







PORTREATH

# **▶** The Mineral Tramways Trails

During the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, mining in Cornwall for copper and tin sparked pioneering technological developments that were to change the world and help shape the lives we live today. The Mineral Tramways Trails take you through some of the most historically important mining landscapes in Cornwall and there is no better way to start your journey of discovery of Cornish mining than via the routes overleaf.

So important are the mining landscapes here that these were included as part of the Cornish Mining World Heritage Site, as inscribed by UNESCO in 2006. The Mineral Tramways Trails include the greatest concentration of historic mine buildings within the World Heritage Site and also much unusual wildlife, some of which only thrives in mining landscape habitats.

A number of important mine buildings have been conserved in the area in recent years and four new multi-use trails created totalling an additional 30.5km (18 miles). The sites are linked by trails that follow as closely as possible the original tramway and railway routes used to transport ore, coal and materials to and from the mines.

These well signposted, largely off-road routes have been specially created for walkers, cyclists and horse riders while also being partly suitable for people with impaired mobility. The trails connect with local mining heritage attractions, public transport networks, other visitor facilities, and historic villages in the Camborne, Redruth and St Day area.

## ► How to get there

Rail - www.nationalrail.co.uk Tel: 08457 484950

Camborne, Redruth and Truro are all situated on the main line. Perranwell Station is on the Falmouth to Truro branch line.

Public Transport - www.traveline.org.uk Tel: 0871 200 2233

**Car** - These routes make use of existing car parking facilities. A number of bike hire companies offer car parking.

### **▶** Further Information

For more detailed information refer to OS Explorer 104 map.

#### **▶** Tourist Information Centres

- Redruth, Alma Place Tel: 01209 216760
- Truro, Municipal Buildings, Boscawen Street Tel: 01872 274555

#### Contacts

Cornwall Council www.cornwall.gov.uk/cornishway or tel: 0300 1234 202

www.sustrans.org.uk www.cornishmining.org.uk www.visitcornwall.com

East Pool Mine, Pool Tel: 01209 315027

King Edward Mine, near Troon Tel: 01209 614681

Tolgus Tin, near Portreath Tel: 01209 218198

The Cornwall Centre, Redruth Tel: 01209 216760







