

# Rhyd y Gaseg

## Coedwig Clocaenog Forest

Croeso i'r goedwig enfawr hon sydd yr un maint â 10,000 o gaeau rygbi (100 kilometr sgwâr).

Mae wedi'i lleoli ym mhen deheuol gweunydd Hiraethog, a chafodd ei phlannu yn y 1930au. Er ei bod yn goedwig weithredol, mae hi bellach yn gartref i amrywiaeth eang o fywyd gwylt, yn ogystal â bod yn lle y gall pobl ei fwynhau.

### Lloches i wiwerod coch

Wyddech chi fod gwiverod coch yn byw yng nghoedwig Clocaenog? Mae'r wiwer goch yn brin yng Nghymru ac mae'r prif boblogaethau ar Ynys Môn, yng nghoedwig Clocaenog ac yng nghanolbarth Cymru. Mae'r wiwer goch dan fygwyd sherydd y wiwer iwyd, sy'n lledaenu clefyd (fwrws brech y wiwer) ac yn cystadlu am yr un bwyd. Ond rhaid ichi fod yn lwcus iawn i weld un, oherwydd maent ar wasgar dros ardal eang ac yn greaduriaid eithaf swil.

Mae grugieir duon prin, sy'n enwog am eu campau carwriaethol, yn byw ar gyrrion y goedwig.

Welcome to this huge forest which is the size of 10,000 rugby pitches (100km<sup>2</sup>).

It lies at the southern end of Hiraethog Moor and was first planted in the 1930s. Although still a working forest, it is now a home for a wide variety of wildlife, as well as for people to enjoy.

### Red squirrel stronghold

Did you know that red squirrels live in Clocaenog Forest? Red squirrels are rare in Wales and are mainly found on Anglesey, in Clocaenog Forest and in Mid Wales. The red squirrel is threatened by the non-native grey squirrel, through disease (the squirrelpox virus) and competition for food. You will be very lucky to see one as they move over large areas and are quite secretive.

Rare black grouse, known for their flamboyant courtship display, known as 'lekking', live on the forest edge.



## Croeso i Rhyd y Gaseg

Mae rhyd yn dal i groesi'r afon ger y rhaeadr.

Wrth i'r afon ledu wrth droed y bryn, mae'n bosibl gweld cored, ond wyddom ni ddim beth oedd ei phwrpas. Efallai bod rhyw gysylltiad rhyngddi ag Ystâd Pool Park y teulu Bagot, gan nad oedd eu cartref ymhell oddi yma yn Efenechtyd.

## Welcome to Rhyd y Gaseg

Translated it means 'the mare's ford' - a ford still crosses the stream near the waterfall.

As the stream broadens out at the bottom of the hill, you can see a weir, but we don't know what its function was. Perhaps it was something to do with the Pool Park Estate owned by the Bagot Family, as their house was not far from here at Efenechtyd.

