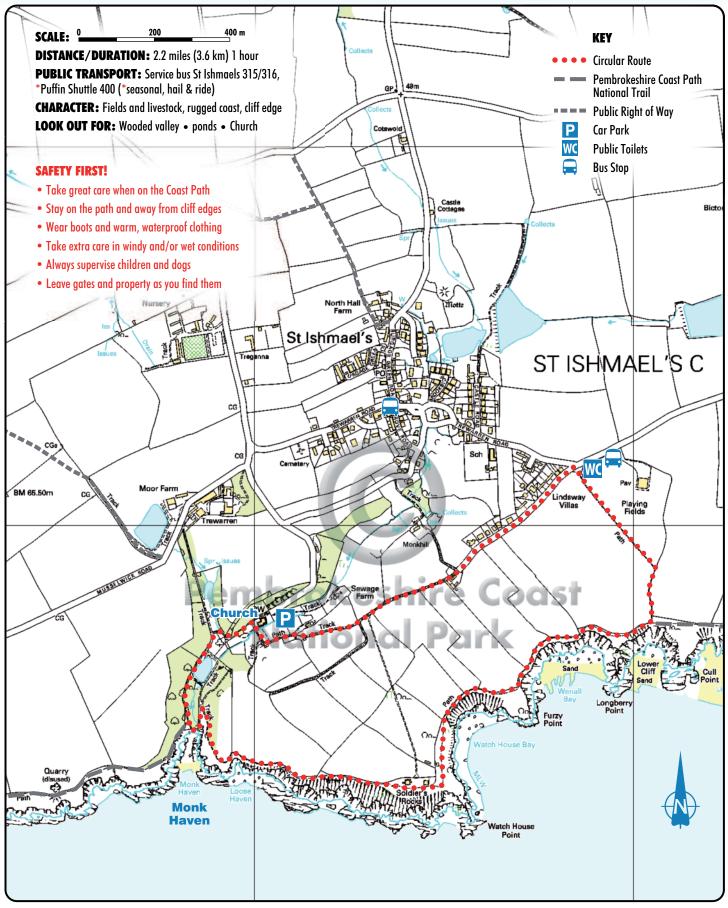
## Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Monk Haven/St Ishmaels

Short Walk



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## Duration: 1 hour

Length: 2.2 miles (3.6 km)

**Public transport:** Service bus St Ishmaels 315/316, \*Puffin Shuttle 400 (\*seasonal, hail & ride).

Grid ref: SM825065

A beautiful wooded valley leading to the secluded cove of Monk Haven.

**Look out for:** Wooded valley, ponds, Church.

Look for amphibians like frogs, toads and newts, and invertebrates and insects like pond snails, water spiders and pond skaters in the pond. Dragonflies and damselflies will hunt near the water, as will many birds, like heron, and small mammals like water voles.

Pond plants include the parrot's feather with feathery leaves which provide dense cover on the pond margins; golden creeping Jenny, an evergreen with glossy round golden yellow leaves; and the common water lily which likes sunshine and rich soil. Water mint, water forget-me-not, irises, spearwort, ragged robin and marsh marigold are commonly found at the margins of ponds.

The tiny church at St Ishmael has an unusual bell tower and dates back to 940 AD.

**Character:** Fields and livestock, rugged coast, cliff edge.

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