



PENBERTH COVE

A photogenic fishing cove with a collection of traditional cottages set between granite headlands. It qualifies as a beach because at low water there is a very small area of sand at the bottom of a wonderful granite slipway. The approach to Penberth through the wooded Penberth Valley is most memorable. Much of the Cove is owned by the National Trust; a small number of fishermen still make keep their boats at the Cove and fish for lobster, crab and mackerel.



A traditional small Cornish fishing cove

  **TR19 6HJ** - Take the A30 from Penzance to Lands End and after 4kms turn left on to the B3283 through St.Buryan. Follow the road for a further 3kms and at the hamlet of Treen the road to Penberth is signposted. After some 700m there is a short length of road with parking next to the river (capacity about 12 cars). Parking is limited but it is usually possible to find a spot. It is then a walk of about 400m along the road down to the Cove and the slipway access to the foreshore and beach. An alternative way to get from



The granite slipway down to the small area of beach



The winch and slipway



The boulder strewn Cove

Penzance is to take the B3315 from [Newlyn](#) and [Mousehole](#) which joins the road to Treen. The Cove is easily accessible for pushchairs and wheelchairs.



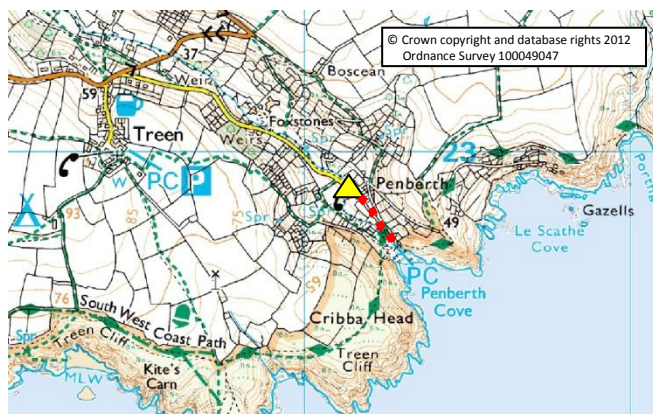
The boulder strewn Cove might not look like a beach especially at high water but for a short time at low water there is usually some sand although quite often it can be under a pile of seaweed!



There are safety rescue points by the winch at the top of the slipway. It is well worth swimming off the slipway especially on a high tide as the Cove is reasonable safe if the conditions are favourable; swimming out beyond the headlands is not recommended. It is not suitable for surfing. At high tide it is a wonderful place to snorkel and dive with much of interest especially by going around Burnewhall Cliff to Le Scathe Cove. There are many interesting rock pools amongst the boulders at low water.



Dogs are not allowed on the slipway and fish landing areas. There are toilets above the slipway. The nearest shop, cafe and pub/restaurant are at Treen (1km).



Location - Part of OS Explorer Map 102



The slipway cannot be used by the public. Sea water quality is believed to be good although the river is unknown. It is a quiet and delightful Cove with some excellent walks along the Coast path to Logan Rock past Cribba Head.