

Walk no:- SGW15	Distance Miles/kms 4 miles	<u>Degree of difficulty -</u> Easy to Moderate <u>Circular or linear</u> Circular <u>OS Explorer Map Number</u> 105	<u>Terrain</u> South West Coast Path and road with one steep hill and 100 steps to beach.
Brief description highlighting character of the walk			
Ferry ride a walk along the wooded creek past a large estate, quiet postcard village to one of the best beaches on the Roseland. Everything one would want from a Cornish walk.			
Public transport information			
Ferry ride from St Mawes to Place and back.			
Nearest Toilets and Nearest Disabled Toilets			
A 20 minute walk off this route to Porth NT car park toilets			
Nearest Car parks and Nearest Car Parks with disabled provision			
Off the road at Place or Porth NT car park or at the Porthbeor beach roadside.			
Nearest refreshments			
None on this route. Portscatho has shops and cafes and a pub.			
Further information			
1. TIC's in Falmouth on Prince of Wales Pier TR11 3DF 0905 3254534, St Mawes at the Square 01326 270440 and in Truro Boscawen Street TR1 2NE 01872 274 766 .			



Detailed description highlighting character of the walk and what to look for.

A fabulous beach at Porthbeor, with some woodland at Place. The church just behind Place House is also worth a visit.



When you arrive at Place on the ferry turn right which takes you to Place House. If you turn left up into the woodlands you will be rewarded with old oaks, hazel, sweet chestnut and many ferns. Returning to the path to Place House a small diversion is to take the gate on your right to the small quay and turn left walking up past the gates of Place House. At the first footpath on your right go into the churchyard. The church, founded in the 12th Century, is always open for a visit. There is an old granite coffin in the churchyard and the entrance is made of Jurassic limestone from Caen, Normandy.

The Spry family (presently the Spry Grant-Dalton family) have historic links to the house and church. Originally an Augustine monastery in the 11th Century the House has been a Tudor and Victorian mansion, ransacked with the stone being used in the formation of the St Mawes' sea wall.

Return to the Place ferry path and instead of going back to the ferry turn right up the path to a stile and go uphill with wonderful views of Place House. The path bears to the right and takes you into the village of Bohortha, where seemingly time has stood still for many a year. When people talk of peaceful Cornish villages they might be thinking of here.

At the t-junction turn right for 10 metres and you will notice the footpath sign. Climb the stile and you reach the South West Coast Path. To your left would take you to Towan Beach/Porth car park 20 minutes walk and Portscatho 2 miles after that whereas to your right you would get to St Anthony's Head in 30 minutes. In front of you are around 100 steps that go down to Porthbeor beach. This is a very popular local beach and especially with visiting boats. There are caves and a long stretch of beach when the tide is out.

Retrace your steps up to the path and over to the road. Either go back the way you came (with the added incentive of going downhill to Place) or turn left and walk along the road until the road veers to the right or left uphill to St Anthony's Head. Going right downhill you will pass the church and Place House with the path back to the ferry through the gate on your right at the quay. Turn left through the gate to return to the Place Ferry.

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