You may find us on the map below:

Wern Watkin/YHA Llangattock Mountain is situated in the Brecon Beacons National Park in South Wales.:



Access can be either from Crickhowell or Brynmawr on small mountain roads. The map above gives an indication of location.

ACCESS CANNOT be achieved by use of a satellite

navigation system which will route you into a narrow lane unsuitable for motor vehicles. Google maps is obscured and the street view version isn't helpful at night and Multi Map and Bing are just plain wrong.

People bringing large groups think its a good idea to attach balloons and their own signs to the sign posts to help followers. Sadly experience has shown that the local youth is a dab hand at removing these and placing them to misdirect followers to unlikely locations on the Hillside. I did tell you!

From Crickhowell (the A40) go over the Bridge and take the A4077 road towards Gilwern. Do not turn right into Llangattock but continue past the David Taylor second hand car showroom (on the right but set well back) until a small turning right appears just before a Powys Highways depot. This is clearly marked with large Bilingual Brown signs saying Bunkhouse and a hut and fir tree icon. Note the icon. Take this turning up the mountain.

Go up the mountain on a network of the following single track roads:

- Over a canal bridge
- Right at a Y fork (following sign with White on brown Icon)

- Next sharp left over a small bridge (just before a farm) (again with sign with Icon though it may be obscured in the hedge)

 – if you pass a farm you have gone too far.
- Go up the mountain in this winding sunken lane. Eventually you will emerge on more open mountainside with a valley on the right and hill on the left. The most common mistake is to believe that nobody lives this high and lose faith. Don't but the weather may be different than the valley and you have entered a different country.
- Continue over a cattle grid and then past a few houses on the left
- We are on the final track on the right before the fence stops and the road goes across open mountain side.
- You can not see Wern Watkin Farm from the road but a track leads to it in the woods. The entrance is marked with YHA triangular signs, but also has a cattle grid and red wheeled rubbish container.

If you reach a T junction with a gas pumping station surrounded by Green metal fencing on your left you have gone 300 yards too far.

The recommended route for larger vehicles is to come from the Brynmawr end. This road is flat and level as it is an old railway line.

Leave the heads of the Valley road at the Brymawr roundabout:

- · Take the Beaufort exit (back through Brynmawr).
- Take the second road turning right (the first is restricted to cars only).
- Continue back over the heads of the Valley road passing two schools on your left.
- After the second school take a left turn just before a site where something has been knocked down. This road looks like it is a private entrance – it is not.
- If you start going down hill you have gone too far.
- Continue on this level, small, spectacular, (particularly at night) mountain road for three miles until you reach a large gas pumping station (with some fir trees around it and green metal fencing) below you on your right hand side. This is marked by a brown tourist sign with a fir tree and hut Icon.
- Immediately after this turn right and after 300 yds turn left into our drive.
 This is marked with YHA signs, a Wern Watkin sign and a red wheeled rubbish container and a cattle grid and you can't see the house from the road
- If you reach a cattle grid across the road you have gone too far.

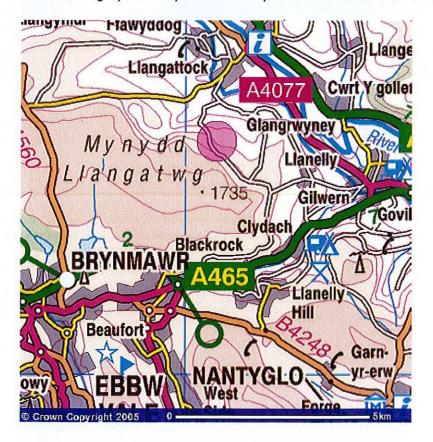
If you are lost ring 0778 686 4885 for assistance.

We are very happy for you to drive right to the door of the bunkhouse to unload but please park in the car park half way up the drive. We always aim to meet guests on arrival but if for some reason we are not there then you can access the bunkhouse using the following combination code on the lock

this fails retry using a firm push on the c button to clear the code

MAPS

1. The map below is similar to certain map books and SAtNav systems. It is missing a road off the A4077 (hidden under the Glangrwyney heading). The Pink circle is roughly where you will be if you use SATNAV. This is not Wern Watkin.



2. This map shows Wern Watkin and the access from Brynmawr.

