

Hosteli Unigeddau'r Elenydd : Elenydd Wilderness Hostels

Walks from Ty'n Cornel Hostel

No.4 - Dolgoch Hostel - 11 miles (18 km) there and back

It is essential to take an Ordnance Survey Map. Borrow one from the hostel if you don't have one.

Safety

You are strongly recommended to read the safety and navigational advice on the website or in the Guest Information File 'Walking' in the hostel. For this walk this can be summarised as:

River Crossings - one, a side stream approaching Dolgoch.

Underfoot - Good apart from tussocky and occasionally boggy path up the Tywi near Dolgoch.

Height - High (420-460m) and high open ground for 1.25 miles.

Navigation - Straightforward but be vigilant. OS map recommended and compass if visibility poor. Path up the Tywi can be indistinct in places.

Directions

NB. ref.nos. are shown on map overleaf.

- 1 Left (L) from hostel (E) following track over footbridge over Doethie Fach and uphill, staying on the track, to the pass and down to Soar Y Mynydd chapel.
- 2 Straight on past Chapel (on your R), over stream and bear L and then R at junction with public road. Or, just after the Chapel you can turn R on path which joins road near the river and then L up path to join road. Either way, then follow public road uphill and down to River Tywi.
- 3 Leave road at bridge before crossing Tywi and follow bridleway signposted on west bank up valley. There is a path all the way to the hostel and there are some marker posts but it isn't always distinct.
- 4 At side streams remember the hazards of fording streams in flood. If doubtful go up stream in search of a better place to cross, but do not take risks - if necessary go back. If you were going to stay at Dolgoch then go by the road (see 5). If not, then return to Ty'n Cornel (unless you want a very long walk (16.5 miles, 26km).
- 5 The road alternative to the bridleway - This adds 3 miles to the round trip.
Directions from the bridge by road are to go L at junction, go N for about 2.5 miles. L at next road junction and immediately after bridge over river L down track (signposted Dolgoch).
- 6 The return to Ty'n Cornel is straightforward, ie. the reverse of the above. (An alternative return route is to return from Dolgoch to the road, turn L and follow road to Phone Box. See Walk 7. Follow instructions there in reverse over very rough ground to Ty'n Cornel).

Points of Interest

NB. for more information see Guest Information Files at hostel.

- 1 Track past hostel is an old drove road - see also Walk 3 for more information.
- 2 Soar y Mynydd Chapel - the most remote in Wales; good information inside.
- 3 Dolgoch is the Trust's other hostel. Check with the warden at Ty'n Cornel but you may be able to get in using the same code as for Ty'n Cornel. Make a drink, check it out for a future visit and relax before you set out on the return to Ty'n Cornel.

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