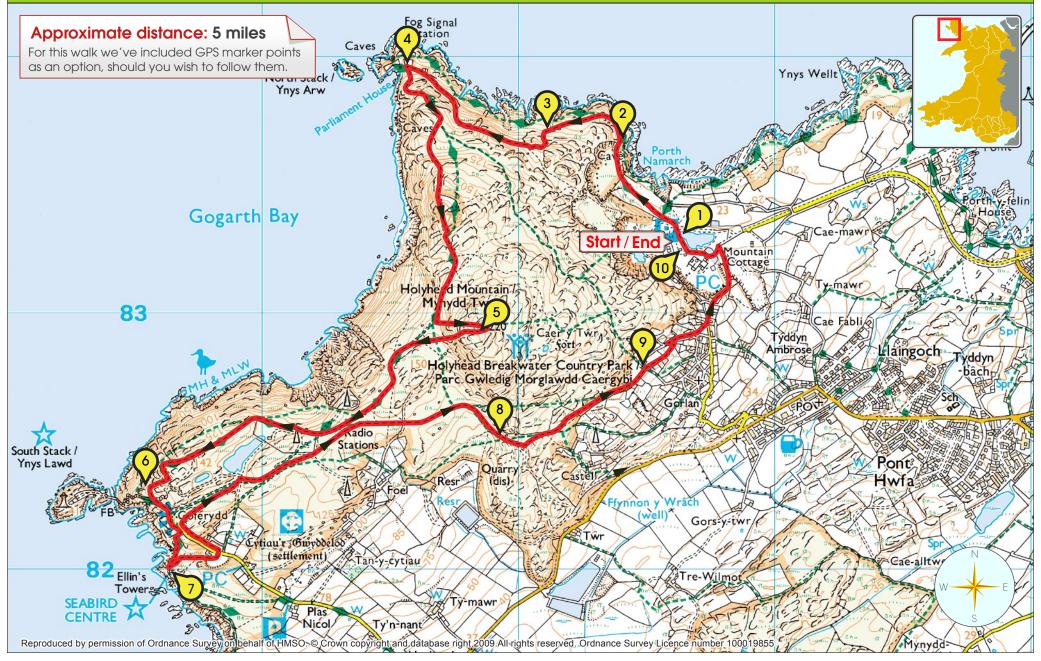
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Weatherman Walking - Holyhead Mountain



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Approximate distance: 5 miles

A circular walk along a rugged coastal path up and around Holyhead Mountain via North and South Stack and Ellin's Tower.



1. Breakwater Country Park

53.31645° N, -4.66457° W

Walk past a man-made pond and join up with the Isle of Anglesey Coastal Path, passing a former quarrying site as you go.



4. Old foghorn station, North Stack

53.32244° N, -4.68048° W

The station is now home to local artist, Philippa Jacobs. Head south along the coastal footpath towards Holyhead Mountain passing an old ruined telegraph station.



2. Views over the breakwater

52.32065° N, -4.66814° W

In the mid 19th century there were eleven quarrying sites here. Seven million tonnes of stone were used to build the breakwater.



5. Caer y Twr hill fort

53.31339° N, -4.67503° W

Follow the track down hill, then off to the left, up to the summit. The Iron Age fort combines natural rocky outcrops with substantial areas of stone ramparts.



3. Magazine hut

53.32040° N, -4.67182° W

Head up the hill and past an old stone munitions hut, once used to store explosives and dynamite for the local quarry.



6. Views over South Stack

53.30728° N, -4.6946° W

The 91 foot tall lighthouse has been warning ships here since 1809 and the cliffs overlooking it are a great place to perch and watch the seabirds in summer.

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7. Ellin's Tower

53.30433° N, -4.69311° W

The tower which is now owned by the RSPB, is a Victorian summer house built by the Lord Lieutenant of Anglesey for his wife, Ellin, in 1868.



10. Back to Breakwater Country Park

53.31378° N, -4.66247° W

The path twists right. Keep walking until you pick up a small road leading to a path taking you back to the park and end of the walk.



8. Mountain track

53.30641° N, -4.69332° W

Walk back to the small car park above the tower and follow a tarmac trail to a path skirting the north-east side of the mountain.



9. Medieval field boundaries

53.31149° N, -4.66697° W

Walk along a track running parallel to South Stack Rd. Follow a track between the dry stone walls.