

Treuddyn to Blaenau and Back

This walk is a circuit from just outside the village of Treuddyn across fields with expansive views to Blaenau on the edge of the Llandegla moors. It is relatively flat for those who don't like hills. One or two of the fields can be a bit muddy after wet weather.

Map: Explorer 256 or Landranger 117

Start/Finish: Ffordd yr Odyn near Treuddyn Map Ref: 243573

Distance: 4miles/6km

Time: 2 hrs

Transport: Treuddyn is served by a frequent bus service from Mold, Wrexham and Chester. The bus stop for this walk is about 300 meters east of the start on Ffordd y Rhos near to the junction with Ffordd Nercwys.



The walk starts at Ffordd yr Odyn, just off Ffordd y Rhos to the West of Treuddyn, where there is a large lay-by.

1. Walk to Ffordd y Rhos and turn left for a short distance to cross a stile on the right. Go straight across the field keeping to the right hand edge. At the far end there is a small bridge over a brook then a stile. Cross that stile, go through some wooded land and then to another stile giving out onto a pavement on the busy A5104. Cross that road and go over a stile opposite into a field. Walk up the field to another stile. Cross it and turn left to a small bridge and stile. Cross that and turn right angling up the very large field slightly away from the right hand edge so that by the top end you are about 200m from the right hand side. There cross the next boundary by two stiles and a bridge over a ditch then angle slightly left to another field boundary where there is another bridge and stile. Follow the right hand edge of the next field to another stile and then across the next field to another stile giving access to a small lane.

2. At the lane turn right and walk up hill past a livery centre. Ignore the first footpath sign and just before the chicken farm turn left along a bridle path. Follow this path to the next lane at a T-junction. Turn left along Ffordd y Blaenau for about 500m and then left at a footpath sign down a well kept drive alongside a house. The drive leads to an isolated pair of houses and goes between them and left through a gate into a field. Head for the left hand field boundary and opposite corner and cross by means of another stile to the next field. Keep to the right field boundary down to trees at the bottom where you turn left to a footbridge alongside a farm bridge over a small river. This give access to a small road. Turn left and cross the river Cegidog. You can see that upstream is a meeting of two smaller streams which go to form this river which flows down to Llanfynydd, Frith and on to join the Alyn near Caergwrle.

3. Walk westwards along the lane until a footpath sign on the right and stile. Cross the stile and keep to the left hand field boundary to the next stile. The path then crosses the next field diagonally away from the left hand boundary to a hedge and stile. Go over that and straight on slightly right to the next hedge/boundary with some substantial trees and which is in fact a stream bed. There is a series of steps down to the stream and then up over a substantial stile to the next field. You then follow the field boundaries on the left for three fields. The boundaries are fitted with stiles and the path eventually becomes a somewhat muddy farm track. Where the track turns left there is another stile into the next field.

4. Cross that stile and there is a large farm on the opposite side of the field you have just entered. The correct course of the public right of way is directly towards the farm. However, the route is difficult due to mud and muck. Flintshire County Council have, in partnership with the landowner provided a permissive route to the right. In the distance you will see a stile some 150 meters to the right of the farm. Head for that. If you keep to the right hand field boundary you cannot go wrong. Once at the stile cross it and turn left to go through the farm grounds. You have to turn slightly right then straight on past the house to a muddy track. Along the track there is a gate which you can step round and then another stile at the end.

5. Go over that stile and angle diagonally right towards a gate and stile to the left of some houses on the main road. Step over that stile and along a track to the main road. Cross the main road and go straight along Ffordd Nercwys opposite. At Ffordd y Rhos turn left and return to Ffordd yr Odyn.