

# BREAM COVE

A delightful beach in a sheltered setting with a wooded low-cliff backdrop. Although it is a private beach there are no restrictions on public use. Easterly facing, it overlooks Fal Bay with all the shipping and yachting which can be of interest. The southerly part of the Cove is called Nansidwell Cove as it is where the valley from Nansidwell Manor meets the sea.



The Cove looking north with Falmouth in the distance



**TR115HU** - From the Hillhead Junction on the A39 at the entrance to Falmouth take the road signposted to Maenporth (5kms). Go past **Maenporth Beach** and after 1km there is the Meuden Hotel on the left; continue for a further 300m and on the left is a gated track and stile which is the access to the beach. Parking is along the road where there are normally some 30 spaces but in busy periods it can be quite chaotic so care needs to be taken not to obstruct the road. The attractive 300m walk along the public footpath down to the beach partly through woodlands is quite enchanting. It is possible to park



Views of Bream Cove at low water



Nansidwell part of the Cove



Slipway at Nansidwell

at **Maenporth** and walk south along the Coast Path. There are two access points on to the main part of the beach one of which is slipway.



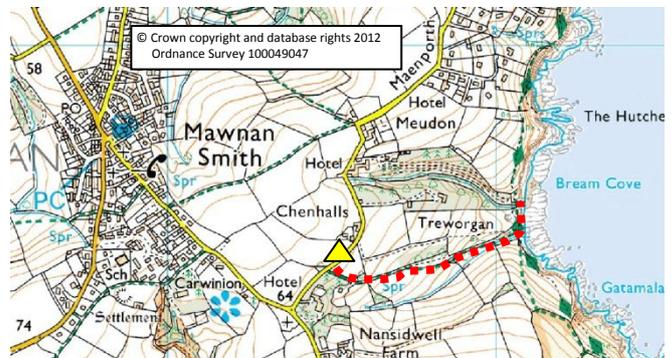
The strip of beach above high water is mostly shingle with parts of it quite stony. However at low water a gently shelving sandy beach dips down to flat rocky platforms. In between the main area of beach and Nansidwell is a low rocky area. There is a small sandy area at the Nansidwell end of the beach which can be quite secluded.



There is no safety/rescue equipment and no lifeguards. Unless there is a strong easterly wind it is a very good swimming beach, especially on a rising tide as the sandy areas into the sea at low water are limited. It is not a surfing beach. Snorkelling and diving are popular along this stretch of coastline and all along the Cove on a rising tide it is excellent. At low water the rock pools are very much a feature of the beach.



There are no restrictions on dogs and no facilities, the nearest being at **Maenporth** which is 1km along the Coast Path, where there are toilets, a cafe, restaurant with shops and a pub at nearby Mawnan Smith (1.5kms).



Location - Part of OS Explorer Map 103



Water quality is excellent. It is a fine small beach. The private slipways are not practical for public use. At low spring tides it is possible to scramble round to the small sandy Gatamala Cove.