



COED-Y-LLWYN

MEDIUM | 8 MILES



COED-Y-LLWYN CYCLE ROUTE

This route takes in part of the National Cycle Network Route 8, which runs from Bangor to Builth Wells. The ride follows NCN Route 82 southwards along the Llyn Trawsfynydd Reservoir, and has some potential optional extensions for a longer day out.

SURFACES

Mostly good, some slightly rough terrain.

LOCAL BIKE HIRE

Antur Stinog
www.anturstiniog.com/BikeHire

TRAFFIC

Mostly traffic-free, apart from a short section at the beginning and in Trawsfynydd Village.

OTHER ROUTES IN THE AREA

National Cycle Network Route 8 can be followed downhill to Maentwrog (northwards) or beyond Trawsfynydd into Coed y Brenin, where there are many mountain biking routes and an excellent visitors' centre.

SUITABILITY FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

Yes, but care should be taken.

HILLS

Undulating with steady rises to the Power Station and Village.

REFRESHMENTS/FACILITIES

Fisherman's cabin beside lake with picnic site nearby. Shelter and viewpoint by lakeside. Pub, cafés, toilets, shops and Llys Ednowain Heritage Centre in Trawsfynydd Village.



DIRECTIONS

- 1 Turn left out of the Site entrance and go up the lane to a sharp bend signposted for Bryntirion.
- 2 Turn left on to NCN Route 8 and fork left again in a few yards. Downhill at first, then swing upwards on tracks through woods.
- 3 At the gate by the corner of the nuclear power station, turn left along the access road, then right through a car park and along the top of the dam, passing a shelter viewpoint and a visitors' centre. Then turn right passing the Fisherman's log cabin and go through woods across bridges to another gate.
- 4 Turn right and go along the shore of the lake eventually turning inland.
- 5 At the gate by the main road, use the dedicated cycle path that runs alongside the road – don't cross the road. Cross the lay-by with care to reach the turning for Trawsfynydd village.
- 6 Turn right uphill, taking care of the traffic, and go into the village. Look out for Hedd Wyn's birthplace (a blue plaque on a cottage wall), his statue, the Llys Ednowain Heritage Centre and St. Madryn's church.
- 7 You have reached the centre of the village.
- 8 Return to the Club Site by the same route in reverse.

OPTIONAL EXTENSION

To the dam – From the gate at point 3 above, turn right and go along tracks to reach a concrete dam (3a on the map) and viewpoint. This adds two miles to the distance.

To the footbridge and far side of the lake – from the centre of the village (point 7), turn right and ride a short distance to a T-junction. From here you can walk to the war memorial set on a small hill. Returning to the T-junction, go right and curve round left before the farm to find a long iron footbridge. You can continue to cycle around the lake, or dismount and cross the footbridge. If you cross the footbridge turn right on the quiet lane (8 on the map), cycle on, forking right, to the end of the road (9 on the map). This adds about 5 miles to the distance. You cannot cycle right around the lake, but there is a footpath from point 9 to the dam.

DON'T MISS

“ Steep in places but offers fantastic views over the lake and mountains beyond. A good cheap family day out directly from site. ... The cafe has wonderful views over the lake and has an excellent selection of cakes. ”

Coed-Y-Llwyn Caravan Club Site Wardens

This route has been suggested by Sustrans' Volunteer Rangers. The Caravan Club would always recommend that any children or young people under 18 years should be fully supervised by a responsible adult. Please be aware that using this route is entirely at your own risk. Extreme care should always be taken when cycling on site, remembering that traffic will be moving around the site and to observe speed limits. Particular attention should be paid when going round blind corners or emerging from paths.

COED-Y-LLWYN CARAVAN CLUB SITE - ROUTE

