Pembrokeshire Coast National Park
Upper Solva to Porth y Rhaw
Gentle Stroll

SCALE: 0 200 400 m
DISTANCE/DURATION: 1.3 miles (2.2 km) 45 minutes each way
PUBLIC TRANSPORT: Service bus Solva 411, "Puffin Shuttle 400" (*seasonal, hail & ride)
CHARACTER: Stile-free walk, easy to moderate grade, tarmac footpath 100m, minor road 400m, grassy lane and cliff edge

SAFETY FIRST!
- Take great care when on the Coast Path
- Stay on the path and away from cliff edges
- Wear boots and warm, waterproof clothing
- Take extra care in windy and/or wet conditions
- Always supervise children and dogs
- Leave gates and property as you find them

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Parking: Upper Solva (SM798244) at lay-by opposite church
Length: 1.4 miles (2.2 km) each way
Grade: Level with some moderate gradients
Surface: Grass, dusty surface (muddy when wet)
Telephone: At lay-by opposite Memorial Hall (SM801243)
Grid ref: SM791237

Park at the lay-by, by toilets in Upper Solva opposite church. Cross the road, turn left, past the church and turn right, walking by the Post Office. Continue up the road, which has a slight gradient, and bear left to St Brides View. Take the right fork and continue straight on past a number of guest houses. When the tarmac stops continue along a grassy track, which has gradients of 1:10 up and downhill for 55m.

At the end of this path is a gate, leading into a field. Keep to the field edge and pass through another gate onto the Coast Path. At the viewpoint you can see Lower Solva and the harbour. The small bay opposite is called the Gwadn and there are fine views of the cliffs on the far side.

Continue along the Coast Path. This is generally level apart from some slight to moderate slopes of 1:25 uphill for 75m, 1:20 uphill for 45m and, towards Porth y Rhaw, a descent of 1:20 for 500m.

Approaching Porth y Rhaw note a large Iron Age fort that has been subject to extensive archaeological excavation as it is steadily crumbling into the sea.

The descent to Porth y Rhaw is very steep at 1:8 and can be very slippery.