

CORNWALL

Lanhydrock Great Wood and Beech Avenue walk

This gentle circular walk is a great introduction to the mature, mixed woodland and historic parkland of the Lanhydrock Estate. Spot different trees in the Great Wood and the wildlife that calls them home, then finish your walk heading up the striking double avenue of beeches that leads to the house.



Information

Address: Lanhydrock National Trust car park, near Bodmin, Cornwall, PL30 4AB

OS map: Explorer 107

Activity: Walking

Easy: Trail bumpy in places with one short, steep incline. For further details, please see Terrain section.

Dog friendly: Dogs on leads welcome on the estate, but please be aware that livestock graze in the park. Dogs not permitted in the formal garden. Dog waste bins throughout the estate.

Full trail: Miles: 2.5 (km: 4)

Access: Challenging

Duration: 1 hour 15 mins

Terrain

Lady's Walk is a little bumpy in places but is approached in a downhill direction. Short, steep incline as you enter the Beech Avenue.

Total steps: 6

Start point: Lanhydrock main car park, grid ref: SX086641

1. Leave the main car park and follow the signs for Lanhydrock House. Cross the road and enter the parkland via the octagonal reception building.
2. Follow the path down the hill towards Lanhydrock House. Continue past the 17th-century gatehouse. The parkland that surrounds you is managed for nature conservation, helping to increase wildlife and species diversity.
3. Go through the wide, unpainted gate next to the cattle grid and turn left. This path along the edge of Great Wood is known as Lady's Walk. To the left of Lady's Walk you can see the ha-ha, a vertical wall alongside a stream. The ha-ha prevented the grazing stock from getting into the woodland, without interrupting the view from the house.
4. Follow Lady's Walk down the edge of Great Wood until you reach a red gate onto Newton Lane. Turn left here and continue past the privately owned cottages.
5. Turn left through the gates by Newton Lodge and onto the Beech Avenue. This impressive gateway, marked with the initials of John and Lucy Robartes, is dated 1657.
6. At the top of the Beech Avenue, turn right and follow the drive back up through the parkland to the main car park.

End point: Lanhydrock main car park, grid ref: SX086641