

# Writing Notes

TRAVEL, ART, AND MY NEW BOOK



Launch date October 2020

Targeting the Mature

Traveler - out soon!

Everything getting ready for the launch of my new book from New York publisher BEP due for release October 2020.

Excited as this is looks at what mature travelers want

Travel review

Excerpt from my trip to see the Northern Lights

Still difficult to travel, but here is an excerpt from my trip to Finland - Autumn is the time to go - to inspire you to visit at some time. So many places still to see!

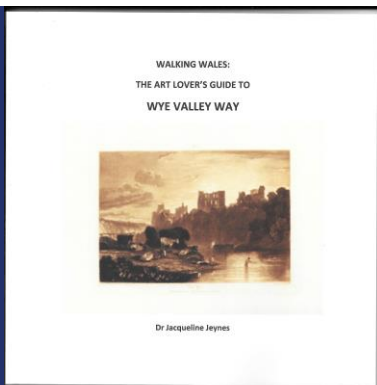
Arty things

Aberystwyth Printmakers

Aberystwyth Printmakers' Appeal still going so please consider buying a print.

Good to see a mention of my author interview in their latest Newsletter

[www.aberystwythprintmakers.com](http://www.aberystwythprintmakers.com)



## FEATURED BOOK: WALKING WALES: THE ART LOVER'S GUIDE TO WYE VALLEY WAY

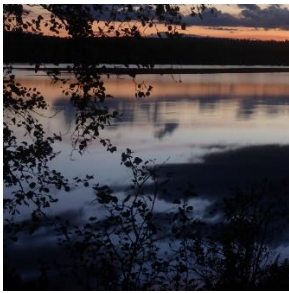
This is the visual 'journal' that follows my walk along the Wye Valley Way - 136 miles over 15 days.

Lots of old paintings of places along the route to see how things have changed over the years - or not changed at all.

## Menesjarvi - Wilderness Auroras during the Finnish Autumn

Aurora Zone, 4 nights, 5<sup>th</sup> September 2018 flying Finnair from Heathrow (went as a solo traveler)

This was my last attempt to see the Northern Lights as not a sign of them on my trip to Iceland last winter!



Aurora Zone were very helpful in organizing everything and include detailed information about what to pack depending on the time of year and type of trip. Please note that they do accept Euros everywhere in Finland, and also seem to have a better WiFi reception than we do at home.

September is the Finnish 'Ruska' season, the autumn as nights are drawing in and the trees are changing to vibrant orange and gold colours, perfect for intense reflections in the calm stillness of Lake Minesjarvi. It is surprising to think of seeing the Northern Lights at this time of year, I always assumed it had to be during the winter months, but here in the northern-most part of Finnish Lapland, well within the Arctic Circle, the Aurora Borealis has been seen from mid-August. I was also unaware that "Lapland" is the area that covers the north of Norway, Sweden and Finland, apparently geographic distinctions lost on the wandering reindeer!

Visits include going to see husky dogs, reindeer, an internationally renowned felt-maker, woodcraft in local forest, and a session on how best to photograph the Northern Lights.

Hotel Korpikartano on the edge of Lake Minesjarvi was originally a boarding school now converted to comfortable accommodation. It is very remote, but a perfect location with no light-pollution to hinder the look-out for the Lights. Beautiful reflections as sun setting, very dark by 11.15pm when something started to form across the lake. Yes! Two shapes across the sky, green, growing stronger with perfect reflection in the lake. Excellent.

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This is just an excerpt, but I can definitely recommend Aurora Zone and an autumn trip to see the Northern Lights in Finnish Lapland. [www.theaurorazone.com](http://www.theaurorazone.com)

Full 3 page Review is on my website and also on Silver Travel Advisor [www.silvertraveladvisor.com](http://www.silvertraveladvisor.com)

## Walking Wales: The Art Lover's Guide to Wye Valley Way ISBN: 9780992 6 10036

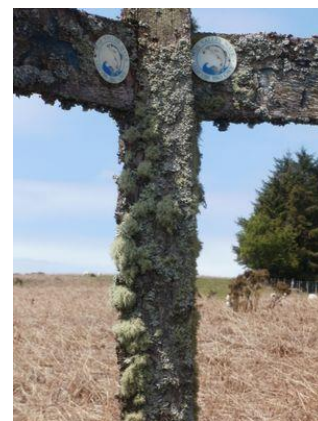
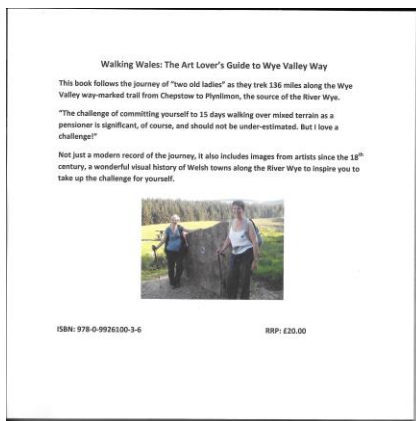
The original idea was to walk the Wye Valley Way in one go, not sections at different times, mainly because the challenge is to put your boots back on every day even if only walking 5 miles rather than 12.

It was planned around 8-10 miles a day with B&B accommodation each night. Yes, life is too short to camp! The last 2 days were the hardest at 12 miles each but being met by my husband with bottle of bubbly cooling in the river was a great finale.

Start at Chepstow, through Monmouth to Hereford, then Hay on Wye to Builth Wells, the final section is Rhayader to Llangurig and across to Plynlimon. Lots of photos and images, including old paintings from National Library of Wales collections, with a section on Planning a Long-Distance Walk to get you started.

See more information and Powerpoint on my website: [www.jacquelinejeynes.com/walking-wales](http://www.jacquelinejeynes.com/walking-wales)

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Normally £15.00 - special offer £10.00 (p&p free) if you order on [www.jacquelinejeynes.com/contact-us](http://www.jacquelinejeynes.com/contact-us) and quote WN2!

## NEXT TIME

We will see the new book I am making at the Nant Designs workshop on 12<sup>th</sup> September



Here are some I made on earlier workshops with Carole!

Special feature about Silver Travel Awards on 15<sup>th</sup> September – I have my 15 seconds of fame as one of the virtual audience members!

More on my book launch and other projects I am working on. Keep Safe