

BREAKNECK BEACH

and Peter's Splash

Two rather unusually named small easterly facing beaches close to Portscatho Harbour but only publically accessible from the Coast Path. Breakneck is also referred to as Treloan Cove.



Treloan Cove (Breakneck Beach) at low water from the Coast Path



TR2 5DG - From the A3078 to St. Mawes, at Trewithian follow the road signposted to [Portscatho](#) (see directions and parking details). Whilst on foot, from the Square in the centre of [Portscatho](#), take the road called The Lugger (above the harbour) until it joins with the Coast Path; Breakneck is about 300m past Pencabe headland where there is a short decent to the beach. There is access over the fields from the Treloan Camp Site. Peter's Splash is a further 300m along the Coast Path where there is a path that doubles back down to the beach. Access from one beach to another is possible at low water.



Path down to Breakneck



Rocks between the two beaches



Peter's Splash



Between the two beaches



At Breakneck, there is little or no beach at high water, but when the tide is out, a gently shelving beach of coarse sand and fine shingle is exposed which give way to flat rock outcrops below. In between the two beaches (about 100m) there is a rocky foreshore and patches of shingle. There is a narrow strip of sand and shingle above high water at Peter's Splash and when the tide is out it is over 200m long.



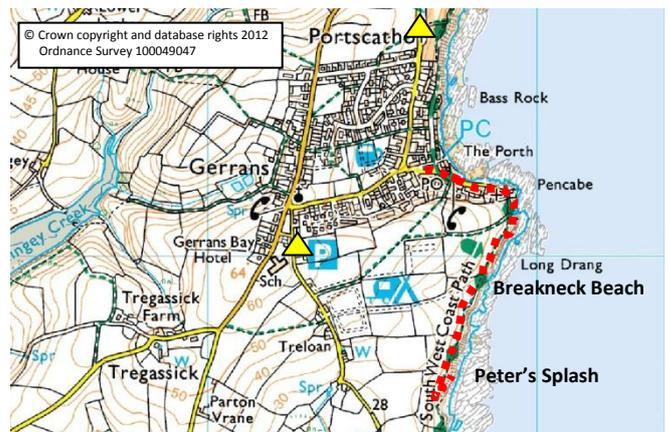
There is no safety equipment although swimming is relatively safe on an incoming tide. Neither are surfing beaches.



Both beaches are excellent for snorkelling and diving when the tide is in, especially towards either end of the beaches. Conversely, at low tide rock pools abound and are very much a feature of the locality. The rocks are popular for fishing especially Pencabe and Long Drang.



Dogs are allowed; there are no facilities at all with the nearest being at [Portscatho](#).



Location - Part of OS Explorer Map 105



Water Quality is excellent. Neither beach gets overcrowded but is popular with users of the nearby campsite. The walk to both beaches is well worth it. How the beaches derived their names is quite intriguing?