

OUT AND ABOUT - BEACHES

Guide Books and Maps to be found in bookcase at Camcyntaf Cottage.

Llyn/Lleyn Peninsular Beaches Websites

www.llyn.info/info/beaches/

www.bestofwales.co.uk/Beaches-on-the-lleyn-Peninsula-Top-10

Our favourite beaches marked *

Nearest Beach

Nant - Nant Gwrtheyrn *[1 mile approx.] - Very steep walk from cottage but lovely walk and views or it is possible to drive down to car park in Nant Gwrtheyrn but still walk to beach. This is a lovely walk with wonderful views. Woods and streams, shingle beach with a little sand at low tide, cliffs at both ends of bay - wildlife [wild goats often seen on mountainside and seals on beach], bird watching area, wild flowers particularly impressive in spring. Nant Gwrtheyrn is The Welsh Language Centre which was previously an isolated quarrying village. A number of these buildings are open to the public and of interest to a visitor. Café Meinir at Nant Gwrtheyrn - good tea rooms and there is also lovely outdoor seating area.

Beaches on North Llŷn Coast

Nefyn Beach - Sandy beach with beach shop and café - limited parking.

Morfa Nefyn /Porthdinllaen* - National Trust land - Lovely sandy beach - Car Park is National Trust at Morfa Nefyn - round walk to Porthdinllaen and headland and path back through golf course - lovely views- wildlife, birds, flowers etc seals often seen at headland. Interesting walk - Lifeboat Station near headland - Ty Coch pub on beach at Porthdinllaen - light lunches and good home-made soup - can sit with drink on beach in good weather. Small beach café by National Trust Car Park.

Traeth Penllech - is a more secluded and quiet sandy beach - one car park at Porth Colman end of bay - walk over grassy headland to large sandy beach - large area of sand and rock pools at low tide. Parking and picnic area also at Pont-yr-Afon Fawr - pretty walk by stream to beach.

Porth Towyn [Near Tudweliog] - Car park at farm/caravan park - lovely, safe, sandy beach - not far to walk to beach.

Dinas Dinlle - large car-park area - long sandy beach area - some shingle and rock pools - a number of beach cafés.

Porth Oer - Whistling Sands* - Lovely sandy beach with rock pools at either end and interesting cliff walks - bird watching and wildflowers - National Trust beach - sailing - surfing - Good beach café - sometimes barbeques at café - National Trust car park - short walk to beach from car park. [Yes the sands really do whistle or rather squeak when walked on].

Porth Iago - Quiet secluded bay sandy beach with rock pools - quite a scramble to reach beach over grassy slopes - parking is through farm - pay at farm.

Beaches on the South Llŷn Coast

Aberdaron* - Lovely sandy large beach - all amenities near - interesting cliff walk at right end of beach part of Llŷn Coastal Path - Car Park in village - can get crowded near village but quickly can walk away from crowds - good places to eat in village - lovely old fashioned bakery in village [lovely fruit pies!] - interesting pilgrim's church St. Hywyn's by sea - sailing - surfing.

Porth Meudwy [near Aberdaron]*- National Trust land car park free - walk down to small cove - good bird watching area especially during bird migration - wild flowers - shingle cove - fishing - crossing to Bardsey Island in fine weather needs to be pre-booked - on Llŷn Coastal path, left side cliff walk to Aberdaron, right side cliff walk to Uwchmynydd with excellent views of Bardsey Island [Ynys Enlli].

Porth Ysgo - Lovely quite beach - park and pay by farm - nature trail walk to beach - many wooden steps down to beach - sand, rock pools and shingle.

Hell's Mouth - Porth Nigel - very long sandy beach - renowned surfing beach - can be very windy and rough in bad weather - sea always very rough and waves forceful - always surfers [all year!] -can be untidy near openings/access onto beach.

Abersoch - has two large beach areas - both sandy - The Warren is a National Trust beach which has Llŷn coastal path running along beach and lovely cliff walk onto Mynydd Tir-y-Cwmwd at right end of beach – beach/sea sailing area. Large, spacious beach on south side of Aberdaron - three car park areas, 2 near town and one at far end of beach signed Machroes - small beach café in centre access to beach - sailing and sometimes surfing.

Llanbedrog Beach* - excellent family beach - good for sailing and bathing - pretty outlook -some shingle but also sand - lovely cliff walk to right of beach up to headland and coastal path but this is a steep walk and care is needed - National Trust Car Park with short walk down to beach. Nice beach café/Bistro which is open for evening meals during holiday season. See also Places to eat - Plas Glyn-yr-Weddw [Café and art gallery].

Pwllheli Beach - South beach by town shingle and sand - coastal path.

Pwllheli Marina Beach - Lovely sandy beach - sailing and coastal walk - car park by beach.

Criccieth - nice beach - two separate beaches with Castle on headland separating beaches, - sand, shingle and rocks for rock pooling. Lovely coastal walk to west of Castle. Beach cafés - see Places to eat - Blue China Café. Delicious Welsh home-made ice cream - Cadwalader's Ice-cream shop on road to Castle.

Black Rock Sands - Good, large, safe, sandy beach - plenty of room for beach games - car park on beach.

Note: - some beaches have restricted access areas for dogs during holiday season – see websites above for information.

Beautiful Beaches a little further afield - Shell Island and Harlech

