



EXPLORE POLDARK COUNTRY

West Cornwall's **WILD, RUGGED LANDSCAPE** and **STUNNING SCENARY** is popular with tourists and this dramatic setting has inspired generations of artists and writers. The old Cornish name for the area is Penwith, which means the headland at the end. It boasts a **MAGNIFICENT STRETCH** of the **SOUTH WEST COASTAL PATH** a must for any keen walker.

The area is **STEEPED IN ANCIENT HISTORY**, with the highest concentration of ancient sites found in Western Europe. The landscape was transformed in the 18th and early 19th centuries due to the rapid growth of copper and tin mining and several iconic clifftop engine houses still stand today. This area is part of the **CORNISH MINING WORLD HERITAGE SITE**, which gained its status in 2006.

Levant and Count House Bottallack Mine are the setting for the popular BBC One drama, Poldark, which is based on the books by Winston Graham.

DIRECTIONS

TIME APPROXIMATELY 2.75 HOURS (NO STOPS)

- From the Services, take the A30 south to St Ives roundabout
- Take the second exit on to Nut Lane towards St Ives
- At the second roundabout turn left on to Mill Hill
- Follow Mill Hill to the end and turn right onto the B3311 towards St Ives
- At the end of the road turn left on to the B3306 towards Zennor
- Follow the B3306 all the way to the A30 near Sennen and turn right
- Follow the A30 and then turn right into Sennen
- Return to the services by heading north on the A30

Note: this is a 126 mile round trip so give yourself enough time to explore. Also, watch out for heavy traffic near St Ives in peak season.

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ROUTE MAP

PLACES OF INTEREST

3. Zennor

Home to the Wayside Museum which is full of local industrial and agricultural relics, and a famous church with its legendary "mermaid" carved into one of the pews. A handy place to park and access the South West Coastal Path.

5. Carn Galver Mine

Pair of engine houses which were only open a short time, closing in 1876 having produced just 150 tons of tin.

10. Geevor Tin Mine

A working mine until 1990, but now the largest preserved site of its kind in the UK and a museum covering over 67 acres. Guided underground tours available.

11. Levant mine

Spectacularly sited on the cliff edge and home to the oldest surviving Cornish beam engine which has been lovingly restored and in full working order.

12. Count House Bottallack Mine

Ancient mine dating back to 1721 and home to Ross Poldark in the popular BBC drama.

14. Sennen Cove

Cornwall's most westerly surfing spot with a beautiful long, sandy beach – popular with families. Parking and access to spectacular walks on the South West Coast Path.

17. Land's End

Westernmost point of England with a large visitor centre, parking and access to the stunning South West Coastal Path.

PUB/RESTAURANTS

1. The Watermill

18th century pub with extensive gardens and stunning panorama views.

4. The Gurnard's Head

Award winning pub, stop here for lunch or a drink if you can!

SCENIC VIEW

2. Stunning coastal views: the road is rugged, often tightly twisting but truly breathtaking.

6. Stunning views through the rugged old villages of Morvah, Pendeen.

15. Scenery is beautiful and there are several enjoyable cliff walks from the cove.

LANDMARKS

7. Chun Castle

An impressive Iron Age hill fort on the summit of Chun Downs.

8. Mên-an-Tol

A small formation of standing stones.

9. Lanyon Quoit

A dolmen which currently stands at 1.5m high and visible from the road.

13. Ballowall Barrow:

A large and complex Bronze Age tomb.

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