

Caring for Wales' canals

We're the charity working to protect and bring to life this 250-year-old network of canals and rivers spanning Wales and England. Not so long ago many canals were abandoned, and some lost forever. Today, with your support, wildlife is recovering, history is alive, boats are plentiful and spending time in this environment is contributing to our health and happiness.

Our mission is to keep this extraordinary network of canals and rivers alive, teeming with wildlife, transforming places they run through and enriching all of our lives. Your support today could help us care for Wales' canals and many more places, for today and generations to come.



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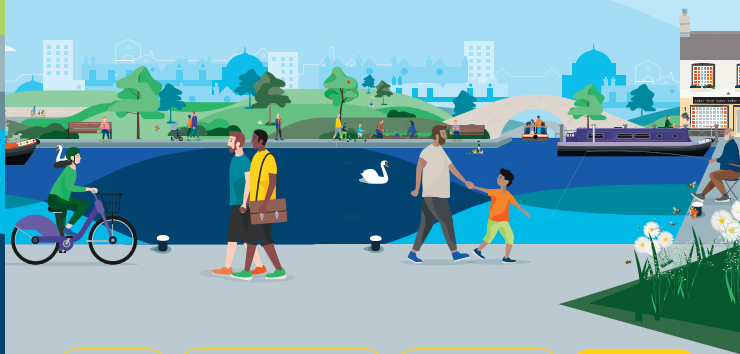
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Keeping history alive

The Monmouthshire Canal and the Brecknock & Abergavenny Canals were used to transport coal, limestone and agricultural products. They were also extensively used by ironmasters and industrialists to take raw iron ore from Newport to Llanfoist Wharf. Remains of this heritage, including wharves and lime kilns, can still be seen along the canal today.

The two canals fell into decline in the early part of the 20th century. However, after years of campaigning, work got underway in 1968 to restore the stretch of canal from Brecon to Pontymoile.

Discover lots of fun things to do with the family by and on the water. Go to canalrivertrust.org.uk/explorers



The task of protecting the finest examples of working industrial heritage including Brecon Basin, and the wildlife that calls it home, is growing all the time. As a charity we need you by our side more than ever. Please support our work today.

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Welcome to Brecon Basin

Where mountains and canal meet.



We're the charity making life better by water

Brecon town centre & castle



Much of the Monmouthshire & Brecon (Mon & Brecon) Canal runs through the Brecon Beacons National Park. Following the line of the wooded Usk Valley, the waterway is often voted Britain's prettiest canal.

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Map not to scale:
covers approx.
2¼ mile / 4km

Find your way around

- towpath
- aqueduct
- café
- pub
- toilets
- shopping
- picnic area
- play area
- point of interest
- boat hire
- trip boat
- parking



Visit us at:
Brecon Basin,
Powys, LD3 7EW

Allow 2–3 hours
for your visit

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For more information on visiting safely:
canalrivertrust.org.uk/safety

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5 things to do at Brecon Basin

- 1** Take a boat trip and discover more about the Mon & Brecon Canal.
- 2** Cycle along a stretch of the Taff Trail along the towpath from Brecon Basin to Brynich Lock and aqueduct (2.2 miles/3.5km).
- 3** Follow the poetry trail from Theatr Brycheiniog into the town centre.
- 4** Enjoy a picnic at the basin and feel the benefit of spending time by water.
- 5** Stroll along the towpath to see the old lime kilns.

Did you know?

The 'Mon & Brecon Canal' was originally two separate canals. The Monmouthshire Canal opened in 1799 and went from Newport to Pontymoile Basin, and the Brecknock & Abergavenny Canal from Pontymoile to Brecon which was completed in 1812.

