

Bookings

As said overleaf the current Corris Railway is operated and maintained by an entirely volunteer workforce so a good notice of advanced bookings is both appreciated and necessary. Subject to volunteers being available trains can be operated to suit bookers' requirements between April and October each year. Trains will normally be steam worked but mechanical problems can occur and as good neighbours we may not run steam trains in periods of high fire risk. In those cases a diesel locomotive will work the train.

As of 2018 we can convey up to 40 passengers, although this may increase to 56 in 2019, dependent on completion of our next carriage by the volunteer workforce.

Costs:- £8.00 adult, £4.00 child (5 - 15 years) and £1.00 dogs.

If members of parties include those with mobility difficulties please let us know at the time of booking.

To book and/or request further information please contact:
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For more information about us see www.corris.co.uk

Thank you for reading this and we look forward to welcoming you to the Corris Railway and the Dulas Valley.

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GROUP TRAVEL ON THE CORRIS RAILWAY



A welcome awaits



Group information

Situated just off the main A487 road between Machynlleth and Dolgellau the current Corris Railway operates over a re-opened section of the oldest narrow gauge railway in Mid Wales whose origins date back to 1859. Closed by British Railways in 1948 the revival of the Corris by a dedicated volunteer workforce has seen passenger trains return to part of the original route in 2002.



A newly built steam engine, a 21st Century recreation of one of the original locomotives, has worked the majority of the passenger services since 2005 and another is under construction.

Trains leave the station at Corris for the journey along part of the Dulas Valley, one of the most attractive in Mid-Wales, to Maespoeth Junction. Passengers travel in recreations of the original carriages which have been built by Corris Railway volunteers. These are unusual in that the seats are arranged lengthwise along the coach, rather than the more usual front or back to the direction of travel arrangement.

On arrival at Maespoeth Junction passengers alight and are given a short talk about the history of the Railway and a tour of the site. This gives the visitor an insight into what attracts volunteers to work in the revival of the line and also of the various aspects of railway preservation as work in progress can be viewed.

The round trip and tour takes just under an hour and there is an opportunity before or after this to look around the Railway's Museum at Corris station which is housed in the former stable block, a reminder of the important part played by horses in railway history. There is a sales area.

Other Attractions

Machynlleth and Dolgellau are attractive small towns with a variety of places to eat and drink and Mach, as it is known to residents of Mid Wales, was once the Welsh capital. The Centre for Alternative Technology in the Dulas Valley has been a popular and interesting destination for many years. The Corris Craft Centre offers a large café area amongst its attractions. Corris Mine Explorers and the family orientated King Arthur's Labyrinth make use of parts of the former slate mining operations which were once a key part of the Mid Wales economy. In Corris itself there is a small café and the village pub "The Slaters Arms" (01654 761324) has been listed by CAMRA as being of historic significance (in addition it formerly had its beer delivered by the Corris Railway). The "Slaters" normally opens in the evenings only. We are close to Tallyllyn Lake and the second highest mountain in Snowdonia, Cader Idris.



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