

Llanfachreth Circular

Approx. 9 miles / 3-4 hours / difficulty - easy

This route shows off this area's great views over farmland and river valleys. A wonderful walk for any season.

The walk, that follows tarmac road all the way, is easy but involves a small section of uphill walking.

- Leave town over the stone bridge and turn right on to Bala Road. After the Eurospar, go left, uphill on road to Llanfachreth.
- Take first right and follow this narrow lane that takes you through a mixture of beautiful woodland and green pastures. It gives open views over the Afon Wnion valley and the hills beyond.
- Just after Ty Mawr, turn right. Soon after, ignore the lane going down to your right and continue straight ahead for approximately 1 mile.
- At a road junction with sign posts, turn left and head uphill towards Llanfachreth.
- When you come to a stone arch, Y Garreg Fawr* turn left and again follow the sign to Llanfarchreth.
- Go through the village, passing the memorial and follow signs for Ty'n y Groes.
- 1 mile later, at a cross roads in the woods, ignore the track to your right and continue downhill.
- At the bottom of the hill, at a car park and picnic site, take the road to your left.
- Follow this road, parallel to the Afon Mawddach, for 2.5 miles. Enjoy the views through the Mawddach valley towards the Cadair range.
- At the next road junction, turn right downhill, looking for a small path to your left (ignore the first path heading into Pentre farm). Go uphill on this narrow path with a fence to your left and a wall to your right.
- Go past the old Golf Club and continue on the tarmac road ahead.
- At the top, alongside a blue and black bench, turn right and head downhill into town.

*Y Garreg Fawr - "The Great Stone" This arch marked the entrance to the Nannau Estate from the Llanfachreth side. The 18-ton lintel was transported over ten miles from near The Roman Steps, by four of Sir Robert Vaughan's tenants who were late with their rent payments.

[Source: https://nannau.wales/]