## **Snowdon Climb**



This route will take you from our event base at Royal Victoria Hotel, crossing a high pass beneath Moel Cynghorion and joining the Snowdon Ranger Path to summit the infamous Yr Wyddfa (Snowdon).

• Distance: 17 miles / 21.6 km

• Total Ascent: 1142m

• Time: Approximately 6 hours

• Start Point: Royal Victoria Hotel, Llanberis

Peak: Yr Wyddfa (Snowdon)

Setting off from the hotel you will head up steeply on the tarmacked road from Victoria Terrace, past the Pen Ceuanant /Snowdon Café. Shortly after here you will turn right and cross the lower section of the famous Snowdon Mountain Railway. You will cross a foot bridge over a stream and reach a gate where you will turn left to follow a path that leads you up the valley to reach the foot of Moel Cynrhorion.

Walking up this steady path, you will have the chance to enjoy the spectacular surroundings and peaks of the valley. Look to your right immediately after the gate and you will see Moel Elio (the first peak our Multi-Peakers will be climbing) and looking forward you can see the winding path you will be following in front of you. The path itself follows a steady incline giving ample opportunities to enjoy the sights. As you head further up the path, you will be walking between Foel Goch and Moel Cynghorion.

At the top of this path, you will reach a gate which will lead you down to join the Snowdon Ranger Path. Take a break here to enjoy a snack, look back on the valley and feel a great sense of accomplishment for the walk you have achieved so far.

When you are ready to continue, follow the path down and turn left join the Snowdon Ranger path. This path will lead you to the 1085m summit. After a flatter start, the path will zig-zag steadily with a few short rocky steps along the way. Then the slope eases above the impressive cliffs of Clogwyn Du'r Arddu and you cross the railway before joining the other paths at Bwlch Glas. Here, you will see one of the Mountain Safety team who will direct you right towards the summit area. Only 15 minutes from here before you are stood on the highest point in Wales!

After taking a few moments to realise what you've achieved, you will be heading back down via the Llanberis path, descending back to event base at the Royal Victoria Hotel. From the summit area, you will need to travel back towards Bwlch Glas, where you will see one of our team pointing you in the right direction.

Do not cross the railway line (that's the Snowdon Ranger path) and do not gain any more height (that takes you towards the route to Crib Goch). Descending the broad Llanberis Path will take approximately 2.5 hours to reach Llanberis village – more if you're taking more rest stops or need to take it slowly down the rockier/steeper sections.

There are two short steeper sections on this path where you can zig-zag as you walk down to ease the angle slightly. After the first slope you will cross underneath the railway for the first time. After this you will descend the next steep stepped section (Allt Moses). Approximately 20 mins from the base of this section you will reach our team at the Halfway House café where you can rest and enjoy a quick drink. You are now approximately 1/1.5 hours from the hotel on good tracks. Cross beneath the railway one last time before reaching the final gate. When you exit the mountain at the final gate, you will meet one of our team to check you off the mountain. The final part of your day will be the steep road descent past the charming Snowdon Café, why not stop for some fresh made lemonade before heading back to the hotel.