



PEMBROKESHIRE GREENWAYS

Walk from... Llys-y-Fran to Rosebush

A pleasant walk, which leads along the banks of the Llys-y-Fran reservoir, through woods and across open countryside as far as the small community of Rosebush, which nestles beneath the summit of Foel Cwm Cerwyn.

The route is 5m/8km, 2.5-3hrs. Walking on minor roads and footpaths through fields and old forestry tracks. Generally the going is dry and sound, with muddy patches. There are two steep climbs, up from the road at Farthings Hook Bridge and up to St. Brynach's Well. Ascents 215mtrs/ 698ft, descent 70mtrs/2267ft.

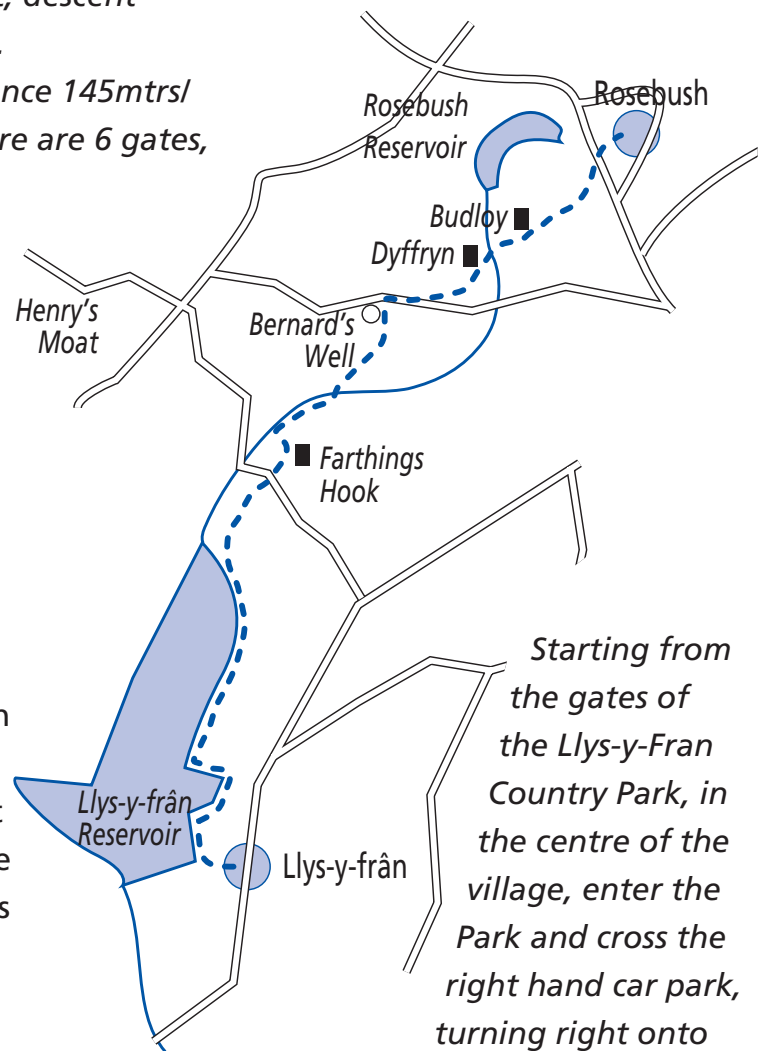
Height difference 145mtrs/ 471ft fall. There are 6 gates, 7 stiles, 1 set of sleepers, a footbridge and some stepping stones.

LLYS-Y-FRAN

SP. Bus 344

The tiny church of St Meilyr's, which nestles in the steep valley at the foot of the damn, remains a focal point for this small community which today is by the 212 acre man-made reservoir, which supplied most of Pembrokeshire's drinking water. The reservoir is situated in the Llys-y-Fran Country Park.

LLYS-Y-FRAN COUNTRY PARK
S,R,I (summer only),T,CP.
Managed by Hamdden Leisure, the Park provides opportunities for fishing and traffic-free walking and cycling, against the backdrop of mature woodlands and open grassland that surrounds the reservoir.



Starting from the gates of the Llys-y-Fran Country Park, in the centre of the village, enter the Park and cross the right hand car park, turning right onto the path past the children's play area and down to the lakeside. Follow the track towards the head of the lake and take the waymarked track to the right. Continue along the path to the road.

Cross the road and take the lane opposite climbing steeply to the top where a waymarked stile on the left takes you onto a forest road. Continue down the forest road, bearing left each time the road divides, until you reach a ruin. Turn sharp left and cross the cleared area to a footbridge.

Cross the footbridge and climb up across fields to Bernard's Well. This is the anglicised version of the Welsh name Brynach. The Saint of that name arrived from Ireland in the 6th century, and was a friend of St. David. The church at Nevern is dedicated to him.

Go through the gate into the farmyard and continue up the lane to the road. Turn right and after 100mtrs/ 110yds take the path on the left, turn right after 30m to follow the field boundary and into a sunken lane. To the left as you enter the lane you will see a stone cairn which appears to be the remains of a Neolithic chambered tomb, in quite good condition.

Cross the lane at Dyffryn and descend into the valley where a set of stepping



Llys-y-Fran Reservoir

stones cross the stream. On the far side take the pretty, mossy lane up to Budloy. Go through the old farmyard and through the gate behind the bungalow onto a track. Follow this through fields to a farmyard at Gotty Uchaf. Go through the farmyard and continue along the track to the road.

Turn left and take the footpath on the right which parallels the course of the now disused railway, into Rosebush.

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Slates from the quarries of Rosebush were used to roof the Houses of Parliament. The village stands below the summit of Foel Cwm Cerwyn.

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**Walking Details and
Directions are shown
in italics. A copy of
Ordnance Survey 1:50
Landranger Sheet 145 or 1:
25 Outdoor Leisure Sheet
35 are recommended. All
distances/times given are
approximate.**