road or take the Footpath, which starts with some steps and railings after the last houses at the bottom of Lighthouse Hill.

As you walk up, you will enjoy an excellent view of the whole village. There are several benches along the way, which give you an excuse to rest and observe the village. Continue up on this narrow track until you reach a road.

Here you are able to rejoin the South West Coast Path by a track on the opposite side of the road. Turn right (or east) and follow the well signed National Trust coast path to Porthtown.

There are 2 steep sided inlets where the path goes down and climbs back up and a long descent into Porthtown.

For the return walk, reverse the instructions.



Walk 1

Portreath Village
20 minute walk

The walk down can take 10 minutes at a brisk pace, or around 20 minutes as a leisurely stroll. Coming back (up the hill) is always 20 minutes! The path is suitable for buggies and wheelchairs.

From the Gwel an Mor Club House proceed out of the car park entrance turning right directly after the stone wall and follow the lane down to the farm. Just after the reindeer enclosure there is a narrow public Footpath sign posted on the left. Follow that Footpath down the slope past the pond, which then takes you down along a dotted valley until you get to a little road.



In front of you will be a building in the shape of a medieval tower (remember this landmark for the walk back). Turn left after the tower and walk down Glenfeddon Terrace, passing two Georgian houses on your left hand side. Walk under the bridge and then you have a choice: 1. Continue straight on along the path by the little river and you will reach the Bosses Arms pub with the beach across the road. 2. Turn right going past the Chinese Restaurant there is an information board about the village. Continue past the flats and you will be in the main square, where you will find a few local shops and another public house. The Portreath Arms, the harbour is situated on the left hand side.

If you walk around the right hand side of the Harbour (facing the sea) you will find an information display and the start of the Mineral Tramway cycle track. At the end of the Harbour there is a lookout point and "Dead Man's Hut".



On the left of the Harbour, you will find a third pub the back of that beach, against the pier, lead to the main Portreath car park.

Walk 3

Sea field and panoramic view point
10 - 15 minute walk

This short walk is within the boundaries of Gwel an Mor. There are a few steps and a stile to climb but the path is good.

From the entrance to the holiday village turn right and walk down through the Farm, past the animal enclosures and follow the Footpath signs.

Continue down the track, past the pond until you see a small wooden fence on your left with an arrow sign.

Take this little track and walk up through the trees, then climb up a few steps to a stone stile.

Hop over the stile and you will find yourself in a fenced area within the sea field with a picnic table.

The views from here are breathtaking particularly at sunset.

Walk 2

Green Lane, Smugglers Cove and beach
15 minute walk

This is a different way to access the western part of Portreath beach called Smugglers cove or Amey's side. You will be walking mainly on the road but there are a few steps along the way.

Walk out of Gwel an Mor by the trade entrance road until you reach the main road.

Turn right and walk along side this road cautiously for about 30 metres. It is usually possible to walk on the grass.

When you reach the entrance to the small bungalow estate by the post box, cross the main road carefully as cars can come round the bend quite fast.

Continue along the left side of the road for about 10 metres and at the junction cross over into the little lane called Green Lane.

Follow this lane down, once past most of the houses, you will see a wonderful panoramic view of Portreath beach and harbour.

Continue past the last house down some steps and turn left.

Follow this little road bearing right at the end and you will find yourself on the western side of the beach.

Before the slipway, on your left is also the access to the Southwest coast path to Godrevy.

