

KIBERICK COVE

This small sheltered cove tucked in on the easterly side of Nare Head is set against the backdrop of some of the best cliff-land scenery along this stretch of the Roseland coastline. Access down to the beach is somewhat of a scramble but well worth it. However, the nature of the beach can vary according to the seasons; in summer there can be a fair amount of sand which can largely disappear after winter storms when the beach becomes quite stony.



The Cove in summer with Blouth Point beyond



TR2 5PH - 7kms east of Truro on the A390 to St.Austell, take the A3078 to Tregony and St.Mawes. 2.5kms south of Tregony turn left on the road signposted to Veryan. After 2.6kms turn left again and follow the signs to **Carne Beach** then after 1.3kms branch left to Nare Head; after 1km there is a small National Trust car park on the right (capacity 25/30 cars). On the opposite side of the road is a stile and an ill-defined path across a steeply sided field down to the Cove. It is however self evident which way to go. Because of fairly recent small cliff falls it is a scramble down to the beach which is not too difficult for those who are active.



There is little or no beach an hour or so either



Scramble down to the beach



Plenty of sand in summer



Views of the Cove in summer

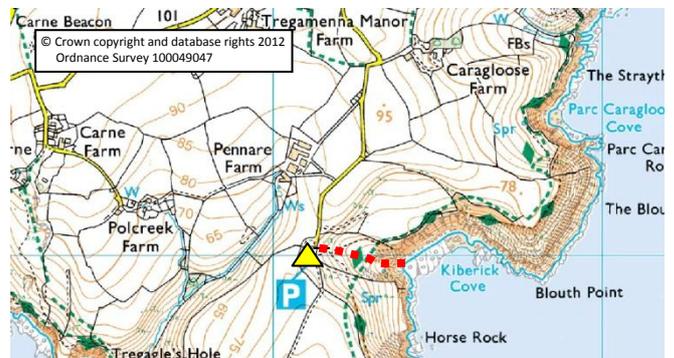
side of high water but at low water the beach is some 200m wide bounded by the cliffs leading to the imposing Nare Head on the westerly side and Blouth Point on the other. There is a stony section in the middle of the beach and either side of it areas of either small stones and shingle or sand depending on the time of year. The highest part of the beach is usually stony all year.



There is no safety equipment and it should be remembered that the beach is fairly remote if help is ever needed. On a rising tide it is reasonably safe for swimming but there are submerged rocks which need to be considered. It is advisable not to swim far out into the Cove. It is not a surfing beach. There can be very good snorkelling especially around Horse Rock on the westerly side and also around Blouth Point. There are a few rock pools at low water. The rocks off the Nare Head side of the Cove are popular with anglers. The Cove can at times be inundated with seaweed after southerly winds.



There are restrictions on dogs from Easter Day until the end of October. There are no toilets or other facilities and none close by. There are toilets at **Carne Beach** (2.7kms) and **Portloe** (3kms). There is a pub and village shop at Veryan (2.5kms) and shop, restaurant and pub at **Portloe**.



Location – Part of OS Explorer Map 105



Water quality is believed to be good. The Cove is owned by the National Trust. Gull Rock is a prominent feature 1km offshore. It is a great Cove and a fine walk out to Nare Head along the Coast Path.