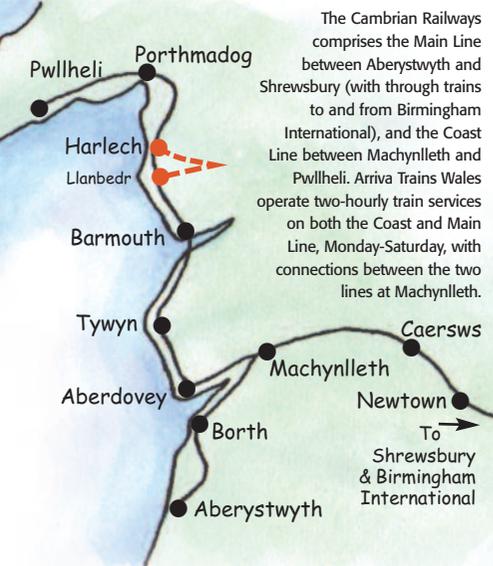


Cambrian Railway No.10 Llanbedr - Harlech

Distance: 5.5 miles Type: Moderate Time: 2.5 - 4 hours

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Things to remember when walking the Cambrian Trailways:

1. Wear appropriate clothing and footwear.
2. Take spare clothing - the weather in Mid Wales can change quickly!
3. Take plenty of food and water.
4. Tell someone where you're going, along which route and when you expect to return.
5. Don't rely on a mobile phone as many areas in Mid Wales have a poor or no signal reception.
6. Always obey the Countryside Code and leave nothing but footprints!

Disclaimer: The routes promoted in the Cambrian Trailways are along recognised public rights of way. The Cambrian Railways Partnership accepts no liability for injuries sustained or damage caused in undertaking the walks. It is the responsibility of those partaking in the walks to make sure that they are adequately prepared to do so before setting out.

Cambrian Railway No.10 Llanbedr - Harlech

This route starts at Llanbedr, a picturesque village through which runs the river Arto. Llanbedr has its own airfield, an annual Beer Festival and one of Europe's largest campsites at nearby Shell Island! Climbing steadily from Llanbedr the route passes a number of small traditional farms before descending to Harlech, dominated by its castle, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, built to consolidate Edward I's conquest of Wales in 1287. However, the castle was captured by Welsh Prince, Owain Glyndwr who held a parliament there in 1404. A long siege at the castle during the Wars of the Roses inspired the stirring song 'Men of Harlech'. The statue to the left of the Castle 'The Two Kings' depicts Bendigeidfran (a mythological giant and king) bearing the body of his nephew Gwern – a symbol of the sorrowful burden of loss. On a happier note, the town's Theatr Harlech stages a range of events and shows throughout the year, and the world renowned St. David's Golf Club has hosted a series of top competitions!

Terrain: Mostly along metalled quiet lanes and country tracks which can be wet in places. A quite gentle ascent of almost 700 feet over the first 4 miles with a steep descent ('storming the castle!') over the last 1.5 miles.

Wildlife: During late spring, summer and early autumn, Trout can be seen in the clear waters of the river Arto. Jays, Woodpecker, Snipe and Woodcock can be seen in the woods and on the hills behind Llanbedr.

Refreshments: There are shops and pubs in the village of Llanbedr near the start of the walk, with a range of pubs, shops and eateries at the route's end in Harlech.

For further information on...

Public Transport: 0871 200 22 33 www.traveline.org.uk

The Cambrian Railways: www.thecambrianline.co.uk

The area: Barmouth Tourist Information Centre

01341 280 787 www.gwynedd.gov.uk

Harlech Tourist Information Centre (seasonal)

01766 780658 www.eryri-npa.co.uk

Accommodation: To look and book in advance visit www.visitmidwales.co.uk or telephone 0870 080 3436

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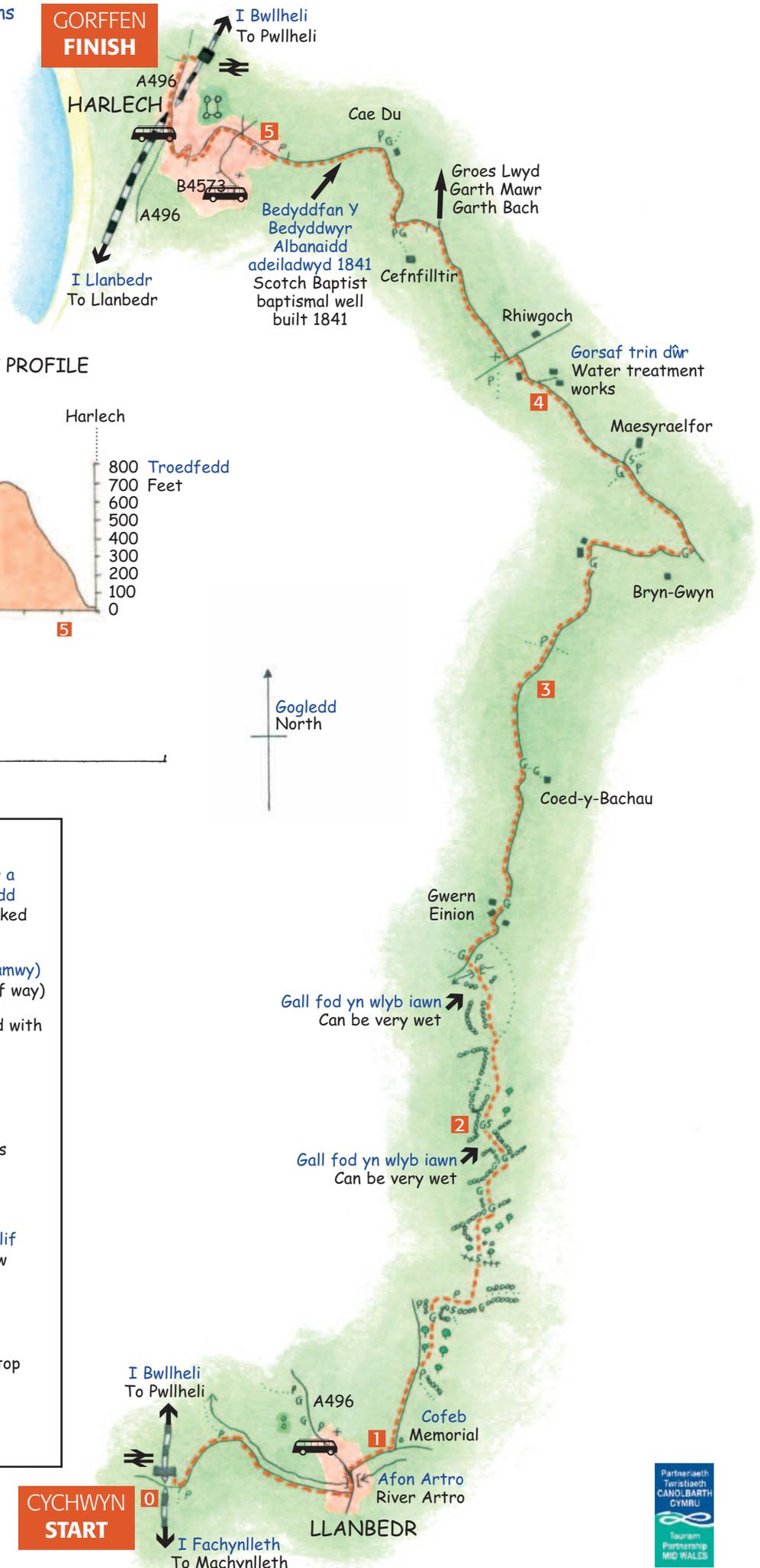


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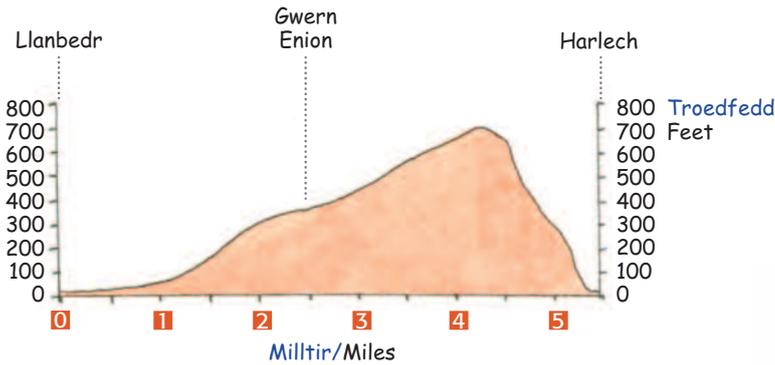
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- Llwybr arall (nid o reidrwydd hawl tramwy)
Other path (not necessarily a right of way)
- Ffordd modur gyda phont/Motor road with bridge
- Gât/Gate S Camfa/Stile
- P Arwyddbost/Signpost
- Adeiladau pwysig/Significant buildings
- Rheilffordd gyda gorsaf
Railway line with station
- Nant neu afon yn dangos cyfeiriad y llif
Stream or river with direction of flow
- + Eglwys neu capel/Church or chapel
- Mur/Wall Castell/Castle
- Coed/Trees Safle bws/Bus Stop
- Meini Hirion/Standing Stones gan/by Laurence Main

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