

Trail Information

Charlestown: Perfect port for travelling back in time

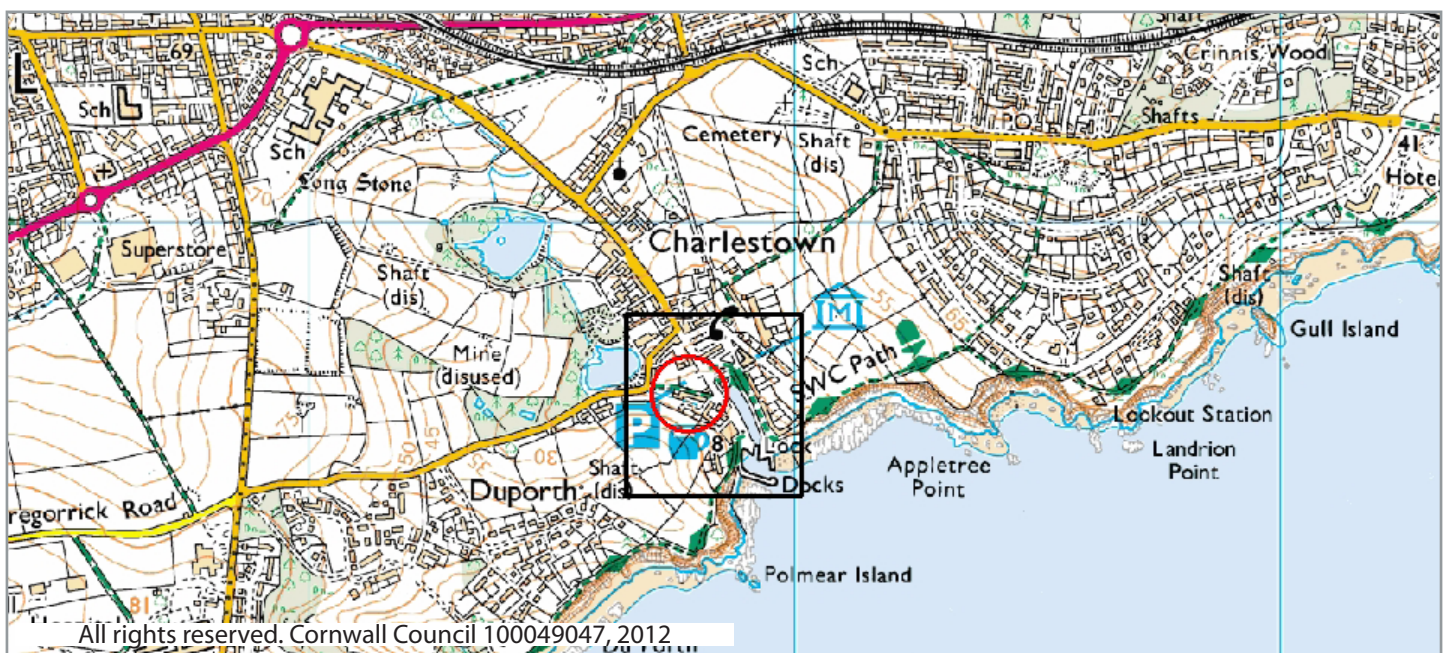
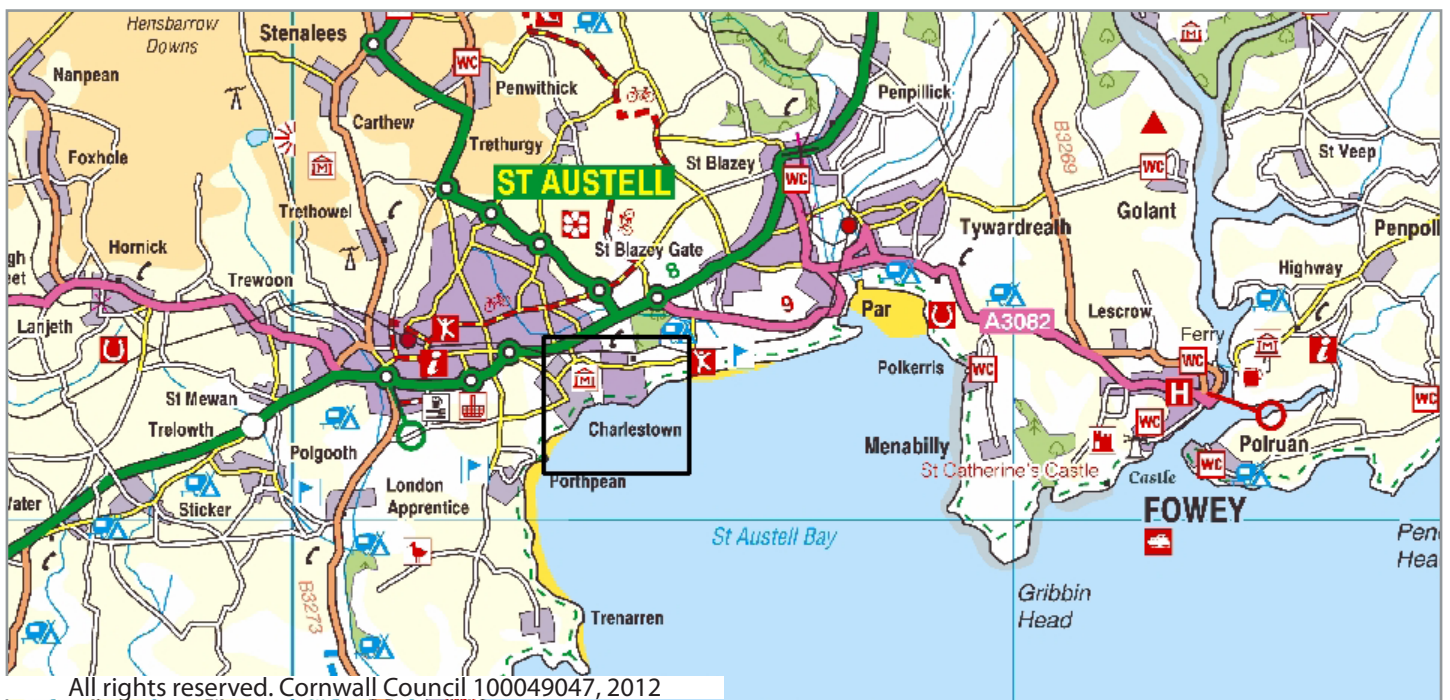


Approximate trail length
800 km (1/2 mile)



Time required
Allow 1 hour

Charlestown is the oldest china clay port in the world, and one of the best-preserved. A walk around the harbour with its impressive tall ships is like stepping back in time to the days of the mining boom in Cornwall.





Starting point

OS Explorer Map: 107 SX038516

Post Code: PL25 3NJ

GPS: 50° 19' 58.52"N
4° 45' 25.75" S

How to get there

For all latest public transport information please refer to www.cornwallpublictransport.info



By train

- 2 miles from St Austell station.



By car

- From Exeter, take the A30 signposted to Launceston. Come off the A30 at St Austell and take the A391 Through Bugle, towards St Austell, via several roundabouts. The A391 meets the A390 at a set of traffic lights. At the A390 traffic lights Holmbush Road turn right. Turn left at Holmbush Arch Road – traffic lights. (You will see Tesco on your right.) At the roundabout turn right on to Church Road. At the T-junction turn left on to Charlestown Road and you are now in the village of Charlestown.
- There is a pay and display car park in the village.



By bus

- From St Austell - No. 525

About the trail



Approximate walking time: Allow 1 hour.

Grade of Walk: Easy. The terrain consists of well maintained footpaths.



Accessibility: Suitable for wheelchair users.



Toilets: Public toilet facilities are located on the seafront, close to stop 4.



Health & Safety: Please remember to take care on the roads in the village, and stay clear of the harbour edges.



Other trails: South West Coast Path. For more information about Britain's longest waymarked long-distance footpath visit www.southwestcoastpath.com.



Facilities: There are a number of establishments serving refreshments in Charlestown.



Download the "Delve Deeper" guide to look at Cornish Mining in more detail at this site.

Further information concerning the World Heritage Site:

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