

WALES

## Hidden corners of Plas Newydd walk

Enjoy stunning views over the Menai Strait, the Faenol and Snowdonia as you walk around the beautiful grounds of Plas Newydd.



### Information

Address: Plas Newydd, Llanfairpwll, Anglesey, LL61 6DQ.

OS map: Landranger 114 or 115

Activity: Walking

Moderate: Some steps going uphill. For further details, please see Terrain section.

Not suitable for dogs: Dogs are allowed in the car park at Plas Newydd but not in the grounds.

Full trail: Miles: 1 (km: 1.6)

Access: Challenging

Duration: 30 mins

### Terrain

Variety of surfaces including concrete and natural paths, with some steps going uphill.

### Total steps: 8

Start point: Plas Newydd, grid ref: SH521696.

1. Start your walk from the reception area at Plas Newydd and follow the path that leads you towards the house. When you turn the corner that's just after the wooden shelter, the path opens up to great views of the house, Faenol and Snowdonia.
2. Once you're at the house, follow the path that goes around to the front of the building, and walk along the top of the sloped lawn. Look out for the Marquess of Anglesey's column, which you'll see in the distance. You'll pass the terraced garden on your left. The present Marquess revived the formal Italian garden created by his father in the 1920s. To reveal the hidden glory of the terraced garden, wander up the steps.
3. Opposite the terrace garden, take the path that's on your right. This will lead you down to the walkway that goes past the cannons which the current Lord and Lady Anglesey received as a wedding gift. Take care here, there is a sheer drop from the sea wall.
4. Continue until you get to a fork in the path. Stay to the right-hand side of the path, which goes slightly uphill.
5. Take the path on the left-hand side and continue forward. As you follow this path there are benches where you can sit and soak up the views across to Faenol and take some impressive photographs. Look out on your right for the Camellia Dell, which was once a quarry.
6. When you come to a woodland area, Church Bank wood, walk straight on and eventually you'll arrive at a bird hide. Continue right along the path, which takes you uphill via some natural woodland steps. At the top of the hill is a bench from which you can view Llanedwen Church. The Marquess and his family regularly used this church.
7. Follow the path to find the squirrel hide on your right. Plas Newydd is home to many red squirrels, after a conservation project in 2008. Six red squirrels were brought to Plas Newydd and held in woodland enclosures for a few weeks, then released into the deciduous woodland. They bred successfully, and can now be found throughout the estate, and have even crossed the Menai Strait.

8. Follow the path, which takes you back to the reception area where the trail began.  
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