



Foel Offrwm Circular

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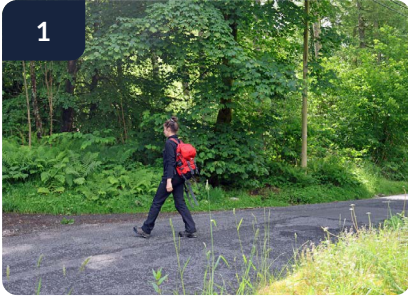
Route Overview

- Distance: 4km (2.4 miles)
- Duration: 1½ hours
- Route type: Circular

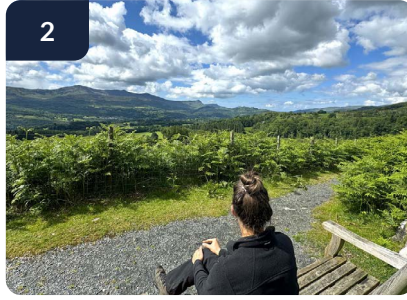
Before you start

Read the safety and route grading information on the Eryri National Park Authority website before you start your journey.

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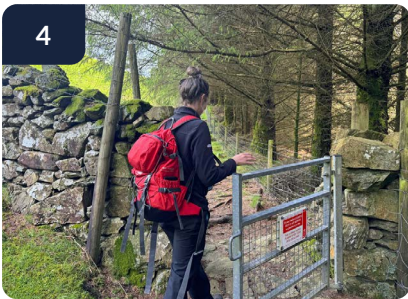
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Carefully cross the road from the upper end of the car park and turn right onto a gravel path that rises through the trees towards a wooden gate. The path continues to rise for a short distance but then it is quite even.



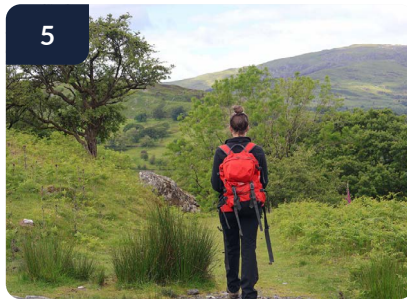
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Follow the path through the striking beech and oak woodland - notice the old Plas Nannau to the west. After half a mile you will reach a bench which is an ideal spot to sit down and admire the view of Cader Idris rising proudly above the town of Dolgellau. Below you is the estate's former deer park.



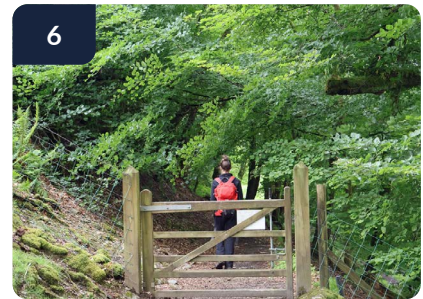
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Continue on foot and climb the oak steps by the small quarry and make your way through two further gates until you reach the southern face of the Foel and its rowan trees and hawthorn. You may see the yellowhammer on this section.



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When you reach the conifer plantation, follow the fence to the north. You will cross wetter ground over a rough stone path. After passing the trees, the former volcano of Rhobell fawr will come into sight, and the village of Llanfachreth in the hollow below. If you are quiet enough you may catch a glimpse of a deer on this section.



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You will now be heading back towards the car park. For the energetic ones, there is a path up to the summit of the Foel on your left, with a boulder marking the starting point. There is a bench around halfway to the summit where you can catch your breath and enjoy the view of the Garn and Rhinogydd towards the sea. On a clear day, Yr Wyddfa is clearly visible to the north.



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The circular walk ends by going through a wooden gate and joining one of the old roads that led to the Plas. In a short while, you will arrive back at the car park