

The Three Cottages Walk (from

Cilcain).

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Route Summary



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Route Overview



Category: Walking Length: 12.160 km / 7.60 mi Last Modified: 27th July 2020 Difficulty: Medium Rating: Unrated Surface: Moderate Date Published: 18th July 2020

Description





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From the Cilcain Tourist car parks (1/2 mile west of village centre) head east into Cilcain turning right before the church. The church is well worth a visit if you have the time.



Head down the hill past the church car park to a large grey metal building, the Old Water Pumping Station. Turn right up the farm track passing reservoirs and woods on your right. Go through two 5 bar gates. Pass through a personal gate on your left and walk around the largest of the Cilcain Reservoirs on your right.



Cross two streams and head up the "Green Motorway" (a wide grass path) to a coll. Go through the gate and cross the Offa's Dyke path heading south down a rough track. (There are grass paths at the side of much of the track). Pass through a 5 bar gate and turn right onto a signed footpath after a white cottage, Dol y Caeau.

You will pass the ruins of three cottages (marked on map) where you will find plaques giving some historic information.





The route joins a quiet road for a couple of hundred yards before starting a gentle but long ascent towards the base of Moel Arthur. (If you have the energy and time you can divert from the northernmost part of this route to climb Moel Arthur).



Join the road for 200 yards passing the tourist car park on your left. Take the track to the right and proceed towards Gronfoel Farm (were you can buy free range eggs). Join the road to return to the Cilcain car parks.

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Waypoints



