



Aberffraw to Porth Cwyfan, Anglesey

Strolling past one of Anglesey's most iconic and photogenic sites, Porth Cwyfan is definitely one to capture on camera.

"This is a truly special walk, whenever I walk along this part of the Wales Coast path, I marvel at the beauty and tranquillity. Best enjoyed on a clear summer evening!"

GRUFF OWEN, WALES COAST PATH OFFICER

Start and Finish:

Aberffraw village.

Distance:

3 miles/4km.

Along the way...

You'll start out in the historic village of Aberffraw. It's a peaceful place today, but between the 9th and 13th centuries the Princes of Gwynedd held court here, making it the capital of North Wales.

Set off in a south-westerly direction, and as you climb the headland of Trwyn Du you'll pass the remains of an early Bronze Age burial mound dating back to 1500 BC. Ringed with an elaborate pattern of stones (some of which can still be seen poking through the grass), it's actually built on the site of a much older settlement thought to date back to around 7000 BC.

At Porth Cwyfan you'll see the magical sight of St Cwyfan's Church, situated on a tiny island called Cribinau just offshore. At high tide the little building is completely cut off from the mainland, protected from the water by the sturdy sea walls that surround it. You can wander over for a closer look when the tide is low.

Founded in the 12th century, much of the building today dates from the 14th century, and it still holds the occasional Sunday service.

Need to know:

You'll find plenty of facilities in Aberffraw, including parking, café, pub and a shop.

There are buses (number 25 and 42) to Aberffraw village.

View timetables on the Visit Anglesey County Council website: www.anglesey.gov.uk/en/Residents/Parking-roads-and-travel/Public-transport/Bus-timetables.aspx