

**A: SOUTH RADNORSHIRE**

Sat July 12 - Wed July 16      4 nights £200  
**Start:** Builth Wells.      **End:** Hay-on-Wye.

This is designed as a walk with shorter days than usual. Radnorshire is a thinly populated county with an intricate complex of hills separated by small, fresh rivers. Typically the farmland stops on the sides of the valleys leaving the tops a wild heathland. Grassy drovers roads cross these heathy commons offering delightful walking. Many are ancient trackways connecting hillforts, castles and encampments dating from the Bronze Age to medieval times.

**B: BEACON HILL**

Sat July 19 - Thu July 24.      5 nights £250  
**Start and end:** Knighton (on the railway).

A delightful miniature in essential border landscape. Offas' Dyke strides along the English side of the Teme Valley. We will stride along it! On the Welsh side is wild Beacon Hill. High and remote, the streams and rivers which rise here flow either to the Wye or Severn. Yet this country was fought over for centuries as the remains of hillforts and Norman castles bear witness.

**C: PRESELI**

Thu July 31 - Wed Aug 6.      6 nights £300  
**Start and end:** Fishguard (on the railway)

The inner circle of stones at Stonehenge came from Preseli Hill. The importance of the area as a prehistoric sacred landscape is undeniable. Beneath the hill the pretty Gwaun Valley leads to the coast where the Atlantic washes the cliffs. At Newport is the sandy estuary of the River NeVERN. These diverse features are close enough for our walk to embrace them all.

**D: ELENITH**

Sun Aug 10 - Wed Aug 20.      10 nights £430  
**Start:** Garth.      **End:** Llandovery (on the railway)

Elenith, the ancient name for the middle section of the little-known Cambrian massif, is one of Britain's great wildernesses and a world heritage site for moss and lichen. It also divides the Welsh and English tongues. The Eastern flank is wrinkled with little valleys whose streams run briefly into the River Wye. Tracks which have provided access to the West for countless centuries slowly sink into the peat. Monks, peasants and gentry have all farmed here and clad the valleys with oak. Shelley sang his poems here. Further south the walk explores the spectacular scenery of the source valleys of the River Towy.

**E: DARTMOOR**

Tue Aug 26 - Mon Sept 1.      6 nights £300  
**Start:** Ashburton.      **End:** Horrabridge.

An exploration of the diverse features of the southern moor. The moors rise up from the lush wooded valleys of the Webburn and Dart which we walk. On the bleak, haunted moorlands, nestled in the shallow valleys of young streams, are the remains of settlements and strange stone rows from the Bronze Age. Here too, Wistman's Wood, a remnant of the primeval forest. The contrasts couldn't be greater.

