

CORNWALL

Bosigran circular walk

Enjoy a leisurely circular walk in Bosigran, passing through an ancient landscape steeped in mining history, with far-reaching coastal and moorland views. Along this walk you'll discover two historic engine houses, symbols of mining activity at Carn Galva, Watchcroft, Porthmoina and Porthmeor valleys.



Planning your walk

Please note this walk starts at Carn Galva car park, which is a 20-minute drive from Cape Cornwall.



Information

Address: Bosigran Farm, Pendeen, Penzance, Cornwall TR208YX.

OS map: Explorer 102 Activity: Walking

Easy: Coastal and inland paths including rough terrain and some ascents. For further details, please see Terrain section.

Dog friendly: Dogs are welcome, but please keep under close control through farmland.

Full trail: Miles: 3 (km: 4.8)

Access: Easy

Duration: 1 hour 30 mins

Terrain

A walk along coastal and inland paths, including rough terrain, stiles, gates and a few ascents. Dogs are welcome, but please keep under close control through farmland.

Total steps: 5

Start point: Carn Galva car park, grid ref: SW421364

- 1. From the car park, follow the footpath that lies on the western side of the Engine House, turning seaward through a field system to the coast path.
- 2. Turn right onto the South West Coast Path and at the top of Bosigran Iron Age castle enjoy the views westwards to Pendeen Watch and eastwards to Gurnard's Head. The ramparts of the castle are clearly visible.
- 3. Continue along the Coast Path around Carn Veslan cliff, where there's a wooden stile that leads to Porthmeor Cove, renowned for its geological importance.
- 4. Turn inland, where a slight ascent leads to the church path at Bosigran. At this point you can see the Porthmeor Tin stamps with its well-preserved buddle system, the base of which had revolving brushes which separated crushed ore from spoil rock.
- 5. Now turn right over a granite stile and follow the church path through Bosigran Farm. Continue westward on the footpath back to Carn Galva car park.

End point: Carn Galva car park, grid ref: SW421364