

# Northern Snowdonia Guided Walking

**Trip style:** Guided Walking Holidays

**Destination:** 📍 Snowdonia

**Trip code:** SNT05-BTB11

**Grades:** 2 & 5

**Carbon Footprint:** 🌱 104kg CO2



## HOLIDAY OVERVIEW

Embark on an unforgettable four-day guided walking adventure through the awe-inspiring landscapes of Snowdonia (Eryri) National Park – the oldest and largest national park in Wales. Based in the charming village of Betws-y-Coed, you'll journey through plunging valleys and, thick forests, follow fast-flowing rivers and passing by cascading waterfalls. It all culminates in the grand finale - the ascent of Snowdon (Yr Wyddfa), the highest mountain in England and Wales. With a choice of two walks each day to suit a variety of fitness levels, this trip promises an exhilarating opportunity to conquer the iconic peaks of Snowdonia.

## WHAT YOU'LL LOVE

- A choice of two walks each day
- Discovering the old mining industries of North Wales
- Exploring the varied landscape from wooded valleys to impressive rock amphitheatres
- Tackling Snowdon (Yr Wyddfa), England and Wales' highest mountain
- Staying in the beautiful village of Betws-y-Coed
- Soaking up dazzling views of the Welsh countryside

## WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Comfortable en-suite rooms in our partner accommodation(s)
- Cooked or continental breakfast every morning
- Half-board
- Three-course evening meals, plus tea & coffee
- Guided walks with experienced HF Holidays Leaders
- All transport to and from walks where necessary using public transport

## ITINERARY

### **Day 1:** Arrival Day

Check in at the hotel is available from 3pm. Your leaders will be at reception at 18:30 to meet the group and give you a quick introduction to the holiday before dinner.

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### **Day 2:** Conwy Valley & Moel Eilio

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### **Day 3:** Llyn Padarn & Glyderau

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### **Day 4:** Llyn Idwal & Moel Siabod

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### **Day 5:** Crafnant, Geirionydd & Snowdon

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### **Day 6:** Departure Day

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast before making your way home.

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## Gwydyr Hotel

Nestled in the heart of Betws y Coed, Gwydyr Hotel is a splendid Victorian-era gem dating back to the 1800s. In the town, you'll discover charming shops, a railway station with a captivating museum, and a tourist information centre. The hotel has a bar, restaurant, and drying room. Comfortable en-suite guest rooms all come with TV, tea & coffee making facilities, and free Wi-Fi. The hotel is dog-friendly, so you may perhaps make some four-legged friends in the communal areas.

### Walking safety - SHARED WITH ALL

Walks may be changed for safety reasons and are subject to a maximum and minimum number of guests. Leaders always consider the safety of the group as a whole, and may need to alter or curtail the walk if the conditions dictate. Your leader may refuse to accept a guest where clothing, equipment or behaviour is unsuitable. In the event of a problem all leaders carry a mobile phone, first aid kit, group shelter, spare maps and a compass. Please note: If you choose to leave the group your leader is no longer responsible for you. If you have a particular health condition or disability please put this on your guest registration form. This information will be confidential to your leaders and the house manager, but leaders do need to take account of any issues when planning walks. Please carry a copy of these trip notes with you, or note down the contact phone number for your accommodation (details in the travel section) should you need them in case of emergency.

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### Packing list - UK Guided Walking

The UK has a famously unpredictable climate so it's best to be prepared for weather that's sunny one minute and raining the next. To make it easier, here's a list of items you should consider packing. Essentials Suitable footwear such as waterproof walking boots that provide ankle support and good grip Waterproof and windproof jacket Comfortable clothing (jeans & waterproof capes are not suitable) Mid-layer(s) to keep you warm. Fleeeces make a good choice Waterproof overtrousers Gloves and a warm hat Rucksack with waterproof liner Flask for hot drinks Water bottle (at least 1 litre capacity) Sunscreen UV sunglasses For holidays operating October through to the end of March, please also bring the following on your walks: spare warm clothing spare high energy food head torch and spare batteries please note for the October to March season your waterproof jacket needs to offer a high level of waterproofing and wind resistance, and a hood. Look for a waterproof jacket with sealed/taped seams and a minimum HH (hyrodstatic head - this is the rating given on waterproof jackets) of 10,000mm+ Recommended Several base layers (long-sleeve or short-sleeve) Cushioned walking socks to avoid blisters First aid kit, including plasters and insect repellent Sit mat Waterproof pouch for valuables Rubbish bag (remember to always leave no trace) Wallet/purse Camera Walking poles

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