

I Visit the National Park Visitor Centre (Mountain Centre)

The National Park Visitor Centre or 'Mountain Centre' is located 7km south west of Brecon and is one of the most popular visitor attractions in the Brecon Beacons National Park. The Centre stands 1100ft (330m) above sea level and offers stunning views of the highest mountains (Pen y Fan and Corn Du) in South Wales.

In the Centre there are interpretation boards, maps and short films which explain the history of the National Park and the Brecon Beacons. The three dimensional relief map of the entire National Park is an extremely popular exhibit and staff are on hand to assist with any enquiries you may have about the National Park.

Throughout the year there are events available such as guided walks and children's activities, copies of which can be found at the Centre and on the Guided Walks, Children's Activities and Family Events pages on our website www.visitbreconbeacons.com. Other facilities include the popular tearooms serving local produce and home cooked food, a gift shop and easy access toilet facilities. Outside, families and children can enjoy the large grassed area in front of the building for picnics or to play games.

The adjacent common land, Mynydd Illtyd, offers plenty of easy walks with fantastic views. Route maps are available in the shop or go to the Wildlife Walks page on the website and follow the link to Mynydd Illtyd for a nature walk. For mountain biking there are two marked routes to choose from; the easy family Visitor Centre Route or the more challenging Mynydd Illtyd route, both of which can be found on our mountain biking pages at www.mtbbreconbeacons.co.uk. Bikes can be hired locally (Brecon) and can even be delivered to the Centre – see the Guides and Hire pages.



Sample Itinerary

10.00 am	Arrive at National Park Visitor Centre and explore Centre and grounds.
11.15 am	Refreshments in the tearooms.
11.30 am	Enjoy a walk or take a bike trail from Mynydd Illtyd Common.
1.00 pm	Return to Centre for lunch.
2.00 pm	Depart for home or continue to Brecon for exploration of the town, a canal walk or a visit to the Cathedral.



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Where is it? The Centre is signposted from the A470 close to the village of Libanus, 9km south west of Brecon. Explorer Map OL 12 or Landranger Map 160. SN 977 262. Contact: 01874 623366 or go to www.visitbreconbeacons.com.

Facilities: Free admission. A gift shop and tearooms are on site. There is a large pay and display car park. Disabled parking spaces are on the tarmac surface next to the Centre. Outside there is a large grassed area in front of the Centre that can be used for picnics or children's games. Nearby Brecon has a good range of shops and petrol stations.

Opening times: Every day except Christmas Day, 9.30am-4.30/5.30pm depending on season.

Public Transport:

By bus - Beacons Bus Service (Bank Holidays & Sundays throughout the summer 01873 853254) – see the Transport pages at www.visitbreconbeacons.com. See also www.traveline-cymru.info or call 0871 2002233. By Bike – NCN 8 runs through Brecon. There are cycle stands on site.

Nearby Attractions: Central Beacons mountain range including Pen y Fan and Corn Du, Llwyn-onn Reservoir, Brecon Cathedral, Brecknock Museum and Art Gallery, Monmouthshire & Brecon Canal (Itinerary No. 5).



- Itinerary Locations**
- 1 Brecon Beacons National Park Visitor Centre
 - 2 Waterfall Country
 - 3 Brecon Mountain Railway
 - 4 Big Pit National Coal Museum
 - 5 Taff Trail, near Brecon
 - 6 Goytre Wharf, near Abergavenny
 - 7 Llangorse Lake, near Brecon
 - 8 Blaenavon Ironworks & Heritage Centre
 - 9 Abergavenny Castle & Museum
 - 10 Garwnant Visitor Centre

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