



Llanddwyn Island (4½ miles: Easy)

Allow 2–3 hours plus driving time. Paths on Llanddwyn Island are rocky in places, and the island is cut off at the highest of tides. A £5 fee is payable to enter Newborough Forest with a car.

By car (21 miles): from the Seacroft, turn left. At the end of Ravenspoint Road, turn right (B4545). Cross Four Mile Bridge after 1½ miles, then cross the A55. In Valley, turn right onto the A5 (signposted Holyhead & Bangor) then turn left onto the A55 towards Bangor. After 10 miles, take the A55 exit for Pentre Berw. Turn right over the A55 and go straight on at the 2nd roundabout (still following the A5). Turn right in Pentre Berw onto the B4419 and continue onto the B4421 at Llangaffo. On reaching Newborough village, turn left then right (signposted Llys Rhosyr). Pass the church and bear left and right. Pay at the toll booth and continue for ¾ mile to Cwningar car park (on your right).

1 Return to the car park entrance, and cross the road onto the Trim Trail. **2** Follow the path to the right through trees to the Beach car park. **3** Walk to the end of the car park and continue onto the beach. **4** Turn right and walk along the sands for ¾ mile to Llanddwyn Island. **5** Bear left before the rocks across the beach to the end of the island. **6** Join a track by a small stone building, then immediately turn left through a hand-gate. **7** Follow the path above a series of small beaches until you rejoin the main track by the ruined church. **8** Turn left and follow the track to the Pilot's Cottages. **9** Turn right to the lighthouse. **10** Turn right again, passing to the left of the cross. **11** Pass to the left of the ruined church and follow the clifftop path until you return to the main track. **12** Beyond the gate, bear left and continue along the path

above the rocks back to the landward end of the island, where you descend steeply to the beach. **13** Keep left of the rocks ahead of you, then follow a path into the dunes, to the left of the headland. **14** Join a track leading to a metal barrier, then turn right on the forest ride beyond. **15** Follow the track round to the left, ignoring another barrier, and then the coast path, on your right. **16** At a junction of tracks, turn right (past a Nature Trail post with a picture of a newt). **17** At the next junction, turn left, then shortly leave the track along a path on your right (as noted on another post, this is a good area for Red Squirrels). **18** Skirt a large dune then cross a sandy track. **19** At the next track, turn right (past a post bearing blue and green waymarks) then turn left before post 22. **20** This path winds through trees, to the left of a more open area. **21** Eventually you cross a path, then bear left to a line of wooden posts and the car park beyond.

South Stack (3 miles: Fairly strenuous)

Allow 2 hours plus driving time (and extra time if you wish to visit the lighthouse). Paths on Holyhead Mountain are steep and rocky; beware unfenced cliff edges. Free car parking at South Stack.

By car (4½ miles): from the Seacroft, turn left. At the end of Ravenspoint Road, turn left (B4545) then left again (Lon Isallt, brown-signposted to South Stack). Follow the coast road to Porth Dafarch (1½ miles), then continue ahead for a further 2 miles, ignoring minor turnings to left and right. After a right-hand bend, turn left (again signposted to South Stack). Park in the first car park on the left, opposite the sign for the Hut Circles (additional parking is available at the RSPB visitor centre).

1 From the car park entrance, turn left and walk along the road to the RSPB visitor centre (buy tickets here if you intend to visit the lighthouse). **2** Just before the centre, turn right through a gate onto a walled path, then cross open heathland to another gate. **3** Continue through the heather to the service road, where you fork right onto an obvious track. **4** Follow this between masts to left and right then, level with a third mast, take a path on the right that heads towards the right-hand (southern) end of Holyhead Mountain. **5** Keep to the right of the main cliff face, ignoring any vague paths on the left heading towards the rockface, until the path bears slightly left and climbs over the low shoulder of the mountain. **6** Keep left at a waymark post then, at a second shortly afterwards, turn left over the remains of a wall onto a narrow path leading up a heathery gap with rocky outcrops to either side. **7** A rather more significant path joins from the right; shortly afterwards, turn left up a rocky path that climbs to the trig point at the summit. **8** Having admired the view and got your breath back, take the path on the right by a waymark post for Ynys Lawr/South Stack. **9** This path descends steeply, with rocky

stretches and rough steps; the path divides partway down, but either route leads to the coast path. **10** Turn left and follow the path past a rocky outcrop on the right; at a fork keep right, towards the nearest mast. **11** Continue on the widest path at each junction until you reach the metalled service road near the second mast, which you cross onto a path (with a coast path waymark) that passes to the right of the mast and its two ancillary buildings. **12** The path drops a little, with dramatic cliff views, before climbing to a ridge at the end of which is a small building overlooking South Stack. **13** Beyond this viewpoint, continue through the rocks and then descend until the path meets the road at a small parking bay at the top of the lighthouse steps. **14** Unless visiting the lighthouse, turn left (passing the end of the service road for the masts on your left). **15** By a second parking bay, turn right at a coast path sign and descend to Ellin's Tower. **16** Turn left in front of the tower, taking the obvious path across the heathland below the RSPB buildings and back to the car park.

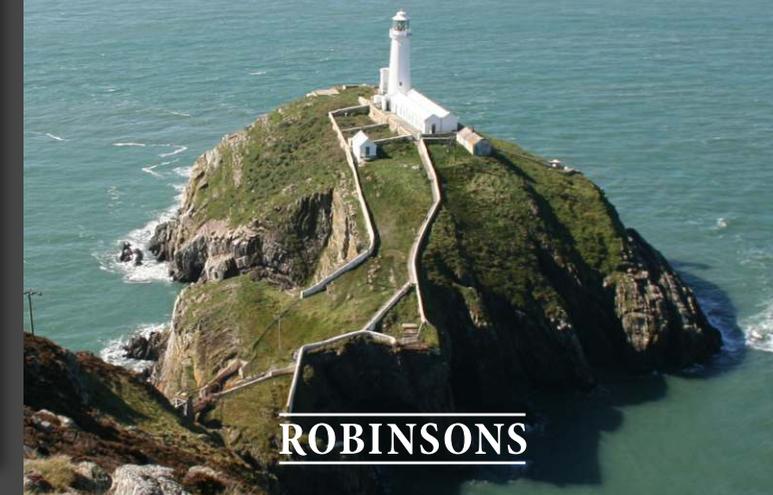


FIVE CIRCULAR WALKS FROM The Seacroft

TREARDUR BAY, ANGLESEY



- PORTH DIANA 2¼ miles
- SOUTH STACK 3 miles
- LLANDDWYN ISLAND 4½ miles
- TREFIGNATH CROMLECH 5¾ miles
- St GWENFAEN'S WELL 7½ miles



ROBINSONS

Porth Diana (2¼ miles: Moderate)

Allow 1½–2 hours. Rocky paths in places, and boggy after rain.

- 1 From the car park entrance, turn right past Lôn Penrhyn Garw.
- 2 Pass the first beach and at the second keep left of the roadside wall.
- 3 Turn left into a lane (Porth Diana) with a footpath sign.
- 4 At the top of the slope keep right, then turn left onto a footpath before a row of bungalows.
- 5 Go through a gate into low heathland and follow the left-hand edge past an information panel and through a kissing gate.
- 6 After another kissing gate leading into a grassy caravan site, bear right at a corner and pick up a path parallel to the wall on your right above a reedy pond; pass to the right of a house.
- 7 Cross the road and take the footpath opposite across a garden and driveway then pass between hedges and walls to emerge at the end of a residential driveway.
- 8 Follow the drive out to the road into Tyn Rhos Camping Site and turn right.
- 9 At a triangular junction, walk right of the grassy island then pass between boulders opposite onto low heathland.
- 10 Cross the heath, with mobile homes to your left, to another service road.
- 11 Follow the road opposite, descending the valley towards the sea.
- 12 Bear right at the boyard then turn right up a rocky slope following the coast path sign.
- 13 Keep left, still following the coast path, at a waymark post marking a junction with another footpath, with views over a rocky inlet and caravan-dotted headland on your left.
- 14 At a waymark post, ignore the coast path as it heads inland (*an alternative route back to the Seacroft via the road*), instead continuing along a permitted path ahead which descends round the head of a rocky inlet and then roughly follows a wall to a second rocky beach.
- 15 Continue along the wall via a rocky scramble to an arch in a stone wall.
- 16 Beyond this, continue above the foreshore then aim just left of a prominent bungalow to a stepped concrete wall, where an alleyway leads off right to a parking area.
- 17 Turn right then left and follow the residential road as it curves right to the public road.
- 18 Turn left past Porth Diana, keeping left of the concrete wall this time.
- 19 For a straightforward return stay on the road, but for a last taste of the coastline turn left at some bollards (before a postbox) onto another permitted path that rounds the headland below garden walls and past a flagstaff.
- 20 As you approach the beach, turn right onto a path that passes between gardens to a road.
- 21 Turn left past the rear of the Seacroft and then left back to the pub entrance.

Trefignath Cromlech (5¾ miles: Moderate)

Allow 2½–3 hours. Significant road walking, though the majority is on quiet lanes. The coast path is rocky in places.

- 1 From the car park entrance, turn left and follow the road to the main beach.
- 2 Either walk along the beach or the promenade to the far side of the bay.
- 3 Turn right and walk past a car park on the right to a T-junction (B4545) and turn left.
- 4 Take the first right (Lôn Towyn

Capel) and follow the road for about half a mile, with glimpses of an arm of the Inland Sea on your right.

- 5 Keep left at the entrance to a private road (with a “no through road” sign) and pass Bod I Arddur on the left and the entrance to Trearddur Bay Country Park on the right.
- 6 Beyond a house on the right and within sight of a roundabout, turn right onto a cycleway which shortly passes Trefignath Burial Chamber, accessible via a stile on the right.
- 7 Return to the cycleway and continue parallel to the A55, with Tŷ Mawr standing stone visible to the left (closer views are obtainable via a path on the left).
- 8 Follow the cyclepath under a road bridge then turn immediately left through a metal kissing gate.
- 9 Join the road at a roundabout and continue to a second, where you turn right into Kingsland.
- 10 Shortly, turn left into Mill Road, passing the old windmill on your left.
- 11 Follow the road for about half a mile, with a football ground (the New Stadium, home of Holyhead Hotspur) away to your left.
- 12 Just before the road bends right, turn left into a driveway, with signs to ‘Overdale’ and other properties.
- 13 Pass three houses on the left at the top of the rise then leave the driveway on a footpath on the left (before a house on the right and a junction of tracks).
- 14 Follow the path through a gate, over a stile then along a field edge.
- 15 Turn right into a hedged path after a kissing gate and join a driveway, with a golf course on your left.
- 16 Follow the driveway past a few houses and out to the road.
- 17 Turn left past Porth y Post beach then join the coastal path, signposted on your right.
- 18 Follow the path round the broad headland and back to the road above Porth y Pwll beach.
- 19 Turn right along the road right past a few houses, then turn right into a driveway (with a coast path signpost) dropping to a pebble beach then passing behind a prominent house on a headland.
- 20 Return to the road and turn right past Porth yr Afon beach. From this point on, you can stay on the road if you prefer, but by way of interest, turn right after the beach and follow a permitted path around a headland to the next beach, and then do the same round a second headland.
- 21 On returning to the road, continue to the end of the main beach.
- 22 Turn right along the promenade or walk along the sands as you prefer.
- 23 At the far end of the beach, turn right to return to the Seacroft.

St Gwenfaen’s Well (7½ miles: Fairly strenuous)

Allow 4 hours. Boggy or rocky in places; take care near cliff edges.

Follow steps 1–8 of the **Porth Diana** route, above.

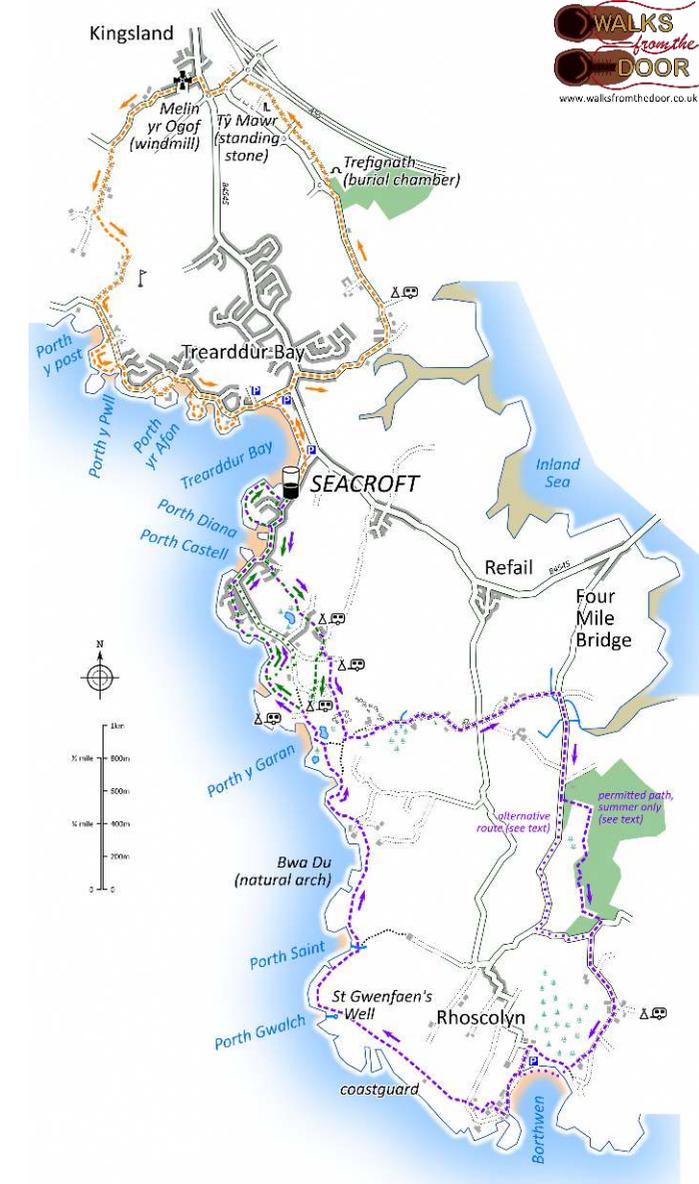
- 9 At a triangular junction, turn left and take the path signposted on the right.
- 10 Follow the path alongside and between caravan parks then through a metal kissing gate into rocky heathland.
- 11 Pass an old stone slab stile and cross a tumbledown wall with a waymark, then turn left off the obvious path.
- 12 Follow a path below a house on the left, with a reedy wetland to your right, before swinging left to join a rough track by a telegraph pole.
- 13 Turn right and follow the track to a gate, continuing onwards through a reedbed to a cottage. Follow the driveway for a further 500 yards, passing a smallholding,

until you meet the metalled road.

- 14 Cross over into the driveway opposite (with signs for Ty Sir and Pant Philip).
- 15 Pass an entrance on the left and at the second property follow the footpath signs across the garden and in front of the house.
- 16 Join a track beyond and follow it out to another road.
- 17 Turn right and follow the road for nearly half a mile, passing the entrances to a farm on the right and to Bodior Farm Shop on the left.
- 18 100 yards after the latter, turn left through a gate onto a permissive path with a coast path sign (*this path is officially closed during the winter, although the closure is not apparently enforced; to bypass this section, continue along the road to Pentre Iago Campsite and turn left then right (signposted ‘Silver Bay’); jump to step 21*).
- 19 The permissive path skirts a field with intermittent boardwalks to a ladder stile where it swings right over more boardwalks and through a copse.
- 20 The path continues through alternating bracken and woodland to a lane; turn right to a junction, where you turn left (signposted ‘Silver Bay’).
- 21 Follow the lane for ¼ mile to the entrance to Silver Bay Caravan Park, where you take the right-hand track through a gate.
- 22 Pass an outdoor centre on the left then turn right through a gate (Cae Llyn); follow the footpath beyond the entrance to a junction of paths above the beach; either turn right (then turn left past the car park) or continue to the beach and walk along the sands.
- 23 At the far end, turn left and climb the steps to a raised path.
- 24 Drop back down to the beach and continue below houses before passing to the right of the Old Lifeboat House.
- 25 *The exact line of the path through the houses and gardens beyond this point was disputed at the time of writing; follow on-site signage until you emerge into a field below the coastguard tower.*
- 26 Climb, via a kissing gate, to the hilltop then bear left beyond the building, keeping left of a wall on the right, to St Gwenfaen’s Well.
- 27 Continue round the rocky headland beyond, past some rocky inlets, to Porth Saint where you cross a stream.
- 28 The coast path cuts the corner across the next headland before descending to a kissing gate and a rocky bay (with views on your left of the Bwa Du natural arch).
- 29 Stay on the coast path past a waymark by a rocky outcrop to a kissing gate and pass through a gap in the wall and inland of a large house overlooking the sea.
- 30 Beyond the gateway, turn left along the wall then follow the coast path to Porth y Garan.
- 31 Beyond the beach the path follows a wall inland of a rocky promontory and then passes left of a large reedy pond before climbing to a kissing gate.
- 32 Cross the service road and follow the Coast Path sign up a rocky slope beside the caravans opposite.

Now follow steps 13–21 of the **Porth Diana** route to return to Trearddur Bay and the Seacroft.

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