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Hazards

This is a high-level mountain route so proper preparation and equipment is necessary. The higher parts of the route regularly have low visibility, make sure you know where you are at all times and have a map and compass for navigation. In winter conditions the route will become slippery and dangerous, especially when covered in snow and ice – mountaineering skills and equipment may be required. The ridge to Moel Eilio is very exposed to winds and storms with limited shelter. Steep drop near the path on Foel Gron.

Accessibility

This is a physical route with steep ascents and descents, no scrambling is required. There are stiles on the route. Much of the walk is on well made paths, roads and bridleways with obvious paths across the summits and many fences to aid navigation.

Facilities

No facilities on the route. Toilets, pub, food and drink available in Llanberis.

Before you go:

- Check the local weather forecast and whether there is enough daylight to complete the walk (metoffice.gov.uk).
- Ensure you are wearing suitable clothing and footwear for the route and weather, and that you take the right kit – learn more at yha.org.uk/walk-skills.
- Download the OS Maps and what3words apps to your phone.
- To be able to contact emergency services by text visit relayuk.bt.com/emergencysms or text 'register' to 999.
- For more information on staying safe in the outdoors visit adventuresmart.uk.
- Complete a route notification card (yha.org.uk/route-card) to provide essential information for the Emergency Services if you do not return when expected.
- Check all members of the group have the fitness and skills to complete the route.

In case of emergency:

- Contact 999 and use OS Maps or what3words to help pinpoint your location.
- To attract attention shout or give six blasts on a whistle at regular intervals. In low light flash a torch six times at regular intervals.
- If you can send someone for help, they need to know your location, number of people in the group and the nature of the emergency.

For more walks or information on route grading and timings go to yha.org.uk/map-guidance

If you encounter problems with this route contact walking@yha.org.uk

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Foel Goch and Moel Eilio walk



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YHA Snowdon Llanberis

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Mountain walk

A fantastic alternative route to Snowdon, away from the crowds, with stunning views of Anglesey, the Llanberis Llyns, slate quarries and Dinorwig.

Distance: 7.1 miles (11.4km)

Ascent: 713m (2,339ft)

Time: Allow 4h 15m to 6h 30m



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Route directions

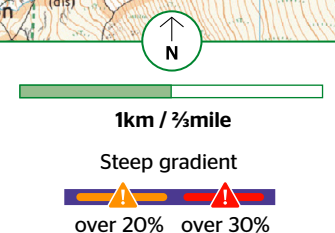
Map: OS Explorer 1:25k (OL17) Snowdon / Yr Wyddfa

Start/Finish: Grid ref SH 574 597

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- 1 Head along the hostel driveway and turn left onto the road.
- 2 Pass through a gate, turn left onto a well prepared path and continue to Bwlch Maesgwm.
- 3 Do not pass through the boundary gate on Bwlch Maesgwm. Turn sharp right onto a steep path and ascend Foel Goch.
- 4 Cross a stile and follow the path to Foel Gron, then continue to the summit cairn on Moel Eilio.
- 5 From the summit descend on the path heading north alongside the fence.
- 6 When the path splits take the more distinct path on the right across the slope and follow it down to a paved road.
- 7 Turn right onto the road.
- 8 At the footpath signpost turn right onto a grass path towards the farmhouse.
- 9 Cross the stream and pass in front of the farmhouse.
- 10 Bear left and continue to the road.
- 11 Turn left onto the road and to the hostel.

Scan this link to view this route on the OS Maps App – also a route profile and GPX



OS map legend - find out what the other symbols on this map mean os.uk/explorerlegend



This route has been created by YHA to provide inspiration and to aid planning and preparation of your walk. It doesn't replace the need for an OS Map or the OS Maps App to navigate your walk safely. Digital maps are a guide and do not always reflect the conditions on the ground, ensure you are aware of your immediate surroundings.