

## Reasons to walk...

- Makes you **feel good** 1.
- 2. Reduces stress
- 3. Helps you sleep better
- Reduces risk of:-4.
  - Heart disease
  - Stroke
  - High blood pressure
  - Diabetes
  - Arthritis
  - Osteoporosis
  - Certain cancers
  - and can help with their management and recovery



- See your local area and discover new places 6.
- 7. Kind to the **environment**
- 8. Can be done by almost anyone
- 9. No special equipment required
- 10. Its **FREE**, saving money on bus fares and petrol









## How often should I walk?

As often as you can

Aim for at least:-

3 minutes

This can be in one go or 3 walks of 10 minutes or 2 walks of 15 minutes per day

or more days of the week

## How fast should I walk?

Start slowly to warm up gradually increase to a brisk pace:-

- heart beating a little faster
- breathing a little faster
- feel a little warmer
- leg muscles may ache a little
- you should still be able to hold a conversation

## Slow down gra<mark>dually to cool down</mark>

## **Tips**

- Walk to the local shops
- Get off the bus a stop earlier
- Park a little further from your destination
- Walk the children to and from school
- Go for a lunchtime walk
- Walk to post a letter
- Use the stairs
- Walk with friends/family
- Explore new areas
- Walk the dog
- Note your progress





## What equipment will I need?

## Healthy Start Walks brochure:-

- Comfortable and sensible footwear (no flip-flops or high heels)
- Water

## Small Walks for Small Feet brochure:-

- Comfortable and sensible footwear (no flip-flops or high heels)
- Water



## Healthy Challenge Walks brochure:-

- · Sturdy footwear
- Water



## Countryside Walks brochure:-

- Sturdy footwear/Hillwalking boots
- Water



## Safety information:-

- Tell someone where you are going
- Tell someone how long you will be
- Remember to let them know when you return



## Have fun and enjoy your walk!







## Walks

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## Please refer to map on back cover







side. (Note: there are fine views of hillsides to left).

## Start at gate entrance on Bassaleg Road...

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At open, level ground keep to path on right hand	At path crossroads keep straight ahead uphill on main path. (Note: there are fine views of the Transporter Bridge and Newport city centre to right).	At path crossroads turn right uphill between trees.	At top of slope, a path joins from the right but keep to main path straight ahead.	At gate bear around to left and follow wide grassy footpath leading uphill on left (not path next to outer railings of park). (Note: there are fine views over Newport to left and behind as you walk up hill).	Keep on wide grassy path on outer edge boundary, down slope then along fence next to railway line on right. (Note: there are many paths leading uphill on left).	Enter gate and bear right, keeping hedge boundary on right before taking muddy path through wood onto grassy path.
	At bottom of slope turn right and head back to start.	siope, reep straight affead on thairt path feathing downlink.	At crossroads turn right heading down grassy	Bear left and continue left along main path leading down slope.	At path crossroads, with houses on your right, turn left towards top of hill fort through small wooded area. (Note: Fine view of hillsides ahead)	At end of open ground, keep to smaller path straight ahead through woodland.
	your walk for progression.	paths to explore to	There are many other	requiring sturdy footwear but fine views to encourage	A breathtaking walk with some steep inclines and declines	Tredegar Fort - Gaer.

WALK 1

## **Tredegar Fort - Gaer** Distance 2.5 Km, 1.6 Miles Sports Ground Tredegar Park O Pont Ebby PW¶ Sch Recreation Ground a large bank and ditch. enclosure was defended by pentagonal and enclosures, the outer of comprising multiple It's a large circular site lower reaches of the Ebbw excellent defensive this huge fort near Known locally as the surrounded by a single enclosure is roughly for stock. The inner which may have been used enemy approacn. River, perfect for seeing an position overlooking the Newport are situated in an Gollars, the ramparts of bank and ditch. The outer 10 Gate Bus Stop Walk Route 否

## Start at layby at Pye Corner, Nash on Broadstreet Common Road by Caldicot & Wentlooge Internal Drainage Board sign... (Take care: No pavement)

## WALK 2

## Eastmans Trail

A refreshing, level walk with stiles and uneven paths requiring sturdy footwear. Paths can become boggy after heavy rain.

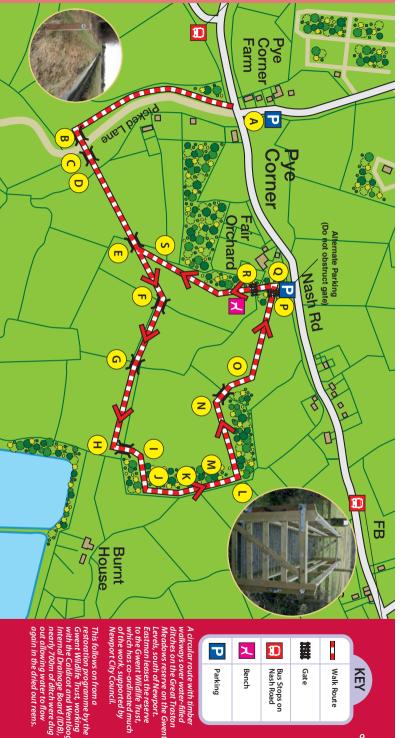
There are fine open views of Gwent Levels and plenty of fresh sea

views of Gwent Levels and plenty of fresh sea air to breathe.

There are water vole, dragonflies and even otter to be seen at one of Gwent's hidden marshland jewels.

Parking for some cars on lay-by on Broadstreet Common off Pye Corner.

## **Eastmans Trail** Distance 2.9 Km, 1.8 Miles



Internal Drainage Board (IDB), nearly 700m of ditch were dug out allowing water to flow restoration programme by the Gwent Wildlife Trust, working with the Caldicot and Wentloog This follows on from a ditches on the Great Traston walkways over water-filled A circular route with timber

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Bus Stops on Nash Road





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area's perimeter further,

# Start at Fourteen Locks Visitor Centre car park...

F)Turn right down 6 steps, continue along At Cefn Road turn left and cross road footbridge and cross over Cwm Lane. footpath on left to rear of gardens. there is the option of exploring this grassy hand boundary. (For a pleasant variation Enter open grassy ground, keep to left , Walk along road between garages ontc signpost on right, go down 4 steps Turn left along road, turn right at footpath using crossing path downhill, walk down a further 8 steps. ( 1 ) Keep straight ahead down grassy slope. steps next to field ahead, follow gravel Cross Ruskin Avenue, turn left down 6 Keep straight ahead along canal footpath Walk along pond, up slope over (Take care busy road & on a bend) (N) Head into wood, go up 35 steps to right of M) Turn right onto tarmac path, walk around outdoor  $\left( \begin{array}{c} \mathbf{K} \end{array} \right)$  Follow footpath down slope through woodland. I Walk past metal gate & fence on left boundary, turn right at wooden footpath sign, follow small gravel underpass right fork onto narrow tarmac road keeping houses At fork after leaving wood, keep straight ahead on the right and into Cefn Wood Keep ahead on grassy path as it bends slightly to on left. (Take care, no pavement) then grassy path, towards centre of open ground R P straight ahead along canal footpath. (Note, also at point B). (Take care, busy road and on a bend). Bear right at roundabout along Cefn Road. Turn right following wide pavement along Chartist Drive. (Take care, busy down slope, around pond back to start Cross road at crossing, turn left along pavement along Cefn Road. (Note, also at (Note, also at point A). (Take care, busy Cross Cwm Lane, walk straight ahead uphill, walk up a further 6 steps. Turn right up 8 steps, follow gravel path point C). lane and on a bend Turn right, cross Ruskin Avenue and keep

Cefn Wood. Fourteen Locks to

a wood. parkland and through the canal, around A mostly level and varying walk along

## Fourteen Locks to Cefn Wood Walk Distance 3.9 Km, 2.4 Miles HIGH CROSS Centre – telephone 01633 892167 Saturday of every month from the also various guidea Currently there are ourteen Locks Visitor ס 10 Walk Route Bus Stop Car Park Café

# Start at Rogerstone Welfare Ground car park...

I a ш B Þ Go over stile on right, into field, head up grassy slope towards wood keeping to right hand boundary of field. (Note, breathtaking views of surrounding signpost turn right downhill, leaving the Sirhowy Valley Walk, (approx. 30m before Go over stile at top of field, and follow footpath into wood Cross bridge and head up slope At path junction turn left Take path to left of shop and large green metal building Keep on path straight ahead in direction of Sirhowy Valley Walk signpost. At next keep on path straight ahead over uneven undulating boggy ground (Take care, narrow lane and no pavements At crossroads turn right up lane signposted Sirhowy Valley Wall uphill, ignoring farm tracks on left. (Take care, no pavements) Go through gate and into field, keeping to left hand boundary you would reach a stile hills and countryside behind) Turn left along Pentre Tai Road in direction of Sirhowy Valley Walk heading slightly 0 0 ≤ Continue straight along path passing playing fields and picnic benches back to the start. bear right following the path past a small pond on your left. At fork in road bear right, walk through underpass and walk alongside River Ebbw. At gap in hedge on left leave the riverside path and Go down 3 steps and turn right following path along opposite side of river. on right At fork in path bear right and walk across footbridge Go over stile, down 2 steps, turn left along lane. boundary. Go over stile into field, head downhill along left hand forestry track, heading downhill on footpath Signpost Graig Diamond Jubilee path Go down short steep slope, cross straight ove

## VALK 1

Rogerstone Welfare Ground and Coed

Bedw.

An interesting and varying walk involving woodland, open fields and riverbanks.

There are steps, stiles and steep inclines

and declines requiring sturdy footwear.
There are many other paths to explore to lengthen and vary your walk for progression.

## Rogerstone Welfare Ground and Coed Bedw Distance 3.5 Km, 2.2 Miles bA isT strag Works DEOM MINIME SOL Works A467 Mer DHILLA · Cooper by Roger de Haia in the 12th Century. **\*** 10 T Gate Café Bridge Walk Route Bus Stop Car Park Picnic Area 13

post 99, turn right along forestry roac

if you can find it?)

## Start in Cadira Beeches car park...

From car park entrance, cross over the road, turn

66. Take forestry footpath straight ahead (note: Keep following the main forestry road past (note: there is a trig pillar on your left -Keep on path past a building and a mast on left. left of a forestry road) in direction of signpost, Cross over the tarmac road past waymarker post waymarker post 64 on road) forestry road. (Take care, there may be some traffic (restricted byway) right then after about 15 metres turn left up (O right and keep on path as it narrows As road leads steeply downhill, take the forestry track turn right uphill. Keep straight ahead to waymarker post 86 and 97, a bench and Curley Oak Keep straight ahead on path passing waymarker post At path junction, waymarker post 98 (if there?) turn on left next to green metal forestry gate

Where path meets the forestry road, waymarker down a grassy track (note: very uneven) At path junction, waymarker post 83, turn left at waymarker post 99 (also point F) turn left uphill turn right along forestry road At forestry road junction, waymarker post 85,

) and retrace your steps back to the start (note: turn

right at waymarker post 83 - Point E)

**DID YOU KNOW:** Curley Oak is about 400 to 450 years old and is the only surviving veteran tree and is still alive!

WALK 5

Wentwood Forest.

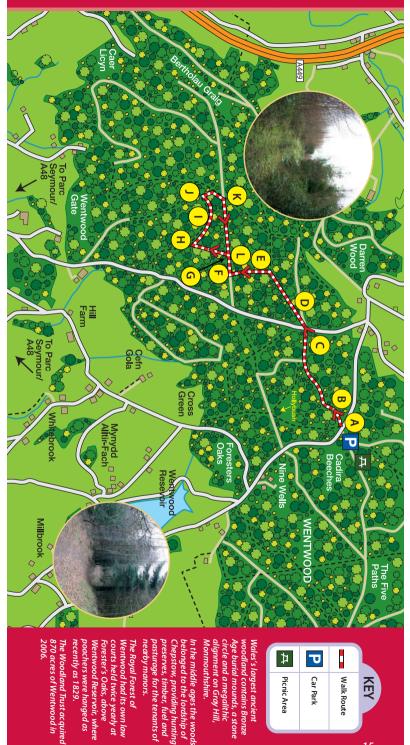
inclines and declines and uneven paths requiring sturdy footwear.

A rewarding woodland walk with some steep

There are many other paths to explore to lengthen and vary you walk for progression.

For further information contact The Woodland Trust TEL: 01476 581111

## Wentwood Forest 3.3 miles 5.5 Km



# Start at top entrance to Beechwood Park on corner of Beechwood Road and Christchurch Road....

Turn right down wide muddy path to stream, bear left keeping to path on left side of stream and follow path towards white house and road. (Note, do not cross stream at small wooden footbridge).	Enter large, open grassy area and walk along Fright hand boundary of grassy ground, keeping to main path.	Keep straight ahead down main path leading E downhill, ignoring many smaller paths to left and right until crossroads.	At exit from park on left, bear right down D short steep grassy bank and keep on muddy path around park.	Go through M4 underpass, keep on path around left hand boundary of park.	Tum left at metal footpath signpost, go through kissing gate and down tarmac path. (Note, signpost obscured by garden hedge and tree).	A Cross Christchurch Road and tum right along pavement. (Take care, busy road).
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Go through kissing gate, then head diagonally right to bridge over M4.	Keep on main path leading uphill along lefthand boundary. (Note: View of Caerleon on your right)	At open ground, continue straight ahead onto muddy path into wood.	K At fork, bear left along wider path, passing a large tree on the right.	At top of slope turn left at path crossroads, follow main path around left boundary.	After 50 metres, turn right at footpath signpost up grassy track, walk around gate up steep slope.  At top of slope, turn left keeping gardens on left.	Go through metal kissing gate onto Caerleon Road, turn right along pavement.
					Turn right and follow pavement alongside Christchurch Road back to the start.	Go across bridge, follow winding concrete path on right onto Christchurch Road.
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## WALK 6

St Julian's Park and Wood.

A challenging and varying walk involving woodland and open ground with fine views of Caerleon and the River Usk.
There are some steep inclines and declines, which can be very muddy and slippery.
However, there are many other paths to explore to vary your walk due to the conditions, your

ability and for your

progression.

## St Julian's Park and Wood Distance 3 Km, 1.9 Miles M4 Motorway Lawrence Hill Christchurch Road is dedicated to the The Anglican parish church for St Julian's named after famous church on Beaufort martyred Saints of Julius he Roman martyr. Saint Julius of Caerleon, painters. St Julian's lulian's estate are and the Roman Catholic vay along Heather Road and Aaron and sits midtself is named after Ħ 10 Gate Bus Stop Walk Route 17

# Start at Fourteen Locks Visitor Centre car park...

Go past small wooden footbridge on right. (Note, fine open views to left of hillsides Take left fork keeping canal on right and go past a hump-backed bridge on right. on left and go through M4 underpass At forks, keep on main path leading straight ahead downhill. ponds on your right. car park leading downhill, keeping the through kissing gate humpbacked bridge, keep straight ahead Pass a permissive bridleway and footpath metal 'bike slow' gate passing hump-backed bridge No.5 on right, Take path in bottom right hand comer o At Boarding Kennels turn right ove permissive bridleway on left and go through Keep straight ahead through Pensarn Farm N Turn left onto permissive bridleway on left. ≤ \_ ~ I ) Bear left between 2 ponds. Walk along path leading downhill to pond then bear right at pond, keep pond on left and go past a bench on right. At kissing gate on left, turn right and head downhill. At junction turn right Go past kissing gate on left, follow level Take right fork, then go through a gate path bending to the right and head uphill (Note, pond on right is small Ç 0 OStay on bridleway keeping canal on right. æ ) ahead on level path alongside canal, passing far end of pond back to car park Tum right over a large wooden footbridge at up steep path following left side of canal then turn right through bike slow gates and and head up steep slope, ignoring footpath and permissive bridleway on right. Bear right and go through M4 underpass right, walk over hump-backed bridge and At gate step over small wooden barrier, turn Step over small wooden barrier, keep straight ' main path alongside cana turn left along canal. kissing gate on right. Take right fork keeping straight ahead on Turn left over humped-back bridge No. 5 Continue straight up path until reach pond

## NALK 7

Fourteen Locks to Allt-Yr-Yn Nature

Reserve.

An enjoyable mostly level walk along the Monmouthshire and Brecon canal with one steep decline at start and incline at finish. There are some stiles and uneven paths requiring sturdy

Yn Road off Allt- Yr- Yn View Bus stops on Allt-Yr-

footwear.

## Fourteen Locks to Allt-Yr Yn Nature Reserve Distance 4 Km, 2.5 Miles Rogerstone Fourteen Locks Visitor Centre Pensam Farm Ynysyfro Resevoirs reserve is a former Lido Allt Yr Yn nature and managed by WING studying pond life. and five ponds ideal for and has ancient The reserve is owned by woodland, meadows **Newport City Council** 蘳 U 10 Gate Bridge Walk Route Café Bus Stop Car Park 否 19

## Start near Llanwern High School

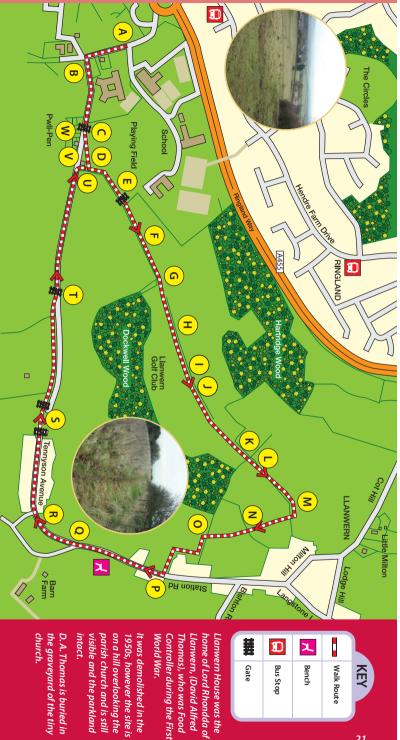
Keep straight ahead on path keeping wire fence on right.	At fork bear right.	Bear left onto grassland come s straight ahead on grassy path k right. (Note, fine views of surrou countryside on left and behind)	Go through metal a ahead up slope.	At fork bear left metres bear righ slope, keep met	Go through kissi turn right follow and enter wood	Turn left ont before RSPC	Walk past s towards RS
		Bear left onto grassland come shrubbland, keep straight ahead on grassy path keeping hedge on right. (Note, fine views of surrounding hills and countryside on left and behind).	Go through metal zigzag gate, keep straight ahead up slope.	At fork bear left onto often muddy path, after 30 metres bear right at fork onto muddy path up slope, keep metal fence on right.	Go through kissing gate on left, and immediately turn right following footpath, keep hedge on right and enter wood.	Turn left onto lane opposite Road Safety Centre, before RSPCA Kennels (Take care, no pavements).	Walk past school entrances on left along road towards RSPCA Kennels.
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Go over stile, turn right following pavement along Station Road.	Go over stile onto golf course, keep to left boundary. (Take care, golf balls).	Go over stile, keep level through centre of field and head for concealed stile, following a route 100 metres to the right of houses.	Go over stile on right, keep straight ahead in direction of footpath marker arrow across centre of field.	Keep straight ahead into next field and along right oundary leading downhill. (Views to left & ahead)	At fork bear left (Note: right fork leads downhill), lafter 20m go over a stile, keep to right boundary of field. (Take care, farm animals).	Bear right, at gap in fence, then after 10m turn left keeping in a straight ahead direction from starting point.	Keep straight ahead on path passing large barkless (tree on right.
	Go through kissing gate on left (also at point C).  Turn right and follow lane back to start.	At fork bear left (also at point D).	Go through gap in hedge, bearright up muddy path.	Go through metal kissing gate, keep straight ahead onto gravel road.	At end of road bear right through a metal kissing gate, then through another metal kissing gate, keep straight ahead through polf course keeping hedge on right. (Take care, golf balls).	R Keep on Tennyson Avenue around right hand bend.	At fork bear right along Tennyson Avenue.

## WALK 8

Janwern Circular

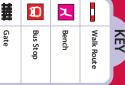
An exhilarating walk with some steep inclines and declines requiring sturdy footwear but there are fine views along the way

## Llanwern Circular Distance 4.1 Km, 2.5 Miles



D. A. Thomas is buried in the graveyard of the tiny

home of Lord Rhondda of Llanwern, (David Alfred Llanwern House was the



right fork following Usk Valley Walk signposts uphill through wood. Go through open wooden gate, head up steps take

uphill. At metal gate on left, bear right up steps Go though kissing gate and keep following patt

## Start at River Bridge on Broadway Lane...

Amphitheatre on right) and continue along tarmac Go through a wooden gate and follow tarmac path Take tarmac path signposted - River Bridge (Note: Take right fork signposted Usk Valley Walk uphil Take left fork signposted Usk Valley Walk. Go through gate, bear left up grassy bank, follow Usk Valley Walk through field path through wood At fork bear right, cross over tarmac path and heac

pavement and cross at controlled crossing. Turn right and follow pavement and head over bridge through a field passing wood carvings Go through a wooden gate, turn left along

> signposts in a clockwise direction on grassy grounce Bear left onto muddy track on left signposted Usk to outer boundary of golf course.

Valley Walk. At opening on left keep straight ahead S

At fork tum left in direction of yellow arrow on green background (not Usk Valley Walk direction) downhill,

on narrow grassy footpath

Cross road, keep straight ahead to left of hedge following Usk Valley Walk signposts. (Note: Views of

Keep following signposts in direction of yellow

down steps and through open wooden gate keeping

Turn left over wooden platform, (Note: A well on left) up steps, over stile on right and head downhill along ) arrows with green background along grassy muddy

C Go down 3 steps, then down another 3 steps onto ) New Road, turn right and follow road downhill. (**Take** 

Go through large metal gate then immediately bear left onto tarmac path and follow Usk Valley Walk sign Walk between hedges, through a wooden gate and passing reservoir on right and golf dub house on left. (Take care: no pavement) turn right onto Catash Road. Continue along road 8

care, no pavement and on a blind bend)

Take left fork, signposted towards Caerleon, use pavement on left side of road.

Go up 5 steps, through a wooden zig zag gate and follow path uphill alongside fence.

After 30 metres turn left onto Lulworth Road, signposted Usk Valley Walk, follow road around bend onto Isca Road. (Take care, no pavements)

At signpost turn right up gravel then tarmac road and follow Usk Valley Walk signposts, around Chepstow

Hill in a clockwise direction.

signposted towards Christchurch

After bridge turn left along New Road

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Bullmore Road signposted Usk Valley Walk At road junction turn left and walk up

(Take care, no pavements

Turn right at signpost next to the kennels, for Bullmoor Road and Belmont Hill. Go over stile and ×

keep straight ahead towards bench

' bridge back to start Turn right at junction, signposted Caerleon, walk ove

towards signpost ahead on left (also at point L). Go through gate following bear right into field, wall

footwear.

of surrounding hills and countryside to There are fine views

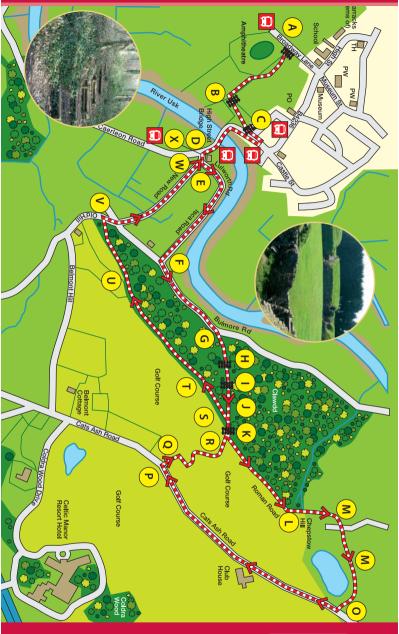
) metres turn left at junction following winding tarma path downhill through golf course. (Take care, golf balls). At bench turn right along tarmac path, after 20

Chepstow Hill. Caerleon and

walk with some steep paths requiring sturdy stiles and uneven A challenging hill inclines and declines,

sections worthwhile. make the uphill

## Caerleon and Chepstow Hill Distance 6 Km, 3.7 Miles



The amphitheatre, Roman Road and Chepstow Hill are particular points of interest.

headquarters of the Augustan Legion from AD75 to the end of the 3rd century and was excavated in the



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) At the path junction, turn left and follow the path towards a flight of steps onto the main track behind Ruperra Castle.

## Start at Hollbush Inn...





Pass through the kissing gate and continue uphill and through the woodland

At the path junction turn left and follow the waymarker through the woodland. Continue along wooded track heading slightly down hill reaching a bench at the

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Turn left through the metal kissing gate and follow the path through the woodland, looking out for the Iron Bridge circular walk waymarker disc.





Continue straight ahead following the track passing through 2 metal kissing gates to the lower car park and to the road.













Turn right and follow the road for 150 metres approximately to a finger post at Iron Bridge cottage. (Take care - no pavement along road)

Walk around gated entrance and continue along the access lane to Iron Bridge cottage, pass Iron Bridge cottage on your right and follow the path to the Iron Bridge





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Continue along the trail and follow the waymarker heading downhill, passing the wooden arbour on your right.

Pass through the kissing gate and follow the waymarker disc towards Craig Ruperra. Keep on path to the right of Ruperra Summerhouse and enjoy

spectacular panoramic views

At the path junction follow the waymarker to the right and continue along path uphill to a wooden kissing gate.

After the bridge follow the path through woodland to a metal gate



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route (take care when crossing busy road) or turn left along the hedgerow and then follow the river back to Draethen Road. towards Lower Machen by following the way marker discs showing the extended Here you have a choice, you can either: continue along the well defined track



and the Hollybush Inn At Draethen Road follow the waymarker disc over the road bridge to Draether

Iron Bridge Circular Walk

## Iron Bridge Circular Walk Distance 4.5km, 2.8 miles





This brochure forms part of a series of four brochures on walk in the Newport area.

Please see below for the other three brochures in this



## **Useful Information**

Bus & Rail Information
Traveline Cymru - 0871 200 22 33
www.traveline-cymru.org.uk

Other Information NHS Direct Online - 0845 46 47 www.nhsdirect.nhs.uk

Newport City Council - 01633 656 656 www.newport.gov.uk

Ramblers Association - 01633 894 172 www.ramblers.org.uk

**Gwent Police -01633 838 111** www.gwent.police.uk

Walking Information www.newport.gov.uk/countryside



## LETS WALK NEWPORT



## Healthy Challenge Walks in Newport...

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