

# The Route - 5 Locks to Goytre Wharf.

## 7.3 miles

1. Start at 5 Locks Road, Pontnewydd, where the road crosses the canal and travel along the canal towpath in a northerly direction. NP44 1BT
2. 5 Locks Flight after 0.8 of a km is made up of locks 63 to 59 and is awaiting restoration.
3. Cwmbran Tunnel is 87 yards in length and includes a steep incline.
4. At Solomon's Bridge, No 47 and at Crown Bridge, No 48, you will see lovely stone arches that can be seen all along this stretch of the Canal.
5. Be careful here and later as you will encounter pelican crosses that you can use, just after the Open Hearth public house and next to the County Hospital site.
6. The Open Hearth pub, originally called The Railway Inn back in the 1800's, a much used and welcoming hostelry especially on a hot day.
7. Panteg Bridge is no 49.
8. On the next stretch keep an eye out for mile markers.
9. Soon you will arrive at Pontymoile Basin, where there is a boat converted to a café, another excellent spot for refreshment.
10. Carrying on past the Highway and Panteg cemetery, you will see some beautiful houses with gardens that run down to the waterway.
11. Going underneath at the Top of The Jockey, you will note the Horse and Jockey pub, 250 yards off the towpath.
12. The next section of the canal is extremely beautiful, looking up to the left one can see "The Folly" a well-known local landmark.
13. After 20 minutes or so you will come to Bridge 62, here you can leave the towpath to your right and walk down a lane to a beautiful church opposite another hostelry, The Star, again known for good food and their range of beers and lagers.
14. A half a mile or so on, Mortimers Bridge, no 65, which is next to the 3 Horseshoes Public House, well known for its beers and good food.
15. You are now less than an hour from the end of your 7.3-mile walk, to Goytre Wharf, where you will see the boatyard where craft can be hired, canal trips organised and a pleasant picnic area adjacent to Penelope's Café, where refreshments and a BBQ will be available for you to enjoy.