

Wentwood and Gray Hill

Wales's Largest Ancient Woodland

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Distance and Timings

Length of Walk: 7.6 miles - 12.2km

Approximate time taken to walk route: 41/2 Hours

References

Start: Cadira Beeches Car Park, Wentwood (Grid Reference: ST 422 949)

Ordnance Survey Map: OS Explorer 1:25 000 Sheet OL14 Wye Valley & Forest of Dean

Facilities Available

Parking at Forestry Commission car park – Cadira Beeches Alternative parking at picnic site – Foresters Oaks No public toilets or other facilities available on walk.

Accessibility / Terrain

No of Stiles: 8

A strenuous walk with a number of steep ascents and descents.



Brief Route Details / Points of Particular Interest

The route starts at the Cadira Beeches car park and follows the road down to Foresters Oaks picnic site, from where it climbs steeply up to the top of Gray Hill. It then drops down into the Castrogi Brook valley and follows the brook upstream before entering Wentwood Forest from the east. The route then follows forestry tracks to Five Ways before looping around to the north and returning back to Cadira Beeches.

Points of interest include the views from Gray Hill and its standing stones, the ancient forest of Wentwood.

