

Itineraries Coed Cynrol and Plas Newydd

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Coed Cynrol and Plas Newydd are two attractions on the shores of the Menai Strait, approximately 3 miles apart by road.

Coed Cynrol ~ 1 hour

This woodland nature reserve has a medium sized pay and display car park at the main reserve entrance off the A5 (Mona Road). It is easily accessible on foot from Menai Bridge town centre or from underneath the Menai Suspension Bridge. The main entrance has a number of information panels. It is possible to enjoy walks around the nature reserve woodland, along the foreshore on the Belgian Promenade, and across a short causeway to Church Island. The reserve is on the route of the Anglesey Coastal Path. From the top of the rock outcrop on Church Island, upon which is situated the war memorial, there are exceptionally fine views across the 'Swellies' (as this section of the Straits is known) to Telford's Suspension Bridge and the Britannia Bridge and the woodland along the south shore.

Plas Newydd ~ 4 hours

Plas Newydd lies to the south west of Coed Cynrol, and is reached via the A4080 Brynsiencyn Road. This impressive National Trust property is the stately home of the Marquess of Anglesey. It has extensive gardens and a café, shop and toilets. Adequate parking is available, and there is a minibus and shuttle service to the main house and gardens (subject to volunteer availability). There are some lovely walks around rhododendron gardens and native woodlands, which are home to red squirrels. The views across the lawns to the Menai Straits and Snowdonia are simply breathtaking. For the latest information and entry prices refer to the National Trust website www.nationaltrust.org.uk